ANC 6D, MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA, 5/11/2020, Virtual WebEx Meeting | MINUTES *As approved at the June 8, 2020 meeting*

The following Commissioners were in attendance: Gail Fast, Andy Litsky, Rhonda Hamilton, Edward Daniels, Fredrica Kramer, and Anna Forgie. Executive Director Shaun Carter was also in attendance.

1. Approval of the Agenda 7:00 pm 3 Min.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Fast. Motion to approve agenda. Approved 6-0-0.

2. Introduction of the Commission (Commissioners) 7:03 5 Min.

3. Announcement of June Business Meeting, 7:08, 1 min.

Location TBD, most likely virtual, Mon, 6/8/20 at 7pm

4. Approval of April ANC Minutes (CM Daniels) 7:09 1 Min.

April minutes to be updated by CM Daniels. Minutes to be approved during June meeting.

5. Meeting Announcements 7:10 5 Min.

From MOCR, coronavirus.dc.gov, convention center conversion for surge, DPW update, online composting workshops; rebate \$75 for composting. Zerowaste.dc.gov/homecomposting;

MAY PSA Meeting 5/20 at 6pm, normally at 7pm. Will be posted on next door.

Friends of sw library stocking local library, given away 160 books.

Kramer, unity will remain until further notice 55 L Street se

Hamilton, mutual aid group going on supplies and food. Ward6mutualaid@gmail.com, 202-683-9962, residents

Daniels: Cap Riverfront, Yards gathering alert. Please abide.

6. Public Safety Report- First District MPD (PSA 103, PSA 105 & PSA 106) Capt. Pulliam, Lt. Donigian, 7:35, 20 Min.

Crime down. 1 shooting in SW a couple weeks ago. Adult struck. Near Hopkins apartment, 3 people shot. This is near 6D but not in 6D.

People leaving cars running with keys in them. Don't do that.

Hamilton: question about shots last night, 1300 block 1st street SW, south alley below M Street SW. located shell casings, no property damage or people shot.

7. Consent agenda.

nothing.

8. Presentations & Resolutions

a. Office of the People's Counsel – Utilities Presentation – Cheryl Morse, 7:55p, 20 min

OPC opc.dc.gov can file complaint there, they are working at home. Will respond within 24 hours. Moratorium put in place. Opc ask that utilities put this in place during the pandemic. They agreed. Most agreed to waive late fees. Dc council also put in law In March that this be put in place. <u>restore@dcwater.com</u>, 202-354, 3750

Pepco has extended.

Most customers until May. Around May 15. Pepco has extended until June 1.

Can call Pepco if there are any issues.

Pepco has requested two rate increases. A traditional for 81.3 mill. Other is 150 mill over 3 years. Wash Gas will restore. Still doing project pipes. Asking for rate increase of 26 mill. OPC is working on position

Verizon March 16 – May 13, haven't heard of extension. Working with customers. Call 1800 483 7988 Services from OPC during pandemic is almost 100% as if they were in offices.

OPC does not deal with internet and cable issues.

Hamilton question: what are you doing to avoid increases as people are getting back to work.? Opc working on a plan to limit increases and find resources for customers.

Water, chandlum in dc water.

b. Housing Counseling Services, 8:15p, 30min

No eviction cases can even be filed during emergency. No late fees. Late fees can't be charged until 15 days after emergency. No rent increases. Starting march, to current.

Rent in subsidized housing is subject to increase because it's based on income, must recertify.

Repayment plan is not for a period of one year. It's not available for one year, but terms agreed upon between land lord and tenant.

If denied, please appeal to rental accommodations division

ERAP, must you have a writ to apply?

Not required a writ. Only have to be 30 days behind.

Fair housing complaints? Affordable programs list not transparent.

Litsky: prorated? This is for rentals and not for co-ops. At what point to you ask for the amenities? It is prorate. Contact landlord. Everyone doesn't know that this passed. Call office of tenant advocate if this isn't easily refunded to you.

Kramer: where do co-ops fall? Legislation only directed to tenants. Residents in coops are considered homeowners.

Hamilton: Doing anything with homeless community or vulnerable individuals during this time?

9. ABC Committee Report, 8:45, 15 min

a. The Sandlot. Going to Maren. Lease agreement expired. MRP got that property. Demoing the block in 30 days. Worked on a tentative agreement to shift to Maren. Adjacent to the Maren. And interior space as well. Stipulated license to get.

Extended amenity. Public. 11,000 dog park. Outdoor 5,000 sq. feet.

Daniels moved, Hamilton seconded.

Passed 6-0-0

b. Roy Boys

CM Forgie motions, Hamilton seconded.

10. Development, Planning, & Transportation

- 10.a. **PSC #10783641 Sidewalk Café Taphouse 99/Kilwins 1250 Half Street SE Suite N100 (CM Forgie) 9:10p, 10 min**, Support motion forgie, condition that we get in writing something that will allow authorization of removal of benches and necessary filings, if these benches stay or sidewalk less than 8 ft, then anc support is withdrawn. Second, Kramer. Passes 6-0-0
- 10.b. Letter to DCRA re: food trucks in Navy Yard (CM Forgie), 9:10, 10 min, Forgie motion. Second, Kramer. Pass 6-0-0
- 10c. Letter to DOEE regarding the Vulcan Concrete Plant (CM Hamilton), 9:20, 10 min Hamilton motions requesting public hearing regarding air quality renewal, second fast. Passes 6-0-0.
- 10d. Letter to DDOT regarding 5g (CM Hamilton), 9:30pm, 10 min Hamilton moved. Fast seconded. Passes 6-0-0.
- 10e. Letter to EOM/DOH regarding Health Disparities as they pertain to Covid-19 (CM Hamilton)
 9:40pm, 10 min
 Hamilton motion, forgie second. Litsky suggests emphasizing the numbers when sending this out due to all that is going on at the moment. Pass 6-0-0

11. Commission Update and Administrative Matters

- a. Chairperson's Report CM Fast 9:50, 1 min
- b. Treasurer's Report CM Collins 9:51 3 min

Community Concerns 9:54 3 min

Adjournment 9:21pm

13. Adjournment 9:31pm

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Date: May 18, 2020

District Department of Transportation Attn: Jeffrey Marootian, Director 1100 4th Street, SW 3rd Floor Washington, DC 20024

VIA E-Mail: <u>Jeffrey.marootian@dc.gov</u> Andrew.DeFrank@dc.gov

Re: Installation of 5G Technology (Monopoles) in Community by Verizon & AT&T

Dear Director Marootian,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 11, 2020, with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of the following concerns about 5G technology that will be placed in the community.

ANC 6D was provided with notice of intent of AT&T and Verizon to install 5G technology in Southwest through the construction of antennas and small cell equipment attached to existing utility poles or stand-alone monopoles on multiple residential streets, largely in Buzzard Point. The presentation at our June 2019 ANC 6D meeting by AT&T and Verizon contained no details of safety standards or risks associated with having these poles located in close proximity to homes and apartments. Nor do we know the levels of electromagnetic field (EMF) readings that can be anticipated from these monopoles, especially since they will be commingled with regular electric poles, which also release EMF.

We expect that DDOT will provide detailed safety guidelines that will be followed for the protection of both the residents who will live near these monopoles and those in the wider community. We also expect regular monitoring of the new installations for EMF levels, as well as a re-evaluation of whether they need to be in such close proximity to residents.

Radiation exposure by any means has a direct impact on health. The placement of these monopoles may have serious detrimental consequences to the health of our residents and warrants more information and meaningful community input. We are especially concerned that the residential communities where most of these poles will be located,

in Buzzard Point, has already experienced a significant amount of exposure to toxic chemicals and other industrial hazards resulting from massive construction associated with the redevelopment of the area, the continuing construction on the South Capitol Street Bridge and Capital Gateway projects, and the two concrete mixing plants that serve these projects.

The Buzzard Point community specifically has been identified in the Community Health and Safety Study (CHASS), completed by the Department of Health in 2016, as an environmental justice area of concern. The Waterfront Substation, currently the largest active substation in the District, is almost equal in size to the Buzzard Point Substation. Both substations are direct sources of EMF emissions, as well as emit fumes, dust and radiation, which expose the community to ongoing health risks. The technology contemplated by AT&T and Verizon is very new and has not been properly researched for long term exposure risks. There has been no documentation about the safety of children playing in the vicinity of the poles. An environmental and health impact assessment should have been completed prior to the approval of the technology being placed in a community with well documented severe health disparities.

This is not in line with the District's goals and values. As a resilient city, it is unclear why the District would move forward before addressing community concerns, including providing needed information on risks of exposure to the monopoles. It is also unclear why DDOT allowed the cell phone companies to provide community notification only after the locations had been decided. We have asked AT&T and Verizon for the precautions that will be followed to mitigate the risks outlined and have not received any response. ANC 6D is hoping that our questions and concerns will be addressed prior to the installation of any monopoles or supporting equipment in Southwest, and DDOT will reconsider concentration of these poles on our streets.

We ask that you provide us with your response no later than May 29, 2020 and urge you to give our concerns great weight under law.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at <u>6D01@anc.dc.gov</u> or 202-554-1795.

Sincerely,

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Gail Fast Chair, ANC 6D Southwest, Navy Yard, & Buzzard Point

CC: Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6, via email: callen@dccouncil.us Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chair, Committee on Health, via email: vgray@dccouncil.us ancresolutions.ddot@dc.gov

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Ernest Chrappah Director, DCRA 1100 4th Street SW, 4th Floor Washington, DC 20024

Transmitted via email: Ernest.Chrappah@dc.gov

RE: Food Trucks in Navy Yard

Dear Director Chrappah,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 11, 2020 with a quorum being present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 to submit this letter requesting that DCRA take immediate action to enforce all relevant laws and social distancing requirements with respect to food trucks in Navy Yard and throughout ANC 6D.

The current COVID-19 pandemic has devastated families and neighborhoods throughout Washington, DC, while ushering in a new framework for social interaction. ANC 6D understands that the social distancing requirements put in place seek to stem the rate of infection and thereby flatten the curve, and ANC 6D fully supports the implementation and enforcement of such requirements.

Pursuant to Mayor Bowser's Stay at Home Order (and myriad subsequent orders related to COVID-19), social distancing requirements are defined as, "maintaining at least six (6)-foot social distancing from other individuals." *See* Order 2020-054 Section IV.8. These requirements apply to everyone, including, but not limited to, residents, construction workers, and restaurant patrons and owners.

The Navy Yard is an epicenter of construction sites; crews share sidewalks and roads with residents. A few food trucks, likely suffering from a dearth of business elsewhere in the city, have taken up residence in ANC 6D, arriving daily between 8:30am-9am to prepare for the lunch rush between 11am-1pm. Specifically, one truck arrives daily on K St SE between Half St SE and South Capitol St. This truck does not take any steps to enforce social distancing requirements from its patrons. On occasion, small pieces of tape have been placed on the sidewalk but these are barely visible and largely ignored. Construction crews who patronize the truck pay no attention to social distancing requirements, putting their own health at risk. By congregating in front of the truck in close proximity to one another, they are also putting the health of our residents at risk. Residents cannot maintain the required six feet from the construction workers and still walk safely on the sidewalk.

This situation is untenable and warrants immediate attention. The Mayor has implemented social distancing requirements to protect residents. If a food truck and its patrons cannot operate in such a way as to abide by these requirements, the truck must move to a location where it can operate safely. Otherwise it must not operate at all.

One other issue merits mention: The owners of these trucks park a car on the street overnight to save a spot for the truck; when the truck arrives in the morning, they move the car out of the way, only to replace it in the spot when the truck leaves. ANC 6D wonders why a single car is allowed to occupy a spot all afternoon and overnight without any enforcement of parking restrictions; the Department of Public Works is copied on this email to address this aspect of the situation.

We ask that you provide us with your response no later than May 20, 2020 and urge you to give our concerns great weight under law.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at <u>6D01@anc.dc.gov</u> or 202-554-1795.

Sincerely,

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Gail Fast Chair, ANC 6D Southwest, Navy Yard, & Buzzard Point

 CC: Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6, via email: callen@dccouncil.us
 Dr. LaQuandra S. Nesbitt, Director, Department of Health, via email: LaQuandra.Nesbitt@dc.gov
 Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chair, Committee on Health, via email: vgray@dccouncil.us
 Christopher Geldart, Director, Department of Public Works, via email: Chris.Geldart@dc.gov

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Department of Energy and Environment Attn: Tommy Wells, Director 1200 First St, NE Washington, DC 20002

Via email: tommy.wells@dc.gov

Re: Request for a hearing on the air permit for Vulcan Materials

Dear Director Wells,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 11, 2020, with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D vote 6-0-0 in support of a public hearing on Vulcan Materials.

It is our understanding that Vulcan Materials has submitted an application for renewal and it is still under review by the Air Quality Division (AQD) and that a public posting of the application and the 30-day public comment period will be on the Department of Energy and Environment's website after the AQD finishes reviewing the application.

ANC 6D requests that DOEE hold a public hearing on Vulcan's Air Permit to give the community and opportunity to testify and to provide written comments. Vulcan has been a one of the main and major polluters of our air our residents are breathing and feel that community should be afforded the opportunity to express their concerns and detail for DOEE what it is like living and breathing the air when you live adjacent to a concrete plant.

We urge you to give our concerns great weight under law.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at <u>6D01@anc.dc.gov</u> or 202-554-1795.

