



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B
JUNE 2024 FULL MEETING OF ANC 6B

Join Information:

Meeting Location: 507 8th Street SE, Washington DC 20003 (Ground Floor)

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AGENDA

1) Introduction

2) Adoption of Agenda

3) Consent Agenda

- a) May Minutes
- b) Alcoholic Beverage & Cannabis Consent Items
 - i) NONE
- c) Transportation Consent Items
 - i) Move July Meeting to June 26th ***The Committee recommended that full ANC reschedule the July Transportation Committee meeting for Wednesday, June 26th at 7pm and place this action on the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.***
 - ii) ANC Letter to DDOT Sharing Comments on the two 11th Street SE Projects ***The Committee recommended that full ANC write a letter to DDOT sharing comments on the two 11th St. projects, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.***
 - iii) ANC 6B Letter to WMATA with Comments on the Better Bus Network ***The Committee recommended that full ANC write a letter to WMATA sharing comments on the Better Bus Base Network, urging the continuation of the current 96 route and increased frequency of the planned D14 route, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. The motion passed 11-0-1.***
 - iv) 8th Street Bus Priority Project: ANC 6B Letter to DDOT ***The Committee recommended that full ANC write a letter to highlighting the importance of posting the latest project plans on its website, conducting more outreach to businesses, adding more signs for the parking area under the highways, and presenting data that substantiates its proposed actions, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. The motion passed 11-0-1.***
- d) Planning & Zoning Consent Items
 - i) NONE
- e) Public Safety Consent Items
 - i) Letter Requesting a Status Update on the Implementation of the 2022 Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan and Invitation to DC Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice Lindsey Appiah ***The Committee recommended that full ANC write a letter requesting a status update on the implementation of the Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan and to include an open invitation to the Deputy Mayor to present to the Committee this year. The motion passed unanimously.***
- f) Administrative Consent Items
 - i) Vote to Change September Meeting Date to 09/09/2024 (To Avoid Conflicting with Presidential Debate)
 - ii) Appointment of Alternate Resident Member for 6B04 to the Transportation Committee

4) Presentations

a) Kilil Roussaw – Founder/Executive Director of KRoussaw Foundation

b) Christopher Williams, Director, Anacostia Watershed Society

5) Community & Commission Announcements & Speak Out

a) Reminder of Upcoming Meeting Dates

6) ANC 6B Input on Other Concerns

7) Alcoholic Beverage & Cannabis Committee

a) **ABRA-127963:** DMV Liquors Wines and Beers, LLC t/a **DMV Liquors Wines and Beers**, 643 Pennsylvania Ave SE; Renewal of a Class A Liquor License; Petition deadline 07-08-2024 [6B02] **It was moved at Committee to recommend that the ANC seek an extension of the petition deadline to develop a Settlement Agreement and to present to the Commission at the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.**

b) Report for the ABC Committee

8) Transportation Committee

a) Proposed Letter in Support of Multimodal Street Design on Major Arterials **It was moved at Committee to recommend that the ANC write a letter to DDOT and CM Allen stating support in general for multimodal projects due to the experience of the Pennsylvania Ave. redesign as well as to urge DDOT to give “great weight” to the ANCs impacted by a Connecticut Ave. redesign. The motion passed 10-2-0**

b) Report for the Transportation Committee

9) Planning and Zoning Committee

a) **BZA 21144: 411 8th Street, SE Project:** To permit a fast-food establishment use in an existing, attached, two-story commercial building in the MU-4/CHC zone. **Owner(s):** Taco Bell of America, LLC/Zusin Development LLC, ilya@zusin.com **Applicant:** Christopher S. Cohen, christopher.cohen@hklaw.com **Hearing Date:** 07/03/24 [6B03] **Plans:** https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Home/ViewCase?case_id=21144 **It was moved at Committee to forward the matter to the full ANC with no recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.**

b) **HPA 24-328: 629 South Carolina Ave SE Project:** To construct a three-story with cellar, rear addition, to an existing, attached, three-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone. **Owner(s):** 629 SC LLC **Applicant:** Martin Sullivan, msullivan@sullivanbarros.com **Hearing Date:** 06/27/24 or 07/11/24 [6B03] **Plans:** TBD **To be deferred to the July Meeting. No action taken by the committee**

c) **HPA 24-331: 718 7th Street SE Project:** TBD **Owner(s):** TBD **Applicant:** Will Teass, will@teass-warren.com **Hearing Date:** 06/27/24 or 07/11/24 [6B03] **Plans:** TBD **It was moved at Committee to forward the matter to the full ANC with no recommendation. 9-1-1.**

d) Report for the Planning & Zoning Committee

10) Public Safety Committee

a) Report for the Public Safety Committee

11) Southeast Library Task Force

a) Report for the SE Library Task Force

12) Public Parks and Recreation Spaces Task Force

a) Report for the Public Parks and Recreation Spaces Task Force

13) Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee

a) Security and Placement of Bollards

b) Report for EMCAC

14) Financial

a) Monthly Financials

15) ANC 6B Administrative Matters

a) Executive Session

16) Adjournment

PLEASE NOTE: At regular Commission meetings, any item may be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda at the request of a single Commissioner. All ABC, BZA, Zoning, and Historic Preservation cases may be added to this agenda. For additional information, email 6b@anc.dc.gov, or visit ANC 6B’s website: www.anc6b.org.

The ANC 6B Executive Committee will meet next on June 25th at 7:00 PM to set the July 2024 agenda. This meeting will be a Zoom virtual meeting. Meeting link TBA.



DRAFT Minutes of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

May 14, 2024

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

Regular Monthly Meeting

May 14, 2024

Held In Person at 700 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, and Over Zoom

Commissioner Edward Stillwell Ryder, Chair

Participating: Commissioners Avery, D’Andrea, Durkit, LaFortune, Mareino, Ryder, Sobelsohn, and Sroufe

Absent: Commissioner Jayaraman

Commissioner Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1. Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Ryder proposed two changes to the agenda previously proposed: (a) delete item 6)b), “ANC 6B Resolution Supporting DC Legislation on Utility Shutoffs,” & (b) under “9) Planning and Zoning Committee,” reverse sequence of “BZA 21093: 138 E Street, SE” with “Consideration of CBA for Alley Closing in Square 762,” so the CBA item comes first. Commissioner Mareino proposed adding the Congressional Women’s Softball game as new item 6)b). Without objection, the agenda was so modified. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner D’Andrea seconded to approve the agenda as modified. The motion passed 7-0. Commissioner Sroufe did not vote.

