



# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

### Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 12th, 2017; 7:00 p.m.  
Brookings Institution, 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW

### Call to Order

The July 2017 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Vice Chair Daniel Warwick at 7:00 pm.

The Commissioners identified their Single Member Districts (SMDs). Present were: Amy Johnson (2B01), Daniel Warwick (2B02), Stephanie Maltz (2B03), Nick DelleDonne (2B04), Randy Downs (2B05), Mike Silverstein (2B06), John Kupcinski (2B07), and Scott Davies (2B09).

### Announcements and Public Comments

#### Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Johnson said that she has been working with the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) in arranging for sidewalk repairs on the 1800 block of 20th Street NW in her district and invited any community members living on this block to contact her.

Commissioner Davies said that the next meeting of the ANC's Transportation and Public Infrastructure (TPI) Committee will be next Wednesday, July 19th at 7:00 pm at the Dupont Circle Resource Center, 9 Dupont Circle NW.

Vice Chair Warwick said that the next meeting of the ANC's Zoning, Preservation, and Development (ZPD) Committee will be on Wednesday, August 2nd at 7:00 pm at the Dupont Circle Resource Center, 9 Dupont Circle NW.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Jerry Chapin, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS), said that Mayor Bowser recently kicked off her "Back to Basics" program. He said that one of the program's initiatives is an anti-graffiti initiative. He encouraged local residents to report any graffiti in the neighborhood through the city's 311 system.

Update from the Metropolitan Police Department's Third District Commander Stuart Emerman Regarding the Gunfire Activity that Occurred in the Alley Behind the 1500 Block of Caroline Street and U Street NW

Commander Stuart Emerman and Captain David Augustine, representatives for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Third District, gave an overview of the recent crime statistics for the neighborhood.

Captain Augustine gave an overview of a series of gunshots that MPD responded to in the alley behind the 1500 block of Caroline Street and U Street NW on Saturday, July 8th at approximately 1:00 am. He said that MPD currently has very little evidence or information regarding the incident. He added that MPD is asking for the public's help in bringing forward any information regarding the incident to MPD.

Multiple local residents provided information that they had gathered regarding the incident.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items (Continued)

Sherri Kimbel, the Director of Constituent Services for Councilmember Jack Evans' Office, introduced Joe Florio, Councilmember Evans' new Director of Communications. Ms. Kimbel said that Mr. Florio will be Councilmember Evans' new representative to ANC 2B.

Ms. Kimbel said that the DC Government has now funded the trash compactor rebate program that Councilmember Evans worked hard to create. She said that the application for the program is now active online.

Mr. Florio said that the Ward 2 Night at the Nationals event will on Wednesday, July 26th. He said that Ward 2 residents can contact Councilmember Evans' office to reserve up to two tickets for the game. He gave out his contact information to meeting attendees. He said that the DC Council's last legislative session before summer break was held on Tuesday, July 11th and that the DC Council will consider legislation regarding DC's Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) in the fall.

Susan Volman, a representative for the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), encouraged local residents to talk with Robin Diener, the President of DCCA, if they are interested in volunteering to help maintain the T Street NW garden.

Pat Powell, the Director of Operations and Preparedness for the Golden Triangle Business Improvement District (BID), said that the BID will continue to host its Farragut Fridays series of events through the rest of the summer along with weekly movie nights in Farragut Square.

Commissioner Downs said that the 2017 17th Street Festival will be on Saturday, August 26th. He gave an overview of the event, which he said includes local organizations, businesses, arts, and music. He encouraged local residents to attend the event.

Commissioner Kupcinski said that he will soon be moving to the Palisades neighborhood and, therefore, will be resigning as the commissioner for single member district 2B07, with the resignation being effective on Thursday, July 13th.

Florence Harmon, a commissioner on ANC 2A, said that she, along with her colleagues on ANC 2A, have been advocating for the reopening of the Stevens Elementary School building at 1050 21st Street NW as a school for DC students. She gave an overview of the history of the school, including its closure in 2008, along with a recent DC Government decision to cancel a DC Public Schools partnership with Ivymount, an education organization that was planning to open a school for students with Autism in the Stevens Elementary School building.

Ms. Harmon said that, as a result of the recent cancellation of the partnership with Ivymount, she was hoping the ANC 2B could join ANC 2A in encouraging the DC Government to reopen the Stevens Elementary School building as a part of the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens.

