Minutes

May 16, 2016, 7:00PM

Our Lady Queen of the Americas

2200 California Street

Submitted by David Bender, Chair/Secretary

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson Bender.
- 2. Establishment of Quorum: Present were 2 Commissioners and 22 Residents/Guests.
- 3. The Agenda was **APPROVED** as distributed.
- 4. The minutes of the April 4, 2016, Meeting were **APPROVED** as published.
- 5. Administrative/Financial Matters:
- 5.1 Commissioner's Comments; Commissioner Bender shared with the residents four items: 1) At the June 20th meeting a representative from the Office of the Attorney General will be present to provide an update on their main initiatives, 2) Parking meter rates will increase on June 1st---Premium Demand Zones from \$2.00 to \$2.30 an hour, Normal Demand Zones from \$0.75 to \$2.30 an hour; and Commercial Loading Zones from \$2.00 to \$2.30 an hour, 3)Polling place for Precinct 13 has been relocated to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 4)Chinese Apartment Building: SCG America Group, Inc. has informed the Commission that No Parking Signs will be posted along the first block of Kalorama Road off Connecticut Ave due to the delivery and installation of cast stone early next month.
- 5.2 Treasurer's Report Opening Balance April 1, 2016, \$7,889.81; Closing Balance as of April 30, 2016, \$7,889.81; (Deposit \$0.00, Interest \$0.32; Disbursements \$0.00)
- 6. DC Gov't Reports

6.1 MPD (PSA 208)...Lieutenant Jerome M.

Merrill <u>jerome.merrill@dc.gov</u> Lieutenant Merrill reported no violent crimes have occurred in S-K. Rob Nevitt, Chair of the Call Box Committee, asked MPD to assist in helping to stop the vandalism that has been done to two of the boxes near the Islamic Center. A number of residents offered additional information regarding the possible perpetrator. Lt. Merrill agreed that MPD would look into the matter.

6.2 Mayor's Office...

Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor of Planning and Economic Development; dmped.eom@dc.gov Deputy Mayor Kenner provided an overview of economic development activities which are occurring in DC. He addressed the 1) Mayor's FY 2017 Budget, 2) Short term family housing, and 3) Increase of the minimum wage by 2020 to \$15.00. Mr. Kenner then answered a number of questions ranging from Homelessness housing to Youth services.

Keylin Rivera <u>keylin.rivera@dc.gov</u>; Eva Lewis <u>eva.lewis@dc.gov</u> Ms. Rivera invited the residents to participate in the May 19th City agency staff and Commissioners S-K walk-around. The walk-around will note items requiring further examination or repair. She spoke of the program for "Older American Month" being sponsored by the City. The theme this May is "Blazing a Trail", in recognition of the many contributions our elders have made to our country and to our society. Copies of "News from Mayor Muriel Bowser" May 12, 2016, Volume 2, Issue 18 were distributed.

6.3 Council Member's Office...Tom Lipinsky...tlipinsky@dccouncil.us

Mr. Lipinsky shared additional comments on Budget revisions that are being addressed by the Council including: an increase in funds for Urban Forestry; funding for short term family housing; and the inclusion of funds for businesses to purchase trash compactors.

6.4 Christopher Shorter, Director Department of Public Works; dpw@dc.gov Mr. Shorter began his remarks by highlighting the May 7, 2016, Weekly Executive Dashboard which provides statistical information on the operations of the three main areas within DPW (Solid Waste Management, Parking Enforcement Management and Fleet Management). He noted that during the next 6 weeks, the City would be making a special effort to whip out graffiti. He answered questions on snow removal and parking enforcement.

7. Old Business: No Old Business

8. New Business:

- 8.1 ANC Petition Filing; If you are interested in standing for election as an ANC Commissioner at the November 8th General Election, you can obtain petitions and election information starting Monday, July 11 at the DC Board of Elections, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 250N. Signed petitions must be returned by Wednesday, August 10th.
- 8.2 2161 Florida Ave., NW, 3rd floor addition; Gardner; Following a presentation of the project by the home owner and the architect, Commissioner Goldstein moved and it was seconded that, "ANC 2D, having heard, reviewed, and considered proposed plans by the owners of 2161 Florida Ave NW, and their architect, to construct an upper floor addition to that property is satisfied and confident that the owners are endeavoring to build an addition that meets both their need for additional space and the needs of the community for architecturally and historically appropriate design. The Commissioners commend the ongoing efforts of the design team and the City's Historic Preservation Office to refine construction plans to meet the concerns of all involved". **APPROVED**
- 8.3 Renewal of Alcoholic Beverage License:
 - 8.3.1 Ogawa, 2100 CT Ave.
 - 8.3.2 Washington Courtyard By Marriott, 1900 CT. Ave.
 - 8.3.3 Russia House, 1800 CT. Ave.
 - 8.3.4 Churchill Hotel, 1914 CT. Ave.
 - 8.3.5 McClellan's Retreat, 2031 FL. Ave.

Residents were reminded that if they had comments to make regarding the renewal of any of the five pending establishment renewal license applications, that their comments should be sent to Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14thStreet, NW, Suite 400 South, Washington, D.C. 20009, before the filing deadline posted on the establishment's window placards.

8.4 Wedding Request Spanish Steps, July 16, 2016; Huebner; It was moved by Commissioner Bender and seconded that, "ANC 2D approve the request being made by Bryce Huebner for a permit to be issued by the DC Department of Parks and Recreation to hold a wedding at the Spanish Steps on July 16, 2016; between 2 and 6 PM. It is understood that at the

conclusion of the ceremony, the STEPS and park are to be free of clutter/debris and that no flower petals or debris will be floating in the fountain". **Approved**

9. Announcements: No announcements

10. Open Comments: No comments

11. Date of Next Meeting—June 20, 2016

12. Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Goldstein, seconded, with meeting being adjourned at 8:45PM.

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