



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 14th, 2018; 7:00 p.m.
Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies
1740 Massachusetts Avenue NW

Call to Order

The March 2018 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Daniel Warwick at 7:01 pm.

Introduction of Commissioners

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Daniel Warwick (2B02), Nick DelleDonne (2B04), Randy Downs (2B05), Mike Silverstein (2B06), Kari Cunningham (2B07), and Nicole McEntee (2B08).

Announcements and Public Comments

Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner DelleDonne said that the DC Council will hold a hearing regarding DC Council Bill B22-0663 – the “Comprehensive Plan Amendment Act of 2018” on Tuesday, March 20th at 2:00 pm. He encouraged local residents to sign up to testify during the hearing. He also encouraged local residents to attend the DC Grassroots Planning Coalition’s rally at 1:00 pm before the DC Council hearing.

Commissioner McEntee said that she recently purchased a home outside of the Dupont Circle area. She said that she will thus be resigning from the ANC later in the week. She encouraged local residents to work together to make Dupont Circle more affordable for all.

Commissioner Cunningham said that March is Women’s History Month. She said that, as part of the month, the Keegan Theatre will be hosting the WOMXN on Fire Festival, which will feature performances by women playwrights, actors, and directors. She encouraged local residents to show their support for the festival.

Commissioner Downs said that the Friends of Stead Park’s 13th Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, March 31st from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm at Stead Park. He encouraged local residents to attend the event.

Commissioner Downs said that the Friends of Stead Park and the Department of Parks and Recreation will host the fifth Stead Park Recreation Center Community Meeting on Monday, March 19th at 6:30 pm at Foundry United Methodist Church, 1500 16th Street NW.

Commissioner Silverstein said that he recently met with the project team for the development project at 1901 L Street NW in order to discuss the project plans. He said that the developers for the various construction projects currently taking place along the 1100 block of 19th Street NW have been working together to coordinate construction schedules and to create a central vision for the streetscape of the block.

Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Chair Warwick said that Jerry Chapin, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) was not able to attend the ANC meeting this evening. He said that Mayor Bowser will be hosting her annual State of the District Address on Thursday, March 15th at 5:30 pm at the University of the District of Columbia's Theater of The Arts, 4200 Connecticut Avenue NW.

Joe Florio, a representative for Councilmember Jack Evans' Office, said that DC Water will hold a Ward 2 town hall on Tuesday, March 27th at 6:30 pm at the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens, 2425 N Street NW. He added that the DC Council will begin holding hearings for the Mayor's proposed FY 2019 budget in April.

Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, said that the organization will hold its annual Spring Fling fundraiser on Thursday, March 22nd from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue NW. He encouraged local residents to attend the event.

Taylor Callahan, the Senior Director of Real Estate for OTO Development, gave an overview of the current state of the company's hotel construction project at 1112 19th Street NW. He said that construction work will last another 20 to 22 months. He said that project team will soon be asking for the ANC's support of an overnight work permit so that the project team can receive deliveries to the project site during overnight hours. He added that the project team will also be returning to the ANC in the near future to discuss the public space plans for the hotel. He said that the hotel will have a lay-by along the street in front of the hotel in order to assist with guest drop offs and pickups.

Presentation by Craig Baker, Assistant Fire Chief of the DC Fire and EMS Department, Regarding the Department's "Right Care, Right Now" initiative

Craig Baker, the Assistant Fire Chief of Operations for the DC Fire and EMS Department (FEMS), gave an overview of FEMS' new Right Care, Right Now initiative. He said that, as part of the initiative, callers to 9-1-1 with non-emergency injuries or illnesses will be transferred to a nurse, who will review the symptoms and then transfer the caller to an urgent care facility if needed. He said that certain low-income callers will also be provided with free transportation if needed.

Assistant Fire Chief Baker said that the initiative will help free up beds at emergency rooms in DC. He said that DC has the highest per-capita emergency medical services call volume in the nation. He added that a large amount of emergency medical services calls are classified as non-emergency. He said that local residents should not call 9-1-1 for cuts or minor injuries or for routine medical conditions that are best addressed through an appointment with a primary care physician.

