

ANC 5C Monthly Meeting October 20, 2009

Meeting began at 7:16 pm

Meeting Minutes: Commissioner Pinkney not present for distribution of minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Featured Presentations:

Elizabeth Price, President, NoMa Business District, presented the NoMa plan, project and progress update.

Comm. Wright -- suggested that we meet at the Marriott Courtyard. Her SMD abuts NoMa and she felt that we all need to be in contact with each other.

Comm. Grant -- expressed that we seldom focus on night life and wanted to know if there were going to be any restrictions on the clubs in the area.

Elizabeth Price informed us that NoMa has already worked with the clubs in the area on the crime and noise.

Comm. Grant -- suggested that NoMa obtain same kind of partnership with clubs in the area.

Comm. Wright -- questioned if Heidi's deli closed.

Elizabeth Price responded that the deli did not close.

New Business:

Mr. J. Brimson discussed collocating all of the DC Cablevision Division in McKinley Technical High School and requested a resolution from the Commission. Comcast provides McKinley students the opportunity to do some amazing things with the DC Office of Cablevision. Mr. Erick Richardson, Director of DC Cable TV.

Comm. Wright – Why did you come to McKinley?

Mr. Brimson responded that students will be active in the studios. Students can work in the tech field, radio, Tech, IT.

Comm. Wright – What about community people?

Comm. Grant – Is there a media program at the school?

Mr. Brimson expressed that the program leans more toward journalism that gets into the camera and production.

Chairman Bonds – What kind of funding do you receive?

Mr. Brimson – We do not receive funds from the DC government.

Comm. Ransom – Will that office provide service to customers?

Mr. Brimson – They help mediate with the customer if problems arise.

Comm. Wright -- Parking is an issue if there is a game.

Comm. Daneker motioned to support BACA Tree Box grant approval for \$5,520. Second and passed 9-0-1 abstained – Chairman Bonds.

Comm. Salatti believes the grant is too much money and paying for stamps sets precedence.

Chairman Bonds – Previous Commissions have paid for stamps.

Comm. Pinkney motioned to support grant for 5,000 Tulips on R Street, NW (\$1,400). Second and passed 9-0-1 abstained – Comm. Salatti.

Dr. Perkins, President, World Missions requested a \$7,900 grant.

Comm. Wright – Former Fairfield project construction will start early next year.

BZA approval for 2030 North Capitol Street NW. Mr. Robert Stoley requested approval of a variance for 691 square feet.

Chairman Bonds requested that Mr. Stoley obtain petition signatures from residents and return to the Committee of the Whole special meeting on November 10, 2009.

Comm. Pinkney presented resolutions in opposition to the Latin American Youth Center occupying the JF Cook Elementary school from the Hanover Place Civic Association, Bates civic Association, and the Dunbar Shaw Homeowner's Association.

Comm. Pinkney motioned to have the Commission vote in opposition to the Latin American Youth Center occupying the JF Cook Elementary school. Motion second and passed unanimously by all Commissioners in attendance.

Mr. Norwood from the Mayor's office discussed the Mayor's walk-thru with the Department of Parks and Recreation at 3:00 pm on November 9th. The Florida Avenue Park and the New York Park are slated to be redesigned. The walk-thru begins at 1st and Florida Avenue, NW. The billboards at New Jersey Avenue and P Street, NW were slated to come down on Monday. A restricting order was placed against the DC government.

B&V Food Mart requested the Commissions support for a temporary class B license.

Chairman Bonds requested that Mr. Yemane Berhane obtain petition signatures from residents and return to the Committee of the Whole special meeting on November 10, 2009.

Comm. Daneker motioned to vote on a resolution in support of Bill 18-482, Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 2009. Second

Comm. Ransom – We should stick to the basics of the law, what law is this based on that can give this great weight.

Chairman Bonds suggested that the resolution could be amended.

Mr. Therman Walker representing the North Capitol Collaborative requested a letter of support from the Commission to keep the collaborative services in this community.

Comm. Pinkney motioned to support the work the Northwest Collaborative had done in the community over the years. Motion second and passed unanimously.

Chairman Bonds requested that Mr. Walker work with Commissioner Pinkney to prepare a resolution for the Committee of the Whole meeting on November 10, 2009.