

A RESOLUTION OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7E

7E-22-010 Resolution Regarding Violent Crime Reduction for ANC 7E Residents

WHEREAS, Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs) were created to “advise the Council of the District of Columbia, the Mayor, and each executive agency with respect to all proposed matters of District government policy,” including the budget and public safety;

WHEREAS, the government of the District of Columbia by law is required to give “great weight” to comments from ANCs;

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2022, Mayor Muriel Bowser announced new year-round partnership focused on violent crime. Homicide Reduction Partnership (HRP) will focus on reducing violent crime within four Police Service Areas (PSA) throughout the entire 2022 calendar year.

WHEREAS, Homicide Reduction Partnership (HRP) focus includes PSA 604, where Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 7E has experienced an uptick in violent crimes such as robberies, homicides and other violent crimes, highlighting the need to implement and evaluate a place-based public health approach to reducing violence.

WHEREAS, several city agencies and programs are responsible for providing a public health approach to combating violent crimes (including but not limited to):

- Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (ONSE)
- Gun Violence Prevention Emergency Operations Center
- Office of the Attorney General (OAG), Cure the Streets
- Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS), Credible Messengers
- Building Blocks DC
- Council Office of Racial Equity
- Department of Behavioral Health (DBH)
- Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA)
- Department of Public Works (DPW)
- District Department of Transportation (DDOT)
- Department of Employment Services (DOES)
- Summer Crime Initiative, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, ANC 7E respectfully requests that adequate funds and resources be allocated to tackle the increase in violence throughout Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7E. Specifically, we are requesting the following:

- **Develop Floating Violence Intervention Programs.** Crime is not stagnant like the priority communities where Programs like ONSE, Cure the Streets and Building Blocks DC are located. New “hot spots” occur often resources may need to be dispatched.
- **Creation of Safe Zones in 7E.** Safe Zone is space that offers access to community resources and direct services in a specified area. Safe Zone addresses risk factors for

primarily socio-economically disadvantaged underserved youth and families in high violent crime neighborhoods.

- **Address Blight in 7E.** Abandoned homes and buildings, as well as vacant lots with trash, high weeds and grass and/or abandoned and vandalized cars. Blight is an economic crime that should be addressed from all responsible agencies on a consistent basis.
- **Create Conflict Resolution Classes** at all schools and community centers in 7E.
- **Prioritize Social Services and Community Development.** Identify and bring resources to areas of concern throughout 7E.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the ANC7E's Public Safety Committee is designated to represent ANC 7E on this matter specifically to this resolution.

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of __6__ present at its April 12, 2022 meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7E voted with __6__ Yeas, __0__ Nos and __0__ Abstentions to adopt the above resolution.

Attested by

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