Presentation by Sarah Fashbaugh, Community Resource Officer for the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, Regarding the Upcoming License Renewal Season

Sarah Fashbaugh, the Community Resource Officer for the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA), encouraged local residents to let ABRA know if they are having any issues with local establishments. She said that residents can call ABRA's complaint hotline at (202) 329-6347 for any concerns during late-night hours. She said that the hotline is staffed from 7:00 pm to 3:00 am every night of the week.

She said that placards have begun going up for the renewal of all Class "A" license establishments, including liquor stores. She encouraged local residents to reach out to her if they have any questions about the license renewal or protest processes.

Update Regarding the St. Thomas' Parish Development Project

Rev. Alex Dyer, the Priest-in-Charge for St. Thomas' Parish, gave an overview of the current status of construction for the St. Thomas' Parish housing development and church development projects.

Dan Baker, a Senior Project Manager for Forrester Construction, said that construction for the church development will begin next week. He said that Forrester Construction is very experienced in managing construction projects in the downtown area. He said that it will take three months to build the church structure, followed by another six months to enclose the structure. He added that construction of the church will be completed in approximately one year.

Mr. Baker said that the project team will be regularly communicating with the neighborhood regarding the status of the construction. He said that the project team will work hard to minimize disruptions to the neighborhood.

Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda

Hotel Rouge – Application for a Substantial Change to the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Hotel License at 1315 16th Street NW

Commissioner Downs moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Hotel Rouge has applied for a substantial change to the establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Hotel license at 1315 16th Street NW,

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

WHEREAS, Hotel Rouge is requesting to construct a rooftop penthouse addition to the hotel with a total occupancy load of 77 seats and will add an accompanying rooftop summer garden with a total occupancy load of 73 seats with no amplified, recorded, or live music,

WHEREAS, the current hours of operation on the premise are Sunday through Saturday from 12:00 am to 12:00 am (24-hour operations),

WHEREAS, the current hours of alcoholic beverage sales, service, and consumption on the premise are Sunday from 10:00 am to 2:00 am, Monday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm, and Friday through Saturday from 8:00 am to 3:00 am,

WHEREAS, the current hours of live entertainment inside the premise are Sunday through Saturday from 6:00 pm to 2:00 am,

WHEREAS, the proposed hours of operation and alcoholic beverage sales, service, and consumption for the summer garden are Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm and Friday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 12:00 am, and

WHEREAS, the proposed hours of operation and alcoholic beverage sales, service, and consumption for the penthouse are Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 12:00 am and Friday through Saturday from 11:00 am to 1:00 am.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests Hotel Rouge's application for a substantial change to the establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Hotel license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, pending the successful negotiation of a settlement agreement between the ANC and the applicant.

The Rabbit Hole – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 1214 18th Street NW

Commissioner McEntee moved to protest The Rabbit Hole's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B protests The Rabbit Hole's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, pending the successful negotiation of a settlement agreement between the ANC and the applicant.

Magnolia – Application for a New Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant License at 1601 Connecticut Avenue NW

Chair Warwick moved to support Magnolia’s request for a stipulated license as part of the establishment’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license. Commissioner McEntee seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Magnolia’s request for a stipulated license as part of the establishment’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license at 1601 Connecticut Avenue NW. The Commission’s support is based on the cessation of operations and alcoholic beverage sales, service, and consumption on the establishment’s sidewalk cafe at 11:00 pm on Sunday through Thursday and at 12:00 am on Friday through Saturday, as noted in the settlement agreement signed by the applicant and by ANC 2B.

Chair Warwick moved to approve the ANC’s signing of a proposed settlement agreement with Magnolia. Commissioner McEntee seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0).

Luke’s Lobster – Application for a New Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant at 800 17th Street NW

Chair Warwick moved to support Luke’s Lobster’s request for a stipulated license as part of the establishment’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Luke’s Lobster’s request for a stipulated license as part of the establishment’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license at 800 17th Street NW.

