



**ANC 6B November 2025 Public Safety Committee Report  
for the hybrid meeting held on November 17, 2025, from 6:30 – 8:30p.m.**

**Committee Chair Brian Gorman, Commissioner, 6B04**

**AGENDA & REPORT**

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

Attendees

Brian Gorman, Chair and Commissioner 6B04

Chuck Schmoyer, Vice Chair, Resident Member (RM), 6B03

Samuel Pastore, Commissioner 6B05

Frank Boudra RM alternate, 6B03

Lisa Matsumoto RM, 6B06

Ann Keep, RM 6B05

Kelly Waud, RM 6B07

Cinnamon Butler, RM 6B08

Captain Adam Crist, MPD First District

Robert Pittman, MPD 1<sup>st</sup> District Citizens Advisory Council

Reverend Judie Shepherd-Gore, Inner City Collaborative

**2. MPD Crime Update (Captain Adam Crist)**

Captain Crist provided an update on public safety statistics for 6B, noting that **overall violent crime is down 44%** for the year, robberies are down 51%, and property crime is down 32%.

Update specific incidents:

- Identified at least one suspect in an assault with a deadly weapon case and locating additional video footage.
- Detectives are still seeking video footage for a robbery that occurred around 9:05 p.m. on November 11th in the 1000 block of South Carolina Avenue. The suspect was described as a Black male in his 40s, about 5'10", wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, black pants, and white shoes.
- Members of the committee asked about criteria for placing crime cameras. MPD receives funding for rounds of cameras (such as 50 at a time) and allocates them to districts based on increases in activity. The priority is placing cameras in areas seeing violent crime, motor vehicle theft, theft from autos, robberies, and homicides. The camera program originated in the 1<sup>st</sup> District as a private security camera initiative, but MPD now uses



both fixed and mobile cameras, placing the latter in locations experiencing carjackings or shootings.

### **3. MPD Citizens Advisory Council (Robert Pitman, Chair of the 1<sup>st</sup> District CAC)**

Mr. Pittman explained that the CAC's role is to interconnect with ANCs, council members, the community, and businesses to address diverse priorities. He emphasized the need to be balanced and listen when dealing with sensitive issues and crafting legislation and policies involving public safety agencies, which include MPD, Metro Transit, US Park Police, and DC Housing Police.

Pitman noted that officers are often hesitant to provide complete answers because command staff may not necessarily want them to disclose certain details. He stressed that using data, such as crime maps and detailed stop data, is more helpful when analyzing crime than relying solely on emotional statements. He also highlighted that modern challenges include social media and body-worn cameras, noting that body-worn cameras have reduced the number of unsupported allegations against officers.

### **4. Violence Intervention Efforts (Together We Rise/Inner City Collaborative) Dwayne Falwell, Executive Director of Together We Rise**

Mr. Falwell detailed his organization's work in Ward 6. Their current government contract targets high-risk individuals aged 18 to 35. Falwell acknowledged the difficulty of engaging those under 18 due to contract restrictions and challenges in securing parental consent.

To address younger individuals, Falwell's organization has launched privately funded pilot programs in Potomac Gardens and Green Leaf. These after-school programs aim to provide a safe space, food, and training on trades and entrepreneurship, such as computer graphics and silk screen printing.

A major barrier in intervention is the shift in motivation for younger individuals, whose "currency" is often "likes, hits, and clout chasing on the Internet," which can rapidly escalate disputes between communities. Falwell stressed that effective intervention requires long-term commitment, building trust with individuals failed by systems in their homes, communities, and schools, and addressing their trauma. The organization also works to connect individuals to resources, including job skills training and apprenticeship programs for trades like plumbing and barbering.

### **5. Committee Charities (Cinnamon Butler)**

The committee discussed upcoming public service opportunities focused on youth during the holidays. These included donating Thanksgiving boxes for homeless youth through Grace Covenant/Sasha Bruce Youth Works and supporting the Little Lights Christmas store, which aims to provide 400 gifts for families to pick out for their children.

### **6. DC Curfew (Committee Discussion)**



The committee addressed the recent expansion of the youth curfew, which included 17-year-olds and granted police authority to designate targeted zones with curfews starting as early as 8:00 p.m.. The full ANC requested that the Public Safety Committee provide recommendations on the curfew and other measures that address the "underlying more difficult and challenging issues"—such as alienation and lack of engagement—that contribute to youth involvement in crime. The committee plans to hold a discussion and draft a letter to the full ANC in early January.