

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D

# Regular Meeting Minutes Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 7:00 p.m. In-Person at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, 1830 Connecticut Ave. NW and online via Zoom

### Call to Order

Chair Warren called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

## **Establishment of Quorum**

Commissioners Ashley Warren (2D01) and Carole Feld (2D02) were present, establishing a quorum.

## Approval of Agenda

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Feld seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

#### Approval of March 2024 Meeting Minutes

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's March 2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Feld seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

## **Administrative and Financial Matters**

#### Commissioner's Comments

Chair Warren mentioned an upcoming electronic recycling event at Mitchell Park on April 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 2:00pm.

Commissioner Feld mentioned the upcoming Friendship Walk to End Homelessness on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am.

#### Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Feld said that the current balance for the ANC's checking account is \$17,825.10.

Commissioner Feld said that she bought the necessary tech equipment for the ANC.

Chair Warren said the ANVC will move approval of the FY2024 Q2 Report to the next meeting.

## **Government Reports**



# Metropolitan Police Department

Lt. Forrest reviewed the recent crime in the area, including retail crime, noting that things are doing better and that scooter and bike units have been implemented in the area.

Commissioner Feld asked about the new program for residents to connect their camera to the real time crime center. Lt. Forrest provided more information about how the cameras are planned to be used by MPD.

Resident Holly Sukenik asked about the bus shelter on Connecticut Ave NW and Kalorama Road NW, which underwent an accident over the weekend that shattered the glass wall. Lt. Forrest said she would look into the matter.

Resident James Stein asked about the statistics around local car break-ins. Lt. Forrest said that car break-ins are down 47% over the past thirty days.

# Mayor's Office

Chirstopher Powell, a representative of the Mayor's Office presented the Mayor's budget and brought one-pagers for in person attendees. He encouraged residents to go to budget.dc.gov to learn more.

Powell also mentioned that the Real Time Crime Center was launched this morning and the Emancipation Parade would be on Sunday April 14 starting at 2:00pm followed by a concert and fireworks at Freedom Plaza.

Resident Marie Drissel mentioned that there are many vacancies on boards and that the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments should work to advertise these and fill them. Residents can learn more about board vacancies on moda.dc.gov.

## Councilmember's Office

Pablo Velasco Rodriguez, a representative of Councilmember Pinto's Office attended the meeting.

Velasco Rodriguez stated the Councilmember's Office was happy that the Wizards and Capitals are staying downtown. He also mentioned the Councilmember is continuing to fight for Ward 2 budget priorities which fall into three buckets: 1) to fully fund Secure DC, 2) to invest in a reimagining of downtown, and 3) to fully fund WMATA.

## Traffic Safety Input (TSI) Updates from the District Department of Transportation

Christophe Wassmer suggested that residents make TSIs regarding issues in the neighborhood.

Wassmer spoke about how DDOT is working with the Sheridan-Kalorama Call Box Project to find a replacement call box in the same style and meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss next steps.

# Old Business

2151 California St NW Update



The developer from 2151 California St NW apartments provided residents with an update on the status of the building. In January 2024 the building was selected for further underwriting from DCHD – out of 54 applicants only 7 were selected.

Substantial rehab will happen in 1 year and construction is estimated to be 13 months. The building will retain the original number of units – 23. Existing residents will not be displaced, they will pay their original rent plus a small increase. If they move out, the rent will be capped at 30%-80% of the median household income.

#### KRoussaw Foundation

A representative from the KRoussaw Foundation, a nonprofit serving youth in DC, shared information on their math and English literacy programs. He also shared information on their beyond arts afterschool program, summer camp, career readiness programming, and entrepreneurship programming.

#### **Announcements and Open Comments**

One resident asked about 2201 R Street NW, the former Pakistan property. Commissioners Feld and Warren said they are working on having the developer attend another meeting.

## Date of Next Meeting

Chair Warren said that the ANC's next meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

## Adjournment

Chair Warren adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.