



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7E

## Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 2019; 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.  
DC Scholars Public Charter School

### Call to Order

Chairwoman Delia Houseal (7E06) called the meeting to order at approximately 7:07 pm. She also conducted role call as Commissioner Fields was absent. Commissioner Veda Rasheed (7E01), Ebbon Allen (7E03), Victor Horton (7E05), and Delia Houseal (7E06) were present. Commissioner T.N. Tate (7E04) was absent. Commissioner Linda S. Green had a medically excused absence. Chairwoman Houseal confirmed that a quorum was present.

### Approval of the ANC's December's Public Meeting Agenda

Chairwoman Houseal moved to approve the ANC's December's public meeting agenda. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 4-0-0).

### Approval of the ANC's November Public Meeting Minutes

Chairwoman Houseal moved to approve the ANC's November's public meeting minutes. The motion was voted on passed (Votes: 4-0-0).

### Monthly Treasurer's Update

Commissioner Horton provided November report overview.

He explained the budget amendment due to the need to increase the IT budget by \$1,500, for the website as well as website support. He moved to pass the budget amendment, it was passed 3-1, Commissioner Rasheed opposed the motion.

### Committee Reports

Commissioner Allen provided a summary on Public Safety Update.

In DC there has been 158 Homicides as of December 4th, 2019

4 Homicides in 604

Eric Mercer, 17 years old, was murdered on November 26th, 2019 at the 4700 Block of Benning Road SE.

We must join in to work with Cure The Streets and MPD 6D to provide Safer Communities for the constituents of ANC 7E.

If you would like to join the Public Safety Movement please contact Commissioner Allen at 7E03@anc.dc.gov.

Commissioner Houseal informed the community that Economic Development Committee is still looking for members to work on the committee. Please contact Commissioner Delia Houseal at anc7e06@anc.dc.gov

Current Interested Parties:

Tiera Fletcher (ANC 7E07)

Carlos Speed (ANC 7E03)

Babatunde Oloyede (MHCDO)

DMPED Representative

### **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

Chairwoman Houseal asked if there were any objections to the consent calendar. No objections were noted, so the following Consent agenda items were approved:

DDOT Notice of Intent (NOI)# 19-306, Installation of Reserved Residential Parking Space for Disabled Resident (ANC7E02).

### **Commissioner Updates**

#### **Commissioners Veda Rasheed (7E01):**

- Ridge Road Titians traveled to Florida to play in a football tournament.
- Please be on the look out for the bikes from Capitol Bike Share at the Ridge Road Community Center.
- We are looking for tutors starting in January 2020 for scholars preparing for their SAT's and ACT's.

#### **Commissioner Green, 7E02:**

- There is an approved budget for the Recreation Center of \$150,000 and community members are excited to see the new fitness equipment, new furniture and new computers that will be coming to the rec center in the new year.

#### **Commissioner Allen, 7E03:**

- The Cynthia Town Homes at the 400 Block of 51st Street SE are now complete. Phase 2 and Phase 3 will be completed in 2020.
- -3rd Annual Commissioner Allen Toy Drive will be extended until December 16th, 2019. We are taking toy donations for boys/girls ages 5 to 12. Please drop off toys at 5100 Southern Avenue SE (Benning Park Rec Center)
- -The Benning Park Community mourns the tragic loss of 17 yr old Eric Mercer. Mr. Mercer was murdered at the 4700 Block of Benning Road SE.
- -The Benning Park Community also mourns the loss of DPR employee Levon "Boogie" Stagg who died at the age of 39.
- -The JW King Senior Center is looking for non profit organizations to provide resources and activities for the seasoned seniors in our community.
- -Thanks to CM Vince Gray, Commissioner Allen testified in front of The Committee of The Whole (Chaired By CM Phil Mendelson) on behalf of The Woody Ward Designation Act.

#### **Commissioner Tate, 7E04:**

- Continued efforts working with the Fletcher Johnson Task force.
- The RFP deadline has been extended until April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

#### **Commissioner Horton, 7E05:**

##### **Capitol View Library**

Office Hours with Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton's Staff

Thursday, December 12, 2019, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Staffers from Norton's office will assist D.C. residents with connecting with federal government agencies such as the Social Security Administration, USCIS, the U.S. Postal Service and Veterans Affairs.

- Job & Career Drop-In One-On-One Clinic  
Monday, December 16, 2019, 5:00 pm

You will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis, and you will receive one-on-one assistance based on your current needs.

