Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A
September 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2026; 7:00pm
Meeting Held via Zoom

Prepared by: ANC 2A04 Commissioner Ed Comer
Approved on: Wednesday, October 21, 2026
Attested by: ANC 2A03 Chairperson Trupti Patel

I. Call to Order

a. Roll Call and Introduction. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm. Commissioners Gifford (2A02), Patel (03), Comer (04), Dolan (06), Malec (08) were present.

II. Administrative Matters

a. The agenda was adopted unanimously. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Community Forum

a. Report from MPD. Lt. Kenneth Taylor, 2nd District, indicated that crime in our area is down. There was a significant drug arrest in the GW/Foggy Bottom area earlier in September, leading to a significant decrease in drug activity. Lt. Taylor discussed a few individual situations in response to questions.
b. Report from Councilmember Pinto's Office. Brian Romanowski reported on upcoming legislation designed to protect judges, improve police and fire stations, authorize the mayor with the ability to issue marriage licenses during Federal shutdowns: and hearings on federal law enforcement, domestic violence, revenue raisers (October 16). He reported that the 26th and I Park would be finished soon. Commissioner Comer asked questions about potential noise legislation. Brian also reported on the Francis Field renovation status.
c. Report from the Aston CAT. Commissioner Dolan reported there are concerns that complaints about trash issues were not being reported. There is also concern that the tenure of residents is increasing, perhaps because HUD is reducing funding for vouchers and the federal government is limiting how much the District can spend for vouchers. Only 85 residents have transitioned to permanent housing.
d. Report from the Tenant Advocate on the Tenant Summit. Alice McFarland from the Office of Tenant Advocate reported on the September 19th Tenant Summit.
e. Report from the DC Justice Lab regarding the 2026 Public Safety Agenda. Jason Zeidenberg summarized some of the lab's proposals. Questions revealed the Lab

is not part of the DC government and is independently funded. He responded to questions about some of the positions he suggested.

f. Commissioner Reports. Commissioner Patel reported the Teacher Union is conducting listening sessions and the DC Democratic Candidate is holding a Ward 2 listening session on September 30. Commissioner Comer reported on the 27th and I traffic light situation, the Kennedy Center closing and changes to the Roosvelt Bridge exits. Commissioner Dolan reported on traffic light issues and related matters. Commissioner Malec reported concerns about new blue lights at One Washington Circle and the need for public restrooms.

g. Report from the Mayor's office. Jamika Williams reported on a bulk trash collection this Saturday.

IV. Matters before the Board of Zoning Adjustment

a. The application for 2529 I Street was discussed by Liz Rogers, attorney for the applicants. This ANC already approved an addition for this residence, but BZA has asked us to review it again for an exception from the historical zone criteria. Barbara Kahlow and Frank Leone indicated why they oppose this proposal and explained the appropriate criteria to be applied. Ms. Rogers responded. Questions were raised about ANC2A's previous determination regarding this property and whether that determination had been accurately sent to the right agency. The Commission agreed to table this matter until the next meeting.

V. Matters Before the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA)

a. Four license renewals were before the Commission. No Commissioners had concerns and the ANC decided to take no action on any of the renewals.

VI. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ed Comer
Secretary
ANC 2A04 Commissioner