Historic Preservation and Zoning Agenda

1916 M Street NW – Application by McDonald’s Corporation for a Modification of Consequence to the Conditions of BZA Order No. 13902 Regarding Parking Requirements to Permit a Fast Food Restaurant

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

WHEREAS, during the original construction of the restaurant, the restaurant applied for and received a special exception from the Board of Zoning Adjustment in 1983 so that three required parking spaces could be relocated off-site, within 800 feet of the restaurant,

WHEREAS, the applicant is now requesting for the parking requirement to be waived since the spaces are no longer needed as employees use alternate modes of transportation, and

WHEREAS, current zoning regulations would not require these three parking spaces, though the original BZA order from 1983 still stands.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the minor modification in order to align parking requirements at the business with current zoning regulations.

1501-1505 Pennsylvania Avenue NW – Application by Granite LLC for a Special Exception from the Rear Yard Requirements to Construct an Addition to an Existing Building to Establish a Museum and Conference Center with Associated Office Use

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

WHEREAS, the project intends to add floor area over an alley vacation, which ANC 2B supported,

WHEREAS, the project does not add significantly to the current floor area ratio, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has already supported the application in a past resolution and the application has not changed significantly since then,

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

1529 16th Street NW – Application by the DC Jewish Community Center for an Area Variance from the Floor Area Ratio Requirements to Modernize and Expand Existing an Community Center

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

WHEREAS, the applicant is seeking a variance from the floor area ratio requirements in order to modernize and expand the building, and the variance applies to the MU-15 portion of the site only,

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

WHEREAS, the applicant is adding a stairwell and elevator to the parking lot for ADA compliance for the top floor, as well as for the safety of the students by providing an additional stairwell for egress,

WHEREAS, the expansion of the floor area ratio includes turning a space that is currently used as squash courts into classrooms and is within the existing footprint of the building and is a minor change, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has been communicating with nearby residents in order to address concerns regarding parking and drop off during construction.

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

1729 T Street NW – Concept / New Construction of Four-Story, Plus Cellar, Multi-Family Units

Commissioner McEntee moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the raze permit application for 1729 T Street NW. Chair Warwick seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the applicant is seeking to raze an existing structure and construct a 5 unit condo building, and

WHEREAS, the currently existing building is a non-contributing building in the Strivers' Section Historic District.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the issuance of a raze permit to construct a new building on the lot.

Commissioner McEntee moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the Historic Preservation Review Board application for 1729 T Street NW. Commissioner Downs seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks to raze the existing non-conforming structure and construct a 5 unit condo building,

WHEREAS, the applicant intends to maintain the existing light well to the east of the building and to use the 1719 T Street NW project that will be constructed to frame the two multifamily buildings in between to create symmetry, and 1719 T Street NW can be used as precedent for the floor area ratio relief required in order to preserve the light well,

WHEREAS, the applicant intends to install a functional green roof,

WHEREAS, the applicant will be adding two bedroom and den, family-sized units to the Dupont Circle housing stock, which is desperately needed in this area, and will also increase density on the block,

WHEREAS, the project would match the height of the cornices on the roof of the building to the east, and match the metal railing materials with the vocabulary of T Street NW,

WHEREAS, the applicant would be adding a front-facing rooftop, which ANC 2B generally does not support; however, because the rooftop belongs to a single unit and is not shared, there would be little opportunity for noise issues, and

WHEREAS, the project would provide additional outdoor space for all units with the addition of balconies.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed but asks the applicant to consider:

1. maintaining the tree at the front of the property by redesigning the front stairwell to be straighter,
2. conducting a flag test and shadow test to alleviate neighboring building concerns about loss of light and air, as well as visibility of the rooftop, and
3. continuing to work with neighbors in the adjacent units to address any concerns, and commit to a careful demolition and examination of the party wall.

Public Space Committee Agenda

Public Space Application by Stout & Teague for the Installation of a Bollard at 1400 16th Street NW

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

WHEREAS, the applicant at 1400 16th Street NW proposes to occupy public space for the purpose of installing a single path light bollard near the front entrance of the building,

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

WHEREAS, the purpose of the bollard is to illuminate the walkway at night, improving pedestrian accessibility and safety,

WHEREAS, the proposed bollard will be a precision milled aluminum 3"x3"x42" freestanding mount accommodating a flush pairing impact LED light fixture, and

WHEREAS, the proposed path light bollard location is not adjacent to or near a residential area, posing no risk as a light nuisance to sleeping residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed as a welcomed pedestrian accessibility and safety measure.

Public Space Application by The Lenkin Company for Streetscape Improvements, Including the Installation of Tree Boxes, Bike Racks, and Curb Ramps, at 1050 17th Street NW

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

WHEREAS, The Lenkin Company at 1050 17th Street NW proposes to occupy public space for the purpose of streetscape improvements, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested that ANC 2B ask for a delay in the review of its public space application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of The Lenkin Company's public space application for 1050 17th Street NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

Public Space Application by the Lincoln Property Company for Streetscape Improvements, Including the Installation of Planting Areas, Concrete Paving, and Entrance Stairs, at 1901 L Street NW

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

ANC 2B requests that the Public Space Committee delays its review of the Lincoln Property Company's public space application for 1901 L Street NW until after the ANC's April 11, 2018 meeting in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

Public Space Application by the Brookings Institution for Streetscape Improvements, Including the Installation of Bollards, Benches, and Tree Boxes, at 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW

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

WHEREAS, the ANC recognizes that the applicant has requested additional time to refine the design for streetscape improvements, including the installation of bollards, benches, and tree boxes, at 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW, and

WHEREAS, the ANC requests that the Public Space Committee not make a decision on the application until the ANC has a chance to consider it at a regular ANC meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of the public space application for 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW.

Public Space Application by Sunrise Café for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 6 Tables, 20 Seats, and 2 Umbrellas at 1102 17th Street NW

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

WHEREAS, the public space application by Sunrise Café is requesting a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café with 6 tables, 20 seats, and 2 umbrellas at 1102 17th Street NW,

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

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that sidewalk cafes are an important element in the urban ambiance and charm of the Dupont Circle community, while also promoting safety and economic development,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that public space use is a privilege, not a right,

WHEREAS, the public space application'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, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to amend their public space application to state that the establishment will bring all sidewalk cafe furniture inside for storage when closing for business each night.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B conditionally supports Sunrise Cafe's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk cafe at 1102 17th Street 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 each night.

Public Space Application by PJ Clarke's for a Valet Staging Zone with 2 Parking Spaces at 1600 K Street NW

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

WHEREAS, Nation Valet has applied for a public space permit for a valet staging zone with two parking spaces at PJ Clarke's at 1600 K Street NW,

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

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested that ANC 2B ask for a delay in the review of its application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of Nation Valet's public space application for PJ Clarke's at 1600 K Street NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

General Agenda

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the District Department of Transportation's Dockless Bikeshare Pilot Program

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

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia is currently allowing dockless bikeshare (and dockless scooter-share) companies to operate during a pilot period from September 2017 through April 2018,

WHEREAS, currently six companies are operating, including traditional bikes from Mobike, Spin, LimeBike, and ofo; electric bikes from JUMP; and electric scooters from Waybots and LimeBike,

WHEREAS, many residents of ANC 2B have taken advantage of these services,

WHEREAS, bicycling, including dockless bicycling, provides a valuable "last mile" service for residents not near transit or when transit is not operating,

WHEREAS, bicycling has the potential to reduce single-passenger car traffic and vehicular emissions, as has already happened with Capital Bikeshare (see papers by Fishman, Washington, & Haworth, 2014 and Hamilton & Wichman, 2015),

WHEREAS, many residents of ANC 2B are not always able to get a dockless bike when they want or need one because of lower quantities of bikes,

WHEREAS, a number of concerns about dockless bikeshare have been raised by residents of ANC 2B and other DC residents and business owners, including improperly parked bikes or bikes tipped over, which ANC 2B recognizes as a need for improved awareness,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B further believes that there is need for infrastructure to facilitate properly secured short term bike parking across the District for dockless bikeshare, and

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation plans to propose new regulations for the period after the current pilot, and the DC Council will likely consider legislation as well.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT to continue allowing companies to operate dockless bikesharing services in the District of Columbia with the following recommendations:

- Continue a competitive system where the market will choose which services succeed and which fail instead of the District choosing,
- Incrementally increase the numbers of bicycles allowed per operator, as Seattle has done, sufficient to determine the true market level of demand and ensure there is an adequate supply of public space for dockless bicycles,
- After determining the market level of demand for dockless bicycles, including by using ridership data from the spring and summer, consider limitations to the number of bicycles per operator such as a minimum of one to one and a half rides per day per available bike,
- Institute rebalancing requirements along with increased caps to ensure that some of the bikes are located in diverse neighborhoods, including in ANC 2B and the entire District,
- Require operators to publicly share data, including an API of real-time bike locations and anonymized usage volumes per roadway segment,
- Publicly share data from the pilot program,
- Conduct a public information campaign for residents to better understand the rules, proper parking, and use of the bikes,
Hold operators responsible for the parking behavior of their users,
- Encourage operators to build features into their apps where people rate prior users' parking in order to better enforce good parking behavior,
- Work with Business Improvement Districts and other groups to assess and determine how the dockless bikeshare program is affecting the business community,
- Work with Business Improvement Districts and ANCs across the District to establish in-street corral parking areas in high-density areas which may be marked with pylons and referred to as "Dockless Bikeshare Preferred Locations" such as the "Mobike Preferred Location" pylons prevalent in some Chinese cities,
- Ensure bikes are not parked inside parks, playgrounds, and recreational areas where bikes may contribute to mobility or safety issues and/or be damaged,

- Require locking e-bikes, which are heavier, to physical objects as they are difficult to move, but continue to permit wheel locking for unpowered bicycles,
- Require operators to develop more stable kickstands or other mechanisms to secure their bicycles, as well as additional infrastructure options to ensure that parked bikes are less likely to be blown or knocked over, and
- Adopt a policy of periodic renewals or revocation of permits for dockless operators to continue operating within the District of Columbia based on transparent performance and complaint metrics.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT to publish the decision-making process, criteria, and timeline related to determining the future of the dockless bikeshare program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT to address Americans with Disabilities Act concerns, including how dockless bikeshare impacts handicap mobility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT and dockless bikeshare operators to promote availability of adaptive bikes to increase access to bikes for people with disabilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT to install additional bike infrastructure such as protected bikeways, other bike lanes, and bicycle parking in all parts of ANC 2B and the District of Columbia as soon as possible, to ensure safe roads for users of dockless bikes, Capital Bikeshare, and private bikes and provide appropriate parking locations.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Proposed District Department of Transportation Improvement Projects Throughout the ANC

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

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

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has conducted an initial survey of each single member district and has identified the 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 tree-safe 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 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),
- 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, and 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 and 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 (2B09),
- Renew crosswalk marking at the entire intersection of 17th Street and R Street NW (2B04 and 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), and
- Improve pedestrian safety at the un-signalized crosswalks at 17th Street and S Street NW and 17th Street and Corcoran Street NW by installing road markings indicating the need to stop at the intersection.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the District Department of Transportation address and make appropriate repairs and improvements to the above listed projects expeditiously.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Traffic and Parking Signage on Ward Court NW

Commissioner Silverstein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Cunningham seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, two major construction projects affecting Ward Court NW have recently been completed,

WHEREAS, during those projects, construction crews were able to take down No Parking signs and directional signage in order to stage equipment along Ward Court, Ward Place, and an adjoining alley,

WHEREAS, now that the construction projects are completed, many of the old original signage and No Parking signs remain down and other signs restricting parking have been placed in areas where parking could – and should – be permitted,

WHEREAS, the parking situation there now is such that cars parked on both sides of Ward Court make it difficult or impossible for trash trucks, delivery trucks, and emergency vehicles to access Ward Court, and

WHEREAS, there are businesses and residences situated on Ward Court that require access by fire equipment, trash trucks, and other such vehicles.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B considers the current situation a danger to the health, welfare, and safety of those living and working on Ward Court, and requests that District Department of Transportation officials meet with residents and review the current parking situation on Ward Court NW, replace most of those signs that have been removed, and restore parking on one side of the alley where it can be done safely.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that, once the above tasks are accomplished, the Department of Public Works enforces parking regulations to ensure that Ward Court NW is accessible to trash trucks, delivery vehicles and, above all, fire and emergency vehicles.

