



**ANC 6B June 2026 Public Safety Committee Report
for the hybrid meeting held on June 29, 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 6:39pm.

Attendees

Brian Gorman, Chair and Commissioner 6B04

Kelly Waud, Vice Chair, RM 6B06

Jerry Sroufe, Commissioner 6B02

David Sobelsohn, Commissioner 6B03

Frank Boudra RM alternate, 6B03

Ann Keep, RM 6B05

Cinnamon Butler, RM 6B08

Eric Miller, RM 6B 6B09

John Schwab, RM 6B03

Captain Adam Crist, MPD 1D

Larry Janezich, Capitol Hill Corner

2. Crime Update (Captain Crist)

Captain Crist reported that violent crime is down 64% overall in 6B for the year, with robberies dropping by 75%. While motor vehicle thefts have decreased by 51%, there has been a 13% uptick in thefts from autos and a recent rise in package thefts. Specific recent incidents included a shooting during an attempted robbery in an alley on the 1500 block of K Street and several burglaries, some involving unlocked doors. The Captain attributed the general drop in crime to a "natural drop" after a high-crime year and more aggressive "papering" of cases and preventative holds by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

- Cannabis DUIs: Commissioner Sobelsohn inquired about arrest rates for driving under the influence of cannabis. Captain Chris explained that this data is not easily searchable in current MPD systems and suggested a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request would be necessary to compile such specific statistics.



- **Teenage Curfews:** The Captain described curfews as an effective tool for splintering large, disorderly groups into smaller, more manageable numbers.
- **Mental Health Response:** MPD utilizes co-response teams (officers paired with behavioral health clinicians) during the day and Crisis Intervention Officer trained personnel during off-hours to handle individuals in distress.

Barracks Row and Cafe 8: The committee discussed late-night noise and street disruptions on 8th Street SE, particularly near Cafe 8. Captain Crist urged residents to call 911 for noise complaints to create a documented paper trail that can be used during Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) license renewals. The Chair suggested that leveraging the ABC Committee during license renewals might be more effective than separate resolutions for addressing business-related violence and disturbances.

3. Council for Court Excellence Update (Ann Keep)

Ann Keep provided an update from the Council for Court Excellence regarding several federal bills affecting DC's judicial system. Key issues include a proposed 30-day limit for the Senate to approve judicial nominees to fill vacancies in Superior Court and a controversial proposal to make the DC Attorney General a presidential appointment rather than an elected position. The committee discussed signing onto letters of support for these reforms as individuals or as a group.

4. Other Public Safety Issues

Traffic Safety and the Steer Act: Eric Miller reported on a meeting with Kevin Whitfield regarding traffic violence and the Steer Act. He noted that automated traffic enforcement accounts for 99% of tickets in DC, but there is a belief that MPD leadership has informally discouraged officers from making manual traffic stops. The committee discussed the very small size of the city's "boot team" and expressed concern over a potential Congressional move to prohibit automated traffic cameras, which would significantly impact the city's budget and safety enforcement.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.