

ANC 7B Community Meeting
Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church 3000 Pennsylvania Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20020
Tuesday, April 21, 2020 6:30 pm
Via Zoom Video/Conference Call

MINUTES

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners Present:

Patricia Howard-Chittams 7B01
Tiffany L. Brown - 7B02
Nicole Smith-McDermott - 7B04
Villareal Johnson – 7B05
April Pradier – 7B06
Lynnell Humphrey – 7B07

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Chairman Humphrey. A quorum was achieved at 6:33 with five of the six Commissioners present at that time. All Commissioners who attended the meeting were present by 6:50 pm.

MEETING AGENDA APPROVAL

A motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Commissioner Howard-Chittams and seconded by Commissioner Smith-McDermott. Motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

A motion to approve the February 20, 2020 meeting minutes with noted corrections was made by Commissioner Howard-Chittams and seconded by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the March 26, 2020 meeting minutes with noted corrections was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Howard-Chittams. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer’s report for February 2020 and March 2020 was made by Commissioner Howard-Chittams and seconded by Commissioner Smith-McDermott. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the second quarter quarterly report was made by Commissioner Howard-Chittams and seconded by Commissioner Pradier. Motion carried

Commissioner Howard-Chittams noted that the bills for 2020 for Commission 7B have not been paid. She further stated that “We need to pay our bills.”

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Commissioner Johnson, secretary assume responsible at 15:45. Commissioner Brown managed the minutes the first portion of the meeting.

NEW ACTION ITEMS

Public Space Applications #351-001 & 357-063

Motion to approve PSA #351-001 – Commissioner Smith McDermott seconded by Commission Chittams-
Motion carries

Motion to approve PSA #357-063 –Commissioner Smith McDermott seconded by Commissioner Brown
Motion carries

Good Hope Market Place

Commissioner Johnson updated the body and community on the Good Hope Market Place management company's advocacy on Safeway regarding inclusion in B23-0086 Supermarket Tax Incentive Eligibility Area Amendment Act of 2019.

The Commission will look into developing a CBA with community leadership around this matter, partnering with Councilmember Vincent Gray's Office.

Ms. Sheila Brown provided an update on the ANC Security Fund participation. ANC7B was accepted, not able to write checks. A stop payment has been issued for lost check 6119 issued on 12/20.

Commissioner Crane matters were tabled; The Neighborhood Development Minnesota Ave, and The Highland Entertainment Center's settlement agreement.

The Highland Entertainment Center's Settlement Agreement has been postponed updated by Commissioner Brown.

WARD 7 COUNCILMEMBER UPDATE

Councilmember Gray pledged support to aid ANC 7B in establishing a meeting with Safeway & ANC 7B issues with Good Hope Market Place Management

COVID-19 Update:

Stats 3,098 positive cases in DC, 112 deaths, 77% of death African Americans

Shared resources Support and food essentials 1-888-349-6323; Domestic Violence 1-844-443-5732; Senior Services 202-224-5626

Ward 7 food sharing sites, Kelly Miller; Tuesday 12:30-2:30; HD Woodson, Wednesday, 12:30-2:30, Kimball, Thursday, 12:30-2:30

Councilmember Vincent Gray Support for Penn Ave Main Street – Community leaders “around Pennsylvania Avenue” organized and requested of the Councilmember to place a 10 million dollar set aside in the 2021 budget.

Update on St Elizabeth Site

Loss of life, 47 persons infected; protocols in place to keep people safe, 27 persons in isolation, 4 in quarantine, 9 out of 12 units on quarantine; requested plan from DBA on COVID-19 response.

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COVID-19 Testing call 1-855-363-0330; DC residents can be tested for free; UMC is a testing site.
Long Term Care Facilities CEO Meeting- Councilmember is looking to keep the vulnerable population safe.

June 2nd Primary Update

Ballots need to be requested and by May 26th; to request by phone contact 202-741-5283

Q/A

Question regarding convention center usage as a hospital; CM will follow up with a response and answer

MPD PSA Crime Stat Presentation

LT. Preston - overall crime is down; Crime stats can be acquired from MPD upon request.

Commissioner Brown raised concerns with on behalf of resident on the 1700 block of 29th street
Commissioner Chittams raised concerns regarding the 2900 block of M street. MPD explained the process of enforcing social distancing orders.

Mayor’s Office

Wesley Leary, Ward 7 MOCR provide an update regarding DDOT- Sidewalk extension request protocols and DOES update on unemployment filings.

Commissioner Chittams gave a presentation on the proper use and disposal of PPE.

Constituent Thennie Freeman asked for assistance with a speed hump request. Commissioner Humphrey will resolve for her.

Commissioner Johnson announced that HCCA will meet virtually for May.

I Dream PCS announced that they will be located in East Washington Heights Baptist Church.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm

Submitted by:

Commissioner Villareal Johnson – 7B05
Secretary

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