

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 10th, 2021; 7:00 pm Online via Zoom

Call to Order

Chair Ashley Warren called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Establishment of Quorum

Commissioners Ashley Warren (2D01) and Hannah Untereiner (2D02) were present, establishing a quorum. There were 13 residents and visitors in attendance.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Untereiner seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Approval of April 2021 Meeting Minutes

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's April 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner Untereiner seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Administrative and Financial Matters

Commissioner's Comments

There were not any commissioner's comments.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Untereiner said that the current balance for the ANC's checking account is \$12,751.93.

DC Government Reports

Metropolitan Police Department (Police Service Area 208)

Officer Jeremy Brady, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District, gave an overview of the recent crime statistics for the neighborhood. He said that MPD continues to experience a large number of cars being stolen across the city, including the cars of

delivery drivers who leave their cars running. He reminded local residents to not leave valuables in their cars and to not leave their cars running during the summer months in order to cool them down.

Mayor's Office

Anna Noakes, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS), said that the Mayor's Office organized a successful "day of action" on May 1st in order to encourage local residents to receive a COVID vaccine. She said that volunteers knocked on over 12,000 doors across the city over the course of the day. She said that another "day of action" will take place on May 22nd.

Ms. Noakes said that all DC residents ages 16 and older are now eligible to receive a COVID vaccine. She said that DC now has twelve walk-up vaccination sites that are now open across the city, including the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Ward 2. She said that DC Health recently launched DC MyIR, an online portal that gives local residents access to their DC vaccination records. She added that homebound residents can continue to call (855) 363-0333 to register for an at-home vaccination.

Ms. Noakes gave an overview of StayDC, DC's new emergency rental assistance program, which is being paid for using federal funding. She said that StayDC can help local residents pay up to twelve months of past-due rent and up to three months of future rent. She said that more information regarding the program can be found at: https://stay.dc.gov/.

The commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the DC MyIR portal with Ms. Noakes.

Councilmember's Office

Brian Romanowski, the Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, said that the DC Council will vote to extend DC's public health emergency on May 18th. He thanked local residents who attended Councilmember Pinto's recent community safety bike ride. He added that Councilmember Pinto recently took District Department of Transportation (DDOT) Acting Director Everett Lott to the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and Florida Avenue to discuss safety issues at the intersection.

Mr. Romanowski said that the Department of Public Works' street sweeping efforts will resume June 1st. He said that anyone who is having trouble securing Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) appointments can contact Councilmember Pinto's Office for assistance. He said that the DC Council will take its second vote on the proposed updates to DC's Comprehensive Plan on May 18th. He added that Mayor Bowser will be releasing her proposed FY 2022 budget on June 2nd and that the DC Council's final vote on the budget will take place on August 10th.

The commissioners discussed DDOT's Slow Streets Initiative and the process of returning to inperson ANC meetings with Mr. Romanowski.

Old Business

There was not any old business.

New Business

Mitchell Park Permit Request for Outdoor Music Classes on Friday Mornings

Chair Warren moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Untereiner seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2D supports the Mitchell Park permit request for outdoor music classes on Friday mornings.

Spanish Steps Wedding Permit Request for June 19th, 2021

Chair Warren moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Untereiner seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2D supports the Spanish Steps wedding permit request for June 19th, 2021.

Spanish Steps Wedding Permit Request for October 2nd, 2021

Chair Warren moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Untereiner seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2D supports the Spanish Steps wedding permit request for October 2nd, 2021.

Announcements

Holly Sukenik, a Board Member for Restore Mass Ave, said that Washington Gas is currently replacing pipelines along Massachusetts Avenue NW and that DDOT has also started work on the Rehabilitation of Massachusetts Avenue NW Project. She said that Restore Mass Ave is monitoring the construction work. She added that local residents who are walking along Massachusetts Avenue NW and have concerns regarding the construction work can report their concerns, such as damage to trees, on the Restore Mass Ave website at: https://restoremassave.org/campaign-for-shade/.

A local resident thanked the ANC, the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), and Councilmember Pinto's Office for helping to prevent the Mitchell Park basketball court from being used as a de facto dog park.

Open Comments

There were not any open comments.

Date of Next Meeting

Chair Warren said that the ANC's next meeting will take place on Monday, June 21st at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

Chair Warren adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.