

**7B-ANC Monthly Meeting  
Ryland Epworth United Methodist Church  
3200 S St SE, Washington, DC 20020  
Thursday, April 18, 2019  
6:30pm**

**MINUTES**

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners Present:

- Patricia Howard-Chittams - 7B01
- Tiffany L. Brown - 7B02
- Benjamin Crane - 7B03
- Nicole Smith-McDermott - 7B04
- Villareal "VJ" Johnson - 7B05
- April Pradier - 7B06
- D. L. Humphrey - 7B07

Agenda amended and approved:

Amendments were made to the agenda including: tabling of Treasurer's Report, adding Resolution to Ensure Full, Fair, and Equitable Funding for Ward 7 DCPS Schools, pushing BZA case #19984 back one month. Commissioner Brown moved that the agenda be accepted as amended. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from March 21st:

Commissioner Howard-Chittams moved that the minutes from the previous meeting be accepted. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Tabled.

Police Reports

Lieutenant Jamieson gave a presentation on police reports. Commissioner Howard-Chittams asked for an update on 911 call tracking and escalating violence at 32nd and M. Commissioner Brown asked about the police response to 28th and S Place where officers did not exit their vehicles to investigate, and ticket statistics for the enforcement of 7am-9:30am Do Not Enter on 30th and Alabama Ave SE. Commissioner Humphrey asked about R St and Randle Highlands.

Moment of Silence for Amin Muslim

Invited Speakers

Chancellor Ferebee had a scheduling conflict and was unable to attend.

Action Items

**BZA Case #20008**

**3233 Ely Place SE - Toye Bello**

Asking for relief for minimum lot requirements to build 3 single family 3 story townhouses on property consisting of lots 32-34. Case will be heard on May 15th.

Razing existing property on Lot 34

Application is submitted, neighbors did not object.

All 3 will be stick built buildings with brick.

9 months to complete, 90 days until project is expected to start

Property is R-3, minimum lot area is 2000 square feet.

Property is building at the edge of the sidewalk but will still have yard space in the back.

Commissioner Howard-Chittams moved that the case be approved. The motion passed.

**Relocation of ANC 7B Meetings**

Commissioner Howard-Chittams presented on the contract from First Baptist Church on 3440 Minnesota Ave SE. The church has an elevator and a parking lot. Food would not be permitted without amending the contract. Speaker system would be kept in pastor's office. Cost would be \$125/month for holding one public meeting there, executive meeting would need to be held elsewhere.

Commissioner Johnson presented on a contract with Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church (PABC) on 3000 Pennsylvania Ave SE. Cost would be \$100/month for one public meeting, possible to hold executive meeting there without additional cost. Has a parking lot with lighting.

Community and commissioner concerns included: theft from cars, public transportation to reach FBC, which floor of the building will be used, audio equipment, and the name the contract is registered under.

Commissioner Howard-Chittams moved that ANC 7B monthly meetings be held at First Baptist Church on every other month with meetings held at Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church. The motion failed.

Commissioner Howard-Chittams moved that ANC 7B hold general public meetings at Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church beginning in June. The motion passed.

**Porchfest Grant Request**

The grant, in the amount of \$750, would provide funds to cover the cost of printing promotional materials for the event. Commissioner Johnson moved that the ANC approve the grant request. The motion passed.

## **Police Proclamation**

Commissioner Humphrey and Commissioner Johnson presented the draft resolution to meeting attendees and asked for community input. Th

## Community Concerns

Eboni-Rose Thompson, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education

Ms. Thompson presented and spoke in support of the Resolution to Ensure Full, Fair, and Equitable Funding for Ward 7 DCPS Schools. Cuts were made to DCPS budget but have not been finalized. There is a rally on April 25th. The funding formula was not addressed because the formula can't specify different formulas for different schools and adjusting it won't address lack of funding for schools in Ward 7.

Commissioner Howard-Chittams moved that the ANC support the Resolution to Ensure Full, Fair, and Equitable Funding for Ward 7 DCPS Schools. The motion passed.

Joseph Snyder -

Would like to invite the Neighborhood Development Company to May's meeting  
Minnesota Ave and 27th St real estate development,  
Make request to DDOT for parallel parking on Minnesota Avenue SE.

Monica Hopkins -

Would like to get DDOT to perform a traffic assessment for Eagle Academy.  
A young person was hit while walking in the crosswalk at 25th and Naylor, near the location of the new school. Commissioner Crane moved that ANC write a letter to support the traffic assessment. The motion passed.

Ms. Tilghman -

There is a solar farm being built behind her house. It's by right development but the nearby community does not approve of the project.

## Special Committee Reports

Tabled.

## Commissioner's Roundtable

Improvements on Southern Avenue corridor have begun now instead of in June 2019.

Renewal of ABRA license for Wah Sing

Ask for improvements to exterior and more efforts to keep the back of the restaurant clean after multiple fines were issued by Department of Public Works.

DDOT is replacing water mains in front of Lutheran church at 33rd and Alabama  
Repaving 27th St from Naylor to Texas

Alliance of Concerned Men reached out to Commissioner Howard-Chittams and offered their volunteer support for any organizations or activities.

Commissioner Humphrey will be having community walk throughs starting next month.

Announcements

Stephanie Tulowetzke

4th annual affordable housing town hall on May 11th, 2019 (Saturday)

Adjourn

Commissioner Brown moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed.