

APPROVED MINUTES

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B
Executive Committee Meeting
May 27, 2025
Held Over Zoom
Commissioner Edward Stillwell Ryder, Chair
Approved at ANC 6B meeting June 10, 2025

Participating: Commissioners Gorman, Hughes, Krebs, Mareino, Pastore, Ryder, Sobelsohn, and Sroufe. Absent: Commissioner Wolanin.

Commissioner Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

- 1. Adoption of Agenda. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Sroufe seconded to approve the agenda as modified by the addition of a Consent Agenda. The motion passed 8-0.
- Announcements. Commissioner Sobelsohn announced that his appointees to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee, Resident Member Katherine Szafran and Alternate Resident Member Chuck Burger, have resigned their positions, prior to switching them.
- 3. Consent Agenda. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as modified. The motion passed 8-0. The Consent Agenda included Commissioner Sobelsohn's appointment to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee of Chuck Burger as Resident Member and Katherine Szafran as Alternate Resident Member.

4. Resolutions.

- a) Military Parade on Trump's Birthday: Commissioner Krebs moved/Commissioner Sroufe seconded to postpone this matter indefinitely. The motion passed 3-2, with Commissioners Ryder and Sobelsohn opposed, and Commissioner Gorman and Mareino recused.
- b) Mailbox at 5th and D Streets, SE: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Krebs seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, that calls on the US Postal Service (USPS) to expedite acquisition of a new e-lock for, and replacement of, the mailbox at that streetcorner; and on DC Delegate Norton, DC's Shadow Senators Paul Strauss and Ankit Jain, and DC's Shadow Representative Oye Owolewa to exert their influence to pressure USPS to expedite replacement of the mailbox. The motion passed 5-1, with Commissioner Sroufe opposed and Commissioner Gorman and Mareino recused.
- c) Fair Swipe Act: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Pastore seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, supporting Ward Six Councilmember Charles Allen's Fair Swipe Act of 2025, B26-138, which would limit the surcharge credit-card companies and banks can impose for use of their credit and debit cards, so that this surcharge no longer includes the portion that covers taxes and tips; and urging the DC Council to pass this bill at the earliest opportunity. The motion passed 8-0.
- d) RESALE Amendment Act: Commissioner Mareino moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, supporting Ward Six Councilmember Charles Allen's Restricting Egregious Scalping Against

Live Entertainment (RESALE) Amendment Act of 2025, B26-0224, which would limit a reseller's markup to ticket's face value plus 10%; require that only people who already have a ticket can resell it; require anyone who annually resells 50 or more tickets to register with DC's Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection; and urging the DC Council to pass this bill at the earliest opportunity. The motion passed 8-0.

- e) RFK Stadium Redevelopment: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, that urges the DC Council to reject the current tentative agreement between DC and the Washington Commanders, an agreement under which DC would contribute \$1 billion to a new football stadium in Washington, DC; to spend that \$1 billion instead to facilitate the building of mixed-use housing, neighborhood-serving retail, and open green spaces on the Robert F. Kennedy Stadium site; and to require any developer of the RFK site pay rent consistent with the land's value. Commissioner Hughes moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to amend the resolution to remove the word "occupant" from that third part and replace it with the word "developer." The motion to amend passed 8-0. Commissioner Gorman moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to amend the resolution to add a fourth part, urging the DC Council, as soon as possible, to issue a request for proposals to redevelop the stadium site. The motion to amend passed 8-0. The underlying motion passed 8-0.
- f) Rumsey Aquatic Center: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, that urges the DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to include a second floor in plans to renovate the Rumsey Aquatic Center; encourages all Ward 6 residents and all Ramsey users to sign a petition, circulated by Councilmember Allen, calling for a second floor; and that authorizes the ANC 6B chair to sign that petition on behalf of the ANC. Commissioner Krebs moved/Commissioner Mareino seconded to amend the resolution so that, instead of "urging" others to sign the petition, it only "encourages" others to sign the petition. The motion to amend passed 8-0. The underlying motion passed 8-0.
- g) Overnight Commercial Deliveries: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, that urges the CVS at 661 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, to stop deliveries between 6:30 p.m. and 7 a.m.; the DC Council to enact legislation protecting residents from "unreasonable" interference with their sleep from overnight commercial deliveries; and the DC Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection to enforce existing noise regulations against that CVS. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to place this resolution on the agenda for ANC 6B's July 8 meeting. The motion passed 6-2, with Commissioners Mareino and Sroufe opposed.
- h) Arthur Capper Interim Library: Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Pastore seconded to endorse a resolution, attached to these minutes, urging the DC Public Library (DCPL) to provide portable air-conditioners and fans to obviate the need ever to close the interim library for excess heat; the DC Council to pressure DCPL to keep the interim library open throughout the summer; and DPR to do what will keep the temperature at the interim library below 80° Fahrenheit. Commissioner Gorman moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to amend the resolution so, instead of urging the DC Council to "compel" DCPL to keep the interim library open during summer it urges the Council to "pressure" DCPL to keep the library open during summer. The motion to amend passed 7-1, with Commissioner Mareino opposed. The underlying motion passed 7-1, with Commissioner Mareino opposed.
- 5. June agendas. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Krebs seconded to approve proposed June agendas for ANC 6B and its committees and taskforces. The motion passed 8-0. The proposed agendas are attached to these minutes.
- 6. Adjournment. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Ryder seconded to adjourn. The motion passed 8-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Sobelsohn ANC 6B Secretary