

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

**Minutes of September 5, 2001, Meeting**

The scheduled monthly business meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C was held on September 5, 2001, at the 3<sup>RD</sup> District Police Station. A quorum being present, Chairperson Miscuk called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Attending were Commissioners Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Gibson, Brody and Klempay.

Vice-Chairperson Wright reported that the DC Auditor is willing to meet with available Commissioners regarding the audit of ANC 1C for 1999 during the week of September 10-15, the time and date of the meeting to be determined.

Treasurer Gibson reported an account balance as of 08/31/01 of \$38,085.09, including a quarterly allotment of \$4,707.31. He also reported that there are no expenditures requiring approval at this time and that the proposed budget for FY 2002 will be presented at the September Forum Meeting.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Miscuk, on behalf of the Public Safety Committee, recognized Lt. O'Conner who introduced Sgts. Gregory and Boone, newly assigned to the 3<sup>RD</sup> District and assigned to PSA 301 and PSA 304, respectively.

Commissioner Brody, Chair of the ABC Committee, reported on matters currently being considered by this committee: ongoing protests of Jegoll, Cassava, Fasika, Meze, Ghana Cafe, and Cities; and ongoing negotiations with Timehri for a voluntary agreement to resolve the ANC protest of that establishment. He then introduced Maurice Evans II, acting Chief, Enforcement Division of the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration. Mr. Evans introduced Messrs. Blount and Coleman of ABRA and Mr. Wilson of DCRA and described the upcoming changes in staffing and procedures of the Enforcement Division.

Commissioner Schott, Chair of the Public Works Committee, announced a meeting of this committee on September 10, 2001, 7:00 pm, at the Kalorama Recreation Center.

Commissioner Gibson, Chair of the Communications Committee, announced a meeting of this committee on September 11, 2001, 7:30 am, at The Diner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Commissioner Miscuk moved to defer consideration of the proposed loan of the Dell computer to Commissioner Johnson to the October business meeting of the ANC. This motion was seconded and approved by a roll call vote of the Commission.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Wright offered the following motion:

**ANC 1C RESOLUTION RE: 1920 BELMONT ROAD NW**

WHEREAS, the resident of 1920 Belmont Road NW has sought appropriate permits and approvals from the District government for remodeling and upgrading the inside and back area of his home; and

WHEREAS, said resident has received the permits and approvals he has sought, except for approval for a building permit from the Historic Preservation Review Board; and

WHEREAS, Historic Preservation Review Board staff has reviewed the resident's plans and visited the work site, and found no problems or issues with the project that would warrant further delay in granting approval for a building permit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 1C strongly urges and respectfully requests the Historic Preservation Review Board to grant the resident at said address a building permit without delay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded via e-mail to HPRB staff, and that a copy of this resolution signed by two ANC 1C officers be forwarded thereto via fax, as soon as possible on September 6, 2001.

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

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Jovanka, Gibson, Brody, Klempay.

NAY: Schott, Johnson

Commissioner Miscuk moved that the following letter be sent to Chief Ramsey, Metropolitan Police Department:

Chief Charles H. Ramsey  
Metropolitan Police Department  
300 Indiana Avenue, NW  
Suite 5080  
Washington, DC 20001

I would like to offer this letter of commendation for the following officers formerly assigned in the Third District:

Investigator David Swinson  
Officer Bert Oudshoorn

Their service to our community is well noted in our neighborhood. It is with mixed feelings that we welcome the advancement of these officers in their careers. Two good officers are taking on more responsibility and more important roles that will have a larger affect on our city. In order to do that, they must leave the neighborhood that they have worked with very hard on many issues. With good luck they will be replaced with officers of equal caliber.

Let it be clear, that should the career paths of these officers return them to Adams Morgan and/or the Third District, they are welcome here.

If appropriate, I request that this letter be put into their permanent personnel record.

Again, I request that you accept this letter of commendation.

