



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B
JANUARY 2026 FULL MEETING AGENDA OF ANC 6B

JANUARY AGENDA

- 1) **Introductions**
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- 5) **Community & Commission Announcements & Speak Out**
 - a) Office of the Mayor (MOCR)
 - b) Councilmember Charles Allen's Office
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 - d) ANC 6B Commissioner Announcements
 - e) Reminder of Upcoming Meeting Dates
- 6) **Presentations**
 - a) None for January
- 7) **ANC 6B Input on Other Concerns**
 - a) Presentation of the 2025 ANC 6B Outstanding Public Service Award
 - b) Discussion: Interim Police Chief
 - c) **[LATE BREAKING]** ANC 6B Task Forces Reauthorization
- 8) **Transportation Committee**
- 9) **Alcoholic Beverage & Cannabis Committee**
 - a) **ABC Renewals**
 - b) **New Applications/Substantial Changes**
 - i) CIVIC, LLC t/a CIVIC. On Eight – 501 8th Street SE (**ABRA-134549**), New Application for a Retail's Class "C" Tavern; Protest Petition Deadline: 01/26/2026 (6B03)
 - c) **Protests/Other Updates**
 - i) **Ambar** – 523 8th Street SE (ABRA-090240), Ongoing negotiation regarding settlement agreement and protest hearing. Parties have requested continuance while discussions proceed.
 - ii) Continue Discussion for "Vision for Barracks Row"/Roundtable Planning

(1) Finalization of Roster for Barracks Row Roundtable

- 10) **Planning and Zoning Committee**
- 11) **Public Safety Committee**
- 12) **Southeast Library Taskforce**
- 13) **Public Parks and Recreation Spaces Taskforce**
- 14) **Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee**
- 15) **Financials**
 - a) Monthly Financials
 - b) Technical Assistance Fund (OANC) – Owl Purchase
- 16) **ANC 6B Administrative Matters**
- 17) **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 January 27th at 7:00 PM to set the February 2026 agenda. This meeting will be a Zoom virtual meeting. Meeting link TBA.



Minutes

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B
Regular Monthly Meeting
December 9, 2025

Held in Person at 700 Pennsylvania Ave., SE and over Zoom
Commissioner Edward Stillwell Ryder, Chair

Approved at ANC 6B meeting January 13, 2025

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

Commissioner Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Adoption of Agenda. Without discussion or objection, the proposed agenda was amended to add, under "Consent Agenda," a modification of the October 27, 2025 minutes of the Southeast Library Task Force, approved by the ANC at its November 12, 2025 meeting; and to add, as the last item under "ANC 6B Input on Other Concerns," a discussion of proposed work at 311 E St., SE. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Mareino seconded to approve the agenda as modified. The motion passed 9-0

2. Consent Agenda. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 9-0. Items on the Consent Agenda included:

a. Minutes.

1) Adoption of the November 12, 2025 minutes as proposed. Those minutes can be found at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/11-2025-November-ANC-6B-Minutes-Signed.pdf>.

2) Changes to previously approved minutes: for minutes of meeting of--

a) Full ANC October 15, 2025: In the minutes caption, change "October 15, 2029" to "October 15, 2025." The corrected minutes can be found at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/10-2025-October-ANC-6B-Minutes-Signed.pdf>.

b) Southeast Library Taskforce October 27, 2025: Under subsection 3.d. of the taskforce minutes the ANC approved November 12, 2025, posted in the November meeting packet at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/11-2025-ANC-6B-Full-Meeting-Agenda-Packet.pdf>, the taskforce minutes reported that Jaspreet Pahwa, director of the library system's Capital Planning and Construction, said she expected general contractor Whiting-Turner to "complete renovation by June 20, 2026, the last day of spring." Director Pahwa requested that this be changed to "complete renovation by the end of spring 2026, subject to unforeseeable delays."

b. Written reports and minutes, of meetings of ANC 6B committees and task forces between November 13, 2025, the ANC's November meeting, and the December 9 meeting. The report of the Committee on--

1) Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis is at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/12-2025-ANC6B-ABC-Comittee-Report.pdf>.

