

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D**  
**Minutes of Business Meeting – March 14, 2016**  
**Held at 1000 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Washington DC 20024**  
**Andy Litsky, Chair**

*\*Minutes as approved at the April 11, 2016 meeting*  
*Resolutions passed as a result of this meeting are also attached.*

*The Commission convened at 7:00 p.m. The following commissioners were in attendance at the beginning of the meeting: Roger Moffatt, Stacy Cloyd, Meredith Fascett, Marjorie Lightman, Rhonda Hamilton, Rachel Reilly Carroll, and Andy Litsky (chairing).*

### **Approval of Agenda**

CM Litsky moved to approve the agenda, and CM Fascett seconded. CM Litsky asked to add an item 10b(i), Nonvoting presentation about Parcels 3A and 4 at the Wharf. With that change, the agenda was approved 7-0-0.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

### **Meeting Announcements**

- The next ANC meeting will be Monday, April 11 at 7pm, 1100 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.
- CM Cloyd: DC Council hearing about shelter Thursday 3/17 at 10:30am in Wilson Building. Randall field ribbon cutting April 3 at 9:30am—a Nationals player will be there.
- CM Carroll: 3/26 public meeting about DCHA Greenleaf redevelopment at 203 N St. SW 11am-2pm
- CM Litsky: Local AARP chapter's lunch at River Park at noon on 3/16 will have Eleanor Holmes Norton as guest.
- Todd Anderson: Many activities scheduled for parcels south of Station 4/Z-Burger and Safeway. Aya Community market will be back on Saturday mornings in May, there will be sport leagues Wednesdays April through July from 6-10 PM. There will be a one-day scavenger hunt, and they are trying to attract the DC Bocce League. There will also be monthly arts markets from May to October. Also, the SW Business Improvement District is working with them to add some chairs near Station 4 and Z-Burger. There could be dog- and kid-friendly amenities and some live entertainment.
- CM Hamilton: Mayor's Office of Community Affairs is hosting a community cleanup on Saturday 3/19, meeting at King-Greenleaf Rec Center at 10am. There will be pizza.
- Coralie Farlee: Friends of Southwest DC is hosting its annual meeting 3/26 at 7pm at Westminster Church.
- Georgine Wallace, Friends of SW Library. Next book sale is April 16-17. Everyone is welcome to buy, donate, or volunteer with books.

### **Public Safety Report**

Sgt. Architzel, PSA 105

- Past 30 days vs the 30 days before: no homicides, arsons, or sexual assaults either time. 2 ADWs this month (none with guns) but 8 before then (4 with guns). 3 robberies each time. More thefts and burglaries, but fewer car thefts.
- Next PSA meeting is Wed 3/16 at 7pm at Harbor Square. Doug Klein from the US Attorney's Office will be there to talk about community impact statements.
- Two robberies were closed.

- The Nuclear Summit is coming up and there will be many protesters and VIPs. Officers will be working longer tours so there won't be any reduction in service.
- There was a shooting at a barbershop in PSA 106. The man and child who were shot are recovering. The three arrestees are James Creek residents and the adult victim is a Greenleaf resident who was the shooter this summer at King Greenleaf Rec Center.
- CM Lightman: MPD needs to continue enforcing the ban on parking in the median on 4<sup>th</sup> St.

Sgt. Heath, PSA 106

- Last 30 vs. this 30: no homicides, arsons, or sex abuses. 2 ADWs this month (none with gun); 3 last month (1 with gun). Robberies: 6 in each period. Burglaries: 1 in each period. 23 thefts from autos in last 30 days and 10 this one. Most thefts are package thefts from doorsteps or shoplifting from Harris Teeter; they were up 30% this month compared to last. There was a robbery last night at a bus stop with 9 suspects—3 were arrested by metro police.
- PSA meeting Wednesday night at 7pm at 200 I St. SE
- CM Fascett: update on stabbing at Navy Yard metro station? Still under investigation.
- CM Litsky: any concerns about Japanese Street Festival? MPD is aware of it and will be patrolling. Special Operations is taking the lead on it.

### **Approval of Prior Month's Minutes**

CM Cloyd moved to approve February minutes and CM Litsky seconded. The minutes were approved 7-0-0.

### **Other Presentations and Resolutions**

*Resolution about Proposed Family Shelter at 700 Delaware Ave. SW*

CM Cloyd moved to send a resolution to the mayor and council about the proposed shelter site. CM Hamilton seconded. Chris Weaver of DGS and Jay from DHS were present to answer questions.

- CM Litsky: who is the architect? Admiral Weaver said it was Soto. CM Litsky: why is the architect on the plans not licensed as an architect in the District? Adm. Weaver will investigate. CM Litsky: who will be in charge of security? DHS says a contracted security firm will be there 24/7. Since they can't make arrests, public services provide backup (for example, if 911 is called, MPD and/or FEMS would come). CM Litsky: The lease is going to cost about \$42 million over the 15 years, not including real estate taxes and utilities or the cost of services to residents. Adm. Weaver said taxes and utilities will be another \$101,000 per year, and DHS said \$2.5 million/yr for services: meals, health care, wrap-around services, etc.
- CM Carroll: what is the ownership structure of the land and the structure? Adm. Weaver: this is a developer lease proposition; the District will be one of the leasing entities. The landlord will develop the site and turn it over to the District. At the end of the 15-year lease (with 2 possible 5-year extensions) the building will go back to the developer unless the agreement is renegotiated. CM Carroll: what factors about this site make it specifically good for homeless families? It's the right sized unencumbered land. This was the best site we could find under the circumstances. Have you coordinated at all with the Greenleaf redevelopment? DGS did participate in OP's Small Area Planning process.
- CM Cloyd: Why no District-owned sites considered? They don't fit with the program. Blind Whino is a good site because it can be preserved and repurposed. What percentage of households will be subject to the TANF cut off? There will be extensions and exceptions as part of the budget. But some families will be subject to the cutoff—6500 families are at 60+ month of assistance.

- Why no private bathrooms? This exceeds the council’s bathroom standards. There is no need for any congregate bathrooms. There will be one family bathroom for every two families. 10% of rooms will have en-suite bathrooms. This is better than DC General. CM Cloyd: risk of CFSA referrals if kids unattended. Is there lead or asbestos at Blind Whino? Weaver: No contamination, but if there is it would be abated. Liquor/events at Blind Whino: use restrictions on alcohol: there might be a catering capacity still. There will not be a commercial facility with a license.
- CM Litsky: how much would it cost if there is lead paint there? Weaver: doesn’t know.
- CM Lightman: will the ANC get to review plans? Weaver: we’ll welcome comments, but in order to fit the required programs on the site, there will be limited ability to change things. It’s “a very small, very tight thing.” Are they apartment or dormitory-type units? Some will be single-family, and some will share bathrooms. Private bedrooms for families as defined by the HSRA and Dignity Act. 10% will have private bathrooms. There will be mini-fridge in every room and microwaves one very floor.
- CM Hamilton: will each family member have own bed? Yes. Disservice to say that it’s DC General. It should be good, not just better than a terrible place. The kids will be coming from trauma and the lack of private bathrooms are unacceptable. We also have low-income families already and we should have services for the whole community, not just shelter residents. Also, who will be on staff to handle mental health crises when they occur? DHS: these will be the best in class shelters. There will be Department of Behavioral Health Services, Hoya Clinic, Homeless Children’s Playtime Project, and other services on site.
- CM Carroll: of the projects that the Mayor announced through the Housing Production Trust Fund, how many are for families? DHS doesn’t know since it’s a DHCD project but will find out. Prevention is part of DHS’s efforts—shelter is not the best way for people to start getting services. If you eliminate homelessness, what is the use for these buildings? We are probably not going to end family homelessness during the lease term; DC is one of only 3 jurisdictions that provides a right to shelter.
- CM Fascett: How much rapid rehousing money will you need to move families out, and how will you provide childcare given the tight space on the site? DHS: Program space and bathrooms were advocates’ and families’ top priorities. There will be programming space. The FY16 budget is \$25m for rapid rehousing, covering 1182 families at a time. There are other sources of federal funds that go towards rehousing programs too.
- CM Lightman: why aren’t the shelters more homelike rather than institutional? DHS: our goal is for families to be in homes. DC has the smartest homeless experts in the nation. These shelters are going to help families get a quicker path to stability. These are not going to be permanent housing.
- CM Litsky: how can you assure shelter residents that they’re not going to have to deal with parties at Blind Whino? There have been negotiations limiting events at Blind Whino, that are recently concluded. Adm. Weaver will get information about those to the ANC. CM Litsky: please tell the mayor to engage this community. Transparency is paramount. Also, is part of the area where you plan to build owned by CPIV? Adm. Weaver is not sure of any encroachment and does not know about any plans for eminent domain.
- CM Lightman: why didn’t you get a longer lease? Adm. Weaver: this is different than an apartment building.
- CM Litsky: a few things we’re going to get info back from you on: eminent domain for any portion owned by CPIV or others, how liquor is going to be served, costs of lead paint remediation if needed, and the architect’s licenses, and whether 5 yrs are unilateral or bilateral.

- Ben Roberts, CPIV resident: what's the alternative if this site doesn't go forward—using DC General? The mayor intends this to be a single piece of legislation. It needs to move quickly so it only requires 2 more hypothermia seasons at DC General.
- CPIV resident: applauds ANC for asking questions. We love our community and we just want answers, not talking points. We want to help the mayor but this is not the way to do it—this was a covert operation. We just want transparency.
- Gene Solon: what's the difference in cost between building a shelter and building apartments? Adm. Weaver: never priced out permanent apartments. How much would it cost to add individual bathrooms? It would be significant—but cost is not so much the barrier than the tight space.
- Bill Schickler: The big picture is that the new shelters don't come close to covering the number of homeless families in hotels and DC General now.
- Sandy Ingram: why is this the best site? Adm. Weaver: open land, to open in September 2018, where owners were willing to negotiate.
- CM Cloyd: we're painted into a corner by the Mayor's choice to limit public input and to move all 7 shelters together.
- CM Carroll: it makes no sense that they say they have problems locating open parcels. There are numerous parcels available in the neighborhood.

Motion passed 7-0-0.

*CM Cloyd Testifying at DC Council Hearing about Family Shelters*  
 CM Litsky moved, CM Lightman 2nded. Passed 7-0-0.

*Unity Healthcare Presentation (no vote)*

CM Hamilton: This ANC has supported build first for Greenleaf development. Also, the Unity clinic is not in great shape. She has worked with Michael Crawford of Unity and Councilmember Allen about the possibility of getting a refurbished clinic with mixed-income senior residences above it. Mr. Crawford thanked the ANC and the community for supporting the clinic. Unity has 11 centers throughout DC, serving 108,000 patients. Over 90% are African American or Latino and most patients have Medicaid. The Southwest clinic is in an older building and is in need of repair. Unity would be very interested in augmenting their services and improving the building they lease from the District. They have co-located with other housing service providers, like SOME, in the past and would be open to that model in Southwest.

- CM Hamilton: As a Unity patient, thank you for your commitment to the community.
- CM Carroll: Echoes CM Hamilton's thanks and testified at DCHA hearing in support. CM Allen is also in support.
- CM Cloyd: Also as a Unity patient, the care is excellent. Other Unity clinics have been renovated and they look really nice, so it will be great to have one of that caliber in Southwest.
- CM Hamilton: Thanks also to CBCC to their work on this issue.

*Letter of Support for SWBID to Park Trucks at 490 2<sup>nd</sup> St. SW*  
 Cloyd moved, Lightman seconded, 6-0-0(Carroll absent)

*Inclusion of PSA 106 in Security Camera Rebate Program*  
 Fascett moved, Cloyd seconded. Passed 6-0-0 (Carroll absent)

*Moving Precinct 131 Polling Station from Van Ness Elementary to Community Center*

CM Fascett moved, CM Litsky seconded. CM Litsky said he does generally like polling places in school because it teaches kids about civics but understands that ongoing renovations in the school make that infeasible. Passed 6-0-0.

*Buzzard Point Community Health*

CM Hamilton moved to send a letter in support of the mayor appointing a health advocate for Buzzard Point and funding to implement any recommendations that come from the Community Health and Safety Study. Also, requesting the mayor require Pepco to shield radiation from the substation. CM Litsky seconded. CM Litsky said that DGS director Adm. Weaver praised CM Hamilton and the community for their advocacy. Motion passed 6-0-0.

**Alcoholic Beverages (ABC Committee Chair Coralie Farlee)**

*Summary of 3/2/16 Pub Crawl Hearing*

Dr. Farlee attended and encouraged the Council to require ABRA to notify ANCs about planned pub crawls, and to allow ANCs to restrict/prohibit pub crawls in community or settlement agreements.

*Masala Art—Proposed final cooperative agreement*

There are 3 types of uses: regular sale and consumption of alcohol, live music in the bar section (the owner agreed to amend the application so entertainment starts at 9pm each night. It would go to 2am on weeknights and 3am on Fridays and Saturdays. There will be a minimum food and drink charge), and a limited number of special events. The ABC Committee and owner came to an agreement.

- CM Litsky: how will diners be able to enjoy food with live music? It will not start until 9 or 10 at night, when most diners are finished.
- CM Litsky: what kind of music: Karaoke or jazz band.
- CM Moffatt: will sound escape into residential building next door? Owner says band will not be loud, he has acoustic ceiling tiles, and he agrees to meet all requirements.

CM Cloyd moved to support CA as negotiated by ABC, CM Moffatt seconded. passed 6-0-0.

CM Litsky moved to support renewal of license, cloyd 2<sup>nd</sup>. 6-0-0.

*Capital Skyline Hotel-- Proposed final cooperative agreement*

This is an establishment with long-standing noise problems in the pool area. The goal was to come to an agreement eliminating noise outside the property, as required by District law. The ABC committee believes that they have negotiated a CA that will help.

CM Litsky moved to support new CA, CM Fascett 2<sup>nd</sup>ded.

- CM Litsky asked how noise will actually be controlled if there aren't any structural changes to the pool area. Owner has decided to stop offering the "hooky party" in June. The plan is to have a very mellow, DJ-only, volume-controlled situation. They will not be using promoters. They realize the volume was too high in the past. They will hire the DJs themselves and make sure the volume is low. CM Cloyd asked if residents go to the hotel or call the hotel, the hotel managers will turn down the volume. CM Fascett said that she thinks the owner understands the need to change the format and if noise remains a problem we will ask for structural changes.
- Passed 6-0-0.
- CM Litsky moved to support change a renewal of the license provided there is no change to anything about it. CM Cloyd seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

**Temporary Traffic Interruptions**

*Race consent calendar:*

- Race for Hope DC 5/1/16
- Scope it Out 5K 3/20/16
- Nation's Triathlon 9/11/16
- Army 10 Miler October 2016

CM Cloyd moved to send letter in support to the Mayor's task force for all four races. CM Lightman seconded.

David Erlich: One weekend mornings, it is problematic to try and out for breakfast and get stopped by road closures for races.

Army 10-miler representative: the funds go to charity. There is a balance between that and inconvenience for traffic. Streets must reopen at specific times and be cleaned.

Passed 6-0-0.

*Chery Blossom Festival/Southwest Waterfront Fireworks Festival: Kim Marshall*

- This is the 13<sup>th</sup> annual event and is scheduled 4/9 from 1-9pm
- Same location as last year: 650 Waterfront to Titanic Memorial.
- 2 stages, kids' events, beer & cider garden, and fireworks.
- Has worked with wharf, gangplank slipholders, capitol yacht club, and other stakeholders to create a traffic plan. Water Street will be closed to everything other than emergency vehicles, cruise passengers, local residents, and Yacht club members. One way traffic on Water Street only. MPD and private security will enforce street closures. Visitors are being urged to use transit. They have added private security. Alcohol will be same price, same location, same security plan as 2015. The only change is that cider will also be sold.
- CM Litsky: local residents will have access to their homes but there will be barriers and police to keep out other non-emergency vehicles. He moved to send a letter of support to the Mayor's task force regarding the festival. CM Lightman seconded.
- CM Lightman noted that last year, there wasn't a police presence for people leaving the site and walking to cars or metro. Kim Marshall noted that they have learned their lesson. They increased security and are looking into hiring TCOs for this portion of the evening.
- Andrew Lightman: Have you worked with DPW to enforce parking restrictions along 7<sup>th</sup> and G Streets? CM Litsky: Your commissioner should contact DPW about that.

*56<sup>th</sup> Annual Japanese Street Festival 4/16/16*

CM Fascett noted that there's an estimated 40,000 attendees. According to the presenters, it would be on two lots, with the combined sites bounded by M, First, N Place, and New Jersey Avenue SE. There will be a lot of staff on site plus 500 volunteers. Two ambulances will be rented and stationed at 1<sup>st</sup> and N and NJ and N corners. They are working with the Department of Health, ABRA, and FEMS to follow all applicable rules. N Place would be closed from Friday evening to Saturday night; one block N Street would be closed midnight to midnight. The east-side curb lane on 1<sup>st</sup> St. would have "no parking" signs so drop-off and official vehicles can occur there. There will be crossing guards to help people get from metro to the site. DPW will place dumpsters on the site (one for recycling) and Goodwill has been hired to help bag and move the trash and clean the site during and after. They are working with local garages and parking lots to be open that day. ABRA fact-finding hearing will be March 23. They're still working with MPD to figure out the reimburseable detail. Haven't had alcohol-related problems since 2009 and they have completely revamped training for their 70 alcohol-related volunteers and additional security

since then. There will be professional ID checkers and there will be 2 at each entrance checking each ID. There will be both wristbands and hand stamps on every drinker.

- CM Litsky: is there a baseball game that day? No. Is any of the security or cleanup crew from the Capitol Riverfront BID? No, but the BID is aware of the plans for the festival. Suggest you also advise people that Capitol South is a good alternate option.
- CM Cloyd: One-way exit of metro? No plans for that. Uber/taxi staging area? They will consider that on closed bike lane. Bike parking/valet? Working with CaBi? Have reached out to them and still working on a corral.
- CM Fascett: please warn developer of 82 I St. SE on the route to Cap South. And please ask DPW to assign parking enforcement nearby that day. Also, how loud will setup be, since it starts at 6am? In the past location, nearby tenants haven't complained. We start construction as far from residences as possible.
- CM Hamilton: how will you notify nearby residents? They are reaching out to nearby buildings, putting information in newsletters, listservs, apartment building bulletin boards, etc. Capitol Riverfront and nearby landlords have been notified and support it.
- CM Litsky: please make special outreach to senior building.
- Bill Schickler: It might be good to help direct people by the Wharf since some people will walk from the Tidal Basin.
- Coralie Farlee: How many entrances? 3. And where is ID checked? At point of sale. There will be 25 reimburseable detail officers and 20 private security guards on site, plus 70 volunteers who are security-trained. Security will wear orange jackets to be identifiable.
- CM Litsky moved to send a letter of support, CM Fascett seconded, passed 6-0-0.

*Bike Ride DC: 5/22/16. Diane Romo Thomas*

17-mile ride, about 8000 riders. Not a race. Will close 7<sup>th</sup> St from independence to maine, then up maine to 14<sup>th</sup> St. riders will pass through 8am to 11am, with closure 7:45-11:45. Goal is to do outreach on the mayor's vision zero plan.

Roger moved to send letter of support, CM Cloyd seconded. CM Lightman asked if the wharf developers are ok with this and was told they're meeting later this week. CM Cloyd asked about how it will work if half the road needs to accommodate 2-way bike traffic. There will be a cut off point so people shouldn't be at mile 2 and 15 simultaneously but there will be monitors. CM Lightman is worried about intersection by fish market. MPD will be engaged. CM Litsky: please have WABA call DDOT about marking the bike lanes on 4<sup>th</sup> St.

Andrew Lightman: please consider avoiding the fish market and instead going along Banneker overlook and pedestrian bridge to Hanes Point. Or use L'Enfant Plaza (10<sup>th</sup> Street) to pedestrian bridge. CM Hamilton expressed concern about cutting off access to 74 bus. Please communicate w. WMATA to reroute it, not stop it. CM Lightman asked to continue the discussion until April meeting.

### **Development, Planning, and Transportation**

*ZC 11-03E, Wharf 2<sup>nd</sup> stage PUD, 7<sup>th</sup> St. Recreation Pier and Floating Docks—Vote*

Shawn Seaman noted that they had already presented on this pier to the ANC so would not present again. There's benches, firepits, kayak launches, etc. It's more passive than the District Pier. ZC will hear case in June. CM Litsky moved to send a letter to the ZC and deliver testimony in support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage PUD. CM Lightman seconded. Bill Schickler asked if anyone was unfamiliar with Gene Solon's information about the need to preserve the navigable waterway. Another audience member asked if cantina marina was staying and was told it would. Passed 6-0-0.

#### *Wharf Penthouse Modification*

The Zoning Commission recently changed rules about occupiable penthouses. The Vio Condominium and the apartment facing the land side are at issue here. The 1 to 1 setback requirement will be followed, but mechanical space will be replaced by occupied space. ANC doesn't need to vote on this but does need to be informed. CM Cloyd; will you have to make a Housing Production Trust fund contribution for occupying penthouse? Yes. Final amount not yet calculated but in "low hundreds of thousands."

#### *ZC 11-03F, Wharf Pier 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage PUD and Modification to Stage 1—Presentation and Vote*

Pier 4 is the cruise boat terminal pier. The Zoning Commission had a few comments, as did the Commission on Fine Arts and Harbor Square. There were a few updates. Adam McGraw (architect) said the goal was to add glass and make the building seem lighter. The building will be curved. There will be a non-occupiable green roof and a more intensive one on a different level. Splitting the penthouse into two structures makes the building less bulky. CM Litsky asked about whether the office tenants will be allowed to use the patio for parties. He moved to send a letter of support, highlighting concerns about potential rentals for special events. CM Lightman seconded. Shawn Seaman expressed willingness to negotiate limitations (hours, types of use, etc.) for the roof.

- Harbor Square resident Michelle asked for nighttime rendering. There is one, but it is of the old design. The developers will email it along with a rendering that includes the boats.
- Gene Solon: how many office workers will there be? The maximum capacity is about 105 workers, but given the need for storage and kitchen prep it will likely be less. Staff can take transit or park in the Stage 2 lot. Is there a change in square footage? 20% reduction from approved amount. No change in the length of the pier.
- Bill Schickler: Are you familiar with building in the flood plain? CM Litsky ruled the question out of order.
- Motion passed 6-0-0.
- CM Moffatt urged Wharf developer to address metal plates in road near fish market. Shawn said it's Pepco work, not them, and it will be fixed this week.

#### *ZC 08-30C, Modification Application, 25 M St. SE (Capital Gateway Overlay)*

This is a modification of an existing approved office building. CM Cloyd moved, CM Lightman seconded passed 6-0-0.

#### *After-hours request—Van Ness Elementary, Whiting-Turner Construction*

CM Fascett moved to allow Sunday work starting 10am and only through end of April. It will be noisy but it is really unavoidable and can't be done during the school day. CM Lightman seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

#### *Letter to DDOT re: sinkhole in pedestrian crosswalk on east side of intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> and M St. SW*

CM Moffatt moved to send the letter, cc'ing the BID and Charles Allen. There have been 2 requests to 311 but since two people have fallen, the 70-day repair timetable is insufficient. CM Litsky seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

**Commission Updates and Administrative Matters**

- Chair's report: none
- Treasurer's report: none

**Community Concerns**

None

*The commission adjourned at approximately 10:44 p.m.*

*Minutes prepared by Stacy Cloyd*



## *Near Southeast/Southwest*

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### RE: Proposed Family Shelter Locations and Features

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 7-0-0 to send the following resolution:

Whereas, the Mayor's Homeward DC Plan intends to replace the family homeless shelter at DC General with sites in all eight wards, and

Whereas, ANC 6D unanimously passed a resolution on December 14, 2015 (attached here) supporting the closure of the shelter at DC General and its replacement with family shelters in all eight wards, but setting a variety of expectations should such a shelter be located in ANC 6D, and

Whereas, the proposed site in Ward 6 was announced as 700 Delaware Avenue SW, located in ANC 6D02, and

Whereas, ANC 6D was not consulted about the location of the proposed shelter, and

Whereas, ANC 6D believes there are other, publicly owned, sites within Ward 6 and ANC 6D that would be better suited for a shelter because they:

- do not involve modifying a landmarked property
- could be developed at lower expense than the proposed lease with the private owner of 700 Delaware Avenue
- would allow the shelter to exist for longer than the 15 years contemplated by the proposed lease
- are zoned for more intensive development
- allow for more off-street parking
- are closer to public transportation routes
- provide more space for common and family space in the shelter and more room between the shelter and existing residences



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A few examples of available sites from those delineated in the SW Small Area Plan follow:

- 1101 Half Street SW (Engine Company No. 07 and repair shop)
- 1001 Half Street SW (DMV emissions testing station)
- 95 M St. SW (DMV site; a new DMV and shelter could be constructed with underground parking)

There are also several federally-owned parcels in ANC 6D that were not considered and might be more appropriate for a shelter.

Therefore let it be resolved that

ANC 6D requests a meeting with the Mayor, Councilmember Allen, and District staff responsible for locating Ward 6's proposed shelter, to discuss alternative sites, and

ANC 6D requests that before Bill 21-620, the "Homeward DC Omnibus Approval of Facilities Plan for Short-Term Housing for Persons Experiencing Homelessness Act of 2016" is voted on by the Committee of the Whole, that the DC Council hold a hearing in Ward 6 (and in other wards, if their Councilmembers and residents wish) to address issues specific to each proposed shelter, and

ANC 6D expects that wherever the Ward 6 shelter is located, that it will go through customary review processes with the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Historic Preservation Review Board, Office of Planning, Department of Transportation, Board of Zoning Appeals, Zoning Commission, and any other relevant bodies, meaning that these processes should not be altered, expedited, or abridged, that the ANC be permitted to provide input, and that ANC input be given its usual great weight, and

ANC 6D requests that the Council amend Bill 21-620, the "Homeward DC Omnibus Approval of Facilities Plan for Short-Term Housing for Persons Experiencing Homelessness Act of 2016" in the following ways:

- Addition of a committee to create the solicitations for shelter operators. Such a committee should include community representatives and legal advocates for the homeless, and should not include any members who would benefit from the selection of a specific shelter operator
- Requirement that all shelters include the physical features listed in the ANC's December 2015 resolution:
  - Private bedroom and bathroom areas for each family
  - Indoor and outdoor play space for children
  - Accessibility for residents with disabilities
  - Space to provide on-site case management, job training, and other services
- Explicit rejection of "dormitory-style" housing with restrooms down the hall from bedrooms. Families should not be forced to choose between bringing their whole family with them every time one person needs to shower or use the toilet, and leaving unattended children locked in their bedrooms down the hall. A lack of private bathrooms will increase conflicts among residents, make it more difficult for families to get ready for school and work on time, and contribute to trauma in a population that has already faced a higher than normal level of traumatizing experiences.

- Requirement that all shelters have adequate laundry and computer rooms, soundproofing between rooms, units that can accommodate families of different sizes while allowing all children to be under parental supervision at all times (families should not simply be assigned two rooms and have to enter a common space to go between them), age-appropriate cribs or beds for each resident, and sufficient space in each family's unit to store necessary belongings, keep medication at appropriate temperatures, and warm and refrigerate food and beverages. No matter how long shelter residents stay in ANC 6D, they are our constituents, and we expect their housing to be adequate, dignified, and safe.
- Additional services to help the Ward 6 shelter's residents and current residents of ANC 6D to function well and be integrated as a community. Should the proposed location of the shelter be somewhere other than 700 Delaware Avenue SW, as is our preference, ANC 6D may offer additional or different suggested improvements.
  - Randall Community Center: The community center would be the primary "home away from home" for shelter occupants and could allow new and current residents to interact in positive ways. ANC6D voted unanimously in March and September 2015 to request that the District provide \$500,000 per year in operating funds for the community center. In addition, ANC 6D has repeatedly requested that DPR finalize and implement regulations allowing community groups who offer programs in DPR centers like Randall to charge on a sliding scale. This would allow Randall to offer additional programming without charging low-income individuals for them.
  - Greenleaf Redevelopment: The proposed shelter site is one block away from the Greenleaf Gardens public housing development, which is slated for mixed-income redevelopment along with Greenleaf Seniors, Extension, and Addition. ANC 6D believes that there is no point in moving 50 homeless families into our community unless the District also commits to keeping our public housing residents here as well. Therefore, before or at the same time that a Ward 6 site for a new family shelter is selected, the District and the DC Housing Authority must create a Greenleaf redevelopment plan that lists the specific sites that will be used and the number of public and non-public housing units that will be located on each site. Such a plan must include the same number of public housing units that currently exist within the four Greenleaf properties and must locate all replacement public housing units in ANC 6D. ANC 6D unanimously supported a Build First approach to Greenleaf's redevelopment in October 2015.
  - Unity Health Care: This clinic at 850 Delaware Avenue SW, which currently serves neighborhood residents regardless of their insurance status, can also provide for the health care needs of shelter residents. Capital improvements to the District-owned building and land and additional operating funds to expand services and hours at the clinic would assist the entire community.
  - Amidon-Bowen and Jefferson: These schools are located in ANC 6D and would be schools of right for residents of a shelter located at 700 Delaware Ave. SW. Their student bodies already have high rates of poverty and special educational needs. Additional operating funds in the amount of \$150,000 per school, per year, would help provide additional resources, such as attendance counselors, school psychologists, and social workers. Capital funds for Jefferson's long-promised renovation would make it a safer and more functional place of learning for students both homeless and housed. Finally, both schools need sufficient funding to fully implement the Community Schools model.



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- Crosswalk at South Capitol Street and I Street: The north side of this intersection connects Randall Community Center and a McDonald's, but it lacks a crosswalk. This puts people, especially children, in danger, and the intersection will only become more heavily used if 50 families move in two blocks away. ANC 6D voted unanimously in April 2014 and September 2015 in support of DDOT constructing a crosswalk on the north side of this intersection.
- Lansburgh Park: This location will be an important recreation site for shelter residents and is already heavily used by the Southwest community. The lack of potable water is unsafe for people who play basketball or otherwise use the park, especially when the weather is warm. ANC 6D voted unanimously in April 2015 to request a water fountain in the park.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Litsky  
Chairman, ANC 6D

Attachment: 12/14/15 ANC 6D resolution on proposed shelters

cc: Brenda Donald, Deputy Mayor, Health and Human Services  
Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor, Planning and Economic Development  
Christopher Weaver, Director, Department of General Services  
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Kristy Greenwalt, Executive Director, Interagency Council on Homelessness  
Councilmember Yvette Alexander, Health and Human Services Committee  
Council Chair Phil Mendelson  
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**RE: Family Shelter Locations and Features**

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on December 14, 2015 with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 7-0-0 to send the following resolution:

Whereas, the Mayor's Homeward DC Plan intends to replace the family homeless shelter at DC General with sites in all eight wards, and

Whereas, members of the Mayor's staff have informed ANC 6D commissioners that the locations will be announced rather than determined through a public input process, and

Whereas, the location of replacement shelters in Ward 6 and other wards have not yet been publically announced,

Therefore let it be resolved that ANC 6D supports the closure of the shelter at DC General and its replacement with family shelters in all eight wards, and

ANC 6D recognizes that without substantial investment in a variety of affordable housing measures, families are unable to leave shelters in a timely manner, and

ANC 6D believes that to build confidence in the Mayor's plans to place shelters in all eight wards, wards with the highest median incomes should begin construction, end construction, and begin operation of their shelters before or at the same time as these milestones are reached in wards with lower household incomes, and

Should the Ward 6 shelter site be located in ANC 6D, this Commission believes that it must be developed in a way that fits with the neighborhood architecturally (not substantially higher or lower than surrounding buildings, compatible setbacks and facades, attractive landscaping, etc.), and



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ANC 6D believes that any shelter located within its boundaries should include a mix of uses, in keeping with the mixed-use nature of our community's buildings. These could include other housing types (permanent supportive housing, workforce housing, market rate housing, etc.) or uses such as a child care center, job training resources, retail (especially those retailers with a commitment to hiring residents of the shelter and the surrounding area), or offices, and

ANC 6D believes that all shelters should be operated to a higher standard than currently seen at DC General and does not have confidence in the Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness as a shelter operator, and

ANC 6D believes that all family shelters in the District should offer an array of services and features to their residents, including at a minimum but not limited to:

- Private bedroom and bathroom areas for each family, with doors that close and lock
- Indoor and outdoor play space for children, open after school on school days and longer hours when school is not in session. Such space should offer programming and be monitored by background-checked staff or volunteers (such as Homeless Children's Playtime Project)
- Accessibility for residents with disabilities
- Adequate transportation for children to attend school and parents to seek and attend work
- Excellent cleaning, security, and pest control protocols, both inside and outside the building
- On-site classes (e.g. parenting, GED, job training, AA/NA, literacy, etc.) as well as referrals to outside providers
- Case managers and licensed social workers at an adequate ratio to connect families with resources and help them develop and reach individual goals

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Moffatt  
Chair, ANC 6D

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**RE: Parking Lot at 490 2nd St. SW**

Dear Mr. Udejiofor,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send this letter in support of the Southwest Business Improvement District's ("SWBID's") application for use of part of the District of Columbia owned lot (490 2nd Street SW, Lot 0873, Square 0538) at the intersection of 2nd and E Streets SW for parking of their vehicles.

ANC 6D understands that the adjacent office building at 250 E St. SW may soon be used for a District agency, and that some of the parking lot may be used to park the agency's vehicles. However, allowing the SWBID to use part of the lot would be a beneficial use for the community because it would facilitate their daily cleaning and maintenance of the public space, and would be in the best interest of the District of Columbia.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Litsky  
Chairman, ANC-6D  
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**RE: Priority Consideration for Police Service Area 106 in the Security Camera Rebate Program**

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Dear Mr. Dyer:

Whereas, the new Private Security Camera Incentive Program creates a rebate for residents, businesses, nonprofits, and religious institutions to purchase and install security camera systems on their property and register them with the Metropolitan Police Department; and

Whereas, the installation and use of private security cameras provides an important tool for deterring crime and assisting police investigations; and

Whereas, the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants announced that it will give priority consideration to properties, businesses, and religious institutions in the following Police Service Areas (PSA): 104, 105, 107, 108, 202, 207, 208, 302, 303, 305, 402, 403, 405, 409, all PSAs in the Fifth Police District, 602, 603, 604, 608, and all PSAs in the Seventh Police District; and

Whereas, PSA 106 was not included for priority consideration even though PSA 106 had more crimes on a year-over-year basis than 15 of the PSAs on the list for priority consideration and more crimes on a rolling 60 day basis than 21 of the PSAs on the list for priority consideration<sup>1</sup>; and

Whereas, PSA 106 saw a significant increase in crime in 2015 as compared with 2014, including a 20% increase in assaults with a dangerous weapon, a 50% increase in robberies, and a 250% increase in robbery with gun; and

Whereas, residents, businesses, non-profits, and religious institutions in PSA 106 want to participate in the Private Security Camera Incentive Program in order to improve public safety in the PSA;

Therefore, let it be resolved that

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, **Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D voted 6-0-0 to urge the Office of Victim's Services and Justice Grants to give priority consideration to residents, businesses, non-profits, and religious institutions in PSA 106 as part of the Private Security Camera Incentive Program.**

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Litsky,  
Chairman, ANC 6D

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<sup>1</sup> Based on Metropolitan Police Department data as of 2/17/2016. Includes violent and non-violent crimes.



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**RE: Relocation of Precinct 131 to the new Community Center “Gymnasium” at 1000 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE**

Dear Ms. Stroud:

Whereas, Van Ness Elementary School (located at 1150 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE) is under-going a major renovation and cannot be used as a polling location for Precinct 131 in June 2016; and

Whereas, the new Community Center (located at 1000 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE) is expected to receive its Certificate of Occupancy and open to the public in April 2016; and

Whereas, the Community Center is conveniently located for residents and is an appropriate venue for a polling location;

Let it be resolved that,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, **Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of the permanent relocation of Precinct 131 from Van Ness Elementary School to the Community Center at 1000 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE, upon the issuance of the building’s Certificate of Occupancy.**

Please also note the following:

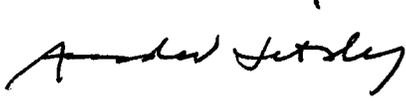
The Community Center is located at 1000 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE, not 1005 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE as written in the letter from the Board of Elections. (See attached)

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Although the District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) currently refers to the Community Center as the Arthur Capper Community Center, it is possible that DCHA will give the Community Center a different name upon its official opening. Accordingly, the DC Board of Elections may want to refer to the building generically as the “Community Center” in communications with voters until the official name is determined by DCHA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Litsky". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "A" and a long, sweeping underline.

Andrew Litsky  
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March 7, 2016

Commissioner Meredith Fascett  
ANC 6D07  
909 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Commissioner Fascett:

Please be advised that the polling place for **Precinct #131** has been proposed for relocation from its current site at:

**Van Ness Elementary School**  
**1150 5<sup>th</sup> Street, S.E.**  
**“Auditorium”**

to:

**Arthur Capper Community Center**  
**1005 5<sup>th</sup> Street, S.E.**  
**“Gymnasium”**

*incorrect address*

The relocation was proposed because the Board learned that the facility would not be available for use on the dates requested due to scheduled renovation of the facility.

**Please note that the relocation will be effective beginning with the upcoming June 14, 2016, Presidential Preference Primary Election.** If you have any comments on this matter, please contact Mr. Arlin Budoo at 727-5704 **no later than Monday, April 4, 2016** so that they may be considered before official notice is given to registered voters in the precinct. The Board will take final action on this matter at its regular board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. The Board will individually notify all registered voters in the precinct of this change, subsequent to the Board’s final action.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Terri Stroud  
Acting Executive Director



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The Honorable Muriel Bowser, Mayor of the District of Columbia

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**RE: Buzzard Point Resolution**

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send the following resolution:

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**Whereas** the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development will be spearheading a voluntary cleanup of Buzzard Point in preparation for the soccer stadium,

**Whereas** there have been serious concerns about the impact that the remediation will have on the health and well-being of the near Buzzard Point residents who reside closest to the future soccer stadium site and are at greatest risks of toxic soil exposure and detrimental exposure from the cement plant and other industrial hazards in and near Buzzard Point,

**Whereas** Pepco has planned to construct a mega substation on Buzzard Point that will expose residents to electrical magnetic radiation (EMF) from both the substation, as well as transmission and distribution lines (with no shielding mechanisms to protect the community),

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**Whereas** the DC Department of Health (DOH) is conducting a Community Health and Safety Study (CHASS) to address potential health and safety issues for the community as they relate to the clean-up and redevelopment of Buzzard Point,

**Whereas** the CHASS is not funded and no funding has been proposed by the Deputy Mayor to pay for any recommendations from the health risks assessment that would require money for implementation,

**Whereas** a health advocate is also needed by the community to act as a liaison between the community and the different agencies involved in the major construction projects in and around Buzzard Point (i.e, the Soccer Stadium, the Pepco Substation and the South Capitol Street Bridge Project),

**Be it resolved** that ANC 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of the mayor's appointing a community health advocate and funding to implement the recommendations that come from CHASS and to require Pepco to put in place shielding to protect the community from the radiation generated from the Waterfront Substation prior to the operation of this substation.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Litsky  
Chairman, ANC-6D  
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cc: Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, [brian.kenner@dc.gov](mailto:brian.kenner@dc.gov)  
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Deana Martin  
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**RE: Race for Hope DC (Sunday May 1st, 2016)**

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14th, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send a letter in support of the Race for Hope DC to be held on Sunday May 1st, 2016.

We appreciate your outreach to inform us of the details for this event which passes through our community, and we wish you a successful race!

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky,  
Chairman, ANC-6D  
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Cc: Spencer Gopaul, Mayor's Special Events Taskforce Group (MSETG)



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**RE: Scope it Out 5K**

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14th, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send a letter in support of the 2016 Scope it Out 5K.

We appreciate your outreach to inform us of the details for this event which passes through our community, and we wish you a successful race!

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky,  
Chairman, ANC-6D  
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**RE: Nation's Triathlon (Sunday September 11th, 2016)**

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14th, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send a letter in support of the Nation's Triathlon to be held on Sunday September 11th, 2016.

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We appreciate your outreach to inform us of the details for this event which passes through our community, and we wish you a successful race!

Sincerely,

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**RE: Army Ten-Miler (Sunday, October 9, 2016)**

Dear Mr. Banker,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14th, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send a letter in support of the 2016 Army Ten-Miler.

We appreciate your outreach to inform us of the details for this event which passes through our community, and we wish you a successful race!

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky,  
Chairman, ANC-6D  
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### **RE: ANC 6D Support for the Sakura Matsuri Japanese Street Festival**

Dear Mr. Hitzig:

Thank you for your presentation about the Sakura Matsuri Japanese Street Festival to Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D ("ANC 6D") on Monday, March 14, 2016.

ANC 6D welcomes the Sakura Matsuri Japanese Street Festival to the site bounded by M Street SE, First St. SE, New Jersey Avenue SE, and N Place SE, within Capitol Riverfront Neighborhood, within ANC 6D on Saturday, April 16, 2016.

ANC 6D notes that Sakura Matsuri is the largest one-day exhibition of Japanese culture in the United States, serves as the climax of the two-week National Cherry Blossom Festival, and historically has drawn over 40,000 visitors.

The ANC also notes that Sakura Matsuri is a family-friendly festival that will include over 15 vendors of Japanese food, two beer gardens, 30 exhibitors of Japanese arts and culture, 15 vendors of Japanese products, and over 30 hours of live performances, including traditional and popular Japanese music and dance and martial arts demonstrations.

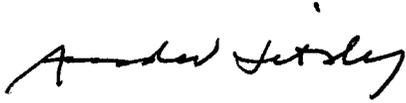
ANC 6D also believes that the Japan-America Society of Washington, DC has taken the reasonable and appropriate steps 1) to ensure the safety of both Sakura Matsuri attendees and residents of and visitors to the neighborhood; 2) to coordinate the logistics of and planning for the festival with District agencies

and local entities; and 3) to enhance, rather than overly disrupt, the neighborhood during the festival.

Thus, at a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on Monday, March 14, 2016 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D voted 6-0-0 for the motion to provide the Japan-America Society of Washington, DC with a letter of support for the Sakura Matsuri Japanese Street Festival, planned for Saturday, April 16, 2016 in the Capitol Riverfront Neighborhood.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Litsky". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small dot above the 'y'.

Andy Litsky  
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**RE: ZC 11-03E**  
**Second-Stage PUD for 7<sup>th</sup> Street Recreation Pier at the Southwest Waterfront**

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Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission:

Wharf District Master Developer, LLC has submitted an application for Second Stage Planned Unit Development approval of the 7th Street Recreation Pier and associated floating docks and floating wetlands, an important public amenity of the Southwest Waterfront redevelopment project. ANC 6D has historically supported the Southwest Waterfront redevelopment project, and recognizes the recreational value this particular element of the project will bring to our neighborhood, the District and the region.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to support this application for the construction of the 7th Street Recreation Pier, and associated floating docks and floating wetlands, at the Southwest Waterfront redevelopment project. We believe construction of this public amenity will be a positive addition to the array of attractions that will make The Wharf the most exciting development in the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,

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**RE: ZC 11-03F Second-Stage PUD and First-Stage PUD Modification  
for Pier 4 at the Southwest Waterfront**

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of Commission:

ANC 6D supports the request of Wharf District Master Developer, LLC for a Second Stage PUD and a First-Stage PUD Modification approval for Pier Four of the Southwest Waterfront redevelopment project. In particular, the ANC supports a change to the approved use of Pier 4 from residential to commercial in order to be consistent with the Applicant's approved USACE permit. Furthermore, the requested PUD modification will change the previously approved residential use, to a commercial use that will house the offices, support space, and vessel storage of the existing tenant, Entertainment Cruises, which currently maintains its offices and cruise vessels on Piers 3 and 4, as well as additional tenanted office space. The ANC believes the Applicant's current proposal will be compatible with the surrounding context, including the adjacent Waterfront Park and other nearby improvements, and will substantially improve cruise operations and cruise passenger experience.

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That said, ANC 6D continues to be troubled by the lack of specificity for the use of the open patio space at the tip of Pier Four. While we are comfortable with it architecturally, there is continuing concern that absent very strict controls over its use that the peace and quiet now enjoyed by the adjacent residential properties will be diminished. We encourage the Applicant to continue to work with ANC 6D to seek a solution to ensure that this never occurs.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to support this application.

Sincerely,

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**Re: ZC 08-30C, Application of 25 M St. Holdings LLC for Modification of Approved Design in the Capitol Gateway Overlay District**

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Zoning Commission,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send the following letter.

This letter is in support of 25 M St. Holdings LLC (“the applicant”) and their requested modification to Zoning Commission order 08-30 as amended by order 08-30A. The modifications do not change the height of the building but do reduce the amount of office space in the building by over 22,000 square feet. The applicants believe their modified building will be more appealing to tenants, and ANC 6D supports construction that will be leased quickly.

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However, ANC 6D has several comments on its support for the modification.

*Community Benefits*

Exhibit 23 of Zoning Commission (ZC) case 08-30 is a Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) for the site, negotiated by 08-30’s applicants, ANC 6D, and the Community Benefits Coordinating Council. The CBA addresses the applicant’s commitments regarding local hiring, environmental protection, traffic, parking, community relations, and other topics. ANC 6D expects the applicants to continue to abide by this CBA regardless of any modifications allowed or denied by the Zoning Commission.

*Specific Relief Requested*

The proposed modifications do not create any additional areas where relief from the Capitol Gateway Overlay’s requirements is needed.

ANC 6D does not oppose the applicant’s request for relief from the Capitol Gateway Overlay’s M Street setback requirement (1604.3). There is ample area for pedestrian on the M Street sidewalk and in fact the proposed building provides a 15’ setback at street level; it is only above the ground level that the building projects into the 15’ setback area. ANC 6D supports the building’s varied design, including the diagonal feature on the northeast portion of the building (at the corner of M and Half Streets), believing that it reduces the feeling of bulkiness one might otherwise expect from a building with such high lot occupancy. ANC 6D expects that the applicants’ public space permit request will include extensive landscaping on the public-facing portions of the street level. The applicants should also plan their public space understanding that the residential properties surrounding 25 M St. will house many dogs; plantings must either be designed to withstand the presence of dogs or set off in such a way that dogs cannot access them. Waste disposal bags and receptacles will be helpful.

