

ANC Monthly Business Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2025
Virtual Meeting Held on Zoom

The Commission convened at approximately 7:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Gail Fast, Rhonda Hamilton, Fredrica Kramer, Andrea Pawley, Chearie Phelps-El, Gottlieb Simon (chairing), and Marquell Washington. Absent: Bruce Levine. Also present: Administrator Donna Purchase.

Public Safety Report¹

Lt. Danho of the MPD reported on the crimes that had taken place in the last 30 days and answered Commissioner questions.

Approval of the Agenda

After discussion and a motion to rearrange the order of the agenda items failed, the agenda was **approved**, as amended, without opposition.

Approval of the Minutes

The January 2025 minutes were **approved**, as corrected, without opposition.

DOEE Briefing on RiverSmart Homes

The presenter did not appear.

DDOT Review of Project to Rehabilitate Approach Bridges 14th St SW

The presenter did not appear.

Consent Agenda

The Commission **approved** the PurpleStrive 5K Run-Walk on April 26, the Race on Hope May 4, and the Pride Run on June 1 without opposition.

Commissioner and Community Announcements

There were no announcements.

Community Concerns

Marjorie Lightman, speaking as a member of the Board SW Community Foundation (SWCF), reported on the SWCF's concerns regarding the Public Buildings Reform Board.

Government Announcements

Noah Glasgow, Ward 6 MOCR, reported on the Mayor's plans for the RFK Campus, the upcoming Budget Engagement Forums, and new housing legislation the Mayor has proposed.

Statement Regarding Amidon Bowen ES Swing Space

The Commission **agreed**, without objection, to recommend that DCPS leadership work in good faith with the Amidon-Bowen Elementary School Swing Space Committee and

¹ This item was taken out of order to allow time for a quorum to be established.

Councilmember Charles Allen's Office to identify and secure student swing space in Southwest DC ahead of the Amidon-Bowen Elementary School modernization. *(Motion by Pawley)*

ABC Report

Committee Vice Chairperson Laura DiAngelo announced that she was standing in for newly elected committee Chairperson Michael King. She also reported on the status of the Brissa ABC application. Following extended discussion the Commission **voted (7-0)** to accept the Committee's recommendation and **approve** the Brisa Settlement Agreement (SA), and to **appoint** Commissioner Kramer and Committee Member Anthony Chase to represent the ANC at the upcoming protest hearing. *(Motion by Kramer.)*

Ms. DiAngelo then discussed the cases pending before the Committee with the Commission.

Committee on Transportation

Commissioner Simon moved that "the Special Committee on Transportation be established to consider issues related to transportation. The committee membership will be comprised of up to 8 members, one member appointed by each SMD Commissioner. The chairperson shall be appointed by the Commission." After amendments to the motion failed, the main motion also **failed**.

Food Delivery Vehicles

The Commission **agreed (5-1, 1)** to send a letter asking DDOT to require driver safety courses for the drivers of food delivery vehicles. *(Motion by Hamilton)*

Vulcan Properties

The Commission **agreed (7-0)** to send a letter to the Department of Energy and the Environment asking why the Department has not yet issued an updated operating permit to Vulcan Properties. *(Motion by Hamilton)*

2025 Meeting Schedule Amendment

Commissioner Simon moved to change the date of the December Business Meeting from December 8 to December 15, however, the motion **failed (2-3, 2)**.

FY25 Q1 Financial Report

After Commissioner Kramer read the report out loud, the Commission **voted (7-0)** to **approve** the FY25 Q1 Quarterly Financial Report (QFR). *(Motion by Kramer.)*

SMD Updates

6D01: No update. **6D02:** The SWBID and GSA are sponsoring an artists' competition to paint the New Jersey barriers surrounding the Wilbur Wright (FAA) building, and Commissioner Simon is one of the judges. The VRE is planning on renovating their station between 6th and 7th Street and held an open house to gather community feedback. **6D03:** 6th Street in front of Arena Stage has been renamed the Zelda Fichandler Way and there will be an unveiling in April, and the HerStory 5K race honoring Women's History month is upcoming. **6D04:** 54 Noodles Bar is now open, and the Theatre Alliance's current show is ending shortly. **6D05:** The housing authority is making a lot of improvements at 203 N and

1200 Delaware. **6D06:** Absent. **6D07:** The Stacks is finally open; Audi Field will have its first home game soon; and the sponsors of the Broccoli Festival wish to do the festival again this summer. **6D08:** Commissioner Hamilton read a statement and asked for a moment of silence.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Kramer reported that the paperwork has been completed with the bank to recognize the new officers. She also indicated that since there were no expenditures in January, the ANC account balances are unchanged.

Chairperson's Report

Commissioner Simon attended a stakeholder meeting regarding renovations planned for the Hirschorn Museum; underscored former Commissioner Lightman's comments on the Public Buildings Reform Board; and, provided background on the notice for the raze permit for the Skyline Inn. Finally, he announced the dates of the March Admin and Business meetings before adjourning the meeting at approximately 9:50 pm.

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Rhonda Hamilton

Minutes approved on: March 18, 2025