

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

September 19, 2018

Councilmember Anita Bonds
Chair, Committee on Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization
Council of the District of Columbia
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RE: ANC Spending Guidelines

Dear Councilmember Bonds,

At its regular meeting on September 12, 2018, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 7 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-0-0):

ANC 2B urges the DC Council to clarify the ANC Spending Guidelines to once again allow ANCs to spend money for the rental of cars to participate in community parades such as the MLK Peace Walk and Parade, the Emancipation Day Parade, the Capital Pride Parade, and similar events. ANC 2B also urges the DC Council to clarify that ANCs be allowed to spend money to provide "throws" of beads, candy, and similar items while participating in those parades and other community events. Additionally, ANC 2B urges the DC Council to clarify that ANCs be allowed to once again spend money to purchase plaques and other similar items to recognize those who contribute to the well-being of the community, such as retiring educators, first responders, and volunteers, among other individuals.

The previously-stated expenditures were routinely permitted for decades, however the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions has asked that the DC Council clarify their allowability.

Commissioners Mike Silverstein (<u>2B06@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Daniel Warwick (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Daniel Warwick

Dame Warnick

Chair