

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1C**  
**Adams Morgan**

**Minutes of July 23, 2001, Meeting**

A scheduled agenda and forum meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C was held on July 23, 2001, at the 3<sup>RD</sup> District Police Station. A quorum being present, Chair Miscuk called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Attending were Commissioners Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Gibson and Brody. Approximately twelve members of the public also attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Gibson indicated he would have a resolution on extending the contract with Storage, USA and handed out the contract for information purposes.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Jovanka indicated she did not have the Minutes for the two meetings in June and was awaiting input from the Commissioners before she proceeded. She stated she expected to have these Minutes at the August 1 meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Public Works and Regulatory Affairs:** Commissioner Schott indicated he is awaiting further information on the status of 1920 Belmont Rd. which is listed as seeking a raze permit. If necessary, the Committee will submit a resolution on this matter at the August 1 meeting. The Committee may also consider permit requests at 1600 U St., NW.

**Grants:** Commissioner Wright indicated that before releasing funds to Las Americas, the Committee is awaiting response from the Auditor of the appropriateness of the grant. The deadline is Friday, July 27.

**Public Safety:** Commissioner Jovanka announced that the Committee will meet on July 26, 6 pm, at the 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

**Quality of Life:** Commissioner Johnson indicated she expected the Committee to have a resolution on a curb cut at Mozart and Fuller, neighborhood cleanup, and a DPW checklist.

SMD REPORTS

**1C01:** Commissioner Roth indicated he would have a resolution on Rat Signage ready

for consideration at the next meeting.

**1C05 and 1C06:** Commissioners Jovanka and Johnson indicated that they will have a resolution on public work issues.

**1C07:** Commissioner Gibson indicated that he will present a resolution on consideration of the naming of a street behind the Marie Reed Learning Center at the next meeting.

Officer Jason Pearse was recognized and gave a brief report on anti-crime activities.

Susan Menzer, US Attorneys Office, was recognized and indicated she would distribute a report on court cases involving the Third District.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Phone Bill:** Commissioner Gibson moved to pay a phone bill of \$576.67 to cover the office move and indicated that a large portion of the bill involved line installation and related equipment charges. The motion was seconded.

The Commission accepted a consent amendment offered by Commissioner Wright that the Commission write to the Public Service Commission, requesting an opinion on whether we had to pay the material charges on the bill.

The motion, as amended, was approved by voice vote.

**Madam's Organ:** Commissioner Brody offered the following resolution:

*Whereas, ABC licensed establishments are required to adhere to public space regulations, and*

*Whereas, Madam's Organ, located at 2461 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, has erected a railing on public space without first obtaining a permit, now, therefore,*

*Be it resolved that ANCIC will ask the public space office to issue and order requiring the removal of said railing, and prohibiting any use of public space by Madam's Organ until such time as a public space permit is issued.*

The motion was seconded, debated, and approved by a vote of 6 to 1.

**Ghana Café:** Commissioner Brody offered the following resolution:

*Whereas, ABC licensed establishments enter into voluntary agreements with ANCIC in order to address neighbors' concerns, and*

*Whereas, Ghana Café, located at 2465 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, has begun using their second*

*floor and outdoor patio without applying for a “substantial Change” as required by Page 4, Section 6, of their voluntary agreement, now, therefore,*

*Be it resolved that ANCIC will request a finding of fact from the ABC Board that Ghana Café is in violation of their voluntary agreement and must apply for a “substantial change” and be placarded, in order to provide for neighborhood input, and cease the use of the second floor of their establishment until such time as its use is permitted by the ABC Board.*

The motion was seconded, debated and approved by a roll call vote:

YEA Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Schott, Gibson, Brody  
NAY Jovanka, Johnson

#### REPORT ON PUBLIC SAFETY

3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander Mark Beach gave a police report on activities in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District. He reported that 343 abandoned buildings had been searched looking for Chandra Levy, and that all efforts are being made to locate her.

He reported that are special needs in our “Club Zone” such as

- a parking
- b car jockeys
- c fights
- d break ins
- e service requests

A “power” shift has been established to work 9 pm - 5 am to deal with some of these issues and to increase police presence during busy times.

Various residents commented in issues related to the neighborhood including

- 1 increase in crimes on Fuller Street
- 2 racial profiling, stopping African-Americans for suspicious activities, and Latinos selling green cards, social security cards and other things
- 3 hit and run accidents and lack of police response
- 4 bicycle riding on sidewalks

Commissioners were then recognized to speak and ask questions of Commander Beach.  
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Roth moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Peter L. Klempay

Secretary ANC 1C  
Approved Dec. 17, 2001