2) Planning and Zoning is at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/12-2025-ANC6B-PZ-Report.pdf>.

3) Public Safety is at <http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/11-2025-ANC6B-Public-Safety-Committee-Report.pdf>.

Minutes for the December 8, 2025 meeting of the Southeast Library Taskforce will be included in the packet for the January 13, 2026 meeting of the full ANC and be posted separately at anc6b.org under "ANC ACTIONS." The Transportation Committee and the Public Parks and Recreation Spaces Taskforce did not meet between November 13 and December 9, 2025.

c. Matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on--

1) Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis: to support the applications of--

a) as you are, 500 8th St., SE, to renew its class "C" tavern license with entertainment endorsement (ABRA-119997).

b) Cannabis retailer High Demand, 511 11th St., SE, to extend its hours, for delivery only, to 11 p.m. Monday-Sunday.

2) Planning and Zoning: to--

a) Support the applications of--

1-- Chris Clark to renovate the interior, add a partial 3rd floor, and build a new front stair from the grade to the cellar, all at 232 Kentucky Ave., SE (HPA 26-74; for more details go to <https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/352904828604>).

2-- Jennifer Fowler to build a 1-story accessory and a 2nd-floor addition above an existing 1-story sunroom, both at 1427 D St., SE (BZA 21418).

b) Send letters to members of the DC Council urging them to deny anyone permission to open a casino in Washington, DC.

d. Proposed 2026 ANC 6B calendar. The calendar can be found at <https://anc6b.org/calendar/>.

3. Announcements: by--

a. ANC 6B commissioners: Commissioner--.

1) Ryder announced--

a) Upcoming ANC 6B meetings.

1-- In-person at 700 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, and livestreamed: meetings of--

a-- Standing committees.

(1) Public Safety Committee 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 29.

(2) Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 6.

b-- Meetings of--

(1) Full ANC 6B 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 13.

(2) Southeast Library Taskforce 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 26.

2-- Virtual only: meetings of--

a-- Executive Committee 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 30.

b-- Standing committees on--

(1) Transportation 7 p.m. Monday, January 5.

(2) Planning and Zoning 7 p.m. Thursday, January 8.

b) ANC 6B officers have awarded the 2025 ANC 6B Outstanding Public Service Award to Chuck Burger, to be presented at the ANC's January 13, 2026 meeting.

2) Sobelsohn announced that, starting at 6 p.m. Monday, December 15, outside the home of the Hill Havurah, in the Lutheran Church of the Reformation, 212 East Capitol St., NE, the Capitol Hill Business Improvement District will host its 12th annual menorah lighting to celebrate the beginning of the Jewish holiday of Chanukah.

3) Hughes reported on a December 8 public roundtable, by the DC Council Committee on Public Works and Operations, regarding the Department of Public Works, especially DPW's recent missing of trash pickups. Commissioner Hughes advised residents to call 311 after 3 p.m. on the day they notice a missed trash pickup.

b. Representatives of other DC-government branches.

1) Noah Glasgow, of the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, made the following announcements.

a) Glasgow promised to report to the ANC--

1-- What repercussions, if any, Marcus Hunt, director of the DC National Guard and a DC government employee, will face for having circulated, from his DC email address, but without clearing it with anyone else in the DC government, the DC National Guard's offer to aid in DC "beautification." Glasgow first made this promise at the ANC's meeting October 15, 2025, and has repeated it at every ANC meeting since.

2-- Why Richard Reyes-Gavilan, executive director of the DC public library, insists it will take the library system 2 months after renovation of the Southeast branch to open the branch.

b) Glasgow also made the following announcements.

1-- Mayor's future: Mayor Muriel Bowser has decided she won't run for reelection in 2026. She will leave office on January 2, 2027.

2-- DC public schools.

a-- The Office of the State Superintendent of Education encourages DC families to register for EdFest, to learn about options from pre-kindergarten through the 8th grade. EdFest is scheduled for Saturday, December 13, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Kraken Kourts & Skates, 514 RI Ave., NE. Parents can register at myschoolsdc.org.

b-- The 2024-25 DC school report card, issued December 5, 2025, showed a graduation rate of 78.7%, an 18% increase over the past 15 years and the highest ever.

