



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B

ANC 6B EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 12, 2021 at

7:00p.m.

Virtual Meeting via WebEx

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AGENDA

1. Introduction
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Consent Agenda
 1. October Meeting Minutes
 2. Alcoholic Beverage Control Committee
 3. Planning and Zoning Committee
 1. HPA 21-561 and BZA 20608: 403 7th Street SE, Southeast Library interior renovation and cellar addition. Applicant: DC Public Library, Martha Saccocio martha.saccocio@dc.gov. Representative: Meghan Hottel-Cox. MHottel-Cox@GOULSTONSTORRS.com. BZA Hearing Date: 02/02/2022; HPRB Hearing Date: 11/18/21 or 12/02/21 [6B03] Plans: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/CaseReport/CaseReportPage.aspx?case_id=20608
 2. HPA 21-552: 1208 D Street SE; Concept Review for second story addition to existing one-story garage; Owner: Sharon Harrelson, ; Applicant: Lacy Brittingham, lacy@brittinghamarchitecture.com. HPRB Hearing Date: 11/18/21 or 12/02/21 [6B06]

Plans: <https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/146319234491>

3. BZA 20574: 237 8th Street SE; Area Variance to construct a new, detached, one-story accessory garage in the RF-1 zone (Square 900, Lot 810); Owner(s): Bonnie Guo and Michael Consilvio, Applicant: Michael Romero, 2378see@gmail.com, michael@romeroarchitects.com; BZA Hearing Date: 12/08/21 [6B02]
Plans: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/CaseReport/CaseReportPage.aspx?case_id=20574
4. Transportation Committee
 1. Comments on DDOT Daytime School Parking Zones Proposed Rulemaking
 2. Comments on DDOT Fast Tracking Process for Roadway Safety Projects
4. Presentations
 1. Food Safety and Hygiene Division of the Department of Health
5. Community & Commission Announcements & Speak Out
6. Alcoholic Beverage Control Committee - *No committee meeting was held for the month of November*
7. Planning and Zoning Committee
 1. BZA 20543: 316 2nd Street SE; Use Variance to convert and existing, three-story, attached, principal dwelling unit and two-story accessory building to a three-unit apartment house in the RF-3 Zone. Applicant: Crystal and Jeffrey Cargill. Hearing Date: 12/1/2021 [6B01]
 2. BZA 20537: 1227 E Street SE; Special Exception to construct a rear, two-story addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone (Square 1019, Lot 58); Owner(s): Margaret McCulloch; Applicant: Michael Fowler, mike@fowler-architects.com; BZA Hearing Date: 12/1/21 [6B06]
https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/CaseReport/CaseReportPage.aspx?case_id=20537
 3. PZ Report
8. Transportation Committee
 1. TC Report
9. Hill East Task Force
10. Livable Community Task Force
11. Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee
12. Working Group on Barrack's Row
13. Financial
14. ANC 6B Administrative Matters
15. ANC 6B Input on Other Concerns
16. 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 on November 30 at 7:00 PM to set the December 2021 agenda. This meeting will be a Webex virtual meeting. Meeting link TBA.

Draft MINUTES

ANC6B COMMISSION MEETING -- October 12, 2021

1. Welcome, Introductions. Chair Ready welcomed 76 Commissioners and residents to the virtual meeting at 7:05. Commissioner Ready called attention to the fullness of the agenda and called on the ANC6B Commissioners to provide self-introductions by SMD number: (01) Jennifer Samolyk; (02) Jerry Sroufe, Secretary; (03) Brian Ready, Chair; (04) Kirsten Oldenburg, Parliamentarian; (05) Steve Holtzman, Vice-Chair; (06) Corey Holman, Treasurer; (07) Edward Ryder; (10) Denise Krepp). All Commissioners were present for the meeting.

2. Adoption of Agenda. Following modifications, the agenda was adopted unanimously. (Holman/Wright). Modifications included moving several items to the Consent Agenda (September Minutes, ABRA approval for Congressional Cemetery application), adding an action item to the Hill East Task Force report at the request of Commissioner Krepp; adding approval of the quarterly report to the Finance item; switching the order of some items in the P and Z report to accommodate several participants; and changes in the order of Presentations to accommodate the schedule of CM Silverman.

