ANC 2D Minutes

November 16, 2015, 7:00PM Our Lady Queen of the Americas 2200 California Street

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Chairperson Bender.
- 2. Establishment of Quorum: Present were 2 Commissioners and 14 Residents/Guests.
- 3. The Agenda was **Approved** as published.
- 4. Minutes of the October 19, 2015, Meeting were **Approved** as published.
- 5. Administrative/Financial Matters:
- 5.1 Commissioner's Comments
- 5.1.1 **Alert**—Residents were told of a recent flurry of packages that are being stolen from front door areas. With the approaching holiday seasons, be mindful of packages being delivered to your homes.
- 5.2 Treasurer's Report...Treasurer Goldstein reported that the October 31, 2015, fund balance was \$7,992.84. Following a discussion of the ANC's income and expenditures, Commissioner Bender moved and it was seconded, "that the 4th Quarter Financial Report be approved as presented". **Approved**
- 5.3 Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2016; Commissioner Bender presented the 2016 Meeting Schedule and moved and it was seconded, "that ANC 2D adopt the 2016 Meeting Schedule as presented". **Approved** See **Exhibit A**
- 5.4 ANC Grants: Commissioner Goldstein announced that grant applications are being accepted. Only community not-for-profit organizations with a "public purpose" that does not duplicate efforts of the DC Government may apply. Grant applications should not exceed \$500.00. Deadline for submitting a grant application is February 15, 2016. Applications must contain the following information:
- 1. Name of organization requesting the grant and contact information.
- 2. Complete description of the proposed project.
- 3. Statement of benefit to individuals who reside or work within our ANC boundaries.
- 4. Cost of project including whether additional funding is being requested from other sources and a budget detailing specific expenses to be paid with the ANC grant.
- 5. Assurance that the grantee will submit within 60 days following the receipt of a grant a detailed statement as to how the grant was used, along with copies of supporting documentation such as receipts, invoices and copies of checks. Failure to submit supporting documentation will result in denial of future grant requests.
- 6. An application must contain the signatures of the president and treasurer of the requesting organization.

(An organization with an outstanding grant or with uncompleted documentation from a previous one, is not eligible to receive additional funding.) Grants will be announced following the March 21st ANC Meeting.

- 6. DC Gov't Reports:
- 6.1 MPD (PSA 208)...Lieutenant Jerome M. Merrill <u>jerome.merrill@dc.gov</u>; Not present. Commissioner Bender spoke of the homeless family who was living in their SUV parked on Wyoming Ave. The family has been moved into temporary housing but the SUV and U-Haul trailer are still parking on Wyoming Ave. The vehicle has been ticketed numerous times.

- 6.2 Mayor's Office... Eva Lewis; eva.lewis@dc.gov; Ms. Lewis spoke on 3 activities:1)Crime, 2)Homelessness, and 3)PEPCO Merger with Exelon.
- 6.3 Council Member's Office...; Tom Lipinsky; tlipinsky@dccouncil.us; Mr. Lipinsky informed the residents that on November 17th the Council would hold a legislative meeting. Councilmember Evans would be introducing two pieces of legislation: 1) Protect of minors from identity theft, and 2) Re-introduction of handicapped passenger access to taxi cabs. 7. Old Business:
- 7.1 PEPCO Update on Recent Developments; Donna Cooper, President, PEPCO Region; Ms. Cooper distribution a brochure titled "The Pepco Holdings-Exelon Merger: Affordability, Reliability and Sustainability for DC" and discussed a number of benefits which would result in the proposed merger. She highlighted the settlement terms and noted that the Public Services Commission of the District of Columbia is considering the merger. Residents who wish to comments on the merger can do so, by December 18th, at PHITomorrow.com (case number 1119).
- 7.2 2310 Bancroft PI NW DDOT Application (13-343); for construction of driveway and leadwalks...David Landsman; following a presentation of the revised plans, Commissioner Goldstein moved and it was seconded, "that ANC 2D approve the plans as submitted to the Commission on November 16, 2015, for construction of the driveway, leadwalks, and landscaping at 2310 Bancroft Place, NW". **Approved**
- 7.3 2405 Tracy Place NW (brick and limestone garden wall)...Donald Lococo; following a presentation of the plans and discussion, Commissioner Bender moved and it was seconded, "that ANC 2D fully supports the plans as submitted to the Commission on November 16, 2015, for construction of a brick and limestone front garden wall". **Approved**
- 7.4 2118 Bancroft Place, Roof Deck; following a presentation to and discussion of the Commission and residents, Commissioner Goldstein presented a resolution (see Exhibit B) and moved its approval. The motion was seconded. It was agreed that an accompanying letter would written and both would be sent to the Mayor, Councilmember Evans and DCRA Director Linda Bolling. **Approved** Keep these contacts handy to report construction that you question or construction going on without permits posted:

<u>kindyf@verizon.net</u> – kindy french, Sheridan-Kalorama Historic Association, President <u>Steve.Callcott@dc.gov</u> - Steve Callcott, Deputy Preservation Officer <u>toni.cherry@dc.gov</u> - Toni Cherry, Lead Building Inspector, Historic Preservation <u>keith.lambert@dc.gov</u> - Keith Lambert, Historic Preservation Inspector

- 8. New Business: None presented
- 9. Announcements:
- 9.1 The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) is informing licensees of changes to the Extended Holiday Hours program and of eligible holidays in the 2016 calendar year. As part of a new law that went into effect this year (D.C. Law 20-270), licensees are no longer required to register for the Extended Holiday Hours program each calendar year to participate. As a result, licensees that are already registered in the program in 2015 will be automatically eligible to participate in extended holiday hours in 2016. In early December, ABRA will send letters to enrolled licensees confirming registration in the Extended Holiday Hours program for 2016. The program will continue to allow registered on-premises establishments to sell and serve alcoholic beverages until 4 a.m. and operate 24 hours a day on District and Federal holidays and certain holiday weekends. Next year's eligible holidays are listed online in the 2016 Extended Holiday Hours Calendar. On-premises licensees that are not already registered in the program but want to participate would need to register to do so. In order to enroll, a licensee would need to submit a notification form and public safety plan to ABRA at least 30 days prior to the first holiday a licensee would like to participate. Once a licensee is

registered and approved, the registration will be valid for the calendar year and each year thereafter.

- 9.2 Chris Chapin, President, Sheridan-Kalorama Neighborhood Council (SKNC) spoke of the need for a S-K Parking Study. Commissioner Bender shared information on the "Transportation & Public Infrastructure--Parking Study 2B and 2D" and the 4 studies requested that DDOT carryout: 1. (Alley; Mass and Waterside Drive and parking on Belmont 2. (2000-2300 CT Ave Taft Bridge) 3. (2200 Kalorama Road and Thornton Drive) and 4. (2300 Kalorama Road and 23rd Street). Further discussion will follow the release of activities in progress.
- 9.3 Two new residents (one residing on California Street and the other on Wyoming Ave.) to Sheridan-Kalorama attended the meeting and were welcomed.
- 10. Open Comments: None made
- 11. Date of Next Meeting—January 11, 2016
- 12. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Goldstein, seconded, with the meeting being adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Exhibit A: ANC 2D MEETING SCHEDULE for 2016

January 11 (2 nd Monday)7:00PM	
February 15	7:00PM
March 21	7:00PM
April 4 (1st Monday)	7:00PM
May 16	7:00PM
June 20	7:00PM
July	No Meeting
August	No Meeting
September 19	
October 17	
November 14 (2 nd Monday)7:00PM	
December	No Meeting

Exhibit B; Resolution 2118 Bancroft Place Roof Deck

WHEREAS the construction of a roof deck at 2118 Bancroft Pl. NW utilized cinder block (CMU) to build the adjoining western, outside wall (parapet) in its exterior;

WHEREAS this material is fully and easily visible to neighbors and residents and is not in keeping with the historic character of the Sheridan-Kalorama neighborhood:

WHEREAS this wall blocks significant natural light from entering the adjoining home at 2120 Bancroft PI. and limits the use of the home office and studio as intended when the current owners purchased the home, impairs their privacy, and also has the potential to hurt the value of the property;

WHEREAS attempts to ameliorate this situation with the owners of the property at 2118 Bancroft PI. have been unsuccessful;

WHEREAS the final plans for the construction of the wall were never presented to the ANC for comment or review;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2D supports the efforts to have the cinder block wall removed and to have this case reconsidered by the DCRA, the DC Office of Planning and any other relevant agencies;

AND FURTHER be it resolved that ANC 2D recommends that District agencies reviewing and deciding such building requests in the future explicitly prohibit the use of such materials when more appropriate options are available.

Meetings are held at our Lady Queen of the Americas Church, 2200 California Street, NW.

COMMISSIONERS:

ANC2D01......David R. Bender, PhD, Chair/Secretary 2D01@anc.dc.gov
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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D meets the third Monday of the month unless otherwise announced. There is an open forum at each meeting for discussion of relevant issues not on the regular agenda. For additional information go to the ANC website at ANC2D.ORG.