# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D Minutes of Business Meeting – February 13, 2017 Held at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington DC 20024 Andy Litsky, Chair

\*As approved at the March 13, 2017 Public Business Meeting\*

The Commission convened at 7:02 p.m. The following commissioners were in attendance at the beginning of the meeting: Roger Moffatt, Ron Collins, Meredith Fascett, Gail Fast and Andy Litsky (chairing). Commissioner Hamilton arrived at 7:04 pm.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

CM Fast moved to approve the agenda, and CM Litsky seconded with the following change: change in Other Presentations & Resolutions: 7.c from Greater Greater Washington to Priorities for Housing and Community Development. The agenda was approved 5-0-0.

#### **Introduction of Commissioners**

#### **Meeting Announcements**

- The next meeting is Monday, March 13, 2017 at 200 | Street SE. 7pm.
- CM Fast: PSA 105 Meeting will be held at Town Square Towers, 700 7<sup>th</sup> Street SW at 7 pm.
- CM Moffatt: DCHRA Job Fair at Berry Farms will be held on February 17; attendees will need to RSVP their spot.
- CM Litsky: Commencement and Kickoff of the SW Village is being held tonight at St. Augustine's Church; Barbara Erlich will serve as President.
- CM Litsky: Thursday, February 16 at 6:45 pm will be the Zoning Commission's determination of the whether the DC United Stadium project will move forward. Location of the hearing is at 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW.
- CM Litsky: Tonight, the Atlas Theatre is hosting a community meeting on how District residents can best deal with 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
- CM Hamilton: Greenleaf Community meeting will be held on February 21; DCRA community meeting on the Pepco Substation will be held on February 22.
- CM Hamilton: Office of Planning will be presenting Buzzard Point Vision on February 27 at 12:30 pm at the Building Museum. Tickets are \$10.00 for non-members.
- Georgine Wallace announced the SW Library Book Sale will be held on March 25 & 26; and on March 9 at 7pm the Library will hold a presentation on Women in NASA.
- Perry Klein, SWNA, announced Black History presentation at the Arena Stage on February 27 at 7 pm.

#### **Public Safety Report**

Public Safety report: Sgt Baker reported there were six violent crimes in the last 30-days; property crime theft is still on the increase primarily driven by shoplifting at Safeway, CVS and Subway and theft from auto.

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

CM Litsky moved to approve the February minutes and CM Fast seconded. The minutes were approved 6-0-0.

#### **Presentations and Resolutions**

Banneker Overlook: CM Litsky presented a letter of support to be sent to the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development supporting the Wharf's application for the FY 2017 Benjamin Banneker Park Pedestrian Connectivity Grant that will bring a safe and direct pedestrian link from the Mall and L'Enfant Plaza to the waterfront. CM Moffat moved to approve; CM Fascett seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

Construction Noise at the Wharf: Elinor Bacon explained that early morning construction noise was due to masonry work at Waterfront Park. Bacon stated that as soon as she received a call from CM Litsky, worked was stopped. Bacon also reported that recent noise complaints of pile driving at the Riverside Baptist Church project were not, in fact, coming from the church as there was no pile driving during the time of the noise complaints.

SW Waterfront Fireworks Festival: National Cherry Blossom representatives provided an overview of what would transpire at the SW Waterfront Fireworks Festival which include stage with live music; beer and cider garden; food trucks and fireworks. CM Litsky moved to provide a letter of support for the SW Waterfront Fireworks Festival one-day license to serve beer in the fenced in and controlled Beer Garden from 2 pm – 9 pm on Saturday, April 15, 2017. CM Fast seconded; Passed 5-0-0 (CM Fascett was absent for vote).

Priorities for Housing and Community Development: CM Fast moved to send a resolution to Eric Shaw, Director of the Office of Planning and Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development showing support for the DC Housing and Development Priorities Statement to be included in the revisions of the upcoming DC Comprehensive Plan. CM Collins second; Passed 5-0-0 (CM Hamilton absent for vote).

Mother Earth Public Art: CM Fascett moved to support the grant application by the Capital Riverfront BID to the DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities to install the "Mother Earth" sculpture between Diamond Teague Park and Yards Park, directly south of the historic DC Water pump house. CM Litsky seconded; Passed 5-0-0 (CM Hamilton absent for vote).

74 Bus Stop: CM Hamilton stated that the 74 Bus Stop sign had been removed and was asking that a letter be sent to WMATA to put back the sign. CM Moffat said he would call Clark construction to see where the sign was and to have them reinstall it. Tabled to March meeting upon response to CM Moffatt.

