



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

General Commission Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2020

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Benning Stoddert Recreation Center

100 Stoddert Place, S.E., Washington DC 20019

Call to Order

- Chairperson Holcomb called the meeting to order at 6:47pm

Commissioner Roll Call

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

Adoption of the Agenda

- On a motion by Chairman Holcomb, seconded by Commissioner Hunter, the Agenda as is, was adopted unanimously with Commissioner Carson-Carr absent.

Updates

- **Mayor's Office**
 - The office is in the middle of budget season
 - Summer Youth Employment Program application closes 2/29 Between the ages of 14-24
 - The Mayor's Office of African Affairs is having a program for Black History Month Thursday Feb 27th at the Reeves Center. This same office is also having a Financially Fit DC Workshop on Family Estate Planning in Shepherd Park Library on Monday, February 24 from 6:30-8:30pm
- **MPD**
 - Significantly reduced our homicides from this time last year, however 2 out of 3 of these crimes have been on Minnesota Ave.
 - Robberies and ADWs are down.
 - Never leave anything visible in the video of your car, this leaves you open for a crime of opportunity. Take your purses with you and get wheel locks for your tires.

Community Concerns/ Announcements

- Constituent question: What is the general ANC Commissioner email response time?
 - Chairperson: Personally mine is 48hrs. if there is a personal problem feel free to ask us after the meeting or reach out to us again via email/

Presentations/Special Guest

- **Councilmember Robert White**
 - Chair of the Committee of Facilities and Procurement, this is having to do with returning citizens finding a job. Introducing a bill to help incentivize employers to hire returning citizens and an environmental health bill having to do with lead in our playgrounds and school construction dealing with lead and asbestos. Also introducing a bill that allows for a support system for seniors where seniors can rent empty rooms out in their homes for other seniors so seniors can safely and comfortable age in their city. There is another bill that restores the right to vote to incarcerated people. There is a hearing tomorrow if anyone would like to come and testify.

- **Rock and Roll Marathon- Diane Romo Thomas**
 - This is their 14th year in DC, the race is on Saturday March 28th, the start time is 7am. Comes straight down Minnesota Ave, and runs through 6 out of 8 wards. Mile 14 will come through Ward 7. Runners will come down south, and then come back up north. They are expecting 7,000 runners. There will be street signs and door hangers as the race approaches to remind you. The race should be clear by about 12:15pm.
- **Amerigroup- Charmekia Martin- Community Relations and Marketing Manager**
 - MCOs that serve Medicaid in DC since 2017. Have started to do Listening Sessions to better understand the needs of the community and members. They are here today to reach out to the members of Ward 7 to ensure that they are serving their community well. Have recently made deals with Us Helping Us and want to make more connections within the community. The next bid is supposed to regulate providers and care.
- **Ready Responders- Noah Smith, General Manager**
 - A safe alternative for calling 911. Mobile physicians group bringing back the feel of house calls to your home. EMTs and paramedics will come to your home in their own cars in about 30 minutes and if it is emergent they will call 911. Serving medicaid beneficiaries in Wards 5,6,7, and 8. Designed to be a healthcare provider for people who have non-acute medical issues and are seeking assistance. 57% of people are looking for a better relationship with their primary care doctor. Ready Responders is not a long-term care system and is not looking to replace primary care but to fill a gap in the healthcare system. Looking to partner with these primary care facilities.
 - They have requested a Letter of support for their Certificate of Need from the Commission.
 - The Chair motioned to provide a Letter of Support for Ready Responders and was seconded by Commissioner Hughes.
 - The Commission unanimously votes to provide a Letter of Support for Ready Responders.
- **DDOT- Ciara Boderick - Community Engagement Specialist**
 - Open house on Thursday February 20th dealing with the Bennett Road Initiative to hear community concerns. When the agency asks for feedback, and not many people give them, and then they later complain that no one is listening to them. Now is your time to be heard! They are doing a study on two schools in Ward 7: Burrville and Plummer Elementary School. Four new bike corrals are coming and they will not take up parking spots. These corrals will make it safer and less likely that people just drop the bikes in front of houses.
- **DC Archives - Neil Flanagan**
 - Separate from the National Archives, this building houses the history of DC.
 - Hospital records, prison records, government records, and it serves as a great resource for DC, but the building has been financially neglected
 - Bringing about a Resolution to this ANC with these points.
 - 1. Build the archives at the University at the District of Columbia.
 - 2. Funding that had been left around in the DC budget to be spent on cataloging.
 - 3. Asking for the DC Archives to be made their own agency, such as the library.
 - They have requested a Letter of support for their Certificate of Need.
 - The Chair motioned to provide a Letter of Support for the DC Archives and was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
 - The Commission unanimously votes to provide a Letter of Support for DC Archives.

Reports

- **Chair's Report**



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- **Town Hall on the Halfway House on March 2nd, be on the lookout for email correspondence. There is an email request for budget requests and half sheets available for feedback at this meeting.**
- **Secretary's Report**
 - Approval of Previous Minutes
 - The Chair motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Hughes.
 - The Commission unanimously votes to approve the January General Meeting Minutes.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Checking: \$65,010.24
 - Saving: \$22,211.67
 - Expenses
 - Supplies: Purchase new cell phones - \$637.35
 - Communications: Verizon Wireless \$784.39
 - Total Funds: \$87,221.91
 - The Chair motioned to have the Treasurer's Report to include the expenses for the previous month to keep the community informed. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
 - The Commissioners vote to unanimously approve the motion.

Commission Business Old/New

- **Approve Operations Manager Position and Appoint Kayla Lennon**
 - The Chair motioned to approve this position and was seconded by Commissioner Hunter.
 - The motion was unanimously approved by all Commissioners present.
 - The Chair motioned to approve the appointment of Kayla Lennon and was seconded by Commissioner Fletcher.
 - The motion was unanimously approved by all Commissioners.
- **Reschedule April Meeting from the 21st to the 28th**
 - The Chair put forth a motion to reschedule the April Meeting from the 21st to the 28th and was seconded by Commissioner Hunter
 - The motion was unanimously approved by all Commissioners present.
- **Resolutions**
 - **The Chair moved to open the floor to vote on this meeting's consent agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Fletcher.**
 - **For the following Resolutions the votes on the Consent Agenda were as follows:**
 - Exum- Yay
 - Fletcher- Yay
 - Holcomb- Yay
 - Hunter- Yay
 - Hughes- Yay
 - Carson-Carr- Not present.
 - The motion carries.
 - **New East Capital Pedestrian Project- DDOT**
 - **DDOT Expedition of the Installation of a Hawk Signal in the 3900 block of East Capitol Street N.E. -DDOT**

- Resolution to Support the East End Grocery Incentive Act
- Opposition to Proposed Halfway House on 3701 Benning Road N.E.

Meeting Adjourned

- Chairperson Holcomb moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42pm seconded by Commission Hunter.

Contact Information for Current Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7F Elected Officials:

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ANC SMD 7F06- Commissioner Carol E. Fletcher: 7F06@anc.dc.gov | **Treasurer**

ANC SMD 7F07- Vacant

Next 7F Commission General Meeting

March 24, 2020 @ 6:30pm

Benning Stoddert Recreation Center, 100 Stoddert Place, S.E.