3. Approval of the Consent Agenda: Following modification, the Consent Agenda was approved to unanimously (Ready/Oldenburg). The following items were approved on consent:

Items from the Planning and Zoning Committee:

- a. Letter to HSEMA in support of the 2021 Rock N Roll Half Marathon.
- b. BZA20581: 1241 Independence Ave SE; Special Exception to construct a roof deck addition to an existing, detached, accessory garage in the RF-1 zone (Square 1015, Lot 147).
- c. BZA 20560: 1713 D Street SE; Special Exception to construct a third story addition and a three-story rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story, principal dwelling unit rear in the RF-1 zone (Square 1102, Lot 99). Hearing Date: 11/10/21 [6B09]
- d. BZA 20534 & HPA 21-551: 152 11th Street SE; Special Exception to construct a two-story garage with accessory apartment to an existing, attached, three story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone (Square 989, Lot 24); Owner(s): Edward and Lauren Kraemer; Applicant: Jennifer Fowler, jennifer@fowler-architects.com; Hearing Date: 10/27/21 [6B05]

Items from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Committee:

- e. ABRA-.07131: 514 Partners, LLC, t/a Tortuga Caribbean Bar & Grille, 514 8th Street, SE: Request to expand existing Entertainment Endorsement to the rooftop Summer Garden; Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant; Applicant: William Sport: (202) 846-7728: Petition Deadline: 10/18/21 [6B04]
- f. ABRA-117891: Assoc. for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery, 1801 E Street, SE: Retailer's Class "CX" Multipurpose Facility; Applicant: Kimberly Sullivan: (202) 543-0530: Petition Deadline: 11/29/21 [6B09].

Minutes of the September Commission Meeting.

4. Presentations. Because of the time constraints at the meeting, Anthony Diallo, DCRA and Kelsey Coleman, BBB will discuss the new DCRA Contractor Rating System Partnership with Better Business Bureau at the November meeting.

Presentation #1: Tatjana Savoy, Captain, MPD 1st District, discussed the uptick in burglaries and homicides and answered questions and comments from Commissioners and residents. Many were upset about two recent incidents resulting in homicides and Captain Savoy shared their frustration. She said that in both cases MPD ShotSpotters had been engaged and that officers were able to locate the weapons used in the incidents. Savoy recommended the District's camera rebate program to Ward 6 residents. Savoy encouraged Commissioners and residents to send additional questions or comments by email or telephone (Tatjan...@dc.gov; [202-740-4701](tel:202-740-4701).)

Chair Ready announced that plans were underway for holding an ANC community meeting about security issues that would involve Ward 6 Councilman Allen, MPD, Attorney General Racine, and Deputy Mayor for Public Safety, Chris Geldhard.

Presentation #2 Councilmember Elissa Silverman discussed the redistricting process to be followed and the role of the ANCs in the process. She noted that Ward 6, because of its growth over the last decade, would lose residents and would experience significant boundary changes. She called attention to the November 3 hearing devoted to the Ward 6 redistricting and indicated that ANC SMD boundaries would not be considered until spring of 2022. CM Silverman responded to questions and encouraged participants to explore the interactive map development tool on the DC Office of Planning website.

5. Community & Commission Announcements & Speak Out

- a. Serve your community provided a letter for ANC6B consideration that urged District to provide alternative housing for homeless before removing tent cities.
- b. Commissioner Oldenburg noted the opening Virginia Avenue Park and a community and Commissioner opportunity to plant bulbs in November.

Committee Reports and Actions at the October 12 Meeting

6. Alcoholic Beverage Control Committee – two items were presented by the Committee and approved along with the Consent Calendar: Congressional Cemetery and Tortuga Caribbean Bar and Grill.

7. Planning and Zoning Committee

In addition to items placed on the Consent Agenda, the Commission reviewed two cases referred to them without a committee recommendation.

One case was BZA 20537: 1227 E Street SE; Special Exception to construct a rear, two-story addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone (Square 1019, Lot 58); Owner(s): Margaret McCullough; Applicant: Michael Fowler, mike@fowler-architects.com; Hearing Date: 11/03/21 [6B06].