2. Consent Agenda. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner D’Andrea seconded to approve the consent agenda as proposed. The motion passed 8-0. Items on the Consent Agenda included:

a. Minutes of the April 8 meeting as presented. Those minutes are linked to these.

b. Committee recommendations. From the--

1) Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee: recommending the full ANC support the class A liquor-license renewal applications of--

a) B & O Liquors, Inc., trading as Chat’s Liquors, 503 8th St., SE (with tasting endorsement; ABRA 000200)

b) Wendim Veni, Inc., trading as 8th St. Liquor, 725 8th St., SE (with tasting endorsement; ABRA 125007)

c) Hayden’s Inc., 700 North Carolina Ave., SE (ABRA-000437)

d) RMG, Inc., trading as World Wine and Spirits, 1453 Pennsylvania Ave., SE (with tasting endorsement; ABRA-094605)

e) Ventura, Inc., trading as Albert's Liquors, 328 Kentucky Ave., SE (ABRA-077335)

f) NAI Saturn Eastern, LLC, trading as Safeway, 415 14th St., SE (ABRA 097707)

2) Transportation Committee: recommending the full ANC send letters to--

a) The District Department of Transportation (DDOT): the letters would--

1-- Share residents' comments on two Vision Zero projects, the--

a-- 13th Street/Independence Avenue/Kentucky Avenue Vision Zero Hardening Project (NOI-24-96-TESD) and--

b-- 15th Street and Kentucky Avenue Vision Zero Hardening Project (NOI-24-105-TESD).

The letter is to be drafted by committee chair Commissioner LaFortune.

2-- Urge DDOT to explore improving pedestrian safety by recalibrating the traffic light at the corner of 7th Street and Pennsylvania Ave., SE.

b) Ward Six Councilmember Charles Allen urging the DC Council to explore ways, with-out expanding the program to national companies, to expand the eBike "Authorized Vendor List" to include locally owned retailers such as BikeWerks, the letter to be drafted by committee chair Commissioner LaFortune.

3) Planning and Zoning Committee: to send letter of support to the Historic Preservation Review Board regarding two applications in the RF-1 zone; from--

a) Gregorie Holeyman, to build a two-story side addition to an existing semi-detached rowhouse at 816 G Street, SE (HPA 24-209).

b) Jennifer Fowler, to build a second-story addition to an existing detached accessory garage on the same property as an existing attached, three-story principal dwelling at 138 E Street, SE (HPA 24-237).

c. Fiscal Year 2024 Second Quarter Financial Report. The report is linked to these minutes.

3. Announcements: from--

a. Commissioners.

1) Commissioner Mareino announced that--

a) The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has proposed renovating the fields at the Watkins Elementary School, 420 12th St., SE, fields DPR controls, and expects a formal Notice of Intent soon. Commissioner Mareino also reported that the fence around the basketball court has fallen down, and that the Department of General Services admits it rushed a previous repair. Neighbors should send comments to DPR, Commissioner Mareino (6b07@anc.dc.gov), or Ward Six Councilmember Charles Allen (callen@dccouncil.gov).

b) Guerrilla Gardeners has spent hundreds of hours cleaning up the triangle parks on Kentucky Ave., SE.

2) Commissioner Ryder announced--

a) Guerrilla Gardeners have also cleaned up two parks in his district.

b) ANC 6B will next meeting at 7 p.m. June 11. Before then, committees and taskforces will meet as follows:

1-- May 20 at 6:30 p.m.: Public Safety Committee.

2-- May 28 at 7 p.m.: Executive Committee.

3-- June 3 at 6:30 p.m.: Southeast Library Task Force.

4-- June 4 at 7 p.m.: Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee.

5-- June 5 at 7 p.m.: Transportation Committee.

6-- June 6 at 7 p.m.: Planning and Zoning Committee

3) Commissioner D'Andrea announced that, following a walk on 11th Street, SE, with Councilmember Allen and representatives of DDOT, Commissioners D'Andrea, LaFortune, and Ryder, have prepared a list about the 11th Street corridor's safety, a list the Transportation Committee will consider at its June meeting with the aim of sending it to DDOT.

b. Others in DC government: from the--

1) Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services: Jake Stolzenberg reported the opening of a new government-services hub in Anacostia, along with the current hub on H Street, NW, in Chinatown, where residents can meet with staff for various departments, such as the Department of Human Services. He invited DC residents to review the mayor's proposed fiscal-year 2025 budget at budget.dc.gov.

2) Councilmember Allen's office: Kimberly Kennedy announced an appropriation of \$100,000 for managing the Eastern Market Metro Plaza, including its playground.

4. Other ANC Concerns.

a. Gasoline tax. Commissioner Mareino moved/Commissioner Sroufe seconded to urge the DC Council to consider raising the gasoline tax to fund the DC Circulator and other transit and pedestrian infrastructure. The motion passed 8-0.

b. Congressional Women's Softball Game. Commissioner Mareino moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded for Commissioner Mareino to write and for the ANC to send DPR a letter endorsing the Congressional Women's Softball game, scheduled for 5:30-9 p.m. June 26 at the Watkins Recreation Center, 420 12th St., SE. Representing the softball game's organizers, Atalie Ebersole promised that the organizers will make sure that pedestrians have access during the game to sidewalks on both sides of 12th Street, and that tickets will both encourage attendees to use Metrorail and specify that Potomac Avenue is the closest station. She also noted that organizers have scheduled the game when school won't be in session, to avoid any effect on parents' dropping off or picking up children at the nearby Watkins Elementary School. The motion passed 8-0. Tickets are \$11.54 and can be purchased at congwomensoftball.org.

5. Reports of Committees and Taskforces.

a. Planning and Zoning Committee.

1) Alley Closing in Square 762. Commissioner D'Andrea moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to approve a resolution to support the application of Clear Plains, LLC, to close a portion of the alley system in Square 762 (S.O. File No. 23-01974), based on a community-benefits agreement reached between the applicant, Clear Plains, LLC, and the committee; to send the resolution along with a letter and the community-benefits agreement text to the Office of the DC Surveyor, with copies to Ward Six Councilmember Allen and Clear Plains; and to urge that Councilmember Allen ensure that any legislation approving the alley closing include the terms of that agreement. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner D'Andrea seconded to amend the motion to delete, from the community-benefits agreement, article II, section 3, which would have committed "a representative of the ANC," until "the DC Council votes to approve or reject the alley closing," to "periodically contact DC's Ward Six Councilmember to urge Council approval of the alley closing." The motion to amend the motion passed 8-0. The underlying motion passed 5-1, with Commissioner Avery opposed and Commissioners Durkit and LaFortune abstaining. The resolution, and the community-benefits agreement, as modified, are linked to these minutes.

2) Project at 138 E Street, SE. Commissioner D'Andrea moved/Commissioner Sroufe seconded to support Jennifer Fowler's application, before the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA 21093), to build a second-story addition to an existing detached accessory garage on the same property as an existing attached, three-story principal dwelling at 138 E Street, SE. The motion passed 6-0, with Commissioners Avery and Ryder abstaining.

b. Southeast Library Task Force.

1) New member: Commissioner Avery moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to confirm Commissioner Durkit's appointment of Sarah Moore as the taskforce's Resident Member for ANC 6B05. The motion passed 8-0.

2) Letter to DC Public Library. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner D'Andrea seconded to send a letter, drafted by Commissioner Sobelsohn, to the director of the DC Public Library, with a copy to Ward Six Councilmember Allen, urging the director to fulfill his promise to consider expanding or shifting hours for the Arthur Capper Recreation Center library facility (which DCPL calls the "Tech Express") to have hours on the weekend and additional weekday evenings. The motion passed 8-0.

