



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7F
Government of the District of Columbia
One Commitment, Our Community.

General Commission Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2022, 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 6:38pm. Also present were Commissioners Hunter, Weston, Codling, and Caston.

3. Consideration and Adoption of the Agenda

Chairperson Holcomb moved to adopt the agenda. This was seconded by Commissioner Hunter. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

4. Administrative/Reports

a. Chair's Report

The Commission will request that the new owners of the Northeast Heights Shopping Center meet with the ANC and have stipulations regarding community engagement in relation to the project and plans for the future. The Commission will be advocating for the Streetcar to stop by Benning Stoddert and Minnesota and Benning Road.

b. Secretary's Report

i. Approval of the Previous Minutes

1. September 2022 General Commission Meeting

Commissioner Weston moved to approve the September 2022 general commission meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Caston. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

c. Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Caston moved to approve the Quarter 4 quarterly financial report, with a written document being provided to Commissioners within a 24-hour period. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Weston. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).



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d. SMD & Committee Reports

Commissioner Caston: On Wednesday, October 19th, the Commission will be having their first listening session in DC Jail. There are 20 individuals who completed the application to serve on the ANC.

Commissioner Thompson-Wright: The Lines for Minnesota Avenue project will be drawn soon. There will be future updates on the bus stops. The Commission donated \$2,000 to the Benning Stoddert Red Wolves. The program includes mentorship programs for the youth on the team.

5. Consent Agenda

6. Commission Business

a. FY23 CBA Budget

The FY23 CBA activities and events allotment, in accordance with recent bylaws, takes into account the annual budget the Commission will spend. The budget does not account for any future dollars the Commission is in negotiations for, or dollars that have been agreed upon that haven't been disbursed. The funds are inclusive of Park Kennedy and Ethel Community Benefits Agreements. The budget includes \$750 for each Commissioner to host single member district events. The budget will be used for a spring, back to school event, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and team building events, as well as for a community grant fund. Total budget is \$24,500. The grant money will be used for residents who live in 7F and/or want to do work in 7F. An organization does not have to be a non-profit for eligibility of the grant, however Certificate of Clean Hands will be required. Residents will be notified of the grant, and address verification will be required. The Commission will discuss the details of the grant and the application will be shared on the Commission website by the end of November. Commissioner Caston moved to approve the FY23 CBA Budget as read. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

b. FY23 Budget Approval

In Collaboration with Treasurer, Commissioner Caston, the Commission developed a budget in conjunction with the most recent budget. There was an increase in budget for three laptops that were purchased for the commission. One of the laptops is used as a floater, and the other two are used for staff and officers



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on the Commission. The budget includes cost for the new ANC office space and maintains aspects from the previous budget. The total FY23 budget is \$26,500. Commissioner Caston moved to approve the FY23 Budget, any necessary edits will be made in discussion. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Weston. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

c. Resolution 22-024: NE Heights Affordable Units Maintain As Approved In Large Track Trace Review (introduced by Chairman Holcomb)

Chairperson Holcomb moved to approve resolution 22-024 to maintain NE Heights affordable units as approved. The development team initially asked the Commission to support the Large Track Trace Review. 10% of affordable units were supposed to be a part of the project, the new development team will now build one sole affordable building behind the Safeway. The Commission wants to support a development deal that is equal and integrated rather than segregated. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter. The motion passed unanimously with five in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

7. Presentations/Special Guests

a. Casey Callister, Owner, Duffy's Irish Pub at 1901 C Street STE B (Park Kennedy Development) - Stipulated License Endorsement and Voluntary Agreement (ABRA)

Commissioner Caston moved to approve the Stipulated License Endorsement and Voluntary Agreement for Duffy's Irish Pub. Duffy's Irish Pub adopted the initiatives of community members in a settlement agreement. The pub agrees to reduce live music to special occasions such as holidays or St. Patrick's Day. On the occasion there is live music, the music will shut off by 10pm. Regarding Safety, Duffy's pub and other vendors have come together to allocate funds for security on the premises. Additionally, the agreement will be adjusted to include community outreach at the Harriet Tubman Shelter. The Commission will obtain a Memorandum of Understanding from Duffy's Irish pub to memorialize these agreements. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunter. The motion passed unanimously with four in favor and zero against (5-0-0).

Caton-Yes

Codling- Yes

Weston-Yes

Hunter- Yes



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Holcomb-Present

8. Agency Updates (5 minutes per speaker)

a. Ward 7 State Board of Education Rep - Eboni Rose Thompson

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The State Board public meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19th. The board will be looking into what it means to support schools as it pertains to violence in the community and spilling into schools. Schools want to know how to prevent incidents and which resources are needed after an incident. A set of experts will attend a meeting to discuss approaching violence as a public health issue. Additionally, the board will create a resolution in support of the Teachers Union and ensure there's a teacher contract, to prevent decreasing retention rates. Residents can testify at public meetings by registering online or emailing Eboni-Rose Thompson.

9. Community Concerns/Announcements

Carolyn W: The boundaries have changed, and residents are receiving conflicting information.

Response: A portion of 7F was changed to 7E as a result of redistricting. These boundaries become official in January of 2023. Residents will have to work with the Commission in their new ANC boundary. The Commission will work to send information to alleviate the confusion.

Tina Whitlow: The Cares Act office on Benning Road has closed. The Cares Act grant ended in September and notifications were sent to residents that were receiving services from that office.

10. Meeting Adjourned

Chairperson Holcomb adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm.