



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

July 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 9th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

Call to Order

The regular July 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Vice Chair Marshall at 6:31 pm.

Introduction of Commissioners

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

Adoption of the Agenda

Vice Chair Marshall moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Announcements and Public Comments

Deckover Update

Karen LeBlanc provided an update on the [Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deckover](#).

Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items

Bill McLeod, Director of the Dupont BID, provided an update.

Budget meeting announcement

Commissioner Slatt provided an update on the ANC 2B budget and stated that the proposed budget will be presented at the August ANC meeting, and voted on at the September ANC meeting.

Commissioner announcements

Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Rueckgauer, Commissioner Slatt provided announcements.

Reports from DC Government representatives

Hannah Ames, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Community Relations Representative, provided an update. Ty Abilla, Ward 2 Manager for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update.

Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda

Baby Shank Noise

The Commission took no action.

Amparo Fondita- Application for a substantial change and stipulated license to their Class “C” Restaurant license at 2002 P Street NW (ABRA-124404) (2B02)

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

WHEREAS, Amparo Fondita (“Amparo”, “Establishment”) located at 2002 P Street NW in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B has applied to ABCA for a Substantial Change to its license for the addition of an unenclosed Sidewalk Café with seating for 8 persons.

WHEREAS, Amparo has requested ANC support for a Stipulated License to allow operating the Sidewalk Café during the public comment period for their Substantial Change application.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports Amparo’s Substantial Change application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Amparo’s request for a Stipulated License allowing them to operate an unenclosed Sidewalk Café at 2002 P Street NW during the public comment period for their Substantial Change application.

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

WHEREAS, Amparo Fondita (“Amparo”, “Establishment”) located at 2002 P Street NW in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B has applied to ABCA for a Substantial Change to its license for the addition of an unenclosed Sidewalk Café with seating for 8 persons.

WHEREAS, the placarded Sidewalk Café hours are:

Hours of Operation:

Sundays through Thursdays: 7:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 7:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

Hours of Sales, Service, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages:

Sundays through Thursdays: 8:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 8:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

WHEREAS, no other changes to the Establishment’s operation are being requested.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B previously voted on June 11, 2025, to support Amparo’s application to the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) for the Public Space Permit for the Sidewalk Café space.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is not aware of any concerns by the public or any violations of the existing Settlement Agreement that warrant protest.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Amparo's Substantial Change application to its ABCA license to operate an unenclosed Sidewalk Café at 2002 P Street NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B and the Establishment request the ABC Board approve a revision of the Settlement Agreement to reflect expiration of the pandemic era Streatery and Sidewalk Café program and associated conditions; and incorporate the new Sidewalk Café endorsement:

Replace existing Section 5, *Outdoor Seating* in its entirety with the following:

5. **Sidewalk Café.** The Establishment, with valid endorsement and public space permit, shall be permitted to operate a Sidewalk Café with up to 8 seats.

Hours of Operation:

Sundays through Thursdays: 7:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 7:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

Hours of Sales, Service, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages:

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Patrons shall depart the outdoor seating areas not later than the end of its service hours.

Amplified music, televisions, live performances, other forms of entertainment shall not be allowed in the Sidewalk Café.

Staff shall ensure cleanliness of the Sidewalk Café area.

Transportation and Public Space Agenda

Throne Bathroom Reopening

Commissioner Marshall moved to table discussion of the resolution. Commissioner Reuckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-0).

Land Use Agenda (5 mins)

1818 15th St NW (2B09), BZA 21330 - detached rear carport with roof deck

Commissioner Marshall moved to take no action. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson moved to amend the motion to oppose the variance, Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the amendment, which was voted on and passed (5-2-1). Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution, which was voted on and passed (7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B does not support the variance.

1527 17th St NW (2B07), HPA 25-330 - enclose existing sidewalk cafe

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the application as presented.

2015 R St NW (2B01), HPA 25-332 - interior renovation with new rear addition and garage

The Commission took no action.

1513 P St NW (2B04), HPA 25-329 - third story addition and penthouse

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS

- 1513 P Street is a two-story, non-residential property owned by the non-profit National Bankers Association since 1999.
- The property lies within the 14th Street Historic District but is not a historic building.
- The Association desires to improve its property by, most significantly, adding:
 1. a third floor
 2. a rooftop patio
 3. a penthouse to allow access to the patio and roof
 4. an access ramp.
- The property will improve the utility of the building to the Association, and the appearance of the building to passersby and nearby residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Historic Preservation Application 25-329

The ANC requests the installation of all exterior lighting that follows dark sky principles.

LIGHT POLLUTION

Light pollution is the human-made alteration of outdoor light levels from those occurring naturally. Dark Sky-compatible lighting reduces the effects of light pollution.

Principles of Dark Sky Lighting:

- *All light should have a clear purpose*
- *Light should be directed only to where it's needed*
- *Light should be no brighter than necessary*
- *Light should be dimmed down or turned off when not required*
- *Use warmer color lights where possible*

Source: Dark Sky International

Administrative Matters

Approval of the ANC's regular June 2025 meeting minutes

Commissioner Reuckgauer moved to adopt the June 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sprowls seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-2).

Approval of the [FY25 Q3 QFR](#)

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the FY25 Q3 QFR. Commissioner Reuckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

Adjournment

Vice Chair Marshall adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.