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

- Friendly's Food Market: Commander Kane, 1<sup>st</sup> D Commander met with concerned citizens
  regarding the recent shootings at Friendly's Food Market. Mr. Kim, owner of Friendly's, was in
  attendance and described security measures he has in place. Concerns raised, loitering and sale
  of single can sales of beer. Commander Kane pointed out DC's anti-loitering law and CM
  Hamilton spoke to the fact that many members of the community cannot afford to purchase
  more than one beer at a time.
- Pearl Street Warehouse: CM Litsky moved to approve a new CT License and Cooperative
  Agreement for Hurricane Hospitality; LLC at 33 Pearl Street SW. Pearl Street will be located in
  the ground level of Hyatt House on the pedestrian plaza and will be specializing in diner-style
  food and spirits and includes live music, dancing and cover charge. CM Collins second; Passed 50-1 (CM Fast abstaining).

#### **Temporary Traffic Interruptions**

Scope It Out: Date of race, Sunday, March 19, 2017. CM Litsky moved to send a letter in support of the event to the Mayor's task force. CM Fawcett seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

Marine Corps Marathon: October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. CM Litsky moved to send (3) letters of support of the event to:

- Letter 1: Mayor's task force. CM Fast seconded; Passed 6-0-0.
- Letter 2: Paul Wiederfield at WMATA to open Metro to allow the race to begin on its usually scheduled time; CM Fast seconded; Passed 5-0-1 (CM Fascett abstaining)
- Letter 3: Chief Newsome, MPD. CM Fast seconded; Passed 6-0-0.

National Police Week 5k: May 13, 2016. CM Litsky moved to send a letter in support of the event to the Mayor's task force. CM Moffatt second; Passed 5-0-1 (CM Fast abstained).

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

Museum of the Bible: Commissioners reviewed the developer's modifications to the street scape which including adding benches along the perimeter of the museum. The plan also ensured that the sidewalk and buffer area between sidewalk and curb would not be compromised. CM Litsky moved, and CM Collins seconded to send a letter of support to the Public Space Commission approving the Museum of the Bible's street scape plan. Passed 6-0-0.

Waterfront Station PUD Extension: Forest City came before the Commission requesting two letters of support when they appear before the Zoning Commission in Mid-April 2017; (1) Letter of support for PUD two-year extension, (2) Letter of support for conversion of the parcels from commercial/office to residential. David Smith, Forest City presented why they are requesting the zoning change due to the soft office market and the inability to attract tenants to the space. He also emphasized that they need 60% of the building leased to secure financing. While the Commission understood the constraints Forest City said they were under, CM Litsky motioned to send a letter of support for the PUD two-year extension only. CM Moffatt seconded; Passed 6-0-0.

Forest City Parcel L-1 Presentation: Presentation by architects and developers of the Forest City Parcel L-1 at 227 Tingey Street SE. No Vote.

BZA 19451 Short-term Family Housing, 850 Delaware Ave SW: CM Litsky moved to send a letter of support for application BZA 19451 for the Ward 6 Short-Term Family Housing at 850 Delaware Ave. SW. Included in the letter were ANC 6D's concerns about the interior design and provided some suggestions such as, the inclusion of a plumbed water source in every unit; the inclusion of a private bathroom in each unit; a unit design that enables parents to work after young children go to sleep; and that the ground floor space for the community health clinic is designed with sufficient input from the current provider, Unity Health which as the experience to understand the needs of SW residents.

#### **Administrative Matters**

President's Report: None

**Treasurer's Report:** CM Fascett reported that she had prepared our Quarterly Report which was ready for submission. CM Fascett moved to submit; CM Hamilton seconded. Passed 6-0-0.

#### **Community Concerns**

Resident of 525 Water Street inquired about the restricted RPP that was part of the development.

The commission adjourned at approximately 9:45 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Gail Fast

Attested by:



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

RE: FRESHFARM Public Space Permit Application for Partial, Limited Time Closure of the 1100 Block of 2<sup>nd</sup> St. SE to Accommodate a Weekly Summer Farmer's Market

Dear Public Space Committee Coordinator:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on December 12, 2017 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 7-0-0 to support FRESHFARM's public space application for a road closure.

ANC 6D supports FRESHFARM's plans to bring a farmer's market to the Capitol Riverfront neighborhood on Sundays from 10AM to 2PM from May through September 2017. The ANC believes this will be an exciting neighborhood amenity.