3) Minutes of the taskforce's April 25 meeting are linked to these minutes.

c. Other committees. Other May reports of ANC 6B committees are linked to these minutes.

6. Adjournment. Commissioner Ryder moved to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.



**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE & CANNABIS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

REPORT

I. Introduction of Commissioners and Resident Members

Commissioners: Chander Jayaraman; Gerald Sroufe; Kasie Durkit; Edward Ryder;

Resident Members: George Dee; Katherine Szafran; Kristen Hutchens; Jonathan Levy; Russell Mawn;

II. New Business

1. ABCA-127963—DMV Liquors Wines and Beers, LLC t/a **DMV Liquors Wines and Beers**; 643 Pennsylvania Ave SE; New Class A Retail Liquor License; Petition deadline: July 8, 2024 [6B02];
 - **Hours of Operation & Sales/ Service: Sun.--Sat. 10 AM – 9:30 PM;**

MEETING NOTES:

- The owner/operator (Ms. Victoria Wheatly) was not present at the meeting but Cmr. Sroufe had notified the Chair of that fact;
- The location of the new Applicant was previously an operating Liquor Store called JJ Mutt's;
- Usually, a new operator would purchase the license from the previous operator but it is not clear why that did not occur in this instance;
- Ms. Wheatly has experience operation liquor stores;
- Ms. Wheatly indicated to Cmr. Sroufe that she was amenable to entering into a Settlement Agreement (SA) with ANC 6B;
- The protest petition deadline is one day prior to the full ANC meeting so there was discussion about working with the Applicant to secure a one week extension of the petition deadline to negotiate an SA;
- Ms. Victoria Wheatly is expected to appear before the full ANC;

MOTION: Recommend that the ANC seek an extension of the petition deadline to develop as SA and to present to the Commission at the next meeting; [Sroufe; Durkit 2nd] Motion passes 9-0-0

III. Adjourn



**Report of the ANC6B Transportation Committee Meeting
June 5, 2024**

Commissioners Present: Matt LaFortune (chairing), Jerry Sroufe (6B02), David Sobelsohn (6B03), Frank D'Andrea (6B04), Chander Jayaraman (6B06), Edward Ryder (6B08)

Resident Members Present: Jakob Youngblood (6B01), Jack Johnson (6B01- Alt), Janice Kruger (6B03), Kirsten Oldenburg (6B04), Brian Poochigian (6B06), Richard Cunningham (6B07), Joshua Peacock (6B09-Alt)

DDOT Presentation on Proposed Safety Actions at 11th/D St SE and 11th/G St SE Intersections

Christine Mayeur, from DDOT, presented on proposed safety improvements at the intersection of 11th and D St. SE and 11th and G St. SE. At 11th/D, DDOT is proposing steps to visually narrow the 11th St. approach and daylight the approach to the intersection of D St. There also may be a future installation of a traffic camera but it will be a few months before DDOT can transfer a camera from another location.

Commissioner D'Andrea noted that concrete hardening at this location would be preferable to neighbors.

Commissioner Jayaraman expressed support for infrastructure hardening near schools and asked why the plans only marked five feet width for areas protected by flexiposts. Ms. Mayeur responded that this is to maintain the minimum lane width for turns by the intersection. She also stated that this location could be added to the Vision Zero Hardening program as a future site.

Joe Howard, a neighbor in the area, shared his request for curb extensions, additional speed humps, and a raised crosswalk across 11th St. He noted that since this street is marked as a minor arterial it is ok to use raised crosswalks with close proximity to a school. Ms. Mayeur responded that DDOT relies on traffic counts, bus routes, and feasibility when considering speed humps.

Claire August asked why DDOT noted speed humps would encourage people to turn right. Ms. Mayeur clarified that this was in reference to vehicles making a 90 degree turn due to flexiposts curb extensions which increases visibility. She also stated that stop light cameras are rotated based on the rate of compliance at a location.

Mark Sussman asked about the planned bike lane flow. There is protected space on 11th St. SE around D and around Pennsylvania Ave. but the rest of the corridor is back next to traffic like a wave. Ms. Mayeur noted that DDOT's bike team could take this on for the 11th St. corridor as part of the five-year strategic plan in development.

Commissioner Jayaraman noted that manhole covers in the crosswalk may prevent it from being raised.

Commissioner D'Andrea stated his support for raised crosswalks on D St.

Commissioner Sroufe asked about the standard for how high raised crosswalks must be. Ms. Mayeur stated that speed tables have a flat top, speed humps like on the G St. NOI do not and are four inches at the top.

Commissioner Sroufe also stated that he did not think this would have much impact on velocity. Ms. Mayeur responded that visual narrowing of the street and corners will slow down vehicles.

Ms. Mayeur then presented DDOT's plans for 11th and G St. SE. There will be no turn on red all-day pre-emptively ahead of that being banned across the District. DDOT plans to move the bike lane to the curb, shorten crosswalks and add a speed hump on G St. In response to a question by Commissioner LaFortune, Ms. Mayeur stated that DDOT will update the 25 MPH sign to 15 MPH as this is a school zone.

Commissioner D'Andrea stated that he is glad to see a speed hump.

Commissioner Jayaraman asked about the minimum lane width for traffic flow. Ms. Mayeur stated that it is 11 feet on 11th St. and 10 or 9 feet on residential streets.

Allison McGill, a neighbor, asked DDOT to add a lighted school zone sign on the corner and a sign telling drivers not to block the box. Ms. Mayeur responded that DDOT has found Don't Block the Box signs to not be effective but that a red light camera assessment is in the cue.

Ms. Mayeur stated that comments are due by June 18th and June 20th for the two locations. Then DDOT will respond on the feasibility of changes, put the projects in the cue for construction, and they will start later this summer or early fall. She also stated that ending two-way left turn lanes are subject to a corridor study and urged ANC 6B to engage with the bike team.

Commissioner LaFortune moved to recommend that the ANC write a letter to DDOT sharing comments on the two 11th St. projects, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. Commissioner D'Andrea seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Letter in Support of Multimodal Street Design on Major Arterials

Commissioner Adam Prinzo (3C02) shared ANC 3C's experience advocating for the "Concept C" redesign on Connecticut Avenue to eliminate a rush-hour lane and add protected bike lanes. He stated that DDOT has not responded to their repeated support of this project and that the design they and other ANCs supported is no longer being considered.

Commissioner Sobelsohn asked whether the Ward 3 Councilmember is supportive of the ANC's efforts. Commissioner Prinzo stated that CM Frumin ran a campaign that was supportive and backed CM Allen's effort to require any funding for the Connecticut Ave. redesign to include bike lanes. Chair Mendelson removed this from the budget.

Commissioner Jayaraman asked why ANC 3C has not gotten great weight from DDOT. Commissioner Prinzo responded that DDOT has been non-responsive and noted that a Ward 3 biking association received 5,000 signatures in support in three weeks.

RM Youngblood suggested that ANC 6B should compile a list of bike projects before engaging with the bike master plan.

RM Peacock noted that every ANC on the Connecticut Ave. corridor supports Concept C and that Montgomery County commuters spoke in opposition to the plan. He urged ANC 6B to weigh in due to recent experience with the Pennsylvania Ave. bike lane project having positive benefits.

