

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13th, 2017; 7:00 p.m. Brookings Institution, 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW

Call to Order

The September 2017 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Nicole McEntee at 7:01 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), Nicole McEntee (2B08), and Scott Davies (2B09).

Announcements and Public Comments

Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Silverstein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the recent passing of Edith Windsor, a national champion for marriage equality. The resolution was adopted by unanimous consent. The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B asks the Council of the District of Columbia to work with the ANC and the LGBT community to find a proper way to honor and memorialize Edith Windsor and may her name always be for blessing.

Commissioner Downs said that he wanted to acknowledge Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, for his hard work on organizing this year's 17th Street Festival.

Commissioner Downs said that the next meeting of the ANC's Transportation and Public Infrastructure (TPI) Committee will be next Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00 pm. He said that the location for the meeting is still being finalized. He said that the meeting agenda includes a discussion regarding DC's new dockless bikeshare companies and presentation regarding the Washington Area Bicyclist Association's (WABA) annual bike light blitz program.

Commissioner Johnson encouraged local residents who witness dangerous activity by those riding motorcycles and ATVs in the neighborhood to contact the police. She also encouraged local residents who have had a bike stolen to file a police report.

Commissioner Johnson said she has been working with the various groups who are protesting Safeway's alcoholic beverage license application to draft a possible settlement agreement. She said that there will an update regarding the matter at the ANC's regular October meeting.

Commissioner Maltz encouraged local residents to attend the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens' annual auction, which will be on Saturday, October 21st at 5:30 pm at Squire Patton Boggs, 2550 M Street NW.

Announcement of a Special Election for the Single Member District 2B07 Vacancy

Chair McEntee said that the special election for the vacancy of single member district 2B07 will take place during the ANC's regular October meeting on Wednesday, October 11th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm. She said that registered voters in single member district 2B07 will be eligible to vote in the election.

Introduction of Candidates for the Single Member District 2B07 Vacancy

Kari Cunningham and Sean Treanor, the two candidates to fill the vacancy of single member district 2B07, introduced themselves to meeting attendees and gave an overview of their platforms for the ANC.

<u>Presentation by Judy Williams, Homeless Services Coordinator for the Department of Behavioral Health, Regarding Homeless Encampments in ANC 2B</u>

Judy Williams, a representative for the DC Department of Human Services, gave an overview of the DC Government's efforts to reach out to homeless individuals who are living in encampments in the neighborhood. She said that she has encountered resistance from local residents when she tries to reach out to those who are living in the encampments.

Ms. Williams gave an overview of the DC Government's protocol for cleaning up homeless encampments, including the process of issuing public notices regarding the cleanups.

Elizabeth Horen, a representative for the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services' Office, said that the Deputy Mayor's Office responds to reports from the ANC, the community, and DC Government officials regarding the locations of encampments. She encouraged local residents to reach out to her if they want to report the location of an encampment.

Announcement Regarding the DC College Savings Plan

A representative for the DC College Savings Plan was not present.

Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Cameron Windham, a Community Engagement Coordinator for the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), said that he brought materials that go over the services that OAG provides to local residents. He also gave an overview of OAG. He said that the priorities for Attorney

General Karl Racine include juvenile justice reform, consumer protection, and affordable housing.

Susan Volman, the Treasurer of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), encouraged local residents to attend DCCA's 50th Annual Dupont Circle House Tour, which will be on Sunday, October 15th.

Joe Florio, a representative for Councilmember Jack Evans' Office, said that the DC Council is returning to session next week. He said that the DC Council's legislative agenda for the fall includes discussions regarding the proposed Short-term Rental Regulation and Affordable Housing Protection Act of 2017. He said that he will have more legislative updates for the ANC's regular October meeting.

Kari Cunningham, the President of the Friends of Stead Park, said that she would like to invite local residents to attend the first community input session for the Stead Park Recreation Center Project, which will be on Saturday, September 23rd from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm at Foundry United Methodist Church, 1500 16th Street NW. She said that additional community meetings and a community survey are in the process of being scheduled.

Alaina Johnson, an inspector for the Department of Public Works' (DPW) Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program (SWEEP), said that she oversees our neighborhood as part of SWEEP. She said that she brought materials regarding the program.

Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda

Rewind – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub License at 1219 Connecticut Avenue 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:

WHEREAS, Rewind has applied for a new Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1219 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-107182),

WHEREAS, the proposed location is within the central business district and single member district 2B05,

WHEREAS, Rewind is proposing an establishment with a total occupancy load of 199 and a sidewalk café with 16 seats.

WHEREAS, the hours of operation for the premise will be Sunday through Saturday, 12:00 am to 11:59 pm,

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 for the sidewalk café will be Sunday through Thursday, 6:00 am to 3:00 am; and Friday through Saturday, 6:00 am to 4:00 am, and

WHEREAS, the hours of 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.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests Rewind's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, until a settlement agreement has been successfully negotiated between the ANC and the applicant.

<u>Fantom Comics – Application for a New Retailer's Class "D" Tavern License at 2010 P Street NW</u>

Commissioner Warwick moved to protest Fantom Comics' license application based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B protests Fantom Comics' (ABRA-107167) application for a new Retailer's Class "D" Tavern license at 2010 P Street NW based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, subject to the negotiation of a settlement agreement that allows for the peaceful cohabitation with current neighbors.

<u>Union Trust – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 740 15th Street NW</u>

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

WHEREAS, Union Trust has applied for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 740 15th Street NW (ABRA-107437),

WHEREAS, the proposed location is within single member district 2B05,

WHEREAS, neighboring single member district Commissioner John Tinpe (ANC 2C01) has been consulted and has no objection to the pending application,

WHEREAS, Union Trust is a new tavern specializing in higher end spirits, draft beer, and possibly light prepared snacks,

WHEREAS, Union Trust is proposing an establishment with a total occupancy load of 79, and

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Union Trust's request for a stipulated license at 740 15th Street NW.

Historic Preservation and Zoning Agenda

730 15th Street NW – Application by Granite LLC for a Variance from the Penthouse Regulations to Permit the Second Floor of the Existing Two-Story Penthouse to be Used as Habitable Space

Commissioner Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the project as proposed will add a habitable penthouse near the White House and is within ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the most recent zoning rewrite requires a BZA process to approve habitable penthouses near the White House, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supported the scale, massing, and historic preservation aspects of this application several months ago.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed.

1900 N Street NW – Application by JBG Smith for a Modification of Consequence to Allow the Relocation of the Seventeen Accessory Parking Spaces Serving 1234 19th Street NW from their Current Location at 1920 N Street NW to 1233 20th Street NW

Commissioner Silverstein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Warwick seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the applicant at 1900 N Street NW requires a modification of consequence to a 1966 BZA order, and

WHEREAS, there will be no loss of parking with the modification of consequence.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the modification of consequence for 1900 N Street NW as proposed.

1521 17th Street NW - Concept / Install New Storefront, Roof, and Rear Additions

Commissioner Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the proposed project at 1521 17th Street NW is within the Dupont Circle Historic District and the confines of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B,

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes an addition and pop-back on the existing historic building,

WHEREAS, due to the configuration of Church Street NW and 1519 17th Street NW, any addition to the existing building would be visible from the street,

WHEREAS, views from the rear of the building are also critically important because the site backs onto Stead Park, a well-used and treasured community park,

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B typically would not support a project with a visible addition, ANC 2B makes an exception for this project based on the diverse built environment characteristics of this specific block of 17th Street NW,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates the applicant's attention to detail and execution of the rear facade of the project and supports retaining brick on this facade,

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes to remove the existing bay at 1521 17th Street NW in order to create accessible entryways to the retail and residential components of the project,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the currently-existing bay projection adds to the diverse and historic nature of the 17th Street NW corridor and urges the project to be adapted to maintain the spirit of the bay projection at the site, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B would appreciate more documentation of the specific front facade restoration.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project if a bay projection were to be maintained at the storefront and the project continues to offer brick facades on all sides.

1727 S Street NW - Concept / Rear and Rooftop Additions

Commissioner Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the project as proposed is an addition to a historic rowhouse within the Dupont Circle Historic District and Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B,

WHEREAS, the addition as proposed is slightly visible from the street, although the applicant is changing their plans to remove visibility,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B encourages additional neighbor outreach, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates the applicant's repair and restoration of the front facade, but would appreciate further detail and clarity regarding the scope of the restoration.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B does not oppose the project as proposed.

