

## **ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1C**

**Adams Morgan**

### **Minutes of October 3, 2012**

A regularly scheduled meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C was held on October 3, 2012 at Mary's Center. Chairman Wilson Reynolds called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Approximately 20 members of the public attended.

In attendance were Commissioners Stacey Moyer (1C01), Martis Davis (1C02), Gabriella Mossi (1C04), Steve Lanning (1C06), Wilson Reynolds (1C07), and Kathie Boettrich (1C08).

#### **MPD & FEMS REPORT**

Sgt. Penn of MPD gave a crime report and provided an update on MPD actions

No FEMS report.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS**

Chairman Reynolds had no chairman's update.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Commissioner Boettrich moved for the approval of the July 18, 2012 ANC 1C Special Forum minutes. The motion was seconded and approved via voice vote.

Commissioner Boettrich moved for approval of the August 27, 2012 ANC 1C Special Forum minutes as amended to include the text of Commissioner Lanning's amendment. The motion was and approved by voice vote.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Boettrich postponed giving the Q4 Financial Report as a copy of the September 2012 minutes were necessary. The September ANC 1C meeting did not have a quorum of commissioners present, so no business was conducted and no minutes were written.

Commissioner Boettrich motion for approval of the FY2013 Budget. The motion was seconded, discussed, and approved via voice vote.

#### **COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Moyer announced that ANC 1C would be collecting household hazardous waste, electronics, and paper for shredding on November 3, 2012 from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the Marie Reed Learning Center.

## **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Lisa Duperier of Adams Morgan Main Street announced that Mayor Gray would be participating in AM Main Street's "Rediscover Adams Morgan" program on October 6 at noon at Pleasant Pops.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

DC Councilmember Michael A. Brown was the guest speaker for the evening. Mr. Brown answered questions from the audience.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. ABC & Public Safety**

- Commissioner Lanning announced that the next ABC Committee meeting would be October 17 at 7 PM at the Kalorama Recreation Center.

### **B. Public Services and the Environment**

- Commissioner Davis made a motion in support of the Adams Morgan BID's application before the DC Commission of the Arts & Humanities for the restoration of the Pueblo Desmuralizado Mural at Kogibow Bakery. No financial grant was given in support of the application because ANC 1C is currently in its grant restriction period. The motion was seconded, discussed, and approved via voice vote.
- Commissioner Davis invited the artist who is proposing a Colorscapes & Skywalking Public Art Project in Kalorama Park to attend the next Public Services Committee meeting on October 24.
- Representatives from DC Kickball discussed their use of Walter Pierce Park.

### **C. Planning, Zoning & Transportation**

- Commissioner Reynolds made a motion supporting Adams Morgan Main Street's Application to Restore the Historic Call Box at the southwest corner of Ontario and Kalorama. It was seconded, discussed, and approved via voice vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Reynolds made a motion to be reimbursed for the cost of WCP Ad for ANC Staff and photocopies. The motion was seconded, discussed, and approved via voice vote.

Commissioner Mossi made a motion in support of HPRB Application 10-21, Arthur & Mary Baker House, 1767 Lanier. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed via roll call vote.

Resolution in Support of the 2012 Application for Historic Landmark of the Baker House, 1797 Lanier Place, NW

WHEREAS, the Arthur and May Baker House (also known as the Edward J. Anderson House), located at 1767 Lanier Place, NW, is the oldest remaining building in the Lanier Heights subdivision having been built in 1884 by Edward J. Anderson, one of only two dwellings from the Lanier Heights' initial period of development;

WHEREAS, the 1912 update of the house by Arthur B. and May Baker reflects the Colonial Revival style that portrays the changes in the neighborhood at the turn of the century while largely maintaining the house's late-nineteenth-century structure;

WHEREAS, the house's former dwellers made significant contributions in the veterinary and medical sciences, architecture and the arts; to local and national institutions such as the Smithsonian's National Zoological Park and Columbian College (now George Washington University);

WHEREAS, the DC Preservation League, with support from EHT Traceries, Inc., has concluded that the Baker House is eligible for a) listing in the DC Inventory of Historic Sites under the criteria of History and Architecture and Urbanism, as well as b) listing on the National Register of Historic Places for Community Planning and Development and Architecture as the Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction.

WHEREAS, listing in the National Register of Historic Places provides recognition of the historic importance of such properties; certain federal tax credits for rehabilitation; tax deductions for charitable contributions for conservation purposes; and other provisions;

WHEREAS, a large majority of Lanier Heights neighbors have expressed support for the preservation of this structure, not only for its historical significance, but for the integral part it plays in keeping the character and integrity of the neighborhood;

WHEREAS, a large majority of Lanier Heights neighbors have expressed concern over the current plans to raze the property which could compromise the neighboring L'Anier Heights Firehouse, a Spanish Mission Revival style building attributed to Appleton P. Clark, built in 1908 and entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 2007.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANCIC supports the efforts of Lanier Heights neighbors and the DC Preservation League to nominate the Baker House as an eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANCIC authorizes the Chair of ANCIC to communicate this support to the DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) in time for HPRB's consideration at their hearing of October 25, 2012.

Aye: Davis, Mossi, Lanning, Reynolds

Nay: Moye, Kamanda, Boettrich

Abstain: 0

Commissioner Lanning made a motion regarding HPRB Application 12-611 regarding the Adams Morgan Hotel. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed via voice vote:

*Motion is made to authorize the Chair or Vice Chair of ANC 1C to communicate to HPRB the August 27 Resolution adopted by ANC 1C on the proposed hotel project associated with the First Church of Christ Scientist emphasizing the lack of opposition by ANC 1C on the reduction of the distance connecting the church to the proposed hotel structure.*

Commissioner Lanning motioned in support of the voluntary agreement between the ANC and Mellow Mushroom. The motion was seconded, discussed, and approved via voice vote.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:20, Commissioner Moye made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded and passed by voice vote.