Commissioner Jayaraman spoke in opposition to weighing in on a project in Ward 3.

Claire August stated that 6B's experience with a bike lane project on an arterial gives it a unique perspective. She also said that e-bikes unlock the ability for Capitol Hill residents to travel further and access businesses elsewhere.

Commissioner Ryder noted his support in general for multimodal projects and for weighing in on relevant projects in other parts of the city.

Commissioner Sroufe opposed 6B commenting on a Ward 3 project.

RM Youngblood noted that funding for the Connecticut Ave. project limits opportunities for other work, so supporting good design is critical.

Commissioner Sobelsohn stated his believe that commissioners have an obligation to comment on projects in the city as a whole.

Commissioner Ryder also believes it is not inappropriate to do so.

Commissioner D'Andrea stated his belief that ANC 6B has a duty to weigh in on city-wide issues and opposition to giving in to a vocal minority rather than backing the local ANCs.

Commissioner LaFortune moved to recommend that the ANC write a letter to DDOT and CM Allen stating support in general for multimodal projects due to the experience of the Pennsylvania Ave. redesign as well as to urge DDOT to give "great weight" to the ANCs impacted by a Connecticut Ave. redesign, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune. Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded. A proposed amendment to strike the second part of the motion related to Connecticut Ave. by Commissioner Jayaraman (Commissioner Sroufe seconded) failed 2-10-0. The motion passed 10-2-0, with Commissioners Jayaraman and Sroufe opposed.

Committee Discussion on WMATA Better Bus Base Network

Commissioner LaFortune introduced this topic by stating that WMATA has released its Better Bus Base Network and that the ANC has resubmitted its previous letter last year expressing support for the continuation of the current 96 bus route along Massachusetts Ave. SE.

Commissioner Ryder stated that after the DC Circulator sunsets, WMATA intends to take over Circulator routes and that he would support a letter urging the continuation of the Eastern Market-Union Station route.

Commissioner D'Andrea noted the differences between this map and the Better Bus Visionary Network, which would require more funding. WMATA has constraints and this creates a tradeoff between service and coverage.

RM Oldenburg stated that as a frequent transit user, she wanted to confirm that the proposed D14 bus would connect Eastern Market and Union Station.

Commissioner Jayaraman noted the gap of coverage in ANC 6B around Lincoln Park and Hill East.

Commissioner Ryder stated that the Base Network does not include the 96 bus route and that he would support a letter urging the continuation of that route and that more frequency is needed for the bus from Eastern Market to Union Station (currently scheduled for “every 30 minutes or better”).

Commissioner LaFortune moved to recommend that the ANC write a letter to WMATA sharing comments on the Better Bus Base Network, urging the continuation of the current 96 route and increased frequency of the planned D14 route, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. Commissioner Jayaraman seconded. The motion passed 11-0-1, with Commissioner Sroufe abstaining

Committee Discussion on Proposed EV Charging Locations

Commissioner LaFortune introduced the topic by noting that DOEE has created a questionnaire to recommend EV charging locations. This questionnaire includes an option to submit locations officially as an ANC: <https://chargerrecommendation-dcgis.hub.arcgis.com/>

Commissioner Sobelsohn recommended that Commissioner LaFortune send an email message urging Transportation Committee members to circulate with their constituents and collect locations. This message should include suggestions for what makes a good location, such as where cars can park legally. Commissioner LaFortune agreed to take this action.

(Late Breaking) Committee Discussion on Next Scheduled Meeting

Commissioner LaFortune noted a concern raised by Commissioner Sobelsohn that the next scheduled Transportation Committee meeting would fall right before the July 4th holiday.

Commissioner LaFortune asked whether the committee would be open to rescheduling for Wednesday, June 26th.

Commissioner Ryder noted that the ANC needs to post an agenda seven days in advance of the committee meeting.

Commissioner Sobelsohn said that this could be accomplished by posting a tentative agenda online early.

Commissioner Jayaraman said that the full agenda does not need to be published and that this is an exceptional situation due to the holiday and calendar congestion.

Commissioner LaFortune moved to recommend that the ANC reschedule the July Transportation Committee meeting for Wednesday, June 26th at 7pm. Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

(Late Breaking) Committee Discussion on 8th St. Bus Priority Project

Commissioner Jayaraman introduced the topic by noting that several business owners on Barracks Row has requested a one-year delay of the 8th St. Bus Priority Project.

Mary Quillian said that the latest DDOT presentation on the project is not posted on the website and that the community needs more time to consider.

John Boyle shared that DDOT presented at a meeting in February and the presenter noted a net parking loss.

Commissioner D'Andrea clarified that the February meeting was with Barracks Row Main Street.

Commissioner LaFortune said that the ANC has not seen any updated plans and that DDOT has committed to returning to meet with the Transportation Committee when plans are updated.

RM Youngblood noted that the Circulator going away will not change bus congestion at 8th St. and that the project also includes pedestrian safety measures.

Commissioner D'Andrea said that the project is also trying to rationalize where loading zones go.

Commissioner Sroufe stated his support for engagement with DDOT to gain an understanding of the current project status.

Commissioner Jayaraman believes the plan will cause greater safety issues.

Commissioner Ryder noted the timeline of the project: DDOT has engaged with businesses per the ANC's request and is completing the final concept, after which there will be an opportunity for comment. He also shared that WMATA is planning to pick up the Circulator routes and that WMATA buses move 3,000 people a day along this corridor. He also believes in prioritizing and updating the entire corridor safety and supports more parking enforcement.

Commissioner Sroufe said that the ANC needs to invite DDOT and businesses to discuss the latest plans.

Commissioner Tucker Jones (1B09) shared that this project impacts 1B as bus lanes go up to the U St. corridor and transit headways matter. He asked that the ANC continue working with DDOT to make sure concerns are addressed without a moratorium on the project.

Mary Quillian stated that the loading zone problem on Pennsylvania Ave. is continuing and that businesses need to be included. She is not opposed to bus lanes if the project does not create other problems.

Commissioner Sobelsohn moved to recommend that the ANC write a letter to DDOT highlighting the importance of posting the latest project plans on its website, conducting more outreach to businesses, adding more signs for the parking area under the highways, and presenting data that substantiates its proposed actions, to be drafted by Commissioner LaFortune and placed on the consent agenda. Commissioner Jayaraman seconded. The motion passed 11-0-1, with Commissioner D'Andrea abstaining.



June 11, 2024

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Re: Community Feedback on 11th St. SE Safety Improvements

Dear Director Kershbaum:

At a properly noticed general meeting on June 11, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted X-X-X, based on the recommendation of its Transportation Committee, to submit the following request to the Department of Transportation (DDOT).

We write about two safety improvement projects along the 11th St. SE corridor: 11th & D St. SE (NOI 24-130-TESD) and 11th & G St. SE (NOI-24-129-TESD).

During the June 5, 2024 meeting of our Transportation Committee, DDOT presented updated plans for these two intersections and responded to questions from neighbors. ANC 6B urges DDOT to incorporate these suggestions into its project plans where possible including:

11th & D St. SE (NOI 24-130-TESD)

Curb extensions: The NOI letter states the new design is for "reducing the distance pedestrians need to cross," but no physical extension is provided for the pedestrians, such as curb extensions. Curb extensions improve pedestrian safety by increasing visibility of pedestrians by aligning them with the parking lane and reducing the crossing distance for pedestrians. There are plenty of examples existing nearby 11th and D ST SE.

Additional speed humps: These additional speed humps will better protect pedestrians crossing 11th ST SE, while the pedestrians stand between the bike lane and street waiting to ensure the vehicles stop at the stop sign. Additionally, residents have observed a significant number of mopeds and other powered vehicles using the bike lanes inside and outside of the lines and current posts at the intersection. The vehicles often ignore the stop signs, so short of adding speed humps to the bike lanes to discourage use, additional rubber humps will serve as a pedestrian safety buffer zone.

Raised sidewalk across 11th St: According to the DDOT Guidelines on Vertical Traffic Calming Implementation: “installation of raised crosswalks can be considered on minor arterials with ADT between 5,000 and 7,500 vehicles per day in unique circumstances following an engineering assessment with special considerations given to proximity to schools and higher concentration of vulnerable road users at uncontrolled crossings along these arterials.” This intersection qualifies since the 2016 Functional Classification Map shows 11th St. SE classification as a “minor arterial”, and the 2018 Traffic Volume Map shows 7,000 vehicles per day, and its close proximity to Watkins Elementary School (1 block). Many vulnerable users, such as parents/children use this intersection to walk/commute to Watkins Elementary and the athletic fields associated with Watkins.

Bike lane flow: Current plans have the bike lane running along the sidewalk at times before moving back outside of a parking lane. Bicycle safety would be improved by keeping the lane protected between parked cars and the curb. ANC 6B will engage with the bicycle team during development of its five-year strategic plan to improve bike lanes throughout this corridor if it is out of scope for this project.

11th & G St. SE (NOI-24-129-TESD)

Change 25 MPH speed limit sign: There is a speed limit sign just south of the intersection that notes 25 MPH, this should be changed to 15 MPH due to the school zone.

Lighted school zone sign and “don’t block the box”: Neighbors requested the addition of a school zone sign with flashing lights as well as a sign reminding drivers not to stop in the middle of the intersection to improve safety at crosswalks for students.

Thank you in advance for considering and granting great weight to our recommendations. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder, Chair of ANC 6B



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VIA EMAIL: sharon.kershbaum@dc.gov;

Re: Support of Multimodal Street Design on Principal Arterials

Dear Director Kershbaum:

At a properly noticed general meeting on June 11, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted X-X-X, based on the recommendation of its Transportation Committee, to submit the following request to the Department of Transportation (DDOT).

During the June 5, 2024 meeting of our Transportation Committee, Commissioner Adam Prinzo (3C02) presented ANC 3C’s engaging with DDOT regarding the proposed redesign of Connecticut Ave. NW. He shared that ANC 3C passed resolutions on [September 19, 2022 \(2022-014\)](#), [September 20, 2021 \(2021-013\)](#), and [April 19th, 2021 \(2021-005\)](#) and letters from [September 18, 2023](#) and [February 20, 2024](#) in support of “Concept C” which would add protected bicycle infrastructure and enhanced bus stops to make the road safer for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers. ANC 3E, 3F, and 3/4G have also supported this proposal.

Commissioner Prinzo stated that ANC 3C has yet to receive a response from DDOT or the Executive Office of the Mayor, and that we are now past the required deadline for response to ANCs. During the Council Budget Oversight hearing on April 11th, 2024, you indicated that Concept C was no longer under consideration.

ANC 6B takes no position on the best design for the Connecticut Ave. NW project.

However, we write to note our experience with a similar project on Pennsylvania Ave. SE. The addition of rush hour priority bus lanes and protected bike lanes has made a notable impact in calming traffic between the Capitol and 14th St. SE. While we worked with DDOT to address challenges related to supply chain shortages and miscommunication during construction, *we believe that the end state of this project clearly demonstrates that multimodal street design on a principal arterial can significantly improve safety for all road users.*

Additionally, we urge DDOT to fulfill its legal obligation to give “great weight” to the recommendations of ANC 3C, 3E, 3F, and 3/4G related to the redesign of Connecticut



Ave. NW. Advisory Neighborhood Commissions are democratically elected representatives of their community. While DDOT is not obligated to agree with each ANC's position, failing to recognize the critical role that they play demonstrates a major failure by the department. ANC 6B will always support the legal right of other commissions to be fully heard by District agencies.

Thank you in advance for considering and granting great weight to our recommendations. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder, Chair of ANC 6B



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VIA BETTER BUS ONLINE PORTAL

Re: Better Bus Base Network

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At a properly noticed general meeting on June 11, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted X-X-X, based on the recommendation of its Transportation Committee, to submit the following request to WMATA.

ANC 6B urges WMATA to incorporate the following changes into its proposed 2025 Better Bus Network:

Continuation of the Current 96 Route along Massachusetts Ave. SE: ANC 6B passed a resolution in June 2023 (attached) following the removal of the current 96 bus route from Hill East south of East Capitol St. in the Better Bus Visionary Network. The latest map goes further to eliminate all east-west bus lines in ANC 6B north of Pennsylvania Ave. SE. The 96 bus is a critical connector for the neighborhood and should be reinstated for our constituents.

Increased frequency of the planned D14 route: We also urge WMATA to increase the frequency of the D14 bus in the proposed network map. Currently it is planned to run "every 30 minutes or better". With the expected cancellation of DC Circulator service, this line will provide a major connection between Eastern Market and Union Station and should run more often.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder, Chair of ANC 6B



ANC 6B
Capitol Hill / Southeast

At its regularly scheduled, properly noticed, meeting on June 13, 2023, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted unanimously 8-0-0 to support the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) has released a proposed “Visionary Network proposal” for bus transportation in Washington DC and surrounding areas;

WHEREAS WMATA has provided only limited options for providing comment on the Visionary Network, primarily through a website at <https://betterbus.wmata.com/>;

WHEREAS Metrorail and most Metrobus routes provide good north-south service for getting users to and from downtown, east-west service has been limited;

WHEREAS, the Visionary Network proposal would eliminate the 96 bus route, which travels across the city from Tenleytown to the Maryland border in Anacostia;

WHEREAS, the 96 bus route travels along Massachusetts Avenue and connects the northeastern segment of ANC 6B with Union Station, the Stadium-Armory Metro stop and parts of DC further west and east; and

WHEREAS, the 96 bus is currently the only route that serves the Capitol Hill and Hill East neighborhoods east of 8th Street and between C Street and Pennsylvania Avenue;

WHEREAS, the proposed DC108 and DC202 bus routes incorporate the current 96 bus route between Union Station and Lincoln Park along Massachusetts Avenue but then travel east of the park along East Capitol Street omitting Massachusetts Avenue SE from 13th Street SE to 18th Street SE;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Commission opposes the elimination of the 96 bus route and calls upon WMATA to restore the route with at minimum medium frequency in the Visionary Network; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6B urges WMATA, as possible alternative, to extend one or both of the proposed DC108/DC202 bus lines along Massachusetts Avenue SE to connect with areas in 6B and 7F that were previously served by the 96 bus route.



