

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B

Government of the District of Columbia

Minutes

Wednesday, January 4, 2009, 7 PM, 1200 Florida Avenue NW

The regular monthly meeting of ANC1B was held on Wednesday, January 4, 2009, at 7:00 pm in the Housing Finance Agency Building, Commissioner Smith being present as Chair, and Commissioner Nadeau present as Secretary. Other Commissioners present: Akinmboni, Moss, Conklin, Raia, Muhammad, Thomas, Lopez, Ferrer, and Anderson Holness.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm and asked for introductions.

Election of Officers

Commissioner Conklin nominated Brianne Nadeau for the position of Chairman. Chairman Smith nominated Myla Moss for the position of Chairman as well. Chairman Smith moved to close the nominations for the Chairman position of ANC1B. Commissioner Anderson Holness seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0. Commissioner Nadeau received seven votes and Commissioner Moss received four votes. Brianne Nadeau was elected as the new Chairman of ANC1B.

Chairman Nadeau called for nominations for Vice Chairman of ANC1B. Commissioner Moss nominated Commissioner Anderson Holness and Commissioner Thomas nominated Commissioner Conklin. Commissioner Conklin was elected to the position of Vice Chairman in a vote of 6-5.

Chairman Nadeau called for nominations for the position of Treasurer of ANC1B. She nominated Commissioner Juan Lopez. Commissioner Lopez was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Chairman Nadeau called for nominations for the position of Secretary of ANC1B. Commissioner Smith nominated Commissioner E. Gail Anderson Holness. Commissioner E. Gail Anderson-Holness was elected Secretary by acclamation.

Officer's Reports

Chairman Nadeau presented the minutes from the December meeting for approval. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Lopez moved that ANC1B approve a check for \$249.36 to Philip Spalding for office supplies. Chairman Nadeau seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0. Commissioner

Lopez moved approval of the January Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Conklin seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

ANC Fund Participation

Commissioner Lopez moved that ANC1B authorize a \$25.00 payment to the Treasurer of the Security Fund January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009. Commissioner Moss seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Moss gave a Public Safety Committee Report. She announced that the Secret Service and the Metropolitan Police Department will have a community meeting on January 8, 2009 at 6:30pm at the Convention Center. The meeting is a time for community residents to receive an update on the inauguration events. The Public Safety Committee is working on a safety plan for the community. They welcome any input from the community. The Public Safety Committee meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Housing Finance Agency Building.

Commissioner Smith stated that the Design Committee will be developing guidelines like Montgomery County to keep a historic feel in the community.

Commissioner Moss discussed the formation of an ABC/ABRA Committee. Phil Spalding spoke from the audience to notify the Commission that a committee already exists. Commissioner Nadeau called for nominations for the position of Chairman of the committee. Philip Spalding and Peter Raia were nominated. Commissioner Raia was named the new Chairman of the ABC/ABRA Committee after Mr. Spalding declined.

Office Space Resolution

Chairman Nadeau presented a resolution requesting office space for ANC1B. Nadeau resolved that in accordance with Section 1-309.13Q of the DC Code, that ANC1B requests that the Mayor provides the Commission with suitable office space in a District owned or leased building located within the Commission's boundaries. If no such space is available within the Commission's boundaries, the Commission requests a space located within the boundaries of Ward One. Finally, if a District owned or leased office space cannot be provided, the Commission requests the Mayor to reprogram funds up to \$600 per month to cover rental of office space of the Commission. Commissioner Conklin seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

Community Events and Announcements

Commission

- LeDroit Park Civic Association Public Safety Walk- Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 6:30pm at the Anna J. Cooper Circle

- January 21, 2009- South Columbia Heights Neighborhood Association monthly meeting at the Josephine Butler Parks Center 2437 15th Street, NW
- SMD 1B January 15, 2009 LeDroit Senior Building located at 2125 4th Street, NW

Community

- Cardozo Shaw Neighborhood Association meeting January 8, 2009 at the Saloon
- MidCity Business Association is working proactively with MPD on the inaugural activities to find out which establishments will have extended hours.
- Stand Up for Democracy mobilizing community for DC statehood. Call Michael Brown for signs for statehood at 202-330-3579.

Consent Agenda

There was not a consent agenda this month.

Presentations

- Chairman Nadeau moved that the presentation by the Board for the Condemnation of Unsanitary Buildings Vacant Property Unit be postponed until next month. Commissioner Conklin seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.
- Antonio Scott the Executive Director for DC Baseball made a presentation to give the Commission and the community information about the program.

BZA, HPRB, DDOT Applications

Commissioner Lopez moved that ANC1B write a letter of support to application 17907 for the Embassy of Spain located at 2801 16th Street, NW. Commissioner Conklin seconded the motion. After some discussion, Commissioner Nadeau moved to amend the motion to include a recommendation that the applicant meet with the South Columbia Heights Neighborhood association. Commissioner Ferrer seconded the motion. Commissioner Ferrer moved to amend the current motion to include that the letter of support for the Embassy of Spain be **conditional** upon their meeting with the South Columbia Heights Neighborhood Association. Commissioner Thomas seconded the amendment. The motion was adopted 9-1-1.

ABRA Applications

Commissioner Raia moved that a review of Indulj be postponed until the next meeting. Chairman Nadeau seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0. Commissioner Moss moved that the Commission support Towne's application to extend alcohol services and operations for Sunday, January 18, 2009- Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0. Chairman Nadeau moved that the ANC1B approve in block the applications to extend alcohol services and operations during the inaugural weekend for

DC9, Jin, International Grill, the Republic, Marvin, and Asmara Café. Commissioner Moss seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

Grant Applications

Commissioner Anderson Holness moved that ANC1B approve grant 09-07 request of \$1000 for Howard University Community Association. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

New Business

Commissioner Moss asked that ABRA, Zoning Board, Historic Preservation, and DDot come before the Commission and make a presentation to the community. Commissioner Conklin asked that the discussion of an Executive Director and other staff be placed on the agenda for February.

Commissioner Muhammad asked that ANC1B move the Public Safety Committee meeting closer to certain SMDs.

Scott Pomeroy asked ANC1B for a letter of support for the Columbia Heights Green Team. Commissioner Moss moved that ANC1B provide a letter of support for the Columbia Heights Green Team Project. Commissioner Anderson Holness seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

Chairman Raia moved to amend the motion for the extension of hours requests for inauguration weekend to include substantial changes to the entertainment endorsements of International Grill, DC9, Asmara, Towne, the Republic, Marvin, and Jin. Commissioner Conklin seconded the motion. The motion was adopted 11-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.