3-- Snow removal: DC has a program to help seniors and disabled residents remove snow. People can register to volunteer, or to request help, at snowteamdc.gov. Commissioner Hughes reported that the Snow Team program hasn't been working. Glasgow promised to follow up with the ANC.

4-- Police chief: Glasgow reported that DC is doing a nationwide search to replace Patricia Smith, who has resigned as DC police chief.

5-- Streateries: Glasgow reported that the DC Department of Transportation has regulations about streatery appearance, and plans to work with the Department of Public Works to remove streateries no longer in use.

2) Kimberly Kennedy made the following announcements on behalf of Ward Six Councilmember Charles Allen.

a) Ward Six events.

1-- "Brickies": Councilmember Allen's annual "Brickie" awards ceremony on Thursday, December 4, attracted 200 residents.

2-- Councilmember Allen will have a community office from 8:30-10 a.m. Friday, December 12, at Tango Pastry, 408 8th St., NE.

b) Council updates.

1-- Hearing: On December 3, the Council Committee on Facilities held a hearing on Councilmember Allen's Department of Parks and Recreation Field Priority Access Amendment Act of 2025, Bill 26-112. Bill 26-112 would expand the hours of DC recreation centers and fields, requiring some to open on Sundays.

2-- Legislation.

a-- Streateries: On December 4, the Council passed Councilmember Allen's Streatery Program Emergency Amendment Act of 2025, Bill 26-233. Bill 26-233 would lower restaurant fees for having eating spaces on sidewalks and streets.

b-- Teen curfews: On December 2, the Council passed the Juvenile Curfew Emergency Amendment Act, which will empower the mayor and police chief to extend, to April 2026, the juvenile curfew currently in effect.

3) Metropolitan Police Department: 1st District MPD Captain Adam Crist reported on 2025 crime rates. In ANC 6B, the past year has seen a decrease in--

- a) Violent crime of 42%.
- b) Robberies and carjackings of 53%.
- c) Property crime of 32%.
- d) Thefts from autos of 38%.
- e) Car thefts of 10%.
- f) Other thefts of 36%.

Captain Crist warned that juveniles are still stealing expensive winter coats. He admitted that MPD has continued providing "assistance" to the National Guard, but denied any MPD collaboration with Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Though he reported that "no one" in MPD "was upset about the federal surge," he also could not credit the 2025 crime decrease to an increase in federal law enforcement.

4. Matters within Jurisdiction of ANC 6B Committees on--

a. Planning and Zoning.

1) 311 E St., SE, application to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB). Commissioner Mareino, committee chair, reported that the 311 E St. owner has applied to build a roof deck. Neighbors spoke in opposition to the current plans. The committee recommended asking HPRB to postpone consideration to its January meeting, to encourage neighbors to reach a settlement with the owner. Commissioner Wolanin promised to forward, to the neighbors, HPRB's email address, so they can express their concerns directly to HPRB. Commissioner Mareino will follow up with HPRB staff to confirm the application's current status.

2) New fast-food outlets on Barracks Row: Taco Bell, 411 8th St., SE, and Popeye's, 409 8th St., SE. Nearby resident Linda Elliott reported that Taco Bell's owners have complied with all the neighbors' requests regarding mitigation of smells, noise, and vermin, and will soon open. She also reported that the Parikh Corporation, owners of that Popeye's outlet, submitted plans that the Department of Buildings approved, and then built their Popeye's in violation of those plans, which led to a series of stop-work orders. Elliott reported that Parikh Corp's counsel has promised revised plans, and a meeting between the neighbors and Parikh Corp., in order to get the stop-work orders lifted. She promised to include, in that meeting, Commissioner Sobelsohn, whose district includes 409 8th St., SE.

b. Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis.