<u>Consideration of a Resolution Regarding DC Council Bill B22-0315 – the "TOPA Accessory Dwelling Unit Amendment Act of 2017"</u>

Commissioner Warwick moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Chair McEntee seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, there is proposed legislation in front of the Council of the District of Columbia to amend Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) rules so that renters of accessory dwelling units of owner-occupied homes would not have TOPA protections,

WHEREAS, this change is being proposed in order to increase the rental housing supply because TOPA is a disincentive for homeowners to rent accessory dwellings,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that there is a housing affordability crisis within the District of Columbia and that the District should incentivize the creation of new housing supply as well as the better utilization of existing buildings,

WHEREAS, the proposed change, while beneficial, should be amended to include neighborhoods like Dupont Circle,

WHEREAS, Dupont Circle has had many homes, for over one hundred years, which feature an owner-occupied home as well as an accessory rental unit, primarily in the RA and RF zones, but they are legally separate units rather than accessory dwelling units, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that if homeowners in other neighborhoods can rent out one accessory unit in their home without TOPA restrictions, homeowners in our neighborhood and other neighborhoods across the District of Columbia should benefit from this change too.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the Council of the District of Columbia to amend TOPA so that it does not apply to renters in accessory units to primary housing units in the Dupont Circle neighborhood as well as the lower-density neighborhoods that the legislation is written for.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the Council of the District of Columbia to study whether owner-occupied homes with multiple accessory units, such as an owner-occupied row house with three or four total dwelling units, should be included in this amendment to TOPA as well.

Public Space Committee Agenda

1900 M Street NW – Public Space Application by Rockrose Development for a New Driveway

This matter was tabled until a future ANC meeting.

1815 Q Street NW – Public Space Application by the Embassy of Argentina to Install a Brick Wall in the Rear of the Property

The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter due to the fact that the applicant withdrew the application.

<u>1147 20th Street NW – Public Space Application by Gregory's Coffee for a New, Un-Enclosed</u> Sidewalk Café with 4 Tables and 16 Seats

Commissioner Silverstein moved to support Gregory's Coffee's public space application for 1147 20th Street NW based on the understanding that there will be a minimum of 10 feet of pedestrian passageway between the end of the bicycle racks and the beginning of the sidewalk cafe. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Gregory's Coffee's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café at 1147 20th Street NW with the understanding that there will be a minimum of 10 feet of pedestrian passageway between the end of the bicycle racks and the beginning of the sidewalk cafe.

1900 L Street NW – Public Space Application by Gregory's Coffee for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 9 Tables and 36 Seats

Commissioner Silverstein moved to support Gregory's Coffee's public space application for 1900 L Street NW. Commissioner Warwick seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Gregory's Coffee's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café at 1900 L Street NW.

2121 Newport Place NW – Public Space Application to Install an ADA-Compliant Handrail

Commissioner Silverstein moved to support the public space application for 2121 Newport Place NW. Commissioner Warwick seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the public space application to install an ADA-compliant handrail at 2121 Newport Place NW.

General Agenda

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Brinton Woods Health & Rehabilitation Center's Certificate of Need (CON) Application for a Change of Ownership

The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.

<u>Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation's Application for Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds at 1016 16th Street NW</u>

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

WHEREAS, the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation is applying for the refinancing of a conduit bond issued by the District of Columbia for the renovation of its offices ten years ago, and

WHEREAS, the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation is located within ANC 2B.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B has no objection to the application provided that the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation is a bona fide nonprofit organization and that District of Columbia taxpayers will have no obligation for the bond.

