

ANC 2B DUPONT CIRCLE ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 13, 2013, Brookings Institution

February 2013 Minutes

The February Regular Meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chairman Stephens at 7:00 pm. The Commissioners identified their Single Member Districts (SMDs). Present were: Mike Feldstein (2B01), Kevin O'Connor (2B02), Stephanie Maltz (2B03), Kishan Putta (2B04), Leo Dwyer (2B07), Will Stephens (2B08), and Noah Smith (2B09). Commissioner Silverstein (2B06) expected for late arrival due to his duties on the ABC Board.

Minutes/Calendar

Commissioner Feldstein moved to approve January 2013 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Smith. Passed 7-0.

Public Announcements

1. Special Election for 2B05 Vacancy (3/13/13 ANC Meeting):

- *Commissioner Stephens moved to have the balloting open from 7:15pm-9:30pm. Seconded Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0.*
- *Order of names on ballot determined by coin toss: Candidate Dito Sevilla will be listed first.*
- *Commissioner Stephens moved to select Gottlieb Simon as the election manager. Seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0.*
- *Candidate Abigail Nichols introduced herself as candidate for 2B 05 and spoke about her platform. Candidate Dito Sevilla was unable to attend due to work obligations.*

2. Commissioner Stephens announced that the FY 2012 Annual Report has been published and available on the website.
3. Commissioner Stephens announced that ANC 2B will be participating in an At-Large Candidates Forum. Commissioners Feldstein & Putta are designated as the point people.
4. Update on DC Health Insurance Exchange: Commissioner Putta announced that individuals can apply for health insurance assistance starting in October.
5. Commissioner Putta gave brief summary regarding Delegate Norton's ANC Meeting.
6. Commissioner O'Connor reminded everyone to use #ANC2B on Twitter.
7. Commissioner Stephens announced that ANC2B's Twitter feed is now available on website.
8. Announcement by Floriana on new public space. They would like to extend their sidewalk café by 11 feet & 9 inches. This will allow for 20 seats.
9. Update on 14th & U "Louis" development by Bryan Moll (JBG): Pouring of concrete to be complete in April. They will begin to turn over units for signed leases in late summer/early fall. Trader Joes to occupy 15K sq ft. Looking for more tenants (coffee shops, boutique gyms, etc). McDonalds will remain.
10. Virginia Riehl from the Keegan Theater gave updates on upcoming events and shows at the theater.

General

Special Guests: Ross School Principal, PTA President, and LSAT Chair

- **Ross has PK-5th Grade Lower grades, 100% in-boundary students.**
- LSAT issues: 1. Nutrition for students 2. Fundraising 3. More Involved in Community
- PTA-Fundraiser Saturday 3/23/13 from 5pm-8pm at the German Marshall Center located at New Hampshire & R Streets. There will be Public Auction.
- 2/27-Homemade Pizza on 14th St will donate \$3 per pizza for Ross Elementary.

Special Guests: Department of General Services (DGS) representatives

Guests spoke from the DGS regarding the removal of trees from Ross School. Due to excavation needed to repair basement from excessive water leaks, trees needed to be removed. Otherwise about half of the root

systems of the trees would have been cut off causing the trees to fall. Trees were too big for the space and location. New trees appropriate for the space will be planted. New rules have been implemented: community will be notified within 48 hours if trees need to be removed in the future.

Consideration of resolution in support of allowing Growler Sales at Liquor Stores with a Single-Sales Exemption

Commissioner O'Connor read the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0.

Whereas, the Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Emergency Amendment Act of 2012 (the Bill) took effect on January 15, 2013; and

Whereas, the Bill allows for the sale of Growlers, reusable containers holding up to 64 fluid ounces of beer, for off-premise consumption, at brew pubs, liquor stores, and full service grocery stores; and

Whereas, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (ANC2B) has the authority to grant certain Class A and Class B establishments exemptions to the Ward 2 Single-Sales ban; and

Whereas, ANC2B reviews prior compliance with Alcoholic Beverage Regulatory Administration (ABRA) regulations, and neighborhood input prior to awarding Single-Sales Exemptions;

Whereas ABRA has stated that Growler sales will require specific exemptions from the Ward 2 Single-Sales ban for Class A and Class B establishments but not for brew pubs;

Be it resolved that ANC2B grants permission to sell Growlers to all establishments that have previously been granted a Single-Sales Exemption and does not consider Growler sales at these establishments a substantial change;

Be it further resolved that ANC2B would consider an application by any establishment that has not previously been granted a Single-Sales Exemption a substantial change and would request standard notification and placarding.

Consideration of ANC action on 16th Street bus routes

This matter postponed to next month's meeting.

Regulatory

Public Space Applications

Application by Lauriol Plaza (DDOT Tracking #10077924) for public space valet parking. (2B08)

Commissioner Stephens moved to support for 5 spaces. Seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0.

Commissioner Silverstein arrived to the meeting.

Consideration of new Capital Bikeshare location at northeast corner of Massachusetts Ave and 17th St NW (2B05)

Commissioner Stephens moved to support. Seconded by Commissioner Smith. Passed 8-0.

Consideration of benches and pavers in public space at 1200 17th Street NW (2B05)

Commissioner Stephens moved to support. Seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Commissioner O'Connor would like to add that the reason for the Commission's support is because of green space preservation and creation, which is in keeping with the ANC's prior resolution asking for park space to be preserved. Friendly amendment was accepted. Passed 8-0.

Public space application (DDOT Tracking # 77850) by Glen's Garden Market, 2001 20th St, NW for outside cafe. (2B01)

Commissioner Feldstein moved to support. Seconded by Commissioner O'Connor. Passed 8-0.