ANC 6D further supports the request by the applicant to close the 1100 Block of  $2^{nd}$  St. SE between M St. SE and the garage opening to the 1100 New Jersey Ave. building on Sundays in order to accommodate FRESHFARM's vendors. The ANC understands that this closure is required to accommodate the farmer's market as planned.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky Chairman, ANC 6D

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DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities 200 I Street, SE Suite #1400 Washington, DC 20003

RE: Support for the Grant Application by the Capitol Riverfront BID to DCCAH regarding the "Mother Earth" sculpture by Barton Rubenstein

Dear Sir/Madam:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on February 13, 2017 with a quorum being present, a quorum being 4 Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 5-0-0 for the motion to support the grant application by the Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District to the DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities to fund the purchase and installation of the "Mother Earth" sculpture by Barton Rubenstein.

The ANC supports both the application and the proposed location for the sculpture in the public realm of the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail between Diamond Teague Park and Yards Park, directly south of the historic DC Water pump house.

The ANC believes that the "Mother Earth" sculpture would be a wonderful addition to the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail environs. The Riverwalk Trail serves as a gateway from the Anacostia River to the Nationals Ballpark and the Capitol Riverfront neighborhood. It also serves as a gateway from the neighborhood to the river itself. As such we see thousands of visitors arrive at Yards Park and then walk to the baseball stadium. Thousands of other residents and visitors use the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail system and the Ballpark Boathouse at Diamond Teague Park as a means of recreation on the Anacostia.

The "Mother Earth" sculpture would be an excellent reminder of the need for all countries to act on climate change and of the ongoing clean up of the Anacostia River. The ANC also understands that a possible second site on the Riverwalk Trail at the Diamond Teague Park overlook is being considered and think that is a logical location as well.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this grant application and the proposed "Mother Earth" sculpture location along the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail in the Capitol Riverfront neighborhood. Public art enriches the public realm, and the proposed "Mother Earth" sculpture would do that and remind observers of the need to understand climate change and the impact on our local riverfront environment.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky

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LaToyia Hampton Grants Manager Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development 1015 Half Street, SE Suite 675 Washington, DC 20003

Dear Ms. Hampton,

At a duly noticed meeting of ANC 6-D, held on February 13, 2017, at which a quorum was present (a quorum being four Commissioners), and by a vote of 6 to 0 to 0, ANC-6D voted to support The Wharf's application for the FY 2017 Benjamin Banneker Park Pedestrian Connectivity Grant.

An improved pedestrian connection from L'Enfant Promenade to Maine Avenue and the Fish Market has been a District goal for many years. It was part of the original Anacostia Waterfront Framework Plan and the Southwest Waterfront Small Area Plan that was approved by ANC 6D more than a decade ago. We are excited to see this important investment coming to fruition. With millions of people anticipated to visit The Wharf annually it is imperative that the city ensure there is a safe and direct pedestrian link from the Mall and L'Enfant Plaza to our waterfront.

ANC-6D believes that The Wharf development team is well positioned to partner with the District and National Park Service (NPS) to implement these improvements. They have been working the NPS and District for more than two years on the initial design, guiding the project successfully through the environmental assessment and initial reviews with District and federal agencies. Clearly they have the experience and the team in place to well manage this project.

We strongly encourage you to support The Wharf's application for funding and their continued stewardship of this important community linkage.

Regards,

Andy Litsky

Commissioner, ANC-6D04 Southwest Waterfront

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Eric Shaw, Director Office of Planning 1100 4th Street SW, Suite 650 East

Washington, DC 20024 Eric.Shaw@dc.gov

Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development Government of the District of Columbia

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 317

Washington, DC 20004 brian.kenner@dc.gov

Dear Director Shaw and Deputy Mayor Kenner,

Whereas, ANC 6D believes that D.C.'s Comprehensive Plan is a vital document to the planning of the Southwest, Navy Yard and Buzzard Point neighborhoods and the District of Columbia as a whole; and

Whereas, a good Comprehensive Plan can guide a changing city's growth in positive ways; and

Whereas, the District of Columbia set a schedule for ongoing amendments every five years and at the end of 2017, the Office of Planning will submit their amendment package to the DC Council; and

Whereas, ANC 6D fundamentally believes there is a shortage of housing and affordable housing options in DC; and

Whereas, a group of housing and development stakeholders developed the DC Housing and Development Priorities Statement of 10 priorities for DC's Comprehensive Plan revision.

Therefore, at a duly noticed meeting of ANC 6-D, held on February 13, 2017, at which a quorum was present (a quorum being four Commissioners), and by a vote of 5 to 0 to 0, ANC-6D adds its name to the diverse group of DC-area organizations and companies who build housing (forprofit and not-for-profit), advocate for policies that increase affordable housing, support the needs of disadvantaged communities, strengthen neighborhood commercial corridors and locally owned businesses, and educate the public on planning issues which support the attached statement of priorities for housing and community development in the Comprehensive Plan.

