

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D
Andy Litsky, Chair
Business Meeting – June 10, 2013
DCRA Conference Room, 1100 4th Street SW, Washington DC 20024

Minutes

Chairman Litsky called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Commissioners David Garber, Rhonda Hamilton, Donna Hopkins, Ed Kaminski, Andy Litsky, Ron McBee, and Roger Moffatt were present at the call to order.

- 1. Introduction of the Commission.** Commissioners introduced themselves to attendees.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda.** Agenda was approved 6-0-1, Commissioner Mc Bee not being present for the vote, with the addition of three race applications, a presentation by Eve Brooks on the Randall Center Recreation Program project, and change in order of BZA applicant appearance.
- 3. Announcement of the July meeting.** Chairman Litsky announced that the next ANC meeting will be held on July 8 at 7 p.m. in the DCRA Conference Room, 1100 Fourth Street SW, Washington D.C.
- 4. Meeting Announcements.**
 - a. Bruce Dar Conte announced the Amidon Playground dedication on June 14 at 9 a.m.
 - b. Cara Shockley announced the next ABCC meeting to be held on June 26.
 - c. Commissioner McBee announced:
 - Councilmember Tommy Wells will be at Canal Park on June 18 to meet with residents.
 - July 2 is Neighborhood Night at Nats Ballpark.
 - Annual Circulator meeting will be held at the 14th Street Studio Theater on June 18.
 - a. Commissioner Moffatt announced the Historic Preservation Meeting, 440 4th Street NE on Town Center at 9 a.m. on June 27.

5. Approval of May meeting minutes. Minutes of the May meeting were approved 7-0-0 as submitted.

Development, Planning and Transportation

6. Sustainability DC. Dan Guilbeault of the Office of the Mayor explained the Sustainability DC plan, which is available on line and now in the process of implementation through community outreach across the city.

7. Randall Recreation Center presentation. Eve Brooks presented on plans to operate a new program in the Randall Recreation Center at the corner of South Capitol and I Street SW and solicited community support for the initiative, which will run initially from July 1- August 23.

8. Financing application for purchase of Channel Square. Carolyn Mitchell requested a letter of support to help keep Channel Square affordable. ANC agreed 7-0-0 to support.

9. Camden South Capitol Perks Program. Commissioner Hamilton requested ANC support for this limited incentive program to attract ANC6D residents to the development. Approved 4-1-2, Commissioner Kaminski opposing and Commissioners Litsky and Garber abstaining.

Juan Thompson of the Office of the Mayor presented on DC Volunteerism and the Community Emergency Response program. He urged community participation in a first responder program, for which the City will provide training in First Aid and CPR, and described the “Resilience DC”. Program. Juan will reach out to the extant SW Emergency Response Task Force.

Commissioner Litsky reminded of our conditional support in testimony before the ZC for the Northwest parcel and requested to be empowered to address the Zoning Commission on the developers, with voting on lifting of conditionality at the July meeting.

10. Resolution in support of HLA #13-16, Town Center East. Commissioner Moffatt introduced speakers to describe their advocacy for historical landmark designation of this development. Ceil Chan, Chair of the History Task Force of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly noted efforts to achieve landmark designation for the Center to allow for development that is compatible with the designated property. Commissioner Moffatt proposed a resolution in support of landmark designation of the I.M. Pei buildings on 3rd Street, SW, which was approved by a vote of 7-0-0. The Commission voted 7-0-0 to designate Commissioner Moffatt to testify at this hearing.

11. BZA #18566, 929 5th Street SE; request for variance. Chris French presented on his outreach efforts and modifications to plans for the proposed addition to his property to alleviate concerns previously expressed by the Commission and neighboring residents. The Commission voted 4-2-1 to support the French's request for support of the plan, with Commissioners Moffatt and McBee opposed and Commissioner Hamilton abstaining.

12. ZC 12-05A, Square 701, Ballpark Square, LLC – Modification to Capitol Gateway Overlay Approval, 1st Street SE. The Commission voted 7-0-0 to approve modifications to the previously approved building which were necessitated by construction plans on the adjoining lot over which the developer had no control.

13. Letter of support for Department of Parks and Recreation Designation of Randall Park as 2013 End of Summer Doggie Swim Site. The Commission voted 5-1-1 to provide a letter of support for this event, with Commissioner Hamilton opposing and Commissioner McBee abstaining.

Alcoholic License and Operations

14. ABC Committee Update. Chairwoman Cara Shockley delivered her report to the Commission and recommended approval of the following Settlement Agreements and new licenses. The Commission voted as noted below.

New Licenses

a. ABRA-092083, Osteria Morini/Nicoletta (kiosk). Voted 7-0-0 to support the

application based on adoption of the Settlement Agreement as negotiated by the ABCC. Voted 7-0-0 to protest the application on peace, order and quiet grounds should the Board not accept the Settlement Agreement as negotiated.

b. ABRA-093094, Agua 301. Voted 7-0-0 to protest the license on the grounds of peace, order and quiet until the Settlement Agreement is negotiated.

Renewals

c. ABRA-060628, Cantina Marina. Voted 7-0-0 to approve the revised settlement agreement and withdraw the protest to the license renewal.

d. ABRA-072534, Capitol Skyline Hotel. The Commission took no action on the extant protest.

New License

e. ABRA-092040, Riverfront at Ballpark. Commissioner Garber introduced Dos Ventures representatives to provide further information regarding the business plan for First Street Fields use of the vacant lot south of the Ballpark. Commission Hopkins departed at 9:45 p.m., and Chairman Litsky requested that Susan Eads Role, ANC 6D Executive Director, take the remainder of the minutes. Voted 4-2-0 (Commissioners Kaminski and McBee voting in opposition) on a motion by Commissioner Garber that ANC 6D: (1) protest on the basis of peace, order, and quiet and the adverse impact on pedestrian safety, and (2) request that the ABC Board extend the Roll Call Hearing date to a date after September 15, 2013.

Races

15. Prevent Cancer Foundation 5K, Sunday, September 29, 2013. Voted 4-0-0 on a motion by Commissioner Garber to send a support letter.

16. 29th Army Ten-Miler, Sunday, October 20, 2013. Voted 4-0-0 on a motion by Commissioner Litsky to send a support letter.

17. 2013 Law Enforcement Run to Remember 5K, Sunday, October 13, 2013. Voted 4-0-0 on a motion by Commissioner Litsky to send a support letter.

Commission Updates

18. Chairman's update. In the interest of time, no report was given.

19. Community concerns. Community residents, Gene Solon and Mary Williams, expressed several concerns.

20. Adjournment. Chairman Litsky adjourned the meeting at 11:00 p.m.