The Special Exception request encountered several motions and an amendment on the way to resolution. A motion (Holman/Ready) to support the application failed (6-3-1). A motion to oppose the application (Sroufe/Samolyk) passed with a 6-4-0 vote; and, subsequently, a motion in the form of a substitute motion to support the application failed (Holman/Ready) with a vote of 4-6-0, meaning the

original motion to oppose the application on the basis of unduly effecting the light, air, and quality of life of an adjacent neighbor, would be conveyed.

A second case forwarded by the P&Z Committee without a recommendation was the request to add a second-story deck addition to the existing yard at the Brig: HPA 21-548: 1007 8th Street SE. It remained unclear as to why a non-contributing building would be required to seek HPA approval. However, HPO staff requested that the owner proceed with a permit review request from the ANC. Following discussion focused on appearance of the deck and location of the stairs, and ADA requirements, the Commission moved to approve the request by a vote of 8-2-0 (Holman/Oldenburg) The letter of transmittal is contingent on the owner implementing procedures to make the addition more closely resemble a traditional roof deck. (Owner: mbrody8@gmail.com; Applicant: Neil Cruickshank, ArchSoiLLC@gmail.com [6B04])

8. The Transportation Committee report of meetings and actions was included in agenda materials for the meeting.

9. Hill East Task Force. Commissioner Krepp presented a request for ANC6B support for a resident's request to add speed cameras to control excessive speed on her block. The request highlighted the high degree of confusion regarding the current DDOT procedures for adding speed humps and cameras: Does it require a resident request accompanied by support of an individual Commissioner? Or approval by the 6B Commission? Because of the late arrival of information from DDOT this case had not been reviewed by the Transportation Committee, and several Commissioners were concerned about the obvious downside of having the Commission consider issues prior to vetting by appropriate committees. Ultimately, the motion to support the request was approved by a vote of 5-1-3, with nine members being present at the time of the vote.

10. The Livable Community Task Force had no report of meetings or actions during the past month.

11. Eastern Market Community Advisory Committee. Commissioner Sroufe called attention to report in background materials discussing the financial status of the EM and issues related to the recent election of officers. Questions were raised by several Commissioners about the possible role of the ANC in calling attention to the failure of other organizations in not adhering to their bylaws pertaining to membership and elections.

12. The Working Group on Barrack's Row had no report of actions during the past month.

13. Financial Reports and Actions

- a. ANC6B approved the FY 2022 budget developed and proposed by Treasurer Holman unanimously (Holman/Ready).
- b. ANC6B approved Quarterly Report unanimously (Holman/Ready)
- c. ANC6B approved the Financial Report, showing a balance of \$17,618 unanimously (Holman/Ready).

14. ANC 6B Administrative Matters were not considered as a separate topic at this meeting.

15. ANC 6B Input on Other Concerns included a general discussion of the apparent plan of DDOT's Acting Director Everett Lott to further the objectives of Vision Zero by reducing the amount of community

engagement with the agency. This issue was placed on the agenda of the Transportation Committee for consideration at its October meeting.

16. Commissioner Oldenburg adjourned the meeting at 11:17 with unanimous consent, to be reconvened on Tuesday, November 9. The ANC 6B Executive Committee will meet on October 26 at 7:00 PM to set the November 2021 agenda. This meeting will be a Webex virtual meeting.



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6B
ANC 6B PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

November 2, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners: Samolyk, Sroufe, Ready, Oldenburg, Holtzman, Holman (Chair), Ryder, Horn
Resident Members: Mijares-Shafai, Jarboe, Thomas, Garry

1. PA 21-561 and BZA 20608: 403 7th Street SE, Southeast Library interior renovation and cellar addition.

Jaspreet Pahwa of DC Public Library led a team to present plans for interior renovation and cellar addition to increase the usable square footage to nearly 20,000 square feet. The project is seeking support for a *concept review* at HPRB and for special exception for lot occupancy and a variance to reduce the pervious surface area below 10%. Tom Jester of Quinn Evans presented the architectural and preservation plans of the addition and interior renovation which include a new at grade entrance on North Carolina Ave. DCPL confirmed that they have reached an agreement with the Friends of Southeast Library on space for a book sale.

*Multiple commissioners expressed concerned about the entrance on D Street SE to create measures to prevent congregation near the entrance.

*Commissioner Holtzman asked about meeting room capacity and the practicality of hybrid public meetings in the ground floor meeting room and DCPL indicated that they are designing the entire project with COVID in mind in terms of spacing and health.

