



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B

**Minutes**

**Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
7:00pm, Reeves Center, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street N.W.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B occurred on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014, at 7:00pm at the Reeves Center, Commissioner James Turner was present as chair.

**Commissioners Present:**

Ricardo Reinoso (1B05)  
Dyana Forester (1B06)  
Juan Lopez (1B07)  
Mark Ranslem (1B08)  
James A. Turner (1B09)  
Allyson Carpenter (1B10)  
E. Gail Anderson Holness (1B11)  
Zahra Jilani (1B12)

**Commissioners absent:**

Marc Morgan (1B01)  
Jeremy Leffler (1B02)  
Sedrick Muhammad (1B03)  
Deborah Thomas (1B04)

*Chairperson James Turner did not observe the presence of quorum and called the meeting to order informally at 7:00pm.*

**Announcements**

James Turner opens up community announcements.

DC Legendary Musicians Legends of Jazz concert

Paul Robeson mural at 1351 U St.

Lauran Wilson Phelan announcement

Frank Maduro- Walk the Neighborhood initiative, [Frank.Maduro@dc.gov](mailto:Frank.Maduro@dc.gov)  
-Mack Thompson Memorial, September 13 @ 11 AM at 1480 Girard Street

Luke Burns- United DC Coalition outreach on proposal

*Quorum was reached at 7:21 PM.*

**Approval of Agenda**

**Action:** Chairman Turner moves to add Cloud Settlement Agreement, 13<sup>th</sup> and U Streetscape by JBG, and the Paul Robeson mural at 1351 U St.

**Action:** Chairman Turner motions to approve the Agenda.

Vote: Motions passes with unanimous consent.

**Action:** Commissioner Anderson-Holness moves to accept budget.

Vote: Motion passes with unanimous consent.

### **Commissioner Announcements**

E Gail Anderson-Holness- invites community to come to Morehouse v. Howard football game, and Howard Homecoming. Announces candidacy for State Board of Education

Allyson Carpenter- Howard University Student Association Community Basketball Tournament

Zahra Jilani- Stop Diabetes Village September 27 at Freedom Plaza 11-3, register at [www.diabetes.org/stopdiabetesvillage](http://www.diabetes.org/stopdiabetesvillage)

Ricardo Reinoso- Thanks to notable members of community for help with the fire at 1429 Belmont St

Dyana Forester- Invited principal of Duke Ellington to the meeting, he couldn't make it to this meeting but will be at the next one. Also requested DDOT to put a stopsign, cones, or a crossing guard for the school on 11<sup>th</sup> Street

### **Officer Report**

**Action:** Anderson-Holness moves to approve the FY2015 1B budget.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motions passes with unanimous consent.

Commissioner Anderson-Holness provides update on Community and Church Task Force

### **Committee Reports**

#### **ABC Committee**

*Nick Baumann presents the ABC report*

Cloud Settlement Agreement approved at August 2014 hearing was modified, existing hours modified. No action taken from Commission on this issue at this hearing.

#### **Crème (CR License) 2436 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (1B05)**

**Action:** Reinoso moves to support the ABC committee's decision to protest Crème on peace order and quiet.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

**Gallagher & Graham (A License) 2120 Vermont Avenue, NW (1B02)**

**Action:** Jilani moves to support Gallagher & Graham's application for a liquor license and the Settlement Agreement as written.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent

**Eleven Market (B License) 1936 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (1B02)**

**Action:** Anderson-Holness moves to support the settlement agreement as written.

Vote: Motion dies for lack of a second.

**Action:** Reinoso moves to protest Eleven Market's application on the basis of peace order and quiet.

Vote: 7 ayes, 1 nay, 0 abstentions. Motion passes

*Commissioners Turner and Anderson-Holness leave at 8:17pm (6 of 12 Commissioners present; currently no quorum).*

**Wet Dog Tavern 2100 Vermont Ave. NW, (1B02)**

*Commissioners Turner and Anderson-Holness return at 8:20pm (8 of 12 Commissioners present; currently quorum reestablished).*

**Action:** Jilani moves to protest Wet Dog Tavern on the basis of peace, order, and quiet.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention. Motion passes.