Commissioner Maltz moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has followed with concern the troubling events surrounding the DC Public Schools (DCPS), the Deputy Mayor for Education's Office (DME), and the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development's Office (DMPED) failure to retain the Ivymount School as the selected educational user of the Stevens Elementary School building, a property listed on the DC Inventory of Historic Sites and the National Register of Historic Places,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is and has always been convinced of the historical importance of the Stevens Elementary School, viewing the school's heritage as unique, given its establishment in 1868 and original purpose as the first public school for the children of freed slaves in Washington, DC,

WHEREAS, the Stevens Elementary School, as a DCPS public school, has served generations of African Americans and community members in Washington, DC as a public school, and includes among its notable graduates Charles Drew, Petey Greene, Jr., Roberta Flack, Amy Carter, Colby King, Rayford Logan, Robert Hooks, and Jonathan Ogden,

WHEREAS, the Stevens Elementary School should never have been closed as a DCPS public school in 2008, was a jewel in the community, and has served as a vibrant school supporting the needs of District of Columbia students with excellent programs since 1868,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports the efforts of ANC 2A to preserve the Stevens Elementary School, a National Historic Landmark, for the public education school purpose for which it was originally built in 1868, and urges DCPS, DMPED, and DME to support the building's usage by School Without Walls, a DCPS public school that serves the Dupont, Foggy Bottom, and West End communities,

WHEREAS, the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens, which serves the Dupont, Foggy Bottom, and West End communities, is currently over-enrolled as of last school

year, even with 476 students enrolled, the maximum capacity for the school, and for this upcoming school year 485 to 500 students are expected to enroll, again the maximum capacity for the school, with the current waiting list for pre-K through 8th grades being 930 children, and

WHEREAS, the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens will also need swing space for upcoming renovations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the DC Public Schools and the Deputy Mayor for Education's Office, with the support of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development's Office, to restore the historic Stevens Elementary School to the DCPS public school educational usage that honored the memory of abolitionist Thaddeus Stevens by making it an additional campus of the School Without Walls.

### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

#### **City Tap House – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW**

Commissioner Kupcinski moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Downs seconded the matter, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, City Tap House is proposing to open a location on the southwest corner of the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and N Street NW,

WHEREAS, the proposed location is within Single Member District 2B07,

WHEREAS, City Tap House is proposing to open an establishment with a total occupancy load of 315 and a sidewalk café with 30 seats,

WHEREAS, the hours of operation for the premise will be Sunday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 2:00 am, and Friday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 3:00 am,

WHEREAS, the hours of alcoholic beverage sales/service/consumption for the premise will be Sunday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 2:00 am, and Friday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 3:00 am,

WHEREAS, the hours of operation and alcoholic beverage sales/service/consumption for the sidewalk café will be Sunday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 2:00 am, and Friday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 3:00 am,

WHEREAS, members of the surrounding community (the Palladium Condominium, Jefferson Row Condominium, and the Tabard Inn) request that ANC 2B protest this license application and specifically the 3:00 am sidewalk cafe alcoholic beverage service, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is concerned that a large number of patrons will spill onto the corner of Connecticut Avenue and N Street NW late at night, near residences, and cause disruptions to local residents and add to an over-concentration of the late-night population, which could require additional police presence to maintain peace and order.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests City Tap House's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, subject to a negotiation of a settlement agreement that allows for the peaceful cohabitation with current neighbors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests City Tap House's public space application until the applicant has negotiated an amicable use of public space with the commission and community groups located in this vicinity.

#### Effigy – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub License at 1720 I Street NW

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B protests Effigy's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1720 I Street NW based on the effect of the establishment on real property values; the effect of the establishment on peace, order, and quiet, including the noise and litter provisions set forth in §§ 25-725 and 25-726; and the effect of the establishment upon residential parking needs and vehicular and pedestrian safety, subject to the negotiation of a settlement agreement that allows for the peaceful cohabitation with current neighbors.

#### Update Regarding the ANC's Protest of Safeway's Application for a New Retailer's Class "B" Grocery Store License at 1701 Corcoran Street NW

Commissioner Maltz said that the ANC continues to negotiate with Safeway regarding a possible settlement agreement for Safeway's license application. Commissioner DelleDonne expressed concerns regarding signing a settlement agreement with Safeway. He said that his constituents do not want the ANC to enter into a settlement agreement but to continue the protest of the license application.