Sincerely, mil Hast

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District Department of Transportation Public Space Permit Office Attn: Public Space Committee Coordinator 1100 4th Street, SW, 3rd Floor Washington, DC 20024

VIA E-MAIL: <u>keenan.meaders@dc.gov</u>

RE: Public Space Occupancy Permit Request, DDOT Tracking #10783641

Dear Public Space Committee Coordinator:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 11, 2020, with a quorum being present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support, with conditions as outlined below, of the application of the Public Space Occupancy Permit Request (DDOT Tracking #10783641) by Taphouse 99/ Kilwin's (hereinafter "the applicant") located at 1250 Half Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003 (hereinafter "the property").

The ANC has routinely requested that applicants maintain 10' feet of passable sidewalk space between a café's outer limits and the street (or any streetscaping on the sidewalk, including trees, benches, etc). The applicant's original plans for the sidewalk café at issue here provided for a mere 6' feet of passable sidewalk space between the café's limits and planned and existing streetscaping, including concrete benches. The ANC does not support such a proposal.

However, the applicant has represented to the ANC that it has entered into an agreement with the property's developer, Jair Lynch, to remove the concrete benches. See attached *Jair Lynch Agreement with Taphouse 99*. This removal would expand the passable sidewalk space to 8' feet. The ANC's support for the applicant's Public Space Occupancy Permit Request (DDOT Tracking #10783641) is contingent upon the enactment of this agreement between Jair Lynch and the applicant and upon the removal of the concrete benches in order to establish this 8' foot sidewalk.

In the event Jair Lynch and the applicant fail to abide by the agreement to remove the benches, the ANC's support for this application will be withdrawn.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Gail Fast Chairperson, ANC 6D Southwest, Navy Yard & Buzzard Point



May 12, 2020

via electronic mail

Taphouse Management, LLC 1 Melvin Ave Annapolis, MD 21401 Attn: Jason Cherry jason@missionescaperooms.com

RE: Benches in Public Space on N Street SE

Dear Jason:

Pursuant to our recent conversations regarding the Public Space Permit for Taphouse 99 at Half/N Street SE and pertaining to the Lease Agreement between Half Street Residential PJV, LLC ("Landlord") and Taphouse Management, LLC ("Tenant") dated February 28, 2020.

In accordance with the Pubic Space Permit (PA186024) issued by DDOT for the Landlord's base building work, the Landlord has construction two fixed in place concrete and wood benches along N Street SE in in close proximity to the Tenant's storefront planned outdoor seating area. In applying for a Public Space permit for a sidewalk café, Tenant was unable to achieve the desired seating configuration to allow for pedestrian passage on the N Street sidewalk due to the proximity of the benches.

Landlord has agreed that the Tenant's contractor can remove the benches after Landlord has completed base building construction and obtained final Certificate of Occupancy. The Tenant shall be responsible for obtaining the necessary permits for the removal of the benches and the design and construction of any repairs to paving or other landscape features necessary for removal of the benches. Landlord shall reimburse the Tenant for the cost of removal of the benches and associated repairs.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at either 202.888.4259 or ais@jairlynch.com

Regards,

Anthoný Startt Jair Lynch Real Estate Partners On behalf of HALF STREET RESIDENTIAL PJV, LLC

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Mr. Donovan Anderson Chairperson Alcoholic Beverage Control Board 2000 14th Street, NW, Suite 400S Washington, DC 20009

Re: Roy Boys (ABRA # 114131)

Dear Mr. Anderson,

On behalf of ANC 6D, I am requesting another extension of the Protest Petition Deadline for Roy Boys 2 LLC, ABRA #114131.

The initial protest date was March 16, 2020, and ABRA granted an extension to April 17, 2020. However, due to COVID-19, ANC 6D is seeking another extension of the Protest Petition Deadline to give ANC 6D sufficient time to vote on any necessary action and submit that communication to the ABRA Board.

I have consulted with the applicant's attorney (Sidon Yohannes), and she has consented to this request.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at <u>6D01@anc.dc.gov</u> or 202-554-1795.

On behalf of the Commission,,

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Donovan Anderson, Chair c/o Martha Jenkins, General Counsel Alcohol Beverage Control Board 2000 14th Street, NW Suite 400 South Washington, DC 20009

RE: Sandlot LLC (ABRA # 113601)

Dear Mr. Anderson,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 11, 2020, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted <u>6-0-0</u> to support the applicant's request for a Stipulated License for Sandlot LLC, ABRA #113601 at their new location at 79 Potomac Ave SE.

Please contact Commissioner Gail Fast at <u>6d01@anc.dc.gov</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Gail Fast Chair, ANC 6D Southwest, Navy Yard, & Buzzard Point