

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 2B  
APRIL QUATERLY SPECIAL MEETING**

Call to Order & Introduction of Commissioners & Staff (7:00pm) (5 mins)

The April Special Meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Smith at 7:02 pm.

The Commissioners identified their Single Member Districts (SMDs). Present were: Michael Upright (2B04), Daniel Warwick (2B02), Stephanie Maltz (2B03), Mike Silverstein (2B06), Abigail Nichols (2B05), Mike Silverstein (2B06), Justine Underhill (Not able to attend) (2B07) Nicole Mann (2B08), and Noah Smith (2B09).

The Commission staff introduced themselves: James Conway (Executive Director), and Patrick Kain (2B06 Liquor Liason).

Commissioner Announcements

1. Commissioner Silverstein announced additional rule making by ABRA to better enforce selling alcohol to minors.
2. Commissioner Maltz Ward 2 Education meeting will be on May 7, Meeting At Garrison @ 6-7:30pm
3. Commissioner Feldstein announced the Pay it Forward event with Dupont Festival hosted by the Jewish Community for this weekend.

Consideration of the West Dupont Liquor License Moratorium (2B02) – Vote tabled till May

Consideration of the Proposed PEPCO/Exelon Merger (Public Services Commission Case FC1119)

Commissioner Smith moved to support the resolution with amendments, seconded by Commissioner Mann. Passed 5-2-1. The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Public Service Commission (PSC) of Washington, DC, will be making a decision this year on the proposed acquisition of Pepco Holdings Inc. (Pepco) by Exelon Corporation (Exelon), Formal Case #1119;

WHEREAS, reliable, economical electric service is essential to the quality of life for the citizens of ANC2B and the city as a whole; and the District government has adopted standards of reliability for electricity service as well as a timetable for achieving them;

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WHEREAS, there have been several long-lasting outages in ANC2B recently and emergency procedures and timelines for rehabilitation were not well communicated to customers;

WHEREAS, ANC2B believes that in light of the above-mentioned concerns, the acquisition of Pepco by Exelon may have major adverse effects on not only the cost of electricity but also the security, environmental sustainability, and quality of life for the residents of Dupont Circle and for the District as a whole.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC2B does not believe that an acquisition will provide sustainable enhanced reliability or financial benefits to the people of Dupont Circle and advises the Public Service Commission to reject the proposed acquisition as not in the public interest.

A resolution supporting a second entrance at the Foggy Bottom Metro station (ANC 2A) Commissioner Mann moved to support the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Passed 8-0. The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority released a Foggy Bottom-GWU Metro Station Second Entrance Demand Analysis Final Report in 2007 establishing that the station carried the 8th highest number of daily riders in the Metrorail System in 2006, and that the station ridership is expected to increase approximately 15% by 2030.

WHEREAS, the corner of 22nd and I where the current station entrance exists at present day is a busy intersection at street level, receiving heavy foot traffic from George Washington University Hospital, George Washington University students & faculty, Whole Foods, and The Residences at the Avenue, along with frequent vehicular traffic and bicycle traffic resulting from the nearby Capitol Bikeshare station.

WHEREAS, frequent escalator and elevator outages often limit the ability for people with disabilities to access the station.

WHEREAS, on January 21st, ANC 2A voted unanimously to prioritize funding for a second entrance to the Foggy Bottom-GWU Metro Station in the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority ("WMATA") five-year capital plan.

WHEREAS residents of ANC 2B frequently use the station as a primary access point to the Blue, Orange, and Silver lines.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 2B supports the construction of a second entrance to the Foggy Bottom-GWU Metro Station at 22nd and I Street NW and the continued study of the location and funding of the project, in order to relieve the burden of congestion and increase efficiency, better accommodate elderly and disabled passengers in the case of an elevator or escalator breakdown at the existing station entrance, and further expand public transportation options in the Foggy Bottom/West End neighborhood.

Historic Landscape of Massachusetts Avenue and trees at corner of Massachusetts and 20th St NW – No Vote

Review of proposed zoning regulations on penthouses (ZC #14-13)  
Commissioner Warwick moved to support the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0-1. The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas ANC 2B was invited to comment on Zoning Commission Case 14-13 regarding changing regulations for penthouses; and

Whereas ANC 2B discussed the proposed regulations at an April special meeting and meeting of the zoning, preservation, and development committee; and

Whereas ANC 2B agendas often feature items where penthouses or other additions are added to the top of existing buildings; and

Whereas the Zoning Commission has proposed two alternatives in many categories of penthouse regulations.

Therefore Be it RESOLVED ANC 2B supports Alternative 1 for one-family dwellings and flats (limiting penthouse heights to 10'/1 story compared with the current 18'-6" maximum); and

ANC 2B supports Alternative 2 for zones allowing buildings of 50' or less in height (permit 10'/1 story by right, 20'/2 stories by special exception); and

ANC 2B supports alternative 1 for zones allowing buildings of 60' or more in height (permit 20'/2 stories without specifying use of the space); and

ANC 2B supports multiple penthouses on a building dependent on building requirements rather than requiring a single penthouse, not requiring a currently required connection to connect all parts of a penthouse; and

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ANC 2B supports flexibility in the definition of vertical walls to allow for some sloping of walls as determined by building penthouse requirements; and

ANC 2B supports alternative 2 for penthouse walls, deleting the requirements that penthouses not alter in height variation, with the intent that varying heights will add character to building penthouses and allow less visibly intrusive penthouses if some additional vertical space is not required.

Discussion of ANC 2B awarding grants (8:45pm) (20 mins) Tabled until May

Motion to approval of FY15 Q2 quarterly financial report barring technical amendments  
Commissioner Maltz moved to support the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Feldstein.  
Passed 8-0.

Discussion of financial reporting requirements and processes for all commissioners

Adjourn (9:15pm)

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