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**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C
Adams Morgan
Minutes of February 1, 2017**

I. Call to Order and Introduction of the Commissioners

A regularly scheduled meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C was held on February 1, 2017 at Mary's Center. Chair Guthrie called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Approximately 35 members of the public attended. In attendance were Commissioners Amir Irani (1C01), Hector Huezo (1C02), Ted Guthrie (1C03), A. Tianna Scozzaro (1C04), Brendan Reardon (1C06), Wilson Reynolds (1C07), Amanda Fox Perry (1C08).

II. Officers' Reports

a. Chair's Report

Chair Guthrie had nothing to report.

b. Secretary's Report

i. Minutes for January 4, 2017 Meeting

Secretary Reardon moved to approve the minutes for the January 4, 2017 monthly ANC 1C meeting. Commissioner Huezo seconded the motion that then passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

c. Treasurer's Report

i. ANC Security Fund for 2017

Treasurer Scozzaro reported that ANC 1C will be submitting submit payment of \$25 for the ANC Security Fund for 2017.

ii. Allocation of funds for purchase of stamps

Treasurer Scozzaro moved to allocate \$25 to purchase postage stamps for ANC business. Commissioner Reardon seconded the motion that passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

III. Commissioner Announcements

- Commissioner Guthrie announced that a new school accountability system draft has been released for comment and a meeting on the subject would take place at Cardozo High School on Tuesday, February 7. He said comments can be submitted online and those interested could contact him for more information.
- Commissioner Guthrie also announced that the city would do one last pick-up of Christmas trees, and after that residents could call 311 for pick-ups.
- Commissioner Guthrie said brochures from the Office of Tax and Revenue were on the back table with information about electronic filing of tax returns and that returns for tax year 2016 were now being processed.

- Commissioner Reardon announced that a new ANC 1C website was being launched and it would be in transition for the next couple of days. He asked members of the public to let the Commissioners know if they are having problems accessing information on the site.
- Commissioner Huezo announced that there would be a panel discussion on the Paid Family Leave Act at Busboys and Poets on 14th Street on Monday, February 6.
- Commissioner Reynolds announced that the Office of the People's Counsel would hold a briefing on February 6 on the function of their office as an advocate for consumers of utility services.

IV. DC Water presentation

April Bingham of DC Water gave a presentation on an upcoming project to replace water meters and meter transmitting units (MTUs) that send information to DC Water. She said the project will begin in Wards 1 and 4 and is projected to be completed by June 2018. Ms. Bingham said that workers will have credentials; most meters are accessible without entering people's homes; most won't involve any service interruption; any interruptions will be no more than 15 minutes or so; and if the devices require access, residents will be contacted and scheduled.

V. Public Announcements / Comments

- Shinada Phillips, the Ward 1 liaison from Mayor Bowser's office, announced that the DC Department of Public Works would be collecting trees and leaves that week; Mayor Bowser would hold a forum on the FY 18 budget on Monday, February 27 at the Columbia Heights Educational Campus; that a public safety survey is available for comments online; and, that there would be upcoming public forums on the District Department of Transportation's Vision Zero program to reduce pedestrian fatality.
- Joe Blackburne, co-chair of the DC Department of Motor Vehicles Citizens Advisory Committee, announced that another citizen representative was needed from Ward 1. He said the advisory committee acts as a liaison between residents and the DMV and is responsible for sharing diverse viewpoints. He said the committee meets every other month.
- Denis James, president of the Kalorama Citizens' Association, announced that KCA would be holding a meeting on February 16th at the Goodwill Baptist Church and that Councilmember Elissa Silverman would be there. He said there may be a discussion of the drug disposal law.
- Cliff Smith, an Adams Morgan resident, commented on the Latino history of Adams Morgan and asked about preservation of the handprints of Latino singers outside a former record store on Columbia Road. Commissioner Reynolds answered that he negotiated a memorandum of understanding with the developers of that property to preserve the façade with the handprints. Commissioner Huezo thanked Mr. Smith for his concern for Adams Morgan history.
- Commissioner Reynolds recognized Gottlieb Simon, Executive Director of the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commission; and Alan Roth, a former chair of ANC 1C, who were in attendance.

VI. February Committee Meeting Agendas

- Commissioner Irani announced that the next ABC and Public Safety Committee agenda would include the monthly police report; alcohol license applications from the Federalist Pig and Pitango; and a settlement agreement with the Bottle Shop if an agreement is ready.
- Commissioner Reynolds announced that the next Planning, Zoning, and Transportation Committee agenda would include a presentation from representatives from DC Water and DDOT to address the water leaking onto the street at 2307 Champlain Street.
- Commissioner Huezo announced that the next Public Services and the Environment Committee agenda would include continued work on implementation of recommendations from the Envision

Adams Morgan documents and a review of proposals for a mural on the PEPCO substation on Champlain Street.