#### Update Regarding Dacha Beer Garden's Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 1740 14th Street NW

Commissioner Davies said that, due to an administrative error, the ANC did not file its previously-approved protest of Dacha Beer Garden's license application by the protest deadline for the application. He said that two other ANCs, along with multiple neighborhood groups, have filed protests of the license application, and that ANC 2B will continue to work with the protesting parties throughout the protest process.

## **Historic Preservation and Zoning Agenda**

### **1600 I Street NW – Application for a Two-Year Time Extension of Board of Zoning Adjustment Order No. 19122**

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Kupcinski seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting on September 9, 2015, ANC 2B considered the zoning variance application for the project at 1600 I Street NW. With 6 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly noticed public meeting, the Commission supported the project's zoning variance by a vote of (6-0-0), and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports the project as presented, stating that the project will beautify the neighborhood, that the required zoning variance for floor area ratio is under the required floor area ratio if the project were mixed-use with residential, and that the additional variance helps improve circulation and ADA accessibility through the building.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports a two-year time extension of Board of Zoning Adjustment Order No. 19122.

## **Public Space Committee Agenda**

### **1111 19th Street NW – Public Space Application by Wawa for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 8 Tables, 24 Seats, and 4 Umbrellas**

Commissioner Silverstein moved to support Wawa's public space application. Commissioner DelleDonne seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Wawa's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk cafe at 1111 19th Street NW. The Commission appreciates the applicant's chosen design for the trash receptacles that will be installed in the proposed sidewalk cafe.

The Commission notes that the applicant's proposed sidewalk cafe meets the ANC's published Public Space Guidelines, which state that sidewalk cafes should allow for a minimum of ten feet of sidewalk clearance. The Commission further notes that the proposed sidewalk cafe will continue to meet these guidelines after a planned bioretention garden is installed along the adjacent curb on the east side of 19th Street NW.

### **1213 Connecticut Avenue NW – Public Space Application by Buredo for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 4 Tables, 8 Seats, and 1 Umbrella**

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B conditionally supports Buredo's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk cafe at 1213 Connecticut Avenue NW based on the applicant's agreement to amend their public space application to state that the establishment will bring all sidewalk cafe furniture inside for storage when closing for business or by midnight, whichever occurs earlier each night.

The Commission notes that the applicant's proposed sidewalk cafe meets the ANC's published Public Space Guidelines, which state that sidewalk cafes should allow for a minimum of ten feet of sidewalk clearance.

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Proposed District Department of Transportation Improvement Projects, Including Crosswalk Re-Marking and Sidewalk Repairs, Throughout the ANC**

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, ANC 2B acknowledges the District Department of Transportation's leadership on the Vision Zero Initiative to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and create safe streets for residents and visitors alike,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates the recent DDOT-coordinated visit to "high-crash intersections" at Connecticut Avenue & R Street NW and Connecticut Avenue & Florida Avenue & S Street NW on June 27th, 2017, engaging offices across DDOT with the ANC, the Metropolitan Police Department, and the American Automobile Association;

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has been working with DDOT and ANC 2D on concerns related to the intersection of Connecticut Avenue & Florida Avenue & S Street NW since November of 2016, including:

- Reviewing pedestrian signal timing,
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- Refreshing lane markings, directional arrows, and pedestrian crosswalks,
- Enhancing signage along eastbound Florida Avenue NW for vehicles turning onto Connecticut Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has conducted an initial survey of each SMD and has identified the additional following projects that need to be addressed by DDOT:

- Replace missing sidewalk bricks in front of 1641 17th Street NW (2B04) (311 Service Request #17-00176313),
- Replace missing sidewalk bricks in front of 1413 Swann Street NW (2B09),
- Replace tree box rubber tiles on 17th Street between S Street and O Street NW with an asphalt surface safe for tree roots and pedestrians (2B04),
- Repair missing and uneven sidewalk at 1610 P Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #17-00372018),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment due to former tree root structure (tree was removed but roots and damaged sidewalk remain) located in front of 1813 15th Street NW (2B09),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment at the southwest corner of 17th Street and Corcoran Street NW (2B03) (311 Service Request #17-00373746),
- Replace rubber sidewalk mats with asphalt sidewalk near 1614 17th Street NW (2B03) (311 Service Request #17-00373757),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment due to tree root structure at 1530 Church Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #17-00372025),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment due to tree root structure at 1530 Church Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #17-00372025),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment due to tree root structure at 1482 Church Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #17-00372028),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment due to tree root structure at 827 16th Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #14-00334371),
- Repair sidewalk misalignment at 888 16th Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #14-00334372),
- Repair alley sinkhole behind 1924 15th Street NW (2B09),
- Repair alley sinkhole at 1513 17th Street NW (2B05) (311 Service Request #16-00566531),
- Renew and repair alley surface, including addressing subsidence areas in the 1500 block of the Caroline Street and U Street NW alley (2B09),
- Install alley lighting in the 1500 block of the Caroline Street and U Street NW alley (2B09),
- Renew lane markings and directional arrows around Dupont Circle (2B02, 2B03, 2B06, 2B07) (311 Service Request #17-00374178) (311 Service Request #17-00374207),
- Renew crosswalk marking on the south side of the intersection of 17th Street and P Street NW (2B05 & 2B07) (311 Service Request #17-00373717),
- Renew bike lane markings along the 1800 and 1900 blocks of 14th Street NW and paint bike lanes green,
- Renew crosswalk marking at the entire intersection of 17th Street and R Street NW (2B04 & 2B03) (311 Service Request #17-00373758),
- Conduct a traffic calming investigation at the intersection of 19th Street and L Street NW with the suggestion of adding a left turn signal from 19th Street to L Street to improve vehicle flow and pedestrian safety (2B06) (311 Service Request #17-00374354),



- Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety near the construction at the intersection of 15th Street and L Street NW by installing pavement markings and signage (2B05) (311 Service Request 17-00374409).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT address and make appropriate repairs and improvements to the above-listed projects expeditiously.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding a Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Proposal to Begin Mid-Day and Evening Reverse-Commute Service on Metrobus' H1 Route

Vice Chair Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the “Finance Committee” of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (“WMATA”) Board of Directors (“Board”) is to recommend at its meeting on Thursday, July 13, 2017 whether the full Board should authorize WMATA to conduct a public hearing on a package of bus service improvements through action at its regularly-scheduled meeting later that day;

WHEREAS, the draft package includes service enhancements to five bus lines within the District of Columbia – as part of an overall proposal collectively referred to as “State of Good Operations Bus Service Changes With Budget Additions”;

WHEREAS, many of the changes proposed in this package – as well as those in a related, revenue-neutral package to be presented at the “Customer Service and Operations Committee” – result from recommendations made in a series of Metrobus line studies undertaken by WMATA and the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) within the past several years;

WHEREAS, one such study – completed in 2013 – recommended a service enhancement to the “H1” Metrobus line, which presently runs between Potomac Park (Foggy Bottom) and the Brookland-CUA Metro station during morning and evening rush hours in the peak direction (i.e., toward Potomac Park in the AM rush and toward Brookland in the PM rush);

WHEREAS, the service enhancement recommended would “convert the current H1 service into an all-day, bi-directional service” (p. 7 of PDF) consisting of the following service elements:

1. The addition of northbound AM peak trips running at a 15 minute headway (6:00 am to 9:00 am). The current AM peak southbound trips would be modified such that there is a consistent 15 minute headway in both directions throughout the AM peak.
2. Mid-Day (9:00 am to 3:00 pm) bi-directional service running every 30 minutes.

3. The addition of southbound PM peak trips running at a 15 minute headway (3:00 pm to 7:00 pm). The current PM peak northbound service would also be modified to run every 15 minutes throughout the PM peak.
4. Evening (7:00 pm to 10:00 pm) bi-directional service running every 30 minutes.