1) New applications: by--

a) Maru San DC, LLC, 325 7th St., SE, for a new retailer's class "C" restaurant license (ABRA-134495). Commissioner Sroufe moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to ask the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration for an extension of time to file a protest until January 19, 2026, to allow the ANC's ABC Committee to consider the application at the committee's January 6 meeting. Manalle Mahmoud, Maru San's counsel, agreed to the extension. The motion passed 9-0.

b) Sunnyside Restaurant Group, LLC, trading as Good Stuff Eatery, 303 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, to make a "substantial change" from a retailer's class "D" restaurant license to a retailer's class "C" restaurant license (ABRA-078027). The current license permits only sale of beer and wine. The new license would also permit the sale of "spirits." Sam Otto, from the Sunnyside Restaurant Group, pledged that all spirits would be batched in back of the restaurant, placed in kegs, and provided through keg lines, and not mixed in front of customers. Otto also committed to trash pickups twice daily and visits by pest-control operators several times each week. Commissioner Pastore moved/- Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to support awarding a stipulated (temporary) license on condition the applicant agrees to a sufficient postponement of ABC Board consideration of a permanent change so that the ANC's ABC Committee can consider the application at the committee's January 6, 2026,

meeting. The motion failed, with Commissioners Sobelsohn, Pastore, and Mareino in support; Commissioners Wolanin, Sroufe, Krebs, and Ryder opposed; and Commissioners Gorman and Hughes abstaining. Commissioner Sroufe moved/Commissioner Wolanin seconded to support the application for a substantial change. The motion passed 7-0. Commissioners Sobelsohn and Hughes abstained.

2) Ongoing protests on 8th St., SE.

a) Balkan Concepts, LLC, trading as Ambar, 523 8th St., SE, for renewal of its retailer CR liquor license (case # 25-PRO-00038; license #90240). ABC Committee chair Ellen Opper-Weiner reported that the ANC and Ambar are continuing negotiations over a settlement and have jointly requested a continuance while negotiations continue.

b) Tobacco King, trading as Aloha, upstairs at 539 8th St., SE, for a medical-cannabis license, with a delivery endorsement (ABRA-129362). A protest hearing is currently scheduled for December 10, 2025. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Sroufe seconded to maintain the ANC's protest. The motion failed on a tie vote, with Commissioners Sobelsohn, Pastore, Ryder, and Hughes in support; Commissioners Wolanin, Sroufe, Krebs, and Mareino opposed; and Commissioner Gorman abstaining. Commissioner Pastore moved to withdraw the ANC protest on condition that Aloha sign a settlement agreement negotiated by ANC counsel Kerry Verdi. The motion passed 8-1, with Commissioner Sobelsohn opposed. The settlement agreement is at http://anc6b.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Aloha_Settlement_Agreement_FE.pdf.

c. Transportation: Commissioner Mareino moved/Commissioner Sobelsohn seconded to send Councilmember Allen a letter, to be written by Commissioner Mareino, supporting the ceremonial re-naming of the 400 block of 12th St., SE, in front of the Watkins Elementary School, 420 12th St., SE, in honor of Veola Jackson, the original principal of the Capitol Hill Cluster Schools. The motion passed 9-0.

5. Bylaw Amendments. Commissioner Sobelsohn moved/Commissioner Wolanin seconded to adopt two amendments to the ANC 6B bylaws, both under "ARTICLE VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE," section 2, "POWERS." These amendments add a new--

a. Sentence in subsection "C.," after the first sentence, to read "For purposes of this subsection, 'emergency situations' shall include matters on which the ANC has not yet finally resolved, but which, if the Commission is going to act at all, it must act before the next regularly scheduled monthly Commission meeting."

b. Subsection "D.," to read "D. Even without an emergency, the Executive Committee shall also have the power to decide such matters delegated to it by the Commission at a Commission meeting, provided that the then most recent Commission meeting had this matter or these matters on its agenda and failed to resolve the matter or matters during its meeting"; and to reletter current subsection "D" as new subsection "E."

The motion passed 8-0. Commissioner Mareino abstained.

