



**ANC 6B January 2026 Public Safety Committee Report
for the hybrid meeting held on January 26, 2026, from 6:30 – 8:30p.m.**

Committee Chair Brian Gorman, Commissioner, 6B04

AGENDA & REPORT

1. Welcome & Introductions

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.

Attendees

Brian Gorman, Chair and Commissioner 6B04

David Sobelsohn, Commissioner 6B03

Frank Boudra RM alternate, 6B03

Ann Keep, RM 6B05

Cinnamon Butler, RM 6B08

John Schwab, RM 6B03

2. Thank and Farewell to Chuck Schmoyer and Lisa Matsumoto

The committee noted the departures of Chuck Schmoyer (Vice Chair) and Lisa Matsumoto. The Chair thanked them for their service to the community and their many contributions to the committee.

3. Committee Leadership

Discussion moved to election of a chair for the current year. Commissioner Gorman offered to step down. The committee renominated the current chair and he was elected unanimously. The committee discussed the need to select a new vice chair and agreed to continue the discussion via email with the goal of selecting a new vice chair in the near future.

4. Open Discussion of Public Safety Issues

- **Barracks Row:** Members noted recent gunfire incidents and a steady drumbeat of low-level criminal activity in the area.
- **Property Crime:** Multiple car break-ins were reported on side streets off 14th Street.



- **Insufficient Lighting:** Cinnamon Butler highlighted a lack of lighting on the 1000 block of 14th Street, which residents believe correlates with local crime activity. The Chair agreed to follow up on this with a 311 request.
- **Vulnerable Populations:** The committee discussed a homeless individual previously camped at 5th Street and Seward Square who has since moved, potentially into a warm facility via the hypothermia hotline.
- **Transportation Safety:** Construction near Potomac Avenue has led to canceled bus routes making it difficult for residents to access groceries safely. Committee members noted this is an issue that can be discussed in the Transportation Committee.

5. Future Agenda Priorities

- **Traffic Enforcement:** The committee learned that Commander Hall assigned an officer specifically to traffic enforcement. Members plan to compile a list of dangerous intersections for targeted monitoring.
- **National Guard Debate:** The committee debated inviting a National Guard representative to discuss their local impact. Some members favored gathering information on their role and relationship with MPD, while others strongly opposed their presence as a "federal occupying force" that undermines home rule. The proposal was ultimately put on hold.
- **Youth Outreach:** There was strong interest in focusing on youth intervention, with plans to invite **Sasha Bruce** to a future meeting.
- **Judicial Oversight:** Ann Keep offered to provide monthly reports on the work of the **Council for Court Excellence**, focusing on youth safety and judicial appointments.

Assigned Action Items

- **Cinnamon Butler:** Reach out to Sasha Bruce Youth Works.
- **Frank Boudra:** Contact Metro transit security and the new traffic enforcement representative.
- **John Schwab:** Coordinate with Captain Christ to move detailed statistical crime updates from the full ANC meetings to this committee.
- **Chair:** Contact the interim police chief and Commander Hall's interim replacement.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.