- Winter Holiday Celebration/Book Sale

Saturday, December 21, 2019, 11:00 am- 1:00 pm

Activities include: Inspiration Music with Robert Eugene Young (Treasurer of the Friends of Capitol View Library) Holiday Raffle Refreshments Sponsored by Friends of Capitol View Library  
Please Visit <https://www.dclibrary.org/capitolview> for more information

- The Horizon:

Accepting Donations for the Coming Holiday Season

**Contact Info: Email: [7e05@anc.dc.gov](mailto:7e05@anc.dc.gov) Phone: 202-617-4735**

**Commissioner Houseal, 7E06:**

- Held Community Cleanup on 10/12. Had over 15 volunteers that included a partnership with CSOSA.
- Self Defense class postponed until further notice
- Community walks are being restarted next week. Focus areas: B Street and Central Avenue.
- Public Art Competition for CW Harris will be announced soon.

**Commissioner Fields, 7E07:**

- Upcoming event: Partnership with FEMS to conduct smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector checks.

**Unfinished Business**

Draft Comprehensive Plan Resolution Feedback

- Mr. Keith Towery, President, Marshall Heights Civic Association, provided information on comprehensive plan, and shared feedback from the meeting ANC 7E hosted for the community on November 23, 2019.

He encouraged community members to learn more about the Comprehensive Plan and provide feedback via the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ANC7EPlan>

**Community Activity**

Community members in attendance were divided into break out groups to discuss what they would like to see in the resolution by the ANC 7E regarding the Comprehensive Plan. They were also encouraged to submit additional comments via email to their commissioner.

**Official Actions: DCRA, ABRA, DDOT and Zoning**

**DDOT**

N/A

**ABRA, DCRA, Zoning**

- Fahad Bakir, Capterra Group (5040 A St. SE)
- Harvey Yancy, H2 Build (507-515 53<sup>rd</sup> Pl, SE)

Both parties attended the meeting to seek approval for curb cuts for homes.

This was motion for approval by Commissioner Allen, and seconded by Commissioner Horton. It was passed 4-0.

**Official Reports**

**Police Report**

Captain Sean Connors is the new Captain for the 6<sup>th</sup> District. He is eager to work with the community. He can be reached via email: [sean.connors@dc.gov](mailto:sean.connors@dc.gov) or by phone, 202-740-5830.

He stated the need to remain mindful over the holiday season as there is an increase street robbery.

He also provided information on how to remain attentive while out.

Also, he encourages the community to take part in the camera rebate program and gun recovery program.

He stated that he will also provide the executive assistant with news releases of incidences in ANC 7E, and she will send information received out via the list serv.

#### Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser

Mayor Muriel Bowser and the Department of Aging and Community Living's 21st Annual Senior Holiday Celebration! This event will be on Thu, December 19, 2019 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM EST. The location is the DC Armory, 2001 East Capitol Street Southeast, Washington, DC 20003. This event is open to D.C. residents, age 60 and older. Registration is required. You may also register by phone at (202) 535-1372 or at your local senior site. Transportation will be provided from the senior sites, please contact your site to request transportation. For those that are driving, parking is available in lot 3. The Armory is accessible via Metrorail on the Blue/Orange/Silver Line at Stadium Armory, as well as by Metrobus. For more information regarding metrobus please call (202)-637-7000.

On Wednesday, January 1, 2020, Mayor Muriel Bowser will kick off the New Year by hosting her 6th annual #FITDC Fresh Start 5K. This year's race will take place in Anacostia Park. The race is free and open to people of all ages. Each participant will receive a #FITDC Fresh Start T-shirt, runner's bib, and other giveaways. The #FITDC Fresh Start 5K partners include Aetna, Vida Fitness, Pacers Running and various running groups from across the District.

To register please visit:<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mayor-muriel-bowsers-6th-annual-fresh-start-fitdc-5k-tickets-80320592053>

Lastly, the ward 7 liaisons from the Mayor's Office of Community Relations are out in the community on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

#### Office of Councilmember Vincent C. Gray

Join Councilmember Gray's Ward 7 Holiday Social on Tuesday, December 17th from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm at Antioch Baptist Church 1105 50th Street, NE. For more information call (202) 724-8068. Also please check out this site for more information:<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/councilmember-grays-2019-holiday-social-tickets-85530280371>

#### Community Discussion

- The Horizon: Accepting Donations for the Coming Holiday Season
- I Dream Public Charter School: Free Pop- Up Dream Camp- welcoming early learners ages 3-5. Francis A. Gregory Library ( 3660 Alabama Ave SE) Friday December 27, 2019 from 10am – 1pm. For more info: contact Lenisa Fufa, [fufa@idreampcs.org](mailto:fufa@idreampcs.org) or 202-374-7317. Register online: [bit.ly/DreamPopCamp](http://bit.ly/DreamPopCamp)
- Calvin Woodland Sr. Foundation Annual NEW coat Drive. Accepting new coats sizes 4018 until December 21, 2019. For more information contact: Calvin Woodland 202-889-3012, Tywannda Blount 240-535-3504.

#### NEW Business

N/A

#### Adjournment

Chairwoman Houseal adjourned the meeting at 8:57 pm.