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VIA EMAIL: sharon.kershbaum@dc.gov

Re: 8th St. SE Bus Priority Project

Dear Director Kershbaum:

At a properly noticed general meeting on June 11, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted X-X-X, based on the recommendation of its Transportation Committee, to submit the following request to the Department of Transportation (DDOT).

During the June 5, 2024 meeting of our Transportation Committee, ANC 6B heard from local business owners asking for details on the planned 8th St. SE Bus Priority Project. ANC 6B received presentations from DDOT in September and December 2023 and requests a follow-up meeting to clarify the current status of the project and latest plans.

Additionally, we urge DDOT to:

- Post the latest project plans on its website if anything has changed since the concept presentations last fall,
- Conduct more outreach to businesses that would be impacted by the project and update the ANC on the outreach that DDOT has already conducted,
- Add more signs to note the public parking area under the I-695 highway to help address concerns about the loss of street parking, and
- Present data that substantiates its proposed actions for the project

Thank you in advance for considering and granting great weight to our recommendations. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder, Chair of ANC 6B



Report of the ANC 6B Planning and Zoning Committee

June 6, 2024

Commissioners Present: Sroufe (6B02), Sobelsohn (6B03), D’Andrea (6B04 – Charing), Ryder (6B08)

Resident Members Present: Rutkowski (6B01), Lea (6B01 – Alternate Not Voting), Friedman (6B02), Smith (6B03), Girod (6B04 – Alternate Voting), Jarboe (6B05), Bruggman (6B08), Holman (6B09 – Vice Chair)

1. Introductions/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. BZA 21144: 411 8th Street, SE

Project: To permit a fast-food establishment use in an existing, attached, two-story commercial building in the MU-4/CHC zone.

Owner(s): Taco Bell of America, LLC/Zusin Development LLC, ilya@zusin.com

Applicant: Christopher S. Cohen, christopher.cohen@hklaw.com

Hearing Date: 07/03/24 [6B03]

Plans: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Home/ViewCase?case_id=21144

The committee heard from the applicant and close in neighbors regarding the application for a special exception to allow a fast-food use in the MU-4/CHC zone. The applicant described the project which would remain entirely within the existing footprint. The applicant proposed constructing an indoor trash area. Two roof top units and soundproofing (as well as indoor condenser units) were included pursuant to discussions between the applicant and the close-in neighbors. A list of conditions agreed to by the close-in neighbors and the applicant was still being negotiated with an eye towards finishing by Tuesday. The list of conditions would be sent by the ANC to the BZA and requested to be included in any BZA order. The committee also requested the applicant work with the close-in neighbors to add a provision to the conditions that would allow for a good-faith effort for further mitigation efforts if the planned efforts do not meet the design targets. Some residents voiced opposition to a fast-food outlet opening at this location and also voiced concerns regarding trash and foot/delivery scooter traffic. The committee asked the applicant to come back to the full ANC with any further solutions they might have to the issues that were raised.

***Motion [Sobelsohn/Sroufe] to forward the matter to the full ANC with no recommendation.
The motion passed 11-0-0.***

3.HPA 24-237: 229 8th Street SE

Project: TBD

Owner(s): Melissa English, melissa.english03@gmail.com

Applicant: Devon Brophy, devonbrophy@gmail.com



Hearing Date: 06/27/24 or 07/11/24 [6B02]

Plans: <https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/265824477286>

This case was deferred by the applicant to the July HPRB meeting.

No action was taken by the committee.

4. HPA 24-328: 629 South Carolina Ave SE

Project: To construct a three-story with cellar, rear addition, to an existing, attached, three-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.

Owner(s): 629 SC LLC

Applicant: Martin Sullivan, msullivan@sullivanbarros.com

Hearing Date: 06/27/24 or 07/11/24 [6B03]

Plans: <https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/268186710777>

The applicant was not present when called. The chair will reach out to HPO to defer the case to the July HPRB meeting.

No action was taken by the committee.

5. HPA 24-331: 718 7th Street SE

Project: Additions and alterations to an existing two-story structure.

Owner(s): Kady Group

Applicant: Will Teass, will@teass-warren.com

Hearing Date: 06/27/24 or 07/11/24 [6B03]

Plans: <https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/268376948682>

The applicant described a project to partially demolish an existing two-story wood structure and completely demolish a brick accessory structure. The building would be expanded by one floor upwards, and a new basement would be constructed. No substantive concerns were raised about proposed materials, however, the committee asked questions regarding the performance of a flag test, HPO's views regarding the demolition of the accessory structure and neighbor outreach. The applicant promised to return to the full ANC with updates regarding the items raised by the committee.

Motion [Sobelsohn/Sroufe] that the matter be forwarded to the full ANC with no recommendation. The motion passed 9-1-1. Resident Member Girod was opposed and Commissioner D'Andrea abstained.

6. Discussion Regarding Investhome



Commissioner Ryder introduced an item regarding renting practices of Investhome, a developer that has constructed and currently owns several apartment buildings in his SMD. The issues included the units only being marketed to Turkish nationals and the prominent use of the DCHA logo. This item was previously raised at a prior committee meeting, but Commissioner Ryder provided an update. He noted that he had spoke to both OAG and the DCHA and both were looking into the matter.

No action was taken by the committee.

7. Discussion Regarding Ebenezer Row Construction

Commissioners D’Andrea and Sobelsohn provided an update on the Ebenezer Row project. Major construction appeared to be complete, and landscaping was in progress. Work still remained to relocate the existing fence at the driveway. Commissioner Sobelsohn noted that he had made contact with representatives from the Ebenezer Baptist Church (the owners of the underlying land) who are in charge of the project. He hoped to provide contact information for the project for surrounding residents for use as the units are occupied.

No action was taken by the committee.

8. Update on Alley Closing in Sq.762

Commissioner D’Andrea noted the CBA regarding the alley closing (and the required letter of support to the surveyor's office) had been approved by the full ANC. A companion resolution and the CBA were in the process of being transmitted to the full Council. Outreach to Councilmember Allen’s office was also planned.

No action was taken by the committee.

9. Adjournment

The chair motioned, via unanimous consent, to adjourn. No objections being heard, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.



**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY**

MAY 2024 MEETING REPORT

I. Introductions - The virtual-only meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Attendees were as follows.

Commissioners: Frank Avery (6B01, Vice Chair and Acting Chair). No other commissioners were in attendance.

