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Letters:

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MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12, 1991, MEETING
OF THE DUPONT CIRCLE ANC (ANC 2B)

The Dupont Circle ANC held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, June 12, 1991, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas Church. Commissioners Bass, Grandis and Taylor were present, and Commissioner Bass acted as chair in the absence of Commissioner Rieffel.

Vice-chair Bass called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and introduced Captain Russel Swope, who has replaced Captain MacDonald as the Second District's representative to the ANC. Captain Swope gave a crime report.

During the Open Forum, Mr. Jim Gould, a resident of 17th & R Streets, NW spoke of problems with trash and crime in the alley between Q and Corcoran Streets.

Mr. Grandis moved, and Ms. Taylor seconded, a motion to adopt the minutes of the last meeting with the correction that Ms. Taylor had "reported" to the ABC Board regarding Chicago Bar & Grill, rather than "testified." The motion was passed unanimously.

ISSUES:

I. Representatives of the West End Business Association made a presentation regarding an extensive traffic study they have conducted, focusing on the M Street corridor between 22nd Street and Georgetown. Their study concluded that portions of the currently one-way M Street, particularly between 24th Streets and Georgetown, should be made two-way.

II. Mr. Steve O'Brien, attorney for Badlands, 1412 22nd Street, NW, made a presentation on behalf of his client's ABC application for a license renewal and change from "C" to "CN" (nightclub). Mr. O'Brien stipulated that the establishment had not and would not be offering nude entertainment. Ms. Taylor reported that she had investigated Badland's reputation with the police and nearby neighbors and had learned of no complaints or

protests to the license renewal. Mr. Bass questioned the need for a "CN" license if the establishment does not offer nude entertainment.

Ms. Taylor moved, and Mr. Bass seconded, a motion to oppose ABC application #10819 for a license change to "CN," but would support the applicant's change in license to "CT." The ANC further understands that with a change to "CT," the establishment would undergo no substantial changes. The motion was passed unanimously.

III. Dr. Hassan Soliman, an official with the Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and Mr. Christopher Collins, attorney for the Embassy, made presentations regarding the application of the Egyptian Embassy's BZA application # 15509 to locate their Office of Education at 1303 New Hampshire Avenue, NW. Mr. Collins reported that the office is currently at the Embassy complex, at 2200 Kalorama Road, NW, and has been for 50 years. He stated that an average of less than three visitors per day were estimated, and that no changes were being requested for the building. Dr. Soliman reported that the Office of Education's staff is currently 25 people, half of whom drive to work. The office hours are 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Ms. Taylor moved, and Mr. Bass seconded, a motion that the ANC take no position on BZA application #15509 on the condition that the applicants agree not to apply for on-street reserved diplomatic parking. The motion was passed unanimously.

Under Commissioner Reports:

Mr. Grandis moved, and Mr. Bass seconded, a motion to adjust the ANC's budget to reflect a \$30 deduction in order to pay a bond required by the DC Auditor's office. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Bass moved, and Ms. Taylor seconded, a motion to adopt the attached Gay Pride Day resolution, and to delegate Commissioner Grandis to read the statement at the Gay Pride Day ceremonies. The motion was passed unanimously.

Under New Business:

Mr. Bass moved, and Ms. Taylor seconded, a motion that the ANC go on a summer schedule of meeting only once a month, for the first regularly-scheduled meetings for July and August, unless the chair calls an emergency meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Melville
Staff Coordinator

**DUPONT CIRCLE ANC 2B
GAY PRIDE DAY COMMEMORATION**

The Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission, on behalf of the residents and businesses of the Dupont Circle area, welcomes participants to the celebration of Gay Pride Day on June 23rd, 1991.

As in past years, the ANC is pleased to express our support for the gay community and pride that our neighborhood has been chosen as the site for the festivities.

Washington is fortunate to have a large, active and proud gay community and Dupont Circle is particularly fortunate to have gay businesses as well as residents adding to our neighborhood.

Gay Pride Day is an opportunity for lesbians and gay men to celebrate the accomplishments of gay individuals and the spirit of the gay community. It is also an opportunity for the broader community to celebrate the diversity of our city and area and to reaffirm values we all share, including tolerance and respect for the rights of others.