Consideration of a Resolution Supporting the Creation of an ANC American Sign Language Interpreter Fund

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

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia values the participation of all residents in government matters, including community meetings,

WHEREAS, American Sign Language interpretation allows the content of community meetings to be accessed by members of the community who are Deaf,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has a policy to provide interpreters when requested before the meeting,

WHEREAS, currently ANC 2B would have to find and pay for interpreters out of its budget,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Omnibus Amendment Act of 2016 has allowed ANCs to receive funding for American Sign Language interpretation: “1-309.12(d)(3)(C-1)(i) Reimbursement of translation and interpretation service costs incurred by a Commission, for residents and Commissioners who require such services in relation to Commission documents or proceedings; provided, that applications for reimbursement under this sub-subparagraph shall be submitted to OANC, using a form prescribed by the Mayor;”

WHEREAS, the act’s Fiscal Impact Statement said that the Executive would require a 0.5 FTE to implement this section and DC’s FY 2018-19 budget did not include funding for a staff member to implement this in order to support commissions,

WHEREAS, the 40 ANCs are required by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act to provide interpretation services upon request by residents and to pay for these services out of the ANCs’ annual funding allotment from the District,

WHEREAS, the average interpretation cost to ANCs in 2017 was \$600 per meeting, which, if requested for twelve meetings per year for a total cost of approximately \$7,000, is more than the FY 2018 annual allocation for the District’s smallest ANCs and one-third of the entire FY allocation of the District’s largest ANCs, and

WHEREAS, ANCs are strong advocates for inclusive meetings and community engagement, and are supportive of interpretation services to support that inclusivity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that funding for staffing through the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions and funding for interpretation and translation services be fully allocated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that if any allocated funds are not used during an individual Fiscal Year, the unused funds are rolled over to the following Fiscal Year to be used for outreach to the Deaf community regarding the interpretative services that are available.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the District Department of Transportation’s Notice of Intent to Remove 2 Parking Spaces on I Street NW Between 17th Street and Connecticut Avenue NW in Order to Improve Left-Turn Movements

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000” DC LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation is required to give a written Notice of Intent to modify traffic and/or parking requirements,

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2018, DDOT issued a Notice of Intent letter regarding modifying traffic and parking near the south side of I Street NW, between 17th Street and Connecticut Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, presently, dual left-turn movements are allowed on the westbound approach of I Street NW at the street’s intersection with 17th Street, and

WHEREAS, DDOT conducted an independent traffic analysis of the study intersection and has determined to convert the existing shared dual left-turn lanes to a single exclusive left-turn lane to improve vehicular and pedestrian traffic operations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the District Department of Transportation’s proposal to remove two on-street parking spaces on the south side of I Street NW, between 17th Street and Connecticut Avenue NW, to provide additional storage for the westbound left-turning movement and to improve westbound traffic flow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B recommends that the District Department of Transportation utilize a lagging left-turn arrow signal at the intersection of I Street and 17th Street NW, maintaining the existing leading pedestrian signal that allows pedestrians to establish their presence in the crosswalk so that turning vehicles yield, which improves safety.

Administrative Matters

Approval of the Regular February 2018 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner McEntee moved to approve the ANC’s regular February 2018 meeting minutes. Commissioner Silverstein seconded the motion. Commissioner DelleDonne moved to amend the minutes to include his motion during the ANC’s February 2018 meeting to establish a committee to address the lack of transparency in the publication of the ANC’s documents. Chair Warwick seconded the motion for the amendment. The motion for the amendment was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-0).

Approval of a \$2,000 Expenditure for the Purchase of Advertising in the Dupont Current

Commissioner Silverstein moved to approve an expenditure up to \$2,000 for the purchase of ANC advertising in the Dupont Current. Commissioner DelleDonne seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-0).

Adjournment

Chair Warwick adjourned the meeting at 10:11 pm.