



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 18th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.

In-Person – West End Library, Meeting Room, 2301 L Street NW

Online via Zoom

Call to Order

Commissioner Jim Malec (02) called the meeting to order at 7:26 pm. Commissioners Yannik Omictin (01), Trupti Patel (03), Ed Comer (04), and Dasia Bandy (07) were present.

Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Bandy made a motion to adopt the ANC’s meeting agenda. Chair Malec seconded the motion. Chair Malec made a motion to adopt an amendment to the agenda to move Immigrant Food’s public space application earlier in the agenda. Commissioner Patel seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent. Commissioner Patel made a motion to adopt an amendment to the agenda to table Commissioner Nassar’s agenda items. Commissioner Bandy seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion for the amendment was voted on and did not pass (VOTES: 2-2-1). The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Omictin: Yea

Chair Malec: Nay

Commissioner Patel: Yea

Commissioner Comer: Nay

Commissioner Bandy: Abstain

The final motion was adopted by unanimous consent.

Adoption of Past Meeting Minutes

Chair Malec made a motion to adopt the ANC’s regular September 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Comer seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent.

Matters Before the Public Space Committee

Public Space Application by Immigrant Food to Add Furniture / Equipment to the Establishment’s Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café at 1701 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Commissioner Bandy made a motion to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Comer seconded the motion. Chair Malec made a motion to adopt an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Commissioner Omictin seconded the motion for the amendment, which was adopted by unanimous consent. The final motion was adopted by unanimous consent. The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2A supports the public space applications by Immigrant Food to add six additional seats, one additional table, and two additional umbrellas to the establishment's un-enclosed sidewalk café at 1701 Pennsylvania Avenue NW.

Community Forum (Continued)

Report from the Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto

Pablo Velasco Rodriguez, the Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, gave updates from the Councilmember's Office.

Commissioner Introductions and Updates

Chair Malec and Commissioners Omictin, Patel, Comer, and Bandy gave commissioner introductions updates.

Announcements and Public Comments

A local resident and Linda Greenan, the External Affairs Manager for Pepco, gave announcements and public comments.

General Agenda

Consideration of CR-23-010, a Resolution Welcoming GW's New President, Dr. Ellen Granberg

Chair Malec made a motion to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bandy seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Omictin: Yea
Chair Malec: Yea
Commissioner Patel: Yea
Commissioner Comer: Yea
Commissioner Bandy: Yea

The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Dr. Ellen M. Granberg will officially begin her service to the George Washington University as its 19th president on November 3, 2023,

WHEREAS, President Granberg will preside over an institution that has fostered deep ties and community within the D.C. metro area that have endured for more than two centuries, maintaining good neighbor relations and open dialogue,

WHEREAS, President Granberg pledges to continue GW's culture of public and community service throughout all eight wards of the District, including building upon a record 602,048 hours of community service logged this past year by the GW community,

WHEREAS, President Granberg affirms that the university will continue to prioritize academic excellence and support scholastic partnerships throughout the District, such as those at School Without Walls, Duke Ellington School of the Arts, and MacArthur High School, and

WHEREAS, President Granberg has already demonstrated her desire and commitment to use her institution as a vehicle for social mobility, particularly within the District, and spur the university's continued growth as a world-class research institution that contributes to the strength and diversity of economic, cultural and civic life of the D.C. metropolitan area for years to come.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A congratulates Dr. Ellen M. Granberg on her new role as the 19th president of the George Washington University.

Matters Before the Board of Zoning Adjustment

Board of Zoning Adjustment Application for Special Exceptions from the Court Requirements and Lot Occupancy Requirements to Raze an Existing Structure and Construct a New, Detached, Nine-Story with Below Grade Parking, 31-Unit, Residential Building at 2626 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Commissioner Patel made a motion to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Chair Malec seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Omictin: Yea
Chair Malec: Yea
Commissioner Patel: Yea
Commissioner Comer: Yea
Commissioner Bandy: Yea

The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2A supports the Board of Zoning Adjustment application for 2626 Pennsylvania Avenue NW.

Matters Before the Public Space Committee (Continued)

Public Space Application by Bindaas for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 14 Tables, 54 Seats, and 10 Umbrellas at 2000 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Chair Malec made a motion to delay consideration of the matter until the ANC's regular November 2023 meeting. Commissioner Patel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0). The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Omictin: Yea
Chair Malec: Yea
Commissioner Patel: Yea
Commissioner Comer: Yea
Commissioner Bandy: Yea

Public Space Application by the Federal Reserve Board for Streetscape Improvements, Including New Sidewalks, Trees, Benches, Bike Racks, Retaining Walls, Lead Walks, and the Relocation of the Capital Bikeshare Station, at 21st Street and C Street NW

Commissioner Omictin made a motion to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Patel seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent. The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2A supports public space application #421238.

Matters Before the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

Whole Foods Market – Application for Renewal of the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “B” Full Service Grocery License at 2201 I Street NW

The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.

Adjournment

Chair Malec adjourned the meeting at 10:11 pm due to a lack of quorum.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward Comer
Secretary, ANC 2A04