



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7F
Government of the District of Columbia
"Crossroads East of the River" Where Communities Come Together

General Commission Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2020

Time: 6:30 p.m.

via Zoom due to COVID-19

Call to Order

- Chairperson Holcomb called the meeting to order at 6:42pm.

Commissioner Roll Call

- Commissioners present: Commissioner Holcomb, Commissioner Hunter, Commissioner Fletcher, Commissioner Hughes. Quorum was established.

Adoption of the Agenda

- Chairman Holcomb moved to add "Approve payment for EHT Tracerics, Inc." to the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Fletcher. The Agenda was adopted unanimously with the proper amendments with Commissioners Carson-Carr and Exum absent.

Updates

- **MPD - Captain Conners**
 - Year to date there is a 2% increase in crime. Property and motor vehicle theft are up 50%, violent crimes are down 1%, assault with weapons are down 16% and homicides and gun crimes have increased.
 - There has been a gun recovery on the 3900 block of Minnesota Avenue.
 - A case closed for an attempted bank robbery in a matter of two minutes.
 - Uber/Lyft and delivery drivers are being targeted for carjacking. MPD suggests being aware of your surroundings when parking and leaving your car.
 - More officers are being dispatched to patrol areas where crimes have spiked.
- **Mayor's Office - Wesley Leary**
 - Churches are being asked to reduce capacity from 100 people to 50 people.
 - Restaurants are being asked to close by midnight and stop the distribution of alcohol by 10:00pm, this excludes carryout and delivery.
 - Private trainers and other gym facilities are being asked to suspend all indoor group exercising. Outdoor groups are allowed with a maximum of 25 people.
 - The district will have 6,825 dosages of the COVID-19 vaccines, the initial dose will be provided to healthcare workers and frontline workers.
 - Within two dosages the vaccine has been proven to be 95% effective, possible side effects are similar to flu symptoms. For more information on the vaccine, residents can go to coronavirus.dc.gov
 - The mayor has allotted \$9 million for housing stabilization which allows people who are experiencing hardships with housing and rent to be provided relief
 - For more information contact osha.daniels1@dc.gov



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Presentations/Special Guest

- **Councilmember-Elect Christina Henderson**
 - Newly elected council member Christina Henderson wishes to make DC more sustainable and equitable for everyone, while not allowing residents to be displaced. This includes focusing on issues such as affordable housing, access to public transportation, homelessness and hunger, and maternal health for women in the city. Henderson has also made it clear that she finds it important for residents and MPD to have a certain level of trust.
 - Henderson also intends to fix the learning and education loss that has occurred as a result of the pandemic
 - Contact her temporary email christina@christinahenderson.org or Twitter [@chenderson](https://twitter.com/chenderson) for any questions or concerns
- **Councilmember Vince Gray**
 - Councilmember Gray wishes to continue focusing on the healthcare deficit present in Ward 7 and Ward 8.
 - \$383.7 million has been invested to create a new hospital in the East end to replace the Greater southeast Hospital.
 - In the upcoming year, there will be 2-3 new urgent care centers in Ward 7.
 - The architect for these new buildings is expected to be selected within the next 2-3 months. These establishments will serve over 162,000 people.
 - There is a new Department of General Services (DGS) office being built on Minnesota Avenue in the next 18-24 months. This construction will bring about 500-600 jobs to the city.

Community Concerns/Announcements

- Sean Flora & Dr. Natalie Smith, founders of Global City Public Charter School are offering language emergence classes in the top 3 spoken languages in the world. This public school allows children to access language opportunities in Ward 7 which prevents families from traveling far. This is the first public school to offer both Mandarin and Chinese language courses. Classes for Mandarin and Spanish begin in January and each class will host up to six children. This is open to children in Ward 7 and Ward 8. There will be an open house on Saturday, December 19th. For more information go to www.globalcitizensschool.org or info@globalcitizensschool.org. Residents who are interested can also contact natalie@globalcitizensschool.org or sflora@globalcitizensschool.org with any questions or concerns.

Reports

- **Chair's Report**
 - The chair is working to prevent the construction of the new halfway house that is expected to be built on Benning Road due to concerns about its size and efficiency.



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- A new date will be scheduled for the town hall meeting
- Information for holiday drives will be provided at a later date.
- **Secretary's Report**
 - Approval of Previous Minutes
 - Commissioner Hunter moved to approve the minutes for November 17, 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fletcher.
 - The motion carries with four in favor zero against.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Checking: \$66,432.52
 - Saving: \$22,213.35
 - DC Government ACH- \$9,458.56
 - Expenses: \$2,499.57
 - Simpson Group: \$1,150.00
 - Serraya Grant (Personnel): \$1,100.00
 - Tyrell Holcomb (Reimbursement): \$95.34
 - Tyrell Holcomb (Reimbursement): \$254.23
 - Service Charge 11/30/2020: \$15.17 (Credited back to Account)
 - Total Funds: \$88,645.87

Commission Business Old/New

- **FY21 Security Bond**
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve the FY21 security bond
 - The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fletcher
 - The motion passes unanimously with four in favor and zero against. (4-0-0)
- **Approve Fall/Spring Intern Davina Scott**
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve Fall/Spring intern Davina Scott
 - The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fletcher
 - The motion passes unanimously with four in favor and zero against. (4-0-0)
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve the 2020 Annual Report
- **2019-2020 Annual Report**
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve the 2019-2020 Annual Report
 - The motion passes unanimously with four in favor and zero against. (4-0-0)
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve \$10,000 payment for Tracery EHT
- **Approve EHT Traceries, Inc. Payment**
 - Chair Holcomb motioned to approve \$10,000 payment for EHT Traceries, Inc. for historic designation consulting.
 - The motion passes unanimously with four in favor and zero against. (4-0-0)

Meeting Adjourned

- Chairperson Holcomb moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm seconded by Commission Fletcher.