

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7E

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm

ROLL CALL: 7E01 – Karla Reid-Witt; 7E02 – Krystal Bagley; 7E03 – VACANT; 7E04 – Natasha Dupee; 7E05 – Vacant; 7E06 – Delia Houseal; 7E07 – Evette Lang – All Commissioners were present.

ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA: There was no call for corrections to the previous month’s agenda as a result of the quorum not being met.

ADOPTION OF FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES: There was not call for corrections of February 2023 meeting minutes as a result of the quorum not being met.

GUEST SPEAKER(S)

● **Fletcher Johnson (Mark Corneal)**

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● **Tony Coleman, DHA – CEO**

Cedar Hill Regional Medical Center-UHS facility coming to Fletcher Johnson Fletcher-Johnson Freestanding Emergency Department Update

The facility provides urgent care and services for life-threatening injuries. The FED will be between 10,000-11,000 square feet. The FED is included in phase 1. It will be located on Benning Road 46th and E street across from KIPP. The FED will have a covered ambulance bay, lobby and reception area, 9 treatment rooms (6 rooms and 3 rapid areas), CT scanner, X-ray room, portable x-ray and ultrasound available. There will be a full-service laboratory onsite. The goal is to have 94% of patients treated and released. The facility will have emergency power. Permitting should start in January 2025 and the first patient will be served on 12/31/2026.

● **Brittany Hughes- Council Member Gray’s Office**

Deanwood Rec is fully renovated and now re-opened. The garden at Nannie Helen Bourough is active on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to noon, and fresh fruit and vegetables are free and available for the community.

- The food waste drop in Ward 7 that is open.
- RFK Stadium violations Act doesn’t allocate funding but it puts the District in the position to decide how the complex will be utilized.
- Drug free Act impacts the intersections at Minnesota and Benning Road and the one

at Southern Avenue and Minnesota Avenue.

- Election is underway. Ballots will be mailed on April 29th. Election day is June 4th.
- **LaKeisha Morgan -MOCRS Update**
- The Wizards and Caps will stay in DC.
- FY25 Budget is available to be read.
- Sunday, April 14th is the Emancipation Day Parade at Freedom Plaza (parade, concert, and fireworks). Deaf History Month with events at Gallaudet University and 2235 Shannon Place SE, Mayor Bowser's ASL Jubilee @National Union Building. CameraConnect DC program and the Realtime Crime have had ribbon-cutting. Quarterly conversation with DPW Wednesday, April 24th at 6:30 pm.
- **MPD Lt Jimenez**
- Crime is down across the board in comparison to the last 30 days of last year year-to-date. The Realtime Crime Center just had their opening, and the hope is that it will help out. All cameras will not be monitored 24-7, but they will be monitored at the time that a crime takes place. Two of the drug-free zones have been successful so far with no arrests. Anyone in the District with Kia or Hyundai who would like a club, can pick one up from 8am to 4pm at Hayes Street Station.
- Mrs. Aleja Cooper – CORE DC, The Horizon -No representation present
- Marshal Young- Inspector – Department of Public Works –No representation present
- Open Forum for neighbor update

Jemila Kia Daniels

April 24th st. Lukes and candidates forum 10:00 to 2:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. This event is specifically for seniors 202-397-7300. East River Family Strengthening Collaborative has free air purifiers and power cords and smart outlets that are available to the community. Suite 100 at 4020 Minnesota Avenue, Northeast. jdaniels@erfsc.org

Ebbon A. Allen April 13th at 2 p.m. Mount Moriah Baptist Church 1636 East Capitol Street, NE. Parking is across the street.

Chair, Officers and Committee Reports

Encouragement for civic engagement from Commissioner Dupee. The election date is June 4th. The budget closes on June 10th and the council will conclude their hearings and give their final recommendations. Exercise your civic duty by testifying.

7E has some road closures including Kimi Gray Court and Queen Stroll Place. There are sidewalk restorations that are happening on Tuesday April 16th that could take up to two weeks. There are temporary "EMERGENCY NO PARKING" signs displaying the date and time of construction work. Please move your vehicle if necessary and please plan your route accordingly.

Commissioner Lang – Encouragement for the communities to take part in the Education Committee. Takia Shire (Takiashire723@gmail.com) noted that she would like to be contacted to participate in planning for the Education Committee.

Request for a neighborhood designated parking space -

REPORTS

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- **Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)** - No representative present.

- **Lawrence Davin | Executive Office of the Mayor** – Gallery Place/Chinatown Task Force plan for 2 blocks around Capital One Arena; MLK Peace Walk on January 15, 2024.

- **Brittany Hughes | Deputy Director** Councilmember Vince Gray's office – Councilmember Gray will not be running in 2024; DPW starting phase II of leaf collection, maps and updates are online. Holiday trees collected within 5 days, composting free at Benning Road trash transfer facility; Council oversight hearing upcoming, deliver annual Ward 7 budget request to Mayor.

- **Mrs. Aleja Cooper | CORE DC, The Horizon** – Looking for volunteers; baskets for families exiting the program

COMMUNITY FORUM —

CHAIR, OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **CHAIR’S REPORT** (*Commissioner Natasha Dupee*) - No report given
- **TREASURER’S REPORT** (*Commissioner Karla Reid-Witt*) - No report given
- **PUBLIC SAFETY** (*No Chair*) - No report given
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** (*Cmrs Delia Houseal/Krystal Bagley*) - No report given
- **EDUCATION COMMITTEE** (*Cmrs Evette Lang*) - Meetings are 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5pm
- **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** – No report given

OFFICIAL ACTIONS: DCRA, ABRA, DDOT – None

The Alcohol Licenses are being recertified. If there are any concerns, the commission has the ability to do a protest letter or enter into an agreement concerning recommendations that the commission may have (trash management, cameras, etc)

Bowen Discount-ABRA- 073781

Seymours Liquors – ABRA- 112303

Southern Express Liquors – ABRA – 108607

CONSENT AGENDA: none

NEW BUSINESS (none)

Approval of 2024 Meeting Schedule – Second Tuesday of every month except June, September and November 2024; Commissioner Houseal moved to approve proposed 2024 meeting schedule, Commissioner Bagley seconded motion, all Commissioners approved.

Approval of Security Fund - (Resolution 7E-24-001) - Commissioner Reid-Witt moved to approved 7E’s participation in the Security Fund, Commissioner Houseal seconded motion, all Commissioners approved.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES (upcoming events):

- **7E01** - Commissioner Reid-Witt – Walkthroughs scheduled until Commissioner walks every block; looking to identify traffic and safety concerns throughout the SMD.
- **7E02** – Commissioner Bagley –
- **7E03** – Vacant
- **7E04** – Commissioner Dupee –
- **7E05** – Vacant
- **7E06** – Commissioner Delia Houseal –
- **7E07** – Commissioner Evette Lang –

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourn at 8:27 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7pm