Transportation and Public Infrastructure Agenda

Consideration of a Resolution Requesting Improved Road and Bike Lane Markings

Commissioner Davies moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Silverstein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, ANC 2B represents a very diverse neighborhood of both residents and businesses that rely upon many modes of transportation, including rail, bus, cars, bicycles, and walking, which sometimes conflict with each other and require safe separation,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that traffic around Dupont Circle NW, particularly on the inner lanes of the circle that feed westbound Massachusetts Avenue NW, does not always abide by the designated traffic flow due to deteriorated signage and surface markings,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that improved bike lane markings and separation would dramatically improve the safety of bicyclists, pedestrians, and vehicles, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has noticed the installation of bike lanes marked with green paint elsewhere in the city, such as on 4th Street SW near M Street SW, and has noted the vibrant, obvious separation that this type of marking creates.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the District Department of Transportation takes action to update and improve the traffic markings on Dupont Circle NW, specifically the direction arrows for Massachusetts Avenue NW and the circle's crosswalks,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the District Department of Transportation takes action to paint the 14th Street, 15th Street, 17th Street, Q Street, R Street, and T Street NW bike lanes green and to improve the lane lines and direction arrows.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Conversion of LED Lighting in the "Club Central District" of ANC 2B

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

WHEREAS, ANC 2B began to work on and address nightlife management when, in April 2010, the ANC passed the Club Central Resolution to mitigate the effects of the concentration of late-night activity in the area south of Dupont Circle,

WHEREAS, hospitality is the number two industry in the District of Columbia, responsible for nearly 60,000 jobs and \$2.8 billion in revenue,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle area and the Central Business District are home to more than 100 licensed hotels, restaurants, and nightlife venues that are the drivers of that economic engine,

WHEREAS, the nighttime economy is growing ever larger and more complex, requiring a multi-agency governmental approach to matters including health, waste collection, transportation, law enforcement, and public safety,

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation, the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, and the Office of Public-Private Partnerships are in the process of a request for qualifications for the replacement of streetlights as part of the Smart City Initiative,

WHEREAS, the proposed LED lights last four times longer than traditional bulbs, require fewer repairs, and provide more consistent light so that neighborhoods are well lit and safer.

WHEREAS, the proposed LED lights, with Smart City technology, could include free broadband WiFi and sensors to measure traffic and environmental data,

WHEREAS, lighting is very important to our neighborhood, especially in our mixed-use corridors and entertainment areas such as the section of Connecticut Avenue NW south of Dupont Circle, and

WHEREAS, the Golden Triangle BID and the Metropolitan Police Department's Club Action Team officers have encouraged the installation of improved lighting in the Club Central district in ANC 2B and have provided a list of areas that have been identified for conversion to LED lighting:

Pole # and Location

- 1. N/A 1800 Block of M Street NW Next to 1813 M Street NW and to the side of Daily Grill by their last window
- 2. 23731 1800 Block of M Street NW In front of USPS Post Office at 1800 M Street NW
- 3. 23726 1800 Block of M Street NW In front of 1837 M Street NW (Chipotle)
- 4. 24739 1800 Block of Jefferson Place NW On the side of Shake Shack (1216 18th Street NW) on Jefferson Place NW
- 5. 23733 1900 Block of M Street NW Between McDonald's and Pizza Hut (1990 M Street NW)
- 6. 24525 1300 Block of 19th Street NW Next to Dupont Circle Metrorail Station South Entrance (In front of Panera Bread)
- 7. 24526 1300 Block of 19th Street NW Across from Dupont Circle Metrorail Station South Entrance (On the side of 21 Dupont Circle)
- 8. 23810 1100 Block of 19th Street NW In front of Rumors Restaurant on 19th Street (1900 M Street NW)
- 9. 23802 1800 Block of N Street NW Across the street from 1800 N Street NW
- 10. 23808 At the intersection of 19th Street NW and M Street NW (Northeast corner Near Chipotle)
- 11. 23809 At the intersection of 19th Street NW and M Street NW (Southwest corner in front of the 1900 M Street NW building)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports a priority conversion of streetlights in the Club Central district to improved LED dynamic lighting, not exceeding 3,000K and using dark sky technology, as an important tactic in fostering a safe and vibrant neighborhood nightlife.

Consideration of a Resolution in Support of the Electrification of DC Circulator Buses that Run in ANC 2B

Commissioner Davies moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, exhaust from diesel buses is a significant contributor to smog-creating nitrogen oxide pollution and particulate pollution,

WHEREAS, both smog and particulate pollution contribute to high levels of asthma and other respiratory problems among Washington, DC residents, including 13,981 children and 44,405 adults,

WHEREAS, the American Lung Association gives DC an "F" grade for high ozone levels tested from 2012 to 2014,

WHEREAS, as a result of the recent Volkswagen clean diesel emissions scandal, the District of Columbia will receive a \$7.5 million settlement for transportation electrification.