*The committee got clarification on some variance and special exception requests related to institutional use and public space.

Motion [Ready/Sroufe Second] Standard Support BZA and HPRB on consent. Unanimous

2. 316 2nd Street SE; Use Variance to convert and existing, three-story, attached, principal dwelling unit and two-story accessory building to a three-unit apartment house in the RF-3 Zone. Applicant: Crystal and Jeffrey Cargill. Hearing Date: 12/1/2021 [6B01]

Jeffery Cargill, owner of the property, presented plans for a home renovation. The project is by-right development but needs a use variance to add a third unit in an existing carriage house since the property is less than 900 square foot per unit. Mr. Cargill presented a long history of use of the carriage house as a rental unit and has been in use as a residential unit for as long as anyone can remember.

*Committee members asked about letters from neighbors and the owner is planning on acquiring as many as possible this weekend

*Committee members expressed hesitancy about setting a precedent for a use variance but were convinced both by the long-term use as housing as well as the owner seeking to make a rental unit legal when many don't

Motion [Samolyk/Ryder] Support BZA case asking for as many letters as possible.

3. HPA 21-552: 1208 D Street SE; Concept Review for second story addition to existing one-story garage; Owner: Sharon Harrelson; Applicant: Lacy Brittingham. HPRB Hearing Date: 11/18/21 or 12/02/21 [6B06]

Architect Lacy Brittingham presented plans to add a second story addition to an existing garage. The project will need eventual zoning relief for lot occupancy but the case has not been filed yet. The applicant has a letter of support from one adjacent neighbor but has not heard from the landlord-owner of the apartment building next door despite certified mail attempts. There is also a letter of support from the neighbor of the closest alley structure. Commissioners one

question on height and design.

Motion [Holman/Holtzman] Standard support letter on consent. Unanimous

5. BZA 20574: 237 8th Street SE; Special exception to construct a new, detached, one-story accessory garage in the RF-1 zone (Square 900, Lot 810); Owner(s): Bonnie Guo and Michael Consilvio, Applicant: Michael Romero; BZA Hearing Date: 12/08/21 [6B02]

Architect Michael Romero present plans to add a new one-story garage to a rowhouse. The applicant originally requested an area variance, but has since reduced to a special exception at 70%. Letters of support from neighbors. Nearly every property on the block has a garage and this project simply fills in a gap.

Motion [Sroufe/Holtzman] Standard support letter on consent. Unanimous.



**Report of the ANC6B Transportation Committee Meeting
November 3, 2021**

Commissioners Present: Corey Holman, Steve Holtzman, Alison Horn, Kirsten Oldenburg (chairing), Brian Ready, and Gerald Sroufe.

Resident Members Present: Floyd Brown (6B01), Brian Kirrane (6B03), John Manley (6B04), Stefan Katz (6B07), Carol Grissom (6B08) and John Ten Hoeve (6B09)

Review of the Daytime School Zones Parking Proposed Rulemaking¹

Jason Meggs, DDOT Transportation Planner, presented a brief background on the proposed rulemaking and responded to Committee member questions. There is a 45-day review process with the rules expected to be effective in January or February 2022. They will affect 322 DCPS and charter schools in DC.

The Committee focused its discussion almost exclusively on paragraphs 2445.9 and 2445.10 that set specific curbside zones aside during daytime for the exclusive use of authorized school staff vehicles.

On a motion by Commissioner Oldenburg, seconded by RM Brown, the Committee voted unanimously to submit the following comments and to put it on consent:

- Request that DDOT provide the rationale for setting aside specific parking areas rather than issuing regular RPP permits to school staff.
- Once the rules are finalized, plan to provide Guidance to ANCs and Schools as the rulemaking is vague on many aspects of the process to be used by both.

B24-0429 - Metro For DC Amendment Act of 2021²

Chris Laskowski, Legislative Director for Councilmember Allen, made a presentation on the Metro for DC bill. Its major objective is to increase transit ridership by providing DC residents with a transit subsidy of \$100 per month and by setting up a Transit Equity Fund to pay for the subsidy and fund needed transit projects.