6. Adjournment. Commissioner Ryder moved/Commissioner Hughes seconded to amend. The motion passed 9-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Sobelsohn
Secretary, ANC 6B

Prepared by: David Sobelsohn

Approved on: January 13th, 2026

Attested by: Edward Ryder

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edward Ryder', written in a cursive style.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

ABC Committee – Official Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 6, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: 700 Pennsylvania Avenue SE

Committee Chair: Ellen Opper-Weiner

Recorder: Vice Chair Sam Pastore

Attendance

Present:

- Chuck Burger
 - Ellen Opper-Weiner
 - Jerry Sroufe
 - Edward Ryder, ANC Chair
 - Sam Pastore, Vice Chair
 - Ronda Fox, CIVIC
 - Andra Aj, CIVIC, Beverage Director
 - Dan Koffman
 - Jim Loots, ANC 6B03 Alternate
 - Maggie Strouse, ANC 6B09
 - Michael McMullen
 - Brian Gorman
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Agenda Item 1: ABC Renewals

There were **no Alcoholic Beverage Control license renewals** scheduled for consideration in January.

Agenda Item 2: New Applications / Substantial Changes

CIVIC, LLC t/a CIVIC. On Eight

Address: 501 8th Street SE

ABCA Application No.: 134549

License Type: New Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern
Single Member District: 6B03
Protest Petition Deadline: January 26, 2026

Discussion:

The committee reviewed the application and heard from the applicant. Discussion focused on potential neighborhood impacts, including sound, permitted use of the premises, and outdoor entertainment. Committee members generally expressed support for the applicant and the proposed business, while noting the importance of clearly defined operating conditions to protect the surrounding residential community.

Motion:

To protest the application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern license for CIVIC, LLC t/a CIVIC. On Eight, for the purpose of negotiating a settlement agreement addressing sound management, use of the premises, and outdoor entertainment.

Vote:

- In favor: Majority
- Opposed: One (1)
- Abstentions: None

Result:

The motion **passed**.

Statement for the Record:

The committee characterized the protest as a **friendly protest** and expressed support for the applicant operating under a **stipulated license** while settlement negotiations proceed.

Agenda Item 3: Barracks Row Initiatives

Vision for Barracks Row / Roundtable Planning

The committee continued discussion regarding the long-term vision for Barracks Row and the structure and goals of a Barracks Row Roundtable.

Finalization of Roundtable Roster

The committee continued efforts to finalize the Roundtable roster and confirm participation.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Certification

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Pastore

Vice Chair, ANC 6B

Recorder, ABC Committee

Attendees:

Commissioner Gerald “Jerry” Sroufe [6B02]
Commissioner David Sobelsohn [6B03]
Janice Kruger [RM-6B03]
Brian Kirrane [RM-6B03]
Kirsten Oldenburg [RM-6B04]
Commissioner Samuel Pastore [6B05]
Mike Litt [RM-6B05]
Joel Sarfati [6B05] [RM-6B05]
Brianne Eby-Stockert [RM-6B07]
Commissioner Edward Ryder [6B08]
Jeffrey Menzer, Vice Chair [RM-6B08]

The Committee was called to order 7:10 PM by Vice Chair Jeffrey Menzer who served as chair of the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Traffic Issues in Intersections in 6B05

Commissioner Samuel Pastore and Resident Member Joel Sarfati briefly discussed issues relating to traffic and pedestrian safety along North Carolina Avenue, SE between 8th and 10th Streets, SE. Issues relating to traffic speed and controls were mentioned as general concerns of the neighbors. The 6B05 Committee members said that they would solicit specific concerns and suggestions from the residents who previously raised these issues which can be discussed at a future Committee meeting with Department of Transportation staff.

2. Letter to WMATA Regarding Signage at L’Enfant Plaza Metro Station

Resident Member Janice Kruger her recent experience traveling from the L’Enfant Metro Station to the Anthem on the Wharf using directions provided by WMATA and requested that the Committee send a letter to WMATA regarding improving street-level wayfinding from the L’Enfant Metro station to the Wharf. The Committee discussed other parties to whom a letter should be sent (i.e., Wharf management, the Anthem, the BID and 6D01 ANC). Ms. Kruger said she would further investigate this and report back to the Committee at a future meeting.

