

A RESOLUTION OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7E

7E-22-005: Resolution Regarding Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Proposed Budget Request

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, each year the Mayor of the District of Columbia is responsible for introducing a Fiscal Year (FY) Budget and Financial Plan to the Council of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, each year the Ward 7 Council Member is responsible for submitting a Fiscal Year (FY) Budget Request to the Mayor of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the proposed budget is an opportunity to provide a “fair shot” to all District residents.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, ANC 7E respectfully requests the following items be included in the upcoming FY 2023 Budget Request:

TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENT

Department of Transportation (DDOT)

- \$1 million to support the implementation of traffic calming solutions in areas that are disproportionately impacted by transportation fatalities.
- \$300,000 to complete recommendations included in the Central Ave Corridor Study.
- \$250,000 to support the completion of the Benning Rd Transportation Study

Department of Public Works (DPW)

- \$1 million to establish a program that provides landscaping and lawn care services for seniors and other low-income residents.
- \$500,000 to establish a Litter Prevention Grant Program that provides grants to community-based organizations to clean-up high littering corridors such as Southern Avenue.

EDUCATION

- \$20 million to fully modernize JC Nalle Elementary School.
- \$1 million to support afterschool and tutoring programs at schools in Ward 7 to address learning loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

ARTS AND RECREATION

Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of General Services

- \$250,000---Fully fund improvements and maintenance to the Woody Ward baseball field
- \$1 million to support increased programs and services at DPR Centers located in high-crime areas.
- \$150,000—fully fund improvements and maintenance to the Woody Ward Garden

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Office of the Deputy Mayor of Planning and Economic Development (DMPED)

- \$250,000—Fund a small area plan (SAP) for the Marshall Heights/Benning Ridge area to provide a strategic framework that improves the quality of life and enhance neighborhood amenities and character while supporting a community of culturally, economically and generationally diverse residents.
- \$10 million to support the full and complete development of Capitol Gateway.
- \$5 million to support the full and complete development of the Fletcher Johnson site.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- \$5 million to fund innovative community-based violence intervention programming and services in targeted neighborhoods.
- \$10 million increase to the existing budget of the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement to support the expansion of violence interruption programs and services, with a particular emphasis on Police Service Area 604.
- Continue to enhance Metropolitan Police Department recruitment and retention efforts along with an in-depth analysis of officer attrition.

PUBLIC HEALTH

- \$2 million to fund harm reduction activities in areas disproportionately impacted by overdoses.
- \$10 million to fund a residential substance abuse treatment center in Ward 7.
- \$15 million to continue funding Family Success Centers in communities throughout the District, with a particular focus on communities disproportionately impacted by violence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Commission and/or her designee are designated to represent ANC 7E on this matter specifically to the Executive Office of the Mayor and Members of the Council of the District of Columbia.

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

Attested by

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