**Commissioner Anderson-Holness Resolution**

**Action:** Anderson-Holness moves to call for Jeremy Leffler (1B02) to formally resign.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

**Cloud**

**Action:** Jilani moves to support the changed settlement agreement for Cloud.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

**Design Review Committee**

*Lela Winston gave the Design Review Committee report.*

**919 T Street, NW (1B02)**

**\*Commissioner E. Gail Anderson-Holness requested that a note be made that**

**Action:** Commissioner Anderson-Holness moves that this item be placed in in abeyance until 1B has time to review it.

Vote: Motion dies for lack of second.

**Action:** Lopez moves to support approval of special exception to permit two-story rear addition under section 223.

Vote: 7 ayes, 1 nay, 0 abstentions motion passes.

INSERTION INTO THE RECORD: Statement by Commissioner Holness: I think we're making decisions—and I want to go on record as saying this—that we are making decisions based on information that will impact our community, and we-re making them ostensibly, without having a review of the information. And if we don't have a Commissioner in place, it puts us at bay to make decisions on information we have no knowledge of. I think we need to be more considerate of the community than to make these kinds of decisions ostensibly. And if we're going to do that, then I don't want to be party to that.

#### **Portner Place 1441-1449 U Street, NW (1B10)**

**Action:** Jilani moves that 1B support Portner Place's reliefs on living requirements, providing retail parking, compact parking space requirements, roof structure requirements, closed court requirements, relief from zoning design standards and increase in FAR.

Vote: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Commissioners Forester and Holness leave at 9:17pm (6 of 12 Commissioners present; quorum is lost).  
Commissioner Forester returns at 9:18pm (7 of 12 Commissioners present; quorum is reestablished).

#### **2737 Sherman Avenue, NW (1B09)**

**Action:** Turner moves to support approval of exception.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

#### **1429 W Street, NW (1B04)**

**Action:** Forester moves to not support the HPRB application.

**ROLL CALL:** Reinoso votes No.  
Forester votes Yes.  
Lopez votes No.  
Ranslem votes Yes.  
Turner votes No.  
Carpenter votes Yes.  
Jilani votes Yes.

Vote: 4 ayes, 3 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes.

#### **1829 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW (1B10)**

**Action:** Jilani moves to support proposed roof deck addition and mezzanine level.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

#### **Mural on 1351 U Street**

**Action:** Jilani moves to support the mural on 1351 U Street NW.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

## **Transportation Committee**

*Ben Klemens gave the Transportation Committee report*

### **13<sup>th</sup> & U Street, NW (JBG)**

**Action:** Jilani makes a motion to support JBG's initial public space plan for 13<sup>th</sup> & U street, conditional on JBG working with the ANC on enhancements, potentially including planters and beautification.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Transportation committee will release a report on streetcars in October, but need to keep an eye on the project to ensure it is carried out.

*Commissioner Forester leaves at 9:57pm (6 of 12 Commissioners present; no quorum).*

## **Grants Committee**

No grants at this time.

## **Policy Committee**

*Commissioner Ranslem provides report*

September 27 workshop on zoning basics regarding R4 Zoning Proposal from 9am-12pm at Carlos Rosario School

## **Economic Development**

*Commissioner Ranslem provides report*

8<sup>th</sup> and T Street will hold a public hearing

## **Community Engagement**

*Commissioner Carpenter provides update*

Carpenter is working on a 90-day initiative to improve the design of the website. Also working with Howard University student community to connect athletes with the elderly. Athletes and students will be available to assist elderly with things like leaf collection, snow shoveling, groceries, etc.

## **Adjournment**

Turner moves to adjourn. Motion passes by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15pm