WHEREAS, Electric Zero Emission Buses produce no pollution at the tailpipe and, even after factoring in emissions from electricity generation, each produces up to 270,000 pounds less climate change-creating CO2e pollution as compared to diesel or compressed natural gas (CNG) buses,

WHEREAS, as proven in cities like Chicago and Philadelphia, Zero Emission Buses cost less to fuel and maintain than diesel or CNG buses and have a lower lifetime cost than either diesel or CNG buses.

WHEREAS, Zero Emission Buses increase the livability of Washington, DC neighborhoods through noise and pollution reduction,

WHEREAS, the DC Circulator fleet is a highly visible and heavily used public transportation asset in DC, transporting approximately five million annual passengers, and

WHEREAS, there are three DC Circulator routes that run in ANC 2B: the Rosslyn-Dupont Circle route, the Georgetown-Union Station route, and the McPherson Square-Woodley Park route.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the DC Government make a commitment to upgrade the DC Circulator's dirty diesel buses and expand investment in proven electric buses.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the District Department of Transportation's 16th Street NW Bus Lanes Project

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the bus lane portion of the District Department of Transportation's 16th Street NW Bus Lanes Project. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, ANC 2B represents a neighborhood that encompasses 16th Street NW between U Street and H Street NW, with six single member districts of ANC 2B having borders that either cross or are within one block of 16th Street NW, representing approximately 12,000 constituents,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B commissioners and community members of the ANC's Transportation and Public Infrastructure (TPI) Committee have been closely involved in the 16th Street NW Transit Priority Study and the 16th Street NW Bus Lanes Project processes since their inception in 2015, including membership in the Citizens Advisory Group, presentations to the TPI Committee, and multiple public engagement meetings, including the open house on July 27th, 2017,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B represents a very diverse neighborhood of both residents and businesses which rely upon many modes of transportation, including rail, bus, cars, bicycles, and walking, and residents of ANC 2B, particularly those with limited mobility, rely on the S-line buses for short trips for access to shopping in Columbia Heights, the Mt. Pleasant Library, and businesses and Metrorail stations on K Street and I Street NW, among other destinations,

WHEREAS, although ANC 2B recognizes that the flow of the S-line buses on 16th Street NW is not optimal, the portion of 16th Street NW south of U Street is generally not highly congested, even during peak travel hours,

WHEREAS, the area of 16th Street NW within ANC 2B is a historic district, part of the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts-protected viewshed to the White House and the monuments, and part of the original L'Enfant City of Washington plan, and

WHEREAS, 16th Street NW is a vital link for ANC 2B residents who live to its east and west, particularly for access to amenities on 14th Street and 17th Street NW, is crossed by three un-signalized crosswalks at Swann Street, Corcoran Street and Church Street NW, and serves as a 'central square' for the eastern part of Dupont Circle while facilitating the walkable lifestyle that so many covet and which DC's Comprehensive Plan encourages.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the proposed Option 4 of DDOT's 16th Street NW Bus Lanes Project, including full-length, peak period, peak direction bus lanes and the restriction of parking on both sides of the street during peak times.

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the bus stop consolidation portion of the District Department of Transportation's 16th Street NW Bus Lanes Project. Commissioner Davies seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, ANC 2B represents a neighborhood that encompasses 16th Street NW between U Street and H Street NW, with six single member districts of ANC 2B having borders that either cross or are within one block of 16th Street, representing approximately 12,000 constituents,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B commissioners and community members of the ANC's Transportation and Public Infrastructure (TPI) Committee have been closely involved in the 16th Street NW Transit Priority Planning Study process since its inception in 2015, including membership in the Citizen's Advisory Group, presentations to the TPI Committee, and multiple public engagement meetings, including the open house on July 27, 2017,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B represents a very diverse neighborhood of both residents and businesses which rely upon many modes of transportation, including rail, bus, cars, bicycles, and walking, and residents of ANC 2B, particularly those with limited mobility, rely on the S-line buses for access to shopping in Columbia Heights, the Mt. Pleasant Library, and businesses and Metrorail stations on K Street and I Street NW, among other destinations,