ANC 6D does not oppose the applicant's request for relief from the setback requirements in section 1607.2 of the Capitol Gateway Overlay. The proposed design provides variety at the ground level and steps back substantially in the upper floors. The design provides light, ventilation, and visual interest at the street level, for those viewing the building from higher up, and for building occupants.

ANC 6D does not oppose the applicant's request for relief from the preferred use requirements in section 1607.3 of the Capitol Gateway Overlay. This application proposes over 20,000 square feet of ground-floor retail space, more than was in the previously approved plan. The overlay requires 75% of ground floor space to be used for preferred uses but the applicants propose to only provide 72% for such uses. Although trash and recycling rooms are not preferred uses, allowing these features on the ground floor means the building will not have to use external dumpsters, which will reduce noise, litter, and vermin. Similarly, allowing a parking ramp on the ground floor allows office and retail users of the building to park in below-grade parking, reducing the burden on surrounding garages and streets. The applicant has indicated that it hopes to provide garage parking for visitors to Nationals Park and other nearby events on evenings and weekends, though that is subject to negotiation with building tenants. ANC 6D enthusiastically supports the use of underground parking spaces for special event parking. If the applicant chose to restore the previously-approved third level of parking, ANC 6D would not oppose this as it would allow for additional off-street parking.

Since the previous iteration of this project was approved, the District of Columbia has adopted new requirements for penthouse setbacks. ANC 6D does not oppose the applicant's request for a special exception to penthouse setback requirements in section 411.18(c)(5). The applicants propose an 8-foot setback when the 1:1 setback requirement would indicate a 16-foot setback along the pedestrian via. The difference will not be visible from street level. Furthermore, the additional penthouse space requires the applicant to make a contribution to the District's Affordable Housing Production Trust Fund, and ANC 6D supports production of more affordable housing.

#### *Environmental Concerns*

ANC 6D supports green building. The ZC order in 08-30A required that the project would achieve LEED Gold certification in both its residential and non-residential portions, and then was amended to allow Silver in the residential portion and Gold in the non-residential portions. However, the CBA indicates a willingness to target LEED Platinum certification. The applicants have submitted a LEED scorecard that shows they expect to achieve 70 points and may achieve up to 23 more points: LEED Gold requires 60 points and Platinum requires 80 points. ANC 6D requests that the ZC not reduce the applicant's obligations in this area and expects that the applicants will adhere to the CBA.

This project is located very close to the Anacostia River, which provides habitat for 172 species of birds,<sup>1</sup> including bald eagles.<sup>2</sup> It is therefore important for the building's design to balance a desire for openness (and a requirement for a large amount of clear or low-emissivity glass in streetwalls facing M Street, Section 1604(e)) with the need to protect birds from collisions with glass. As recommended by the Audubon Society's Bird-Safe Building guidelines,<sup>3</sup> ANC 6D supports reducing glazing reflectivity on the building's retail areas and/or the introduction of "visual noise" such as bird-deterrent window films or etching. These actions could also help the project receive credit for LEED-NC SSc5.1, Site Development—Protect or Restore Habitat.

#### *Site Management: Construction and Operations Phases*

ANC 6D opposes after-hours construction and construction-related work on sites close to residences in accordance with DCMR 12A section 105.1.3. Given the proximity of the site to existing residential buildings (as well as residential buildings in the planning and construction phases that might be occupied when construction occurs at 25 M St. SE), ANC 6D requests that if the applicants or any successors or subordinates request an after-hours permit, they will also inform the Commission of the request and the reasons for it, so that neighborhood residents can understand the need for the permit application and have the opportunity to provide feedback to DDOT and DCRA. In addition, ANC 6D requests that the applicants or any successors or subordinates send an electronic copy of any issued after-hours permit to the Commission and the Commissioner in whose

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.anacostiaaws.org/news/blog/birds-anacostia-watershed>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.chesapeakeconservancy.org/bald-eagle>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.nycaudubon.org/our-publications/bird-safe-buildings-guidelines>





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### **RE: After-Hours Construction Permit for the Renovation and Modernization of Van Ness Elementary School**

Dear Ms. Bolling:

Whereas, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D (“ANC 6D”) enthusiastically supports the on-going renovation and modernization of Van Ness Elementary School (“Van Ness”), located at 1150 5<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Washington, DC 20003, and

Whereas, the construction work at the Van Ness site must 1) accommodate the safety and well-being of current Van Ness students, faculty, and staff and 2) be completed before the beginning of the 2016/2017 school year, and

Whereas, the Department of General Services (“DGS”) and Whiting-Turner Contracting Company (“Whiting-Turner”) have assured the ANC that any interior after-hours work at Van Ness will not be disruptive to nearby residents and businesses, and

Whereas, DGS and Whiting-Turner are also requesting an after-hours permit for steel erection on Sundays through the end of April, and

Whereas, Whiting-Turner has informed the ANC that such work may be disruptive to nearby residents and businesses and thus are accepting of a later start time on Sunday mornings, and

Whereas, the ANC 6D has not received complaints about the construction at Van Ness thus far,

Therefore, let it be resolved that

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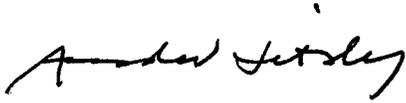
At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, **ANC 6D voted 6-0-0 to support limited after-hours work by DGS and Whiting-Turner as outlined below:**

ANC 6D supports after-hours construction from 7PM to 7AM Monday-Saturday through August 2016 if 1) the work is contained within the building and 2) is not loud or disruptive to neighbors.

ANC 6D supports after-hours construction on Sundays between 10AM and 7PM through April 2016 when necessitated by weather events if 1) the construction staging is contained on the Van Ness site, 2) the work is not excessively loud or disruptive to neighbors, and 3) DGS and Whiting-Turner give the ANC 6D07 Commissioner 24 hours of notice before such work commences.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,



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RE: Request to Address Growing Sinkhole in Pedestrian Crosswalk at Intersection of 4th & M Streets SW

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 14, 2016, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to send this letter requesting immediate repair of a sinkhole in the Pedestrian crosswalk of M Street SW between the NE & SE corners of the intersection with 4th Street SW. A minimum of two requests for repair have been submitted via DDOT's online service request. However, as at least two persons have reported falling, ANC 6D believes that this is an emergency that cannot wait for the 70-day repair period that is suggested online.

In addition to the danger for pedestrians, the inner westbound lane of M Street has this great indentation that is already problematic for traffic. This will become worse as time passes if it follows the past sinkhole activity that has occurred in the intersection.

Thank you for your time and consideration in ensuring this request is expedited and for your service to DC residents and visitors.

Sincerely,

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