

ANC 2A May 2026 Minutes
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 20, 2026; 7:00 p.m.
Meeting held via Zoom only

Prepared by: ANC 2A04 Commissioner Ed Comer

Approved on:

Attested by:

I. Call to Order

- a. **Roll Call and Introductions** – Commissioners Gifford (02), Patel (03), Comer (04), Dolan (06), Malec (08), and Youngstone (09) introduced themselves.
- b. **Adoption of the Agenda** – Chair Patel moved the agenda. Commissioner Youngstone seconded. The agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.

II. Administrative Matters

- a. **Approval of the ANC’s April 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes** – Commissioner Comer moved the motion to approve and Commissioner Malec seconded. The Motion passed with Chair Patel voting no. (5-1-0).
- b. **Approval of the ANC’s April 2026 Special Meeting Minutes** – Commissioner Comer moved the motion to approve and Commissioner Youngstone seconded. The Motion passed (5-0-1) with Commissioner Malec abstaining.
- c. **Amendment of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)** – Commissioner Malec moved an amendment and read language which modified the SOP to say that resolutions do not need to be submitted 7 days before special meetings. He said this was important because special meetings are usually held for emergency purposes. Commissioner Comer seconded. The motion was approved 5-1-0. with Chair Patel voting no.

III. Community Forum

- a. **Report from Councilmember Christina Henderson** – Councilmember Henderson is an at large Council Member and chairs the Committee on Health. She reported that the Committee approved the health portion of the 2026 budget, somewhat under \$6 billion. She reviewed the improvements in the budget. She discussed how 3 different agencies handle public trash cans and indicated that they were transitioning to more secure trash cans from the current “rodent buffet” trash cans used in the District. She also discussed legislation relating to when buildings would have to turn on Air conditioning as well as the potential for additional funding for the upcoming budget.
- b. **Report from the Metropolitan Police Department** – Christopher Dorsey, the new 2nd District Commander, introduced himself. Captain Imran Kahn also introduced himself, as newly assigned to the second District. Lt. Kenneth Taylor reported the

latest crime statistics. There were considerable questioning and discussions about traffic enforcement and assuring residents have confidence in their police department. They were asked to return to the next ANC meeting to discuss the America 250 celebration plans.

- c. **Report from the Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto** – Hannah Ames reported on the status of the budget process and the curfew bills. She mentioned the initial approval of the name Green Point Park has passed.
- d. **Report from the Mayor’s Office** – Jamika Williams announced a variety of events and hiring activities.
- e. **Commissioner Updates** – Chair Patel discussed budget process. Commissioner Dolan reported on a productive meeting with the owners of 2100 M Street.
- f. **Announcements and Public Comments** – Judith Eaton requested to have a list of meeting participants up during the meeting.

IV. Matters Before Zoning Commission (ZC)

a. Zoning Commission Application by George Washington University and Consideration of a

Resolution for a Modification with Hearing of the Approved PUD for 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue

NW (Case Nos 87-23A) – Kevin Days of GW and Lee Temple, land use council for GW, presented their plans for 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue. which will be used for administrative and academic space needs. The retail coffee shop will be retained, but the eastern retail space will be used for some university purposes. After discussions with Commissioner Malec, GW will open District House’s retail space to the public during weekday daytime hours and post clear signage at the site. They will also seek to add bike spaces nearby. The hearing will be on June 8. Commissioner Malec moved to adopt a resolution supporting this proposal. Commissioner Comer seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Matters Before the Public Space Committee

a. Public Space Application and Presentation by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Embassy for renovations

at 601 New Hampshire Ave, NW Washington, DC 20037-2405 (SSL: 00190823) –

Commissioner Comer explained that the presentation is made for information purposes only and that the ANC would not decide whether or how to act until the Fine Arts Commission issues an expected report. Emillio Stokes, an architect representing the Embassy explained that all of the improvements are within the property line and the only change to public space is renovating the New Hampshire Ave steps and adding a wheelchair ramp. There will be an anti-crime fence with granite posts, steel rails and pickets, located back from the public walk on New Hampshire and F Streets

and will add drop off area, garden area and balcony and working with an arborist regarding heritage trees. Judith Eaton remarked that some residents may have concerns about the timing of multiple renovations at here and the Kennedy Center as well as other buildings.

VI. Matters Before the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (10 min)

- a. **Proper 21 - Substantial Change to License Application for a Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant from WSZR Proper, LLC - 2033 K St, NW (ABRA-113983)** – Commissioner Malec introduced Dan Coffin, counsel for the applicant. They are requesting a license changed from a Class C restaurant to a Class C tavern in order to avoid making quarterly food reports. They are not asking for any change in hours or operation. After a long discussion the ANC took no action.
- b. **Flavors of India/Marshall's Bar - License Renewal Application for a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern from Sunflower Inc. - 2524 L Street NW (ABRA-091022)** – Patel recommended that the ANC take no action. The ANC took no action.

VII. Matters Before the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB)

- a. **HPRB Application for modifications to the front entrance and construction of a recessed arched entryway at 2413 I Street NW** – Patel Mr. Bassan proposed to recess the front door of his house and have an archway on top of it. He showed these changes make the house look consistent with most of his neighbors. Chair Patel moved to support this and Commissioner Gifford seconded. Frank Leone urged the ANC to coordinate with the Historic Preservation Review Board. Ultimately, Chair Patel removed her motion and the ANC took no action.

VIII. Matters Before the DC Council (30 min)

- a. **Consideration of a Resolution regarding the pedestrian safety at 23rd and L NW** – Commissioner Dolan moved to support this Resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Gifford. The Motion passes unanimously 6-0-0.
- b. **Consideration of a Resolution regarding the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority Oversight Performance 2026** – Chair Patel moved and Commissioner Comer seconded this Motion. Discussion revealed that many of the affected lines do not run over night. The Motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.
- c. **Consideration of a Resolution regarding the FY27 Budget Priorities for ANC 2A** – Chair Patel described the priorities she listed and admitted that funding for ERAP is not likely to be available. Chair Patel moved the item and Commissioner Youngstone seconded. The Motion was defeated 2-4-0 with Commissioner Gifford, no; Commissioner Comer, no; Chair Patel, yes, Commissioner Malec, no; and Commissioner Youngstone yes.

IX. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 pm.