VII. Scheduled Business

a. Planning, Zoning, and Transportation Committee

i. Preliminary Results from Traffic Study of Belmont and Kalorama Roads

Emily Dalphy from DDOT presented findings of the traffic study of the 1800 blocks Belmont Road NW and Kalorama Road NW, including options for making one or both streets one way. Ms. Dalphy said DDOT would like to get more input from neighbors, especially from those on Kalorama Road since the request originated from residents of Belmont Road. She said the next step would be to issue a notice of intent, followed by an official 30-day comment period. She provided her email address (Emily.dalphy@dc.gov) for questions and comments.

Ms. Dalphy said the notice of intent would be sent to the ANC with a request for feedback and with the expectation that the ANC would notify residents of the opportunity for comments. Ms. Dalphy said that the recommendation to make Belmont one way was undecided but that DDOT is seeking more input from residents on Kalorama Road.

Commissioner Huezo asked Ms. Dalphy for more analysis on the impact west of 19th Street if Kalorama Road and Belmont Road were made one-way. Commissioner Guthrie asked how long it would take to add that area to the study. Ms. Dalphy said that would take two or three more weeks.

In response to a question from the public, Ms. Dalphy said she will be meeting with Alice Kelly of DDOT to see how the larger study of Adams Morgan traffic patterns can be done.

Ms. Dalphy would like to resolve any major objections before issuing the notice of intent. Ms. Dalphy added that she would come to the next PZT meeting to discuss options for Kalorama Road and to get more feedback.

ii. Signage at the Washington Hilton Hotel

Mark Rivers and Mike Granger with Lowe Enterprises presented plans for new signs at the Washington Hilton and the adjacent Hepburn Residences along T Street. Mr. Rivers explained that since the Hepburn building is in a historic district their proposal to change the exterior signage must be approved by the Historic Preservation Office. He said HPO asked them to also present their plans to ANC 1C.

Mr. Rivers said that some signs are being replaced and some would be new. Mr. Rivers also presented a proposal for numbered signs to identify the loading bays on 19th Street. He said they had originally proposed those signs to be 4 feet tall, but based on feedback from the PZT meeting they were now proposing 2 foot signs for the loading bays.

Mr. Rivers offered to make the signs match the size of the signs that are currently on the loading dock.

Commissioner Reardon moved that ANC 1C support the proposed sign changes for the Washington Hilton Hotel and the Hepburn building as proposed for five locations (points a through e in the proposal), but that the text for the signs over the loading docks on 19th Street

(location f in the proposal) be reduced to either 2 feet, or the same height as the existing signs in that location, whichever is smaller. Commissioner Scozzaro seconded the motion that then passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

iii. Balfour Roof Deck

David Maloof presented a proposal to add a roof deck on the Balfour building at 16th and U Street. He said that they have support from their neighbors and said they would like ANC 1C's support of this project before applying for a permit with the DCRA.

At the request of the PZT Committee, Maloof had provided a sound study report about the deck. Commissioner Reynolds moved that ANC 1C support construction of a roof deck at the Balfour Building at 2000 16th Street and send a letter advising the Historic Preservation Review Board of this support. Commissioner Fox Perry seconded the motion which then passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

iv. Rock & Roll Marathon

Diane Thomas with the Rock & Roll Marathon gave a presentation about the plans for the race on Saturday, March 11. She said the race will travel up through Rock Creek Park to Calvert Street and on to Adams Mill Road and Columbia Road before exiting Adams Morgan. She said that this is the same course as in past years. Ms. Thomas estimated that the Adams Morgan portion of the race would last from 7:25 am until 11:30 am.

Commissioner Reynolds moved that ANC 1C support the Rock and Roll Marathon on Saturday, March 11, 2017. Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion that then passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

b. ABC and Public Safety Committee

i. Barada Cuban Corner

Commissioner Guthrie reported that a settlement agreement with Barada Cuban Corner restaurant had been negotiated by Commissioner Fox Perry and Denis James of the Kalorama Citizens' Association. He moved to add this matter to the agenda without the typical 10 days' notice on the basis that not doing so would be adverse to the community. Commissioner Reynolds seconded the procedural motion that then passed by a vote of 7 to 0.

Commissioner Guthrie moved that ANC 1C adopt this agreement as negotiated. Commissioner Reardon seconded Commissioner Guthrie's motion to adopt the settlement agreement. Commissioners then voted 7 to 0 to adopt the settlement agreement with Barada.

ii. Bukom Café Settlement Agreement Amendment

Commissioner Guthrie reported that Bukom Café had originally requested to terminate their settlement agreement with ANC 1C, but actually, they just wanted to change their holiday hours. Commissioner Guthrie moved that the amended settlement agreement be adopted. The Commissioners voted 7 to 0 to adopt the amendment to the settlement agreement.