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Email: office@anc6d.org Website: www.anc6d.org Mr. Paul Wiedefeld General Manager and CEO Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority 600 5<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

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RE: Endorsement of the request for early opening by Metro Rail for the Marine Corps Marathon on October 22, 2017

Dear Mr. Wiedefeld,

At our regular meeting on February 13, 2017, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D ("ANC 6D" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (6-0-0), to endorse the request for early opening by Metro Rail for the Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) on October 22, 2017.

ANC 6D recognizes the importance of the ongoing SafeTrack. However, as this initiative draws to a close, the Commission endorses the MCM Organization's pending request for an early opening. The MCM is a landmark event and the granting of early opening will allow the U.S. Marines, volunteers and runners to continue to enjoy this world-class event with the utmost necessary support from the national capital region. In addition, while we are fully supportive of this event, an earlier opening will minimize any resulting impact on our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky

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Email: office@anc6d.org Website: www.anc6d.org **Saundra Honeysett** 

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**RE: National Police Week 5K** 

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Dear Ms. Honeysett,

Chairman Andy Litsky

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At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on February 13, 2017, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory

Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of your above-

referenced event.

ANC 6D Commissioners thank you for your continuing efforts to inform our constituents of your upcoming event and working to minimizing potential disruption of vehicle and pedestrian traffic within our neighborhoods. The

Commission wishes you much success with the race.

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Email: office@anc6d.org Website: www.anc6d.org Julie Hanson

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**RE: Scope It Out 5K** 

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Chairman Andy Litsky Dear Ms. Hanson,

Vice Chairman Cara Shockley

Secretary Gail Fast

Treasurer Meredith Fascett At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on February 13, 2017, with a quorum present, a quorum being four Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of your abovereferenced event.

ANC 6D Commissioners thank you for your continuing efforts to inform our constituents of your upcoming event and working to minimizing potential disruption of vehicle and pedestrian traffic within our neighborhoods. The Commission wishes you much success with the race.

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### **Resolution on Short-Term Family Housing**

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Whereas, the District of Columbia's plan to end homelessness involves the closure of the DC General Housing Shelter (DC General); and

Whereas, Pursuant to the Homeless Shelter Replacement Act of 2016, dated June 13, 2016 (D.C. Act 21-412) (the "Homeless Shelter Act") and

Whereas, the City Council authorized funding to develop replacement shelter facilities in Wards 3,4,5,6,7,8, to provide temporary shelter for families experiencing homelessness; and

Whereas, the District of Columbia (the "Applicant") is seeking permission for the construction of a new emergency transitional housing with ground and cellar level medical care use in ANC-6D in the RF-1 District at 850 Delaware Ave, SW (Square 590E, Lot 800), BZA 19451; and

Whereas, the Applicant is seeking (i) special exception relief pursuant to 11-U DCMR § 320.1 (a) to permit an emergency shelter in the RF-1 District with more than 15 persons; (ii) special exception relief pursuant to 11-C DCMR § 703 for a partial reduction in the number of required parking spaces; and (iii) a variance from the building height and number of stories requirement of 11-E DCMR§303.1; and

Whereas, ANC-6D co-directed the Ward Six Short Term Family Housing Advisory Committee and has determined that as a primarily residential use, the facility will produce no adverse impacts due to noise or general operations; and

Whereas, ANC-6D believes that the building's proposed design and massing will fit in with the architecture of the surrounding community, provide adequate off-street parking and loading and is not anticipated to generate appreciable increases in traffic along Eye Street, SW.

Therefore, at a duly noticed meeting of ANC 6-D, held on February 13, 2017, at which a quorum was present (a quorum being four Commissioners), and by a vote of 5 to 0 to 1, ANC-6D votes to support the construction of a Short-Term Family Housing at 850 Delaware Ave, SW.

Andy Litsky

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Kimberly Marshall Event Manager National Cherry Blossom Festival

RE: 2017 Southwest Fireworks Festival

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Dear Ms. Marshall,

At its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, February 13, 2017, at which a quorum (4 being a quorum) of ANC Commissioners attended, ANC 6D voted 6-0-0 to accept the guidelines and material associated with the 2017 Southwest Waterfront Fireworks Festival activities to be held April 15, 2017 at the Southwest Waterfront.

The Commission enthusiastically supports this outstanding event which helps to highlight our business-friendly atmosphere, attractiveness of our area, community/business cooperativeness, and our desire to welcome visitors to our Southwest Waterfront Community.

We wish the Southwest Waterfront Fireworks Festival much success with this year's event.

Sincerely,

Andy Litsky

Chairman, ANC 6D