Public space application (DDOT Tracking # 79141) by Amorini Panini, 801 18th St, NW for sidewalk cafe. Matt Gray presents (2B06)

Commissioner Silverstein moved to support. Seconded by Commissioner Stephens. Passed 7-0. Commissioner Feldstein did not participate.

Alcohol Applications

Due to his position on the ABC Board Commissioner Silverstein does not participate in any Alcohol Application considerations.

Art Jamz application for CX license (ABRA-091285) for 1728 Connecticut Ave. and Stipulated license. Sunday-Thursday 10am-12am, Friday-Saturday 10am-12am. Entertainment hours same. Petition date March 4/Hearing March 18. (2B01)

Commissioner O'Connor moved to support application for license and approve the stipulated license. Seconded by Commissioner Feldstein. Passed 7-0.

Application by Kabin, 1337 Conn Ave NW, for new CT (tavern) license w/seating capacity 175, total load 210; Hours of operation/sales/service Sun-Thu 11am-2am, Fri-Sat 11am-3am; entertainment endorsement including dancing w/hours Sun-Thu 6pm-2am, Fri-Sat 6pm-3am; Petition due 3/4/13; Roll call hearing 3/18/13. Jeffrey Jackson presenting. (2B07)

Commissioner Dwyer moved to support because of late food service, same time & location, and more upscale than the pre-existing establishment that occupied the space, which would be of benefit to the neighborhood. Seconded by Commissioner Maltz. Passed 7-0.

Committee & Liaison Reports

Community Involvement Committee

Commissioner Feldstein presented prospective committee members. Commissioner Stephens moved to approve new member candidates. Seconded by Commissioner Maltz. Passed 8-0.

The approved committee members are:

Mike Feldstein, Chair
Kishan Putta, Commissioner
Iris Molotsky
Abigail Wiebenson
Rob Halligan
Patrick Kain
Daniella Vogal
Aaron DeNu
Mary Lord
Curt Farrar
Debbie Schreiber
Cecilia Wichmann
Nikisha Carpenter

The next meeting will be in the next couple of weeks to discuss Grants Paper.

Zoning, Preservation & Development Committee

Commissioner Dwyer is in search of new committee members.

Commissioner Dwyer moved for Commissioner O'Connor to be a committee member. Commissioner Stephens seconded. Passed 8-0.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 3/5/13 7pm at the Resource Center.

ABRA Policy Committee

Nomination & approval of committee members Commissioner O'Connor read resolution. Second by Commissioner Feldstein. Approved 8-0.

Whereas the Policies and Procedures Manual of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (ANC2B) call for the creation of an Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) Policy Committee; and

Whereas, ANC2B charges the ABRA Policy Committee with informing the Commission and the public about ABRA-related issues in general; and

Whereas, the ABRA Policy Committee further aides in making the work of the Commission with regards to ABRA-related issues more transparent; and

Whereas, ANC2B is required to ratify the membership of each Standing Committee;

Be it resolved that, ANC2B makes the following appointments to the ABRA Policy Committee:

Commissioner Kevin O'Connor (2B02), Chair

Commissioner Noah Smith (2B09)

Commissioner Stephanie Maltz (2B03)

Ed Grandis, Dupont Circle Merchants and Professionals Association;

Ruth Horn, Dupont Circle Citizens Association;

Stephanie Sheridan (2B04);

Ramon Estrada (2B09);

Joanne Liu (2B02);

2. Discussion of steps re: new 14th & U Moratorium application

There will be a public meeting & listening session for community to hear from ANCs in March.

Public Safety Liaisons

Commissioner Smith put in a work order for the repaving of 15th street cycle path in March/April.

Commissioner Reports

School merger between Foggy Bottom schools, School Without Walls & Francis Stevens.

Short Reports on Old Business

NU = No Update

1. 1751 18th Street: zoning variance (2B01) **NU**

2. James Hobans: VA amendment (2B02) **NU**

3. Catch 15: new CT license (2B05) **NU**

4. Bean & Bite: sidewalk cafe (2B05) **NU**

5. Third Church: curb cut (2B05) **NU**

6. Camelot: additional valet parking days (2B06) **NU**

7. 1800 Eye Street: zoning variance (2B06) **Approved by BZA earlier this month**

8. Boloco: DDOT sidewalk cafe (2B06) **NU**

9. 1337 Conn Ave NW: HPRB concept design (2B07) **HPRB denied addition in part.**

10. The Gryphon: new license (2B07) **NU**

11. Kabab-ji: entertainment endorsement (2B07) **NU**

12. Neighborhood Restaurant Group (Golden Brown & Delicious): new CR license (2B07) **NU** Commissioners agreed to discuss issues related to liquor establishments south of the Circle at a subsequent ABRA Policy Committee meeting.

Administrative/Financial Matters

1. Resolution on FY 2013 budget. Commissioner Stephens moved to pass. Seconded by Commissioner O'Connor. Passed 8-0. The budget will be published online.

2. Finances/Treasurer Report: FY 2013 Quarter 1. Commissioner Maltz moved to approve Quarterly Report. Passed 8-0.

3. Selection of interns & web developer: The Commission approved Fiona Clem as the new IT/Web Consultant by a vote of 8-0. The Commission approved designating the Community Involvement Intern in memory of Desi Deschaine and the Public Policy Intern in memory of Jeff Coudriet by vote of 7-0 with 1 abstention.

4. Policy & Procedures Manual: New version – Commissioner Stephens will share with the commissioners.

Adjournment (9:57pm)