ANC

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7F

Government of the District of Columbia

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General Commission Meeting Minutes October 17, 2023, 6:30 p.m. Streamed via Zoom & Youtube

1. Moment of Silence

A brief moment of silence was held.

2. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Holcomb called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

3. Consideration and Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Thompson-Wright moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Resolution 23-026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hughes. Also present were Commissioners Ruff, Nelson, Holcomb, and Edwards.

4. Administrative/Reports

a. Chair's Report

The Commission is working on meeting with the Halfway House Committee Advisory Board to discuss the project's status. The Commission will be releasing information related to holiday initiatives. Additionally, the Commission will continue to update the community on development matters. These matters will be accessible to the community via the ANC 7F website.

b. Secretary's Report

i. Approval of the Previous Minutes

1. September General Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the September 19, 2023 General Commission Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hughes. The motion passed unanimously with 6 in favor and 0 against (6-0-0).

5. Commission Business

a. Consent Agenda

i. Resolution 23-06: Calling on DDOT to Impose Early Morning Street Sweeping on 35th and 36th Street (Commissioner Holcomb)

Commissioner Ruff moved to approve Resolution 23-026 for Early Morning Street Sweeping on 35th and 36th Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson-Wright. The motion passed unanimously with 6 in favor and 0 against (6-0-0).

b. Old/New Business

i. Approval of the 4th Quarter Fiscal Year 2023 Quarterly Financial Report

Commissioner Thompson-Wright moved to approve the 4th Quarter Fiscal Year 2023 Quarterly Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ruff. The motion passed unanimously with 6 in favor and 0 against (6-0-0).

ii. Approval of Blair Goins Driveway Construction Application

Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the application for Blair Goins driveway construction on 4501 Eads Street NE, with no reservation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson-Wright. The motion passed unanimously with 6 in favor and 0 against (6-0-0).

Presentations/Special Guests

a. D.C Department of Transportation- Chidera Udeh and Kelly Jeong-Olson

The Department of Transportation's Bus Priority Project encourages alternatives to private automobile transportation within the District and improves bus speeds and reliability. The projects are approximately 1-2 miles in length. DDOT currently has 51 projects underway, and the 16th project is on Minnesota Avenue NE (East Capitol St to Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue NE). The project includes bus stop rebalancing so buses stop less often, bus bulb-outs that effectively widen the sidewalks, and curb extensions to reduce turning speeds. The project began in FY23 Q3, designs will start in FY24, and Construction will start in FY25. Additionally, the Traffic Safety Input is under investigation, and residents can submit a TSI via https://311.dc.gov/citizen/home. For more information, contact Chidera Udeh at chidera.udeh@dc.gov or 202-391-8207 and Kelly Jeong-Olson at kelly.jeong-olson1@dc.gov or 202-345-7105.

7. Agency Updates (5 minutes per speaker)

a. Mayor Bowser's Office - Lakiesha Morgan (lakiesha.morgan@dc.gov)

The District is hiring across several agencies, and interested residents can visit https://mota.dc.gov/jobs or https://careers.dc.gov/. The Great Street Grants are still available for entrepreneurs and businesses. For more information on the grants, reach out to Lakiesha Morgan. Additionally, the Mayor's office will be hosting several holiday events. Furthermore, the Mayor's Office conducted a sweep of 35th and 36th Street with ANC 7F to address community concerns and nuisances. For more information, contact Lakiesha Morgan at 202-251-9930.

b. Ward 7 State Board of Education President - Eboni Rose Thompson

(Eboni-rose.thompson@dc.gov)

The State Board will host their monthly meeting at 441 4th Street NW. Residents should be on the lookout for panels on funding for the State Board recommendations. Residents are welcome to monthly meetings to voice their concerns. Additionally, the Eboni Rose Thompson will continue to send out newsletter concerning youth and education.

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c. Councilmember Gray's Office - Francis Campbell (fcampbell@dccouncil.gov)

The Department of Motor Vehicles, 95 M Street SW, is hiring. Additionally, the Friends of Cayman Park meeting with the mayor to discuss the issue of commanders returning to RFK will be held on **October 18, 2023**, at Saint Benedict Catholic Church.

d. MPD 6th District - Captain Johnathan Branch (johnathan.branch@dc.gov)

In the last month, there has been reduced overall violent crime in Ward 7. There has been an uptick in auto theft, carjacking, and property crimes. Captain Branch reports that senior citizens are being heavily targeted for carjackings. MPD advises residents to be aware of their surroundings. Citywide, there has been an increase in violent crime. Additionally, Captain Branch reports that MPD has been working with the Office of the Attorney General to address loitering on Minnesota Avenue. MPD will continue enforcing curfews and stay-away orders for individuals arrested on this corridor. For more information, contact Captain Johnathan Branch at 202-698-0913.

e. Department of Public Works- Sonya Street (sonya.street@dc.gov)

The Department of Public Works Solid Waste Management Administration runs several programs, including trash and recycling collection, seasonal operations, residential trash disposal, household hazardous waste collection, Solid Waste Education and Enforcement, and Helping Hands. The Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program (SWEEP) partners with residents to support community activities and events that help keep streets clean. SWEEP educates residents by providing educational materials, delivering presentations, and working one-on-one with residents and businesses. Common violations seen in Ward 7 include overgrowth of trees and bushes, rat harborage conditions, and illegal disposal of bulky waste. For more information, contact Sonya Street at 202-645-7190.

7. Meeting Adjourned

Chair Holcomb adjourned the meeting at 8:26pm.