

MINUTES

ANC6B Monthly Meeting

December 14,2021

1.Welcome and Call to Order

Chair Ready called the meeting to order at 7:05. Ready welcomed the two dozen guests and presenters, and requested that the ANC commissioners introduce themselves and their SMDs.

The following Commissioners attended the meeting: Jerry Sroufe, Secretary, (6B02) Brian Ready, Chair (6B03); Kirsten Oldenburg, Parliamentarian (6b04); Steve Holtzman, Vice Chair (6B05); Corey Holman, Treasurer (6B06); Jonathan Wright (6B07); Edward Ryder(6B08); Alison Horn (6B09); and Denise Krepp (6B10).

2.Approval of the Agenda

The Meeting Agenda was approved without modification (Horn/Wright 9-0-0).

3.Approval of the Consent Agenda

Following discussion and modification the Consent Agenda was approved (Holtzman, Sroufe 9-0-0). The modification requested by Commissioner Krepp was to remove the minutes of the Special Call Meeting from the Consent Agenda to permit further discussion. The item was removed and became agenda item #2 under Administrative Matters.

Items included on the Consent Agenda included: the minutes of the November Commission Meeting; two Planning and Zoning Applications HPA 22-030, 1227 E Street; HPA 22-085, 913 G Street; and ABRA-119670 alcohol beverage application for Han Palace at 522 8th Street.

4.Presentations

1# Ivory Cooper, a technologist at the Department of Health, attended the meeting to describe the processes of the Food Safety and Hygiene Division and to answer questions of Commissioners about the rat problem revealed on television in a local Popeye's. Mr. Cooper indicated that restaurants regarded as "high risk" are inspected three or four times a year. He indicated that rodent infractions was the primary reason for failed inspections among the 6,000 food establishments in

the District. He indicated also that a goggle search for dc health would access actual recent inspection reports:

(<https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/food-establishments>). DC does not use a rating system to inform the public of the health status of restaurants and instead uses a pass-fail system.

#2 Emanuel Briggs, DC Water, briefed Commissioner's on the "Lead Free DC" Program that has been undertaken to replace main water pipes and to replace lead service lines throughout the district. He estimated that there were 10,000 hazardous lead lines in residential homes in the District. He assured Commissioners that the ANC and residents would be notified in advance of construction and that residents would be notified 48 hours before any water shutoff that might be required.

Construction updates are to be available at DC Water 202-612-3400. Most of the construction will be conducted in the spring of 2022. Commissioners were encouraged to spread the word about funds available to compensate homeowners for the cost of replacing their lead service lines and, also, to share information about pipe testing and preparation in advance of the removal of lead pipes.

5. Commissioner and Community Speak-out.

Commissioner Holman called attention to a recent announcement from the OAG suggesting that it intended to become more active in working to achieve the affordable housing objectives of the District. On December 3rd AG Carl Racine informed the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions that his office planned to become a resource for supporting Commissions dealing with complex land use issues, including negotiations with developers.

Kevin Pham, Mayor's Office of Community Relations, provided current information about plans to accelerate the leaf cleanup which was running behind schedule. (kevin.pham@dc.gov). He said the first phase would be completed by mid-December.

A resident called attention to the absence of restroom facilities for the Christmas Tree sales force who often were working all night -- after the market and shops were closed.

6. Standing Committee Reports and Actions

The ABC Committee dispensed with the reading of its report.

(The meeting agenda was re-opened to acknowledge that the Han Palace application – approved on the Consent Agenda -- included approval of a stipulated agreement, as well as approval of the ABC license requested. The motion to correct the oversight was approved unanimously (Ready/Holman).

The Planning and Zoning Committee and the Transportation Committee dispensed with the reading of their reports.

7. Task Force Reports and Actions

There was no discussion of the reports of any task force or of the EMCAC at this meeting.

8. Financial Report

Commissioner Holman called attention to the need for ANC6B officers elected in January to have their signatures incorporated on various financial documents promptly so checks could be written in the new year.

9. Other ANC Concerns.

#1. Chair Ready announced that the January meetings of ANC6B would be virtual meetings. He noted that all Commissioners would continue in their present SMDs until the November 2022 elections, regardless of redistricting that would occur over the next few months.

#2. Calendar Adopted. The 2022 Calendar proposed by Executive Director Flemming was considered. A motion to adopt the calendar for ANC monthly meeting and all standing committee meetings was passed unanimously (Oldenburg/Holtzman).

#3. The minutes of the Special Call meeting were discussed at some length. The principal concerns raised were with regard to the inclusion or exclusion of comments by Commissioners. A motion to postpone consideration of the minutes until a “stripped down” version is provided at the January meeting passed unanimously (Ready/Sroufe).

10. Commissioner Oldenburg’s motion to adjourn was adopted unanimously at 11:10 pm. The next meeting of the ANC6B Commission will be on January 11, 2022.