WHEREAS, although ANC 2B recognizes that the flow of S-line buses on 16th Street NW is not optimal, the portion of 16th Street south of U Street is generally not highly congested, even during peak travel hours,

WHEREAS, 16th Street NW is a vital link for ANC 2B residents who live to its east and west, particularly for access to amenities on 14th Street and 17th Street, is crossed by three un-signalized crosswalks at Swann Street, Corcoran Street, and Church Street, and serves as a 'central square' for the eastern part of Dupont Circle while facilitating the walkable lifestyle that so many covet and which DC's Comprehensive Plan encourages,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the northbound bus stop at the intersection of 16th Street and Q Street NW is critical to the many families, seniors, theater-goers, staff members, and special needs young adults who frequent, on a daily basis, the Edlavitch Jewish Community Center of Washington DC at 1529 16th Street NW,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the northbound bus stop at the intersection of 16th Street and L Street NW is critical to the safety and convenience of many hotel and service

industry workers who rely upon a bus stop located close to their place of employment early in the morning and late at night, and

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation has proposed to eliminate the northbound L Street and Q Street bus stops on 16th Street NW as part of the agency's 16th Street NW Transit Priority Planning Study.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B recommends against the elimination of the northbound L Street and Q Street NW bus stops on 16th Street NW.

Administrative Matters

Approval of the Regular August 2017 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the ANC's regular August 2017 meeting minutes. Commissioner Silverstein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

Approval of the ANC's FY 2018 Budget

Commissioner Maltz and Peter Sacco, the ANC's Executive Director, gave an overview of the Commission's proposed FY 2018 budget. Mr. Sacco said that DC's regulations state that the ANC should approve the budget during the Commission's regular October 2017 meeting.

Approval of Additional Expenditures for the ANC's Recent Community Meeting

Commissioner Maltz moved to approve reimbursement of an \$8.47 Uber expense incurred by Mr. Sacco as part of the ANC's recent community meeting regarding Safeway's alcoholic beverage license application. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

<u>Update Regarding the Dupont Circle Resource Center Renovations</u>

Commissioner Davies said that there might need to be a change order for the Dupont Circle Resource Center renovation project. He said that the change order would be for the replacement of some of the building's recessed lights. He said that more information regarding the change order will be coming soon.

Commissioner Davies said that the renovation project is currently on-schedule.

Consideration of a Resolution to Censure Commissioner DelleDonne

NOTE: The Commission's vote regarding this matter was later rescinded during the Commission's regular January 2018 meeting. Please see the regular January 2018 meeting minutes for reference.

Commissioner Silverstein recused himself from discussing and voting on this matter.

Commissioner Davies moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Commissioner DelleDonne raised a point of order regarding the level of public notice provided for the matter and the ANC's subsequent ability to consider a resolution on the matter. Chair McEntee did not accept the point of order. Commissioner Warwick moved to call the question on the motion. The motion to call the question was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-2-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nick DelleDonne was elected on March 8, 2017 to represent single member district 2B04,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Nick DelleDonne has repeatedly demonstrated discriminatory and disrespectful behavior towards female ANC Commissioners and representatives of constituent groups,

WHEREAS, Commissioner DelleDonne conducted himself inappropriately, communicating disrespectfully with other commissioners in a public forum in advance of the May 2017 Transportation and Public Infrastructure Committee meeting, and making demands of commissioners,

WHEREAS, Commissioner DelleDonne was disrespectful and condescending to a fellow commissioner during the June 2017 ANC meeting,

WHEREAS, during a community meeting on August 14, 2017 designed to solicit constituent input, Commissioner DelleDonne very publicly demonstrated, through his conversations and interactions during the meeting, disrespect to fellow commissioners, residents, and constituents, and

WHEREAS, Commissioner DelleDonne has repeatedly misrepresented or falsely implied that he represents the opinions or viewpoints of the ANC in both verbal and written statements on public forums and in news outlets.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with ANC policy and Robert's Rules of Order, ANC 2B hereby censures Commissioner Nick DelleDonne and shall take any and all appropriate action in accordance with this resolution.

Adjournment

Chair McEntee adjourned the meeting at 10:20 pm.