ANC 6B Planning & Zoning Committee, Minutes of the January 8 meeting

RMs attending: Frank D'Andrea (Vice Chair, 6B04), Marsha Lea (6B01), Michael Bruggman (6B08)

Commissioners attending: Mareino (Chair, 6B07), Sroufe (6B02), Sobelsohn (6B03), Gorman (6B04)

1. 406 8th St SE (6B04), BZA # 21438

- a. Emerald Wings, d.b.a. Wingstop, seeks a **Usage Special Exception** for a fast food restaurant, and a **Building Special Exception** from the Refuse Dumpster Regulations. Scheduled **hearing date April 1, 2026**
- b. Emerald Wings has legal representation (Leila Battles of Holland & Knight) and is working closely with their landlord.
- c. Usage: Wingstop will be a carryout-only restaurant. No indoor seating, possibly no indoor trash cans, no liquor license. The spot is currently vacant (in between The Sweet Lobby and Dunkin). Applicant could open a regular restaurant by-right, but believes the “fast casual” model is necessary for this location.
- d. Refuse: Wingstop proposes to use the EXISTING suite of dumpsters in the alley between 8th & 9th St. RMs, Comms, and residents all argued that those existing dumpsters also have existing rats. Wingstop argues they would be a good fit, because all Wingstop food is prepped off-site, so there is minimal food trash, and they will install & service a state-of-the-art cooking oil disposal system, so there will be no oil in the dumpsters.
- e. Neighbors: upstairs tenant, Chabad DC, supports. Applicant has contacted every other property within 50 yards of the entrance – all of whom are commercial. Have NOT YET, but will, contact the RESIDENTIAL neighbors who live within 50 yards of the alley dumpsters.
- f. **Motion: Authorize a group led by Comm. Gorman to reach a settlement agreement, aiming to submit it for discussion at the February 5 P&Z meeting. Unanimous.**
 - i. Notes on motion: Comm. Sobelsohn and Gorman, and the applicant, will reach out to nearby residents for input, and to invite them to assist in negotiations. Neighbor Ritu Upadhyay will likely be involved.
 - ii. The main focus of the agreement will be to codify Emerald Wings’ assertions that it will be using industry Best Practices in all aspects of sanitation. Other topics include: delivery drivers, working with Capitol

Hill BID on trash litterbug customers, grease management, odor management, hours of operation.

2. Discussion: other fast food establishments in Barracks Row
 - a. Taco Bell (409 8th St SE, permits secured) and Popeyes' (411 8th St SE, grandfathered in) will be opening soon.
 - b. Comm. Pastore is reaching out to neighborhood groups and business groups to set up the Roundtable Discussion on Commercial Diversity
 - c. Raised the importance of defining "fast food." DC legal definition is very broad, capturing almost any restaurant without waitstaff. Would a BZA "fast food moratorium" be too broad, capturing delis, bakeries, etc?
 - d. The Barracks Row charter specifically refers to how the business district is supposed to support unusual businesses – people will come visit Barracks Row if it has offerings that no one else in DC has. So monoculture/diversity is an important topic.
 - e. Raised the importance of finding incentives/ways to help businesses, so that the ANC's final proposal to the City Council and/or regulatory agencies is financially realistic.

ANC 6B Southeast Library Taskforce
700 Pennsylvania Ave., SE and Over Zoom
December 8, 2025

Proposed Minutes

Attending

ANC 6B commissioners: David Sobelsohn (Chair), Anna Krebs, and Edward Ryder

Taskforce members: Jayme Johnson, Ana Unruh Cohen, Sylvia Randolph, John Schwab, Mark Smith with Marc Mayerson and Sundari Baru listening in.

DC Public Library (DCPL) representatives: Jaspreet Pahwa and Mars Eagleson

Whiting-Turner representatives: Terri Bosnick

Interim Secretary: Anna Krebs

Commissioner Sobelsohn called the meeting to order at 6:34pm

1. Appointment of Interim Secretary. Commissioner Sobelsohn appointed Commissioner Krebs as interim secretary for this meeting.

2. Approval of –

- a. Agenda: Commissioner Ryder moved/Commissioner Krebs second to approve the agenda as proposed. The motion passed 8-0-0.
- b. Minutes of October 27 meeting: Resident Member Unruh Cohen moved/Resident Member Randolph seconded to approve the proposed minutes. Commissioner Ryder a motion to amend the agenda to strike the specific date and say “ by the end of spring 2026, subject to unforeseeable delays.”/Resident Member Johnson seconded. Motions pass 8-0-0.

3. Renovation Update. Jaspreet Pahwa and Terri Bosnick updated on Southeast Library renovation. Their written report can be found at <https://shorturl.at/rm8GQ>.

- a. Immediate neighbors. Pahwa shared photos of the new alleyway with the updated fencing and pathway. The south side fence will continue over the next few weeks. Post Construction Surveys have been sent to neighbors.
- b. Washington Gas. There have been leaks on 7th and D St. which have been cold patched. There was a sink hole on South Carolina and 7th St. which has been cold patched. There is a pile of bricks that have been left by the stop sign.
- c. Communication. Whiting-Turning has not communicated in a timely manner to neighbors. DCPL and Whiting-Turning state that at least 1 business day's notice is their policy. Resident Member Smith agrees to track dates and times of any situations moving forward.
- d. Library Hiring. Resident Member Randolph has requested that we speak to the library about when they are starting the hiring process. She does not want them to waste time after the renovations focused on hiring. Resident Member Unruh Cohen recommends that we speak with DCPL leadership about coming to one of our meetings or starting the conversation about their timeline. Commissioner Sobelsohn plans to ask Noah Glasgow from the Mayor's office to see if he has answers about what DCPLs plan is for the timeline of hiring and final tasks.

4. Neighbor Issues

- a. Parking. There are temporary no parking signs on spaces which are occupied around the clock. Commissioner Ryder will reach out to Commissioner Hughes as the Chair of the Transportation Committee to add this to their agenda.

5. Arthur Capper Interim Library

- a. Flyer distribution. Commissioner Sobelsohn has flyers available at his apartment, upon request, as well as in the ANCs mailbox at 700 Penn.
- b. Days & Hours. Commissioner Sobelsohn emailed Noah Glasgow from the Mayor's office to reiterate that we would like for the Arthur Capper Interim Library to be open on evenings and weekends.

6. Next meeting: Commissioner Krebs motioned to hold the next taskforce meeting at 6:30pm, Monday, January 26, 2026. Commissioner Ryder seconded. Motion passed 8-0-0.

7. Adjournment: Resident Member Unruh Cohen motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Krebs seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Public Parks and Recreation Spaces

January 13, 2026

The committee reviewed materials related to the Rumsey Aquatic Center provided by DPR and concerns about the St. Elizabeth project provided by the DC Preservation League.

In both instances, the questions before the Committee were, first, what do we wish to say? And, second, where should we lodge our comments.

RE RUMSEY

The Committee has discussed this topic previously and was prepared to put forward a number of community concerns. Because a community briefing by DPR was planned for January 14, it was relatively easy to adopt a strategy for proceeding. A three step strategy was adopted: (1) a letter suggesting some topics that usefully might be addressed by the DPR team at the community meeting would be provide promptly; Committee members will attend the meeting on January 14 and participate as they wish; (3) a formal response will be prepared by the Committee for consideration by the Commission following the community meeting that would address new or continuing concerns.

The letter to DPR regarding their presentation on January 14 has been sent.

RE ST. ELIZABETH DEVELOPMENT

Reading the correspondence prepared jointly by the National Historical Trust and the DC Board of Historical Preservation, it appears that no consideration will be given to preservation of any buildings in the historical site: all are to be demolished. The correspondence from Homeland Security to justify this procedure being unconvincing; the question of Committee action was raised.

A proposal to have the Committee recommend that the ANC6B to write a letter supporting the position of the two preservation agencies was not endorsed: some feeling it was the role of the Planning and Zoning Committee; others feeling it was not a central issue of our committee. Several, including the chair thought the protection of historical building merited support of the action proposed by the two preservation

agencies (i.e. to review the buildings on an individual basis on site, rather than clear cut the area).

No Committee action was taken on this item but, of course, ANC6B is not precluded from doing so.