Committee members were generally supportive of the concept but asked clarifying questions about the Fund and its stability, eligibility and a tier system when there are not sufficient funds to support all residents, why \$100/month is the chosen rate, plans to combat fraud, and how new bus routes might be chosen.

¹ <https://dcregs.dc.gov/Common/NoticeDetail.aspx?NoticeId=N114971>

² <https://lims.dccouncil.us/Legislation/B24-0429>

Review of DDOT’s Fast Tracking Vision Zero Roadway Safety Projects

In October, the interim DDOT Director Lott sent a letter to all ANC’s on ways it will speed up safety improvements to roadways and sidewalks. The Committee discussed some aspects of the letter appeared to lay blame on ANC’s and their community engagement.

On a motion by Commissioner Oldenburg, seconded by Commissioner Ready, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the ANC send the following comments to Director Lott:

- ANC6B agrees that the safety improvement process has been extremely long; in some cases, taking years to install a speed hump on a block or add a stop sign and more to install speed cameras. However, ANC6B is insulted by the insinuation in the letter that the community engagement process in which it is heavily involved is the “greatest single time requirement” holding up projects.
- The letter says nothing about increasing staff to internally reduce the “protracted and drawn-out process.”
- If DDOT plans to reduce the comment period (point 2), it needs to be aware that anything less than 30 days could invalidate ANC participation since ANC’s can only vote once a month.
- DDOT has made many ad hoc changes in these processes in recent years, making it difficult to keep up. What does DDOT mean by plans to “discontinue requiring supporting document from the ANC and community”? Only to follow in the last paragraph with “strongly encourage community and neighborhood organizations to go through their ANC’s”?
- In fact, what does DDOT perceive as the ANC role in this new process?

In closing, we note that the DDOT review process has been extremely opaque for many years, frustrating efforts to get any status on requests. We are encouraged that DDOT is planning to initiate a dashboard to make the system more transparent. It can’t come soon enough.

Discussion: What to do about SE Blvd

The ANC in February 2021 asked the DDOT Director to release the Draft Environmental Assessment on the Southeast Boulevard & Barney Circle project. The request was denied. Given redistricting, ANC6B probably only has the next 13 months to oversee and try to push along this major land use project on Capitol Hill, which was initiated in 2013.

The Committee had a brief discussion about possible aspects of the project, such as proposed space for affordable housing and a large bus facility that might attract wider interest of Council and others. Commissioner Oldenburg said she would try to obtain information on the status of the project for further discussion in December.

B24-0433 - Rightsizing Residential Permit Parking Regulation Amendment Act of 2021³

This item was removed from agenda because Council consideration of RPP bills is not expected until after Redistricting is completed sometime in 2022.

³ <https://lims.dccouncil.us/Legislation/B24-0433>

November [XX], 2021

Mr. Wayne Turnage, Deputy Mayor
Office of the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Suite 223
Washington, DC 20004

RE: ANC6B Support for Housing Unhoused Neighbors

Dear Deputy Mayor Turnage,

There are several community members living without housing in tents in ANC 6B, mostly near Virginia Ave SE. We write to you asking that residents living in encampments be provided the support and services to get into housing first, and that people experiencing homelessness and living in the encampments are not criminalized for living on the streets.

Our city clearly has the resources to house our unhoused neighbors. Mayor Bowser's stated policy is a "housing first" approach to solving homelessness. However, we are concerned with the treatment of our neighbors in recent actions by the city in clearing the encampment on L and M St NE, in which an unhoused neighbor was sent to the hospital after city contractors hit the person with construction equipment.

We urge you to expedite the placement of unhoused neighbors into housing, and to postpone clearing encampments until service providers reach all unhoused residents with housing services. We urge you not to use the same clearing tactics in ANC 6B that were used on L St NE. Some of our recommendations include, providing a clear road map that spells out a general housing plan for each and every resident encamped in 6b not later than 60 days outside of the first posting of any actions related to dispositions of designated life-saving items per the encampment protocol, that you convene at four public meetings with encamped residents no later than 45 days outside of any dispositions, we also recommend that ANC 6B are fully included in the housing process for encamped residents to include no less than three appearances at our public meetings at the following intervals 120, 60, and 30 days before any scheduled disposition.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let us know when you and your staff are available to discuss.

Sincerely,

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[insert certification as needed]

CC: Councilman Charles Allen, Ward 6