WHEREAS, a full-time, weekday line along this corridor would fill a gap in existing transit service between the Foggy Bottom and Dupont Circle neighborhoods – both of which are densely-populated employment centers adjacent to the western portion of the Central Business District and are home to nationally and regionally significant cultural and educational amenities;

WHEREAS, this line would also provide a direct connection where none currently exists between Dupont Circle and the densely-populated Columbia Heights neighborhood, which has evolved into a major retail destination for area residents within the past ten years;

WHEREAS, full-time service on this line would enable our residents – particularly seniors and those with chronic medical conditions – to access medical services provided in or adjacent to the campuses of Washington Hospital Center and GW Hospital, both of which are ill-served by existing transit connections from the neighborhood but which would be served directly from this line;

WHEREAS, according to figures from a March 2013 H Line Productivity Report, the current H1 service is by far the most productive of this line series, as measured in the following distinctions:

- Highest Cost Recovery from Fares (37.19%, more than 2.5 times the WMATA standard and over 7% greater than the next-highest mark – for Saturday H2/H3/H4 trips) (p. 33 of PDF)
- Most Boardings Per Trip (43.9, more than 4.5 times the WMATA standard and 14.8 boardings more than the next-highest mark – for weekday H2/H3/H4 trips) (p. 33 of PDF)
- Lowest Subsidy per Passenger (\$2.03, nearly one-third of the WMATA standard and \$0.19 lower than the next-closest mark – for Saturday H2/H3/H4 trips) (p. 34 of PDF)
- Most Boardings per Revenue Mile (6.9, nearly seven times the WMATA standard and 2.4 greater than the next-closest mark – for weekday H8/H9 trips) (p. 34 of PDF)

WHEREAS, implementing this recommendation fulfills two of the four broader recommendations from the 2013 study, including to “provide a direct, all day, two way connection to downtown Washington from the H Lines’ service area.”

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the draft schedule of service changes to be proposed for a public hearing as Metrobus SOGO Budget Additions for FY 2018 be amended to provide for the implementation of Study

Recommendation “B-1” of the “2013 Metrobus Service Evaluation Study for the H Line” – converting the H1 Metrobus into an all-day, weekday, bi-directional service between Brookland-CUA Metro station and Potomac Park/Washington Circle.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets’ Application for the Great American Main Street Awards

Vice Chair Warwick moved to adopt a proposed letter regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The letter reads as follows:

ANC 2B is a longtime partner of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets in our liveable, walkable, Dupont Circle neighborhood of Washington, DC.

Dupont Circle has been a walkable urban neighborhood with several vibrant neighborhood main streets which have evolved for over one hundred years. Our main streets are P Street, Connecticut Avenue, and 17th Street NW, and Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets has been a catalytic organization supporting our main streets. We fully support the organization’s application for the Great American Main Street Awards because they help us maintain our great Dupont Circle main streets. This small but impactful organization has improved the streets and sidewalks around Dupont Circle with its Clean Team, which picks up trash five days a week. The organization organizes events such as First Friday, Taste of Dupont, the 17th Street Festival, and Art All Night, each which brings thousands of people to Dupont Circle. Since its formation the organization has also helped countless neighborhood businesses improve their bottom line and has fervently supported our neighborhood.

We are grateful to have Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets in our neighborhood and are eager for them to receive well deserved national recognition.

**Public Space Committee Agenda (Continued)**

1700 H Street NW – Public Space Application by the Metropolitan Club of the City of Washington for a Valet Staging Zone with 2 Spaces

Vice Chair Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B has no objection to the Metropolitan Club of the City of Washington’s public space application if it is a reinstatement of a previously-approved application with no changes from what was previously approved. If the application is not a reinstatement of what was previously approved, then the ANC requests that the Public Space Committee delays its review of the application until the committee’s August 2017 meeting.

**Administrative Matters**

### Approval of the Regular June 2017 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Davies moved to adopt the ANC's regular June 2017 meeting minutes. Commissioner Silverstein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### Approval of Expenses for the 17th Street Festival on August 26th, 2017

Vice Chair Warwick moved to authorize expenditures up to \$1,150 for the rental of porta potties for the 17th Street Festival on August 26th, 2017. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### Consideration of a Resolution Replacing Dupont Festival with Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets as the Fiscal Agent for the Dupont Circle Resource Center Renovation Project

Commissioner Davies moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Kupcinski seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle Resource Center, located at 9 Dupont Circle NW, is owned by the National Park Service (NPS) and managed by ANC 2B through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between NPS and ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle Resource Center is utilized by a wide variety of organizations, including the U.S. Park Police, the Metropolitan Police Department, Dupont Festival, Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, the Dupont Circle Citizens Association, the Dupont Circle Conservancy, and the Dupont Circle Farmers Market,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle Resource Center was last renovated in 2001 and has seen heavy use over the last 17 years, resulting in a need to reinvest in the building, update and improve the restroom facilities, repair malfunctioning electrical equipment, and make the overall space more flexible for multiple uses,

WHEREAS, the ANC, working in partnership with the other users, has conducted extensive outreach to determine the best overall scope of improvements for the most effective and flexible use of the space,

WHEREAS, the ANC solicited proposals from qualified firms and has requested and received a best and final proposal from Monarc Construction, Inc. to conduct the following:

- Demolish the current countertops and cabinets,
- Remove all debris from demolition from the site and dispose of properly,
- Repair drywall where necessary and make paint ready,

- Bathrooms – Install new Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) approximately four feet up from the floor on all bathroom walls, install electric hand dryers, replace electric hot water heaters, install toilet paper dispensers, repair existing grab bars if required, install corner guards, install kick plates on the bottom of both bathroom doors on both sides, install new vacant/occupied deadbolt locks in place of the current handles, and install push plates on the outside and pull handles on the inside of each door,
- Replace existing (3) fans with new fans,
- Replace existing recessed lighting with new soft white LED recessed lights,
- Install projector screen suspended from ceiling on north wall,
- Install projector under south beam and route wiring to west wall,
- Repair front entrance door exterior light,
- Repair front door frame, hinges, and door,
- Replace water fountain,
- Replace counter top on the middle west wall,
- Install corner low-wall modular workstation in the southwest corner (\$1,500 allowance),
- Install tool rack for hanging up yard tools,
- Install 2'D X 6'W shelves over the bathroom doors,
- Install chair hangers on the west wall,

WHEREAS, the proposed Contractor has stated that the work can be completed within one (1) month under a Firm Fixed Price Contract for a cost of \$27,402,

WHEREAS, the proposed Contractor has proposed the following additional options for the cost indicated:

- Install locking printer cabinet – \$708.00,
- Replace existing entry door key code pad and electronic strike release – \$1,428.00,
- Install new ADA-compliant toilets – \$1,032.00,
- Install automatic sensor sink faucets and soap dispensers – \$1,308.00,

WHEREAS, the entire proposed scope of work, including all options, can be completed for a total cost of \$31,878.00,

WHEREAS, this resolution updates and supersedes a resolution on this same matter passed by ANC 2B at the ANC's April 12, 2017 meeting,

WHEREAS, Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, led by Bill McLeod, has agreed to serve as the contracting agent for all work conducted by the selected Contractor,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle Citizens Association currently has custody of \$10,000.00 in Planned Unit Development (PUD) funds provided as part of a recent development and will provide said funding to Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets and those funds will be

spent as the initial deposit upon entering into a contract between Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets and Monarc Construction, Inc.,

WHEREAS, the ANC has been granted access to surplus DC Government-owned furniture and equipment for procurement of new furnishings such as tables, chairs, printers, projectors, projection screens, workstations, etc and will utilize surplus furniture and equipment as a means of limiting expenditure of taxpayer funds,

WHEREAS, Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets has agreed to provide all labor and materials necessary to paint all interior spaces of the Dupont Circle Resource Center as its contribution,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that unforeseen conditions may be encountered, requiring expenditure of additional funds and a contingency fund not to exceed \$3,000 should be considered,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that NPS has completed the compliance process and issued a permit for the project, allowing Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets to enter into a contract with Monarc Construction,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B:

1. approves Monarc Construction's proposal dated March 27, 2017, including all options, for a total cost of \$31,878.00,
2. requests that the Dupont Circle Citizens Association transfer \$10,000.00 to Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets no later than July 16, 2017 for the purposes indicated above,
3. requests that Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets enter into a contract with Monarc Construction, Inc. in accordance with its procurement procedures and the contractor's best and final proposal dated March 27, 2017 on or about July 16, 2017,
4. approves a total budget of \$34,878.00, which includes a contingency budget of \$3,000.00, for the renovation of the Dupont Circle Resource Center,
5. approves the expenditure of \$21,878.00 in ANC 2B funds for the renovation of the Dupont Circle Resource Center,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is subject to review and approval by the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is pursuant to the support of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) in terms of the ability of the ANC to spend money as described above.

### **Adjournment**

Vice Chair Warwick adjourned the meeting at 9:44 pm.