



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B

**Minutes**

**Thursday, March 3rd, 2016**

**7:00 PM, Reeves Center**

The regular monthly meeting of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B occurred on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at 7:00 pm at the Reeves Center.

**Information Session - 6:30p - 7:00p**

- David Garber - Candidate for At-Large City Council (public safety, city provides necessary resources, education systems, economic growth (age, income, family size diversity).
- Laura Wilson-Phelan, Member of the D.C. State Board of Education - Discuss school curriculum changes (C level status for students to pass, don't have to sit in class for 120 hours, want schools to have provision to do so (similar to one gaining work experiences for credit), make learning relevant in high school, the State Approved Assessment (i.e. students from foreign countries) has been placed on hold. Commissioner Turner suggested having a education committee.
- DC Water - Emmanuel Briggs - Local Sewers Rehabilitation and Repair Phase II - to prolong life of sewers in 1B (Ward 1). Start in March and completion is estimated in December but should be only a week process in our ANC. Call DC Water if you experience odors in home during project.

**Official Session - 7:00p - 9:00pm**

**Community Announcements (10 minutes)**

AmeriCorp teachers from Cardozo Education Campus - City is offering community service incentives: \$10 charge, up to 40 hours per/week , held at Ballou and Turner. Engaging in meal prep, community awareness, certified curriculums.

Felippe - Surplus meeting March 21st, public comments and testimony for Bruce Monroe/Park Morton new community initiatives (will vote in April). Mixed income, public housing residents, park (green space) and to give residents better quality of life.

**Executive, Council, and Commissioner Announcements (15 minutes)**

- Ben Case - Office of the Mayor - If residents need him, contact him at [ben.case@dc.gov](mailto:ben.case@dc.gov); camera rebate program update, go to website and apply (open for select PSAs 302, 303, 305) office of victim service and office grants (<http://ovsjg.dc.gov>). Homeward DC update: 10th and V St. facility.
- 1B Commissioners - None
- Councilmember Brianne Nadeau - Quarterly update: hearings and testimonies about government agencies. Thanked new commissioners and EC members. Ward 1 annual status report handouts highlighting past year

activities. Made sure to ask questions submitted by constituents regarding ABRA, DCRA, public safety. Want to make sure school on Euclid will get resources despite renovation in 2019. Introduced two bills: attorney general/ to hold landlords accountable for neglect and use liens to take care of affected residents, task force on street harassment (similar to WMATA's model). The Paid Family Bill to move forward for 16 (may be 12) weeks of paid leave when adding a child, family illness, etc. Crime bill passed (MPD to have all tools needed to address crime). PIVS (has general info) and the newer system for permit statuses is down for the moment. The Better Basic Business is now available online and the process to complete RAD (rent control exemptions) form is in process.

## **Roll Call**

### **Commissioners Present:**

Brian Footer (1B01)  
Ellen Sullivan (1B02)  
Sedrick Muhammad (1B03)  
LaKisha Brown (1B04)  
Nathan Ackerman (1B05)  
David Gilliland (1B06)  
Jessica Smith (1B07)  
James Turner (1B09)  
Robb Hudson (1B11)  
John Green (1B12)

### **Commissioners Absent:**

Mark Ranslem (1B08)  
Amanda Bonam (1B10)

*Chairperson Turner observed the presence of a quorum of 10 of 12 Commissioners and called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.*

### **Approval of Agenda**

Action: Commissioner Turner asked to approve the January 2016 Meeting Minutes.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

### **Consent Agenda**

Action: Commissioner Turner moved to accept February meeting minutes as written.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Action: Commissioner Footer moved to accept the budget reprogramming - \$1500 for website improvements

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

### **Executive Committee Reports (5 minutes)**

#### **ABR Committee (7 minutes)**

Upcoming License Renewals

Pub Crawl Rules

**Recommendation:** That the ANC publicize the proposed Pub Crawl rules and encourage commissioners and members of the public to write and participate ahead of the March 11 deadline for written testimony.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

**Transportation Committee (7 minutes)**

Howard Theater Sidewalk Cafe (1B01) - 620 T Street NW #10196659

**Recommendation:** Approval of the sidewalk cafe application for the Howard Theater with the stipulation that the left and right configurations be switched on either side of the building entrance. Include that chairs and tables must be put up after business hours (in zoning agreement)

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Handicapped Parking Space (1B09)

**Recommendation:** Approval pending DDOT site review and final approval.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Commissioner Gilliland announced resignation as Chair for Transportation Committee and will serve as vice chair. Current member Joshua Nader has accepted the role as Chair.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

**Public Safety and Safety Engagement Committee - Update (5 minutes)**

Recap: Hosting another crime prevention summit again (new name in the making), create tables for departments so that community members can go to specific tables for questions or info. Want to make it more family oriented and include a presentation from someone in crime prevention. Also focus on health related programs (CPU, blood pressure checks).

Community clean-up day (how to engage community more). Have members elect area that needs to be cleaned.

Have more presence in the community with booths and activities as well as provide info about ANC.

Commissioners identify areas where to host events, combine meetings with tenant associations.

Website updates to include more information

Follow-up juvenile town hall meeting with OAG.

**Economic Development Committee - Update (5 minutes)**

Meeting on March 7th at 7pm (doors open at 6:30 pm) at the DC Housing Finance Agency (9th and U St). In depth discussion about the proposed homeless family shelter on 10th and V.

Public comment period about bike lanes on 6th or 9th streets, ends on March 15th.

**Zoning, Preservation and Development Committee (5 minutes)**

Chair Patrick Nelson announced that the vice chair resigned. Commissioners are welcome to apply for position.

1813 12<sup>th</sup> St NW (R4) – HPRB Case #16-140, Hearing Date 2/25/16

**Recommendation:** Full ANC support to HPRB of the design/concept review for the rear addition at 1813 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

2233 10<sup>th</sup> St NW (R5B) Appearing before BZA Case #19223 - 5Design Development/Samantha Mazo, Hearing Date 3/22/16

**Recommendation:** Full ANC support to BZA for application for variances from floor area ratio requirements, nonconforming structure requirements for addition of third floor at 2233 10<sup>th</sup> St. NW.

10 yays, 1 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

944 Westminster St NW (R4) – HPRB Case #15-630 - Redwood Ventures/Ramy Ali, Hearing Date 2/25/16

**Recommendation:** Full ANC not support the application of 944 Westminster St. NW before HPRB for design/concept review for a rear addition at this time due to questions about unresolved illegal construction issues or until they can show they have been cleared. Make the motion ANC to oppose the application to have DCRA do an inspection and allow for neighbors concerns about holes and issues to be addressed and cleared.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

2803 Sherman Ave NW (R-4) - BZA Case #19202 - Alon Echhaus/Aseel Albanna, Hearing Date 3/1/16

**Recommendation:** Full ANC support for the BZA application for special exemptions for lot coverage, for the open court strongly supporting retaining the existing footprint and variance for the penthouse at 2803 Sherman Ave NW.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

ANC Letter of Support for the Howard University Dialysis Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application. To add six stations to existing 24 stations (accommodate more patients and earlier appointments).

**Recommendation:** Full support of ANC.

Motion passes with unanimous consent.

#### **New Business**

Commissioner Green wanted to recognize Mr. Garcia

#### **Adjourn**

*Chairperson Turner adjourned the meet at 8:46PM.*