Resident Members:

- 6B01 – Frank Boudra (Present)*
- 6B02 – No Resident Member Appointee (N/A)*
- 6B03 – Chuck Schmoyer (Absent)*
- 6B03 Alternate – John Schwab (Present, Voting)*
- 6B04 – Anne Seymour (Present)*
- 6B04 Alternate – Eliot Mamet (Present)*
- 6B05 – No Resident Member Appointee. (N/A)*
- 6B06 – Lisa Matsumoto (Chair, Absent)*
- 6B06 – Jody Kent Lavy (Present, Voting)*
- 6B07 – Michelle Strizever (Present)*
- 6B08 – Kelly Waud (Absent)*
- 6B08 – Cinnamon Butler (Present, Voting)*
- 6B09 – Eric Miller (Absent)*

II. ACTION: Letter United States Attorney Office Requesting Implementation of Case Management System and Public Metrics Reporting (Resident Member Chuck Schmoyer, 6B03)

Background: RM Schmoyer (6B03) will present a draft letter to the USAO for feedback and endorsement by the Committee. The letter builds on discussion from the April Public Safety Committee Meeting with US Attorney Matthew Graves. If approved, the letter will be advanced to the full ANC for endorsement and distribution at its June 11, 2024, meeting.

The committee reviewed the draft. Feedback focused on emphasizing the importance of transparent data and a collaborative tone, a focus on public accessibility through the portal, clarifying legal obligations, and expanding metrics and activities to comprehensively reflect the suite of services offered by the office.

Action: A motion was made by Ms. Seymour (RM, 6B04) and seconded by Ms. Butler (Acting RM, 6B08) to authorize the Vice Chair to work with Mr. Schmoyer to revise the proposed letter with the Committee’s feedback and bring a proposed final letter back for review at the June Public Safety Committee meeting.

The Committee voted 8-0-0 in support of the motion.

III. **DISCUSSION: Joint Resolution with ANC Public Safety Committees on Addressing Gun Violence**

Background: In 2022, the D.C. Criminal Justice Coordinating Council released its “[Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan](#).” The plan includes 16 recommendations broken into three categories: Violence Prevention; Violence Intervention; and Community Transformation. On Thursday, May 16, Chair Matsumoto distributed the [Gun Violence Problem Analysis](#) completed by the National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform and local D.C. leadership.

Chair Matsumoto has been in discussions with Chairs of other ANC Public Safety Committees regarding this plan and the potential of collaborating citywide with ANC Public Safety Committees to circulate and secure endorsement of a joint resolution in support of implementing these recommendations.

In advance of the meeting, the Committee is invited to discuss the report, its recommendations, and how it would like to approach a joint resolution.

The committee expressed concerns about the lack of implementation of many strategies. Ms. Kent Lavy mentioned a potential request to host a joint event or meeting with other ANCs and ANC Public Safety Committees. Members suggested exploring additional items and identifying any further information needed, noting that a primary obstacle is coordination.

Members highlighted successful initiatives in Baltimore and other regions. They expressed interest in hearing from David Muhammad, the author of the strategy, and noted that the Office of Gun Violence, to their knowledge, currently lacks a leader. Members also considered requesting a letter to inquire about the status of the plan.

Action: Ms. Seymour (RM, 6B04) motioned and Mr. Strizever (RM, 6B07) seconded a motion for the Vice Chair to draft a request letter from the ANC requesting a status on the implementation of the Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan and to include an open invitation to the Deputy Mayor to present to the Committee later this year.

In discussion on the motion, Committee members requested the letter emphasize the on-going vacancies for key positions identified in the plan such as the vacant position for director of the Office of Gun Violence at the Metropolitan Police Department. Hearing no objections, the Vice Chair agreed to incorporate those in the proposed letter.

The motion passed 8-0-0 and will be placed on the ANC’s consent agenda.

IV. **Agenda Planning – June Meeting**

The current planned topics for the June meeting are:

- **Item #1 – Action:** Final Proposed Letter to the USAO Regarding Data Transparency
- **Item #2 – Informational Presentation:** Presentation and discussion led by Anne Seymour (Resident Member, 6B04) and Network for Victim Recovery of DC (NVRDC) regarding victim rights and services.

- **Item #3 – Discussion or Action (TBD):** Input on or consideration of a Joint Resolution with ANCs in support of the full Implementation of the Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan
- **Item #4 – Community Partner Request for Support Announcements:** Open forum for any community partner organizations in attendance to request support from the community.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:04 p.m.



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Re: Invitation to Speak on Status of Gun Violence Strategic Plan Implementation

At a properly noticed general meeting on June 11, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted ~~X-X-X~~, based on the recommendation of its Public Safety Committee, to submit the following request to the Deputy Mayor of Public Safety & Justice.

Dear Deputy Mayor Appiah:

During the May 20, 2024, meeting of the ANC 6B Public Safety Committee, neighbors discussed the District’s [Gun Violence Reduction Strategic Plan](#) and the status of its implementation since its design and publication. In 2022, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) released its proposed strategic plan. The Plan covers 16 recommendations for actions and outlines a series of goals, outputs, program outcomes, and metrics to monitor for successful implementation of the plan in achieving a reduction in gun violence. The plan organizes these recommendations under three categories: violence prevention, violence intervention, and community transformation.

During the committee discussion, neighbors noted that there may be limited awareness of the plan within the community, within D.C. agencies, and amongst elected leaders like the D.C. Council and Advisory Neighborhood Commissions. Neighbors also noted concerns about not being aware of where to find a status update the metric nor how to find updates on progress for the plan. Many of the programs have been flagged as under-resourced or poorly managed by [local news and media outlets](#) as well as by the D.C. Auditor. The latter specifically noted [lack of coordination or implementation of various programs](#) required under the NEAR Act. Lastly, neighbors and community partners reported during the meeting that many key positions necessary to achieve the goals of the plan remain vacant within D.C. government such as the Director of the Metropolitan Police Department’s Office of Gun Violence.

These points in mind, ANC 6B cordially requests the following:

1. **Written Update on Implementation of Strategic Plan:** The Commission requests a written update on the status of the implementation of the 2022 Gun

Violence Reduction Strategic Plan with a focus on the 16 recommendations and the subsequent metrics outlined in the plan.

2. **Written Update on Status of Key Hires and Staffing Plan:** The Commission requests a written update on the status of key personnel hires for roles and agencies which are outlined in the plan. For roles filled, please provide the ANC the name of the individuals leading those roles. For vacant roles, please provide the ANC a status on recruitment for those positions with an anticipated date for when the role will be filled or what barriers are preventing the role from being filled.
3. **Invitation to Discuss the Plan with the ANC 6B Public Safety Committee:** The Commission requests a discussion with you on these topics and extends an invitation to present the requested items, along with other items that may be important for the conversation, at the next ANC 6B Public Safety Committee meeting that works for your calendar.

ANC 6B Public Safety Committees are generally the 4th Monday of each month except for August (recess) or where holidays may force the meeting to be moved. The full calendar of ANC meetings for the remainder of 2024 are available online at anc6b.org/calendar.

When you are ready to schedule, please email 6B@anc.dc.gov and copy Chair Matsumoto and Vice Chair Avery, and they will add you to the next agenda accordingly.

We look forward to your response, and we look forward to welcoming you to the next available ANC 6B Public Safety Committee meeting.

For any questions regarding this letter, please contact Lisa Matsumoto, Committee Chair and Resident Member for the ANC 6B Public Safety Committee, at publicsafety.anc6b@gmail.com, and Frank Avery, Committee Vice Chair and Commissioner for SMD 6B01, at 6B01@anc.dc.gov

Thank you in advance for considering and granting great weight to our request.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder,

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

CC:

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ANC 6B Southeast Library Task Force

June 3, 2024

Minutes Draft

The meeting started at 6:36 pm at 700 Penn Ave SE, 2nd floor conference room and over zoom.

Attending

ANC 6B commissioners: David Sobelsohn, Edward Ryder

Task Force members: Ana Unruh Cohen, Sarah Moore, Claire August

Residents: John Schwab, Brian Ready, Robin Diener

DC Public Library (DCPL) representatives: Jaspreet Pahwa, Samantha Dure

Whiting-Turner representatives: Terri Bosnick

1) Introductions

2) Approval of:

- a. Amendment to agenda to add election of new Vice Chair: adopted unanimously
- b. Amended agenda: adopted unanimously
- c. Minutes of April 25 meeting: adopted unanimously

3) Renovation

- a. Status: DCPL representative Jaspreet Pahwa provided an update on construction at the Southeast Library by going through the DCPL May 10, 2024 Southeast Library Modernization Construction Updates document. (Available at <https://www.dclibrary.org/news/southeast-library-modernization-project> and specifically <https://www.dclibrary.org/sites/default/files/files/2024-05/DCPL%20SENL%205.13.24%20to%206.7.24.pptx.pdf>) She noted that there has been no need for work on Saturday yet. Ms. Pahwa and Terri Bosnick from Whiting-Turner also provided an update on construction progress, including work on the historic fireplace, installation of temporary structural support, and the latest on the underpinning. Washington Gas has also been on site to work on capping the no longer needed gas line. Their jackhammering did disturb the near neighbors. Whiting-Turner responded to the complaints and set up a new schedule that they communicated to the neighbors. John Schwab confirmed that they were responsive to the noise complaints. There was also discussion of water shutoff in the fall. DC Water will handle that work and notification. In response to a question about the ability of the neighbors to provide some input on the timing of the shut off, Ms. Pahwa said she would see what she can do. She also noted that there would be no work on June 19 and July 4 because of the federal holidays. She anticipates sharing her next construction update on June 14. Ms. Bosnick noted they remain on schedule. Waiting for Washington Gas slowed them on some outside work but they shifted to some of the interior work. They have

also extended their work day by an hour a few days a week. In response to a question about any surprises so far, Ms. Bosnick mentioned the need to add load bearing steel but also noted that is common in older buildings. She is pleased that there have not been any water table issues so far.

- b. **Pedestrian Safety:** Ms. Pahwa noted that the ANC's safety requests are now in place and they are waiting on DDOT to send out an inspector to confirm that they have implemented the updated traffic and pedestrian safety plan correctly. There was discussion about the signs leading to confusion about the new protected pedestrian walkway along the edge of the library site on South Carolina. Nancy Boers had sent emails noting that there were signs on the west/6th street end of South Carolina indicating the sidewalk was closed on the north/library side of the street and asking if there was a way to indicate the new pedestrian walkway exists. The Task Force decided they needed further clarity on what the signs say. Ana Unruh Cohen volunteered to take pictures of the signs and report back to the Task Force. Ms. Pahwa noted that the Library and Whiting-Turner have to implement what DDOT has put on the traffic plan and the inspector who will visit the site cannot make or recommend changes to that plan. For changes, there would need to be further discussions with Derrick Marrow from DDOT, who joined the Task Force walking around the library site earlier in the year. Ms. Bosnick said she would send Commissioner Sobelsohn Mr. Marrow's email address.

4) Interim Library Facility

- a. **Sudden shutdown:** Last week Commissioner Sobelsohn received an email from DCPL's Martha Saccocio that the facility at Arthur Capper Community Center (ACCC) was closing temporarily because the HVAC is not working properly. She has asked DC Department of General Service for a timeline to fix the HVAC as well as any interim solutions that would mean the facility could reopen. Ms. Pahwa said she would try to find out more about the repair timing. Commissioner Sobelsohn said he would flag the issue for Councilmember Charles Allen.
- b. **Strategy to increase use and hours:** The Task Force noted the need to increase use during the summer and discussed the fact that neighbors in the Navy Yard area near ACCC do not know about the library facility and services there. The Task Force discussed the idea of trying to get messages to nearby schools about the library computer options at ACCC. Commissioners Sobelsohn and Ryder and Sarah Moore volunteered to work on a flyer to circulate. Commissioner Ryder volunteered to contact some school principals that he knows at Chisholm Elementary and the Digital Pioneers school. Clair August agreed to try and find contact information for other principals of schools. Commissioner Ryder confirmed that the ANC 6B has sent the letter to DCPL about changing the hours at ACCC and is waiting for DCPL's response.

- 5) **Election of Vice Chair:** The Task Force noted Raiford Gaffney's important contributions and her commitment to the Task Force. However given her illness, a

new Vice Chair is needed. Claire August was elected unanimously to serve as Vice Chair going forward.

- 6) **Next Task Force meeting:** Proposed for Monday, July 8 at 6:30 pm at 700 Pennsylvania Ave SE and by zoom.
- 7) **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 7:59 pm.



ANC 6B June 2024 Treasurer's Report
Submitted by Frank Avery, Commissioner 6B01 and 2024 Treasurer, ANC 6B
Submitted June 10th, 2024 for the June 11th, 2024 Commission Meeting

Item #1: Monthly Financials – No action required.

*Correction to April Monthly Financials Reported: The last report noted the ANC's closing balance on April 30 was \$64,657.90. This amount was incorrect. The ANC's monthly balance on April 30 was **\$64,660.36**. A formatting error on the ANC's bank statement cut off the \$2.46 of monthly interest accrued in the transaction register. However, the statement does correctly note the accurate final balance.*

For **May 2024**, the ANC's opening balance was \$64,660.36. The ANC closed the month with a balance of \$64,661.09. The change in net position for the ANC was an **increase of \$0.73**. The expenditures and income were as follows:

Debit Card

- **May 2, 2024 - \$2.02 – Amazon Web Services:** The ANC pays a monthly utilization fee for website hosting via Amazon Web Services (AWS).

Checks

Cleared Since Last Report

- All pending checks listed on the May report have cleared the ANC's account.

Pending Checks Since Last Report

- **Check #4988 - \$375 – 700 Penn:** This check was issued to pay for meeting space for the ANC's hybrid full commission meeting on Monday, April 8, 2024.
- **Check #4989 - \$225 – 700 Penn:** This check was issued to pay for meeting space for the ANC's hybrid April Public Safety Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.
- **Check #4990 - \$378 – Capital Community News:** This check was issued to pay for ANC 6B's annual advertisement in the Fagon Community Guide. The advertisement highlights the ANC as part of a section dedicated to educational information on the ANC.

Deposits

- **May 31, 2024 - \$2.75 – National Capital Bank (Interest):** The ANC received its monthly interest payment from its bank.

No other deposits were received in May 2024.

There are no further updates at this time.

For any questions regarding the contents of this report, please contact Commissioner Frank Avery, 2024 Treasurer for ANC 6B, at 6B01@anc.dc.gov.