Sincerely

The Honorable Andrew James Miscuk  
Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner  
Single Member District 1C03  
Adams Morgan ANC (ANC 1C)

CC: Jim Graham, Councilmember, Ward 1

Terrance W. Gainer, Executive Assistant Chief  
William McManus, Regional Operations Commander  
Mark Beach, Commander 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
ANC 1C, Commissioners, All  
Lanier Heights Citizens Association  
Kalorama Citizens Association  
Reed-Cooke Citizens Association  
Adams Morgan, Business & Professional Association  
Deputy Mayor for Public Safety

This motion was seconded, debated and approved by a roll call vote.

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Gibson, Brody,  
Klempay.

Commissioner Gibson offered the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ADAMS MEMORIAL  
IN ADAMS MORGAN**

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2001, a bill was introduced in the House of Representatives that would authorize the Adams Memorial Foundation to pursue the development of a federal monument to John Adams, the second American President; and

WHEREAS, the Memorial will also honor Adams' prestigious family, including his wife, Abigail, and his son, John Quincy Adams, the sixth American President; and

WHEREAS, the bill passed the House on June 25, was referred the Senate on June 26, and was voted out of committee on August 2; and

WHEREAS, due in part to the controversy over the location of the proposed World War II memorial, the National Capital Planning Commission and other groups have voted that all future monuments and memorials be place in locations off of the Mall; and

WHEREAS, former Ward One Councilmember Frank Smith, the primary champion of U Street's African American Civil War Memorial, was hired May 14 to work with the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to help lure museums and monuments to the District's neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, President John Quincy Adams once lived and owned a mill in the area now known as Adams Morgan, lending his name to the Adams Mill, Adams Mill Road, the Adams Elementary School, and eventually to Adams Morgan; and

WHEREAS, federal monuments must be placed on federal land; and

WHEREAS, the only substantial piece of federal land in the Adams Morgan neighborhood is the park known as Rabaut Park or Pigeon Park, located at the intersection of Columbia Road, Harvard Street, and 16<sup>th</sup> Street; and

WHEREAS, 16th Street, briefly named "The Avenue of the Presidents" in the early twentieth century, leads directly to the White House, and is therefore a logical location for a Presidential memorial; and

WHEREAS, Adams Morgan residents and business owners alike have long been interested in attracting

more daytime-oriented businesses to the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, while full of history that the upcoming series of “heritage trail” signs will hope to highlight, Adams Morgan does suffer from the absence of a single “destination” historical attraction in the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, an Adams Memorial located in Adams Morgan could create such a destination and be the keystone of an effort to draw more visitors and economic development to the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the publication of David McCullough’s best selling biography of John Adams has brought a wave of newfound respect and attention to the Adams family;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C endorses the effort to bring the Adams Memorial to Adams Morgan; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Commissioner Josh Gibson be authorized to begin making exploratory contact with the Adams Memorial Foundation and other relevant officials in pursuit of this goal.

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

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Gibson, Brody, Klempay.

NAY: Schott, Johnson

ABSTAINING: Jovanka

Commissioner Brody moved to take from the table the resolution offered at the August 1, 2001, meeting of the Commission regarding Adams Morgan Day. The motion to take from the table was seconded, debated and approved by a roll call vote.

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Gibson, Brody, Klempay

NAY: Schott, Jovanka, Johnson

Commissioner Johnson moved to postpone consideration until the October business meeting. This motion was seconded and disapproved by a roll call vote.

YEA: Schott, Jovanka, Johnson

NAY: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Gibson, Brody, Klempay

Debate on the resolution followed with Commissioner Roth moving to amend by striking the first “Be it Resolved” clause. the motion to amend was seconded, debated and approved by a roll call vote

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Gibson, Brody and Klempay

The resolution, as amended, reading:

**WHEREAS, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C believes that its endorsement for an organizer of producer of the September 2002 Adams Morgan Day Festival**

**should be based on an open, fair, and competitive process, with full information provided for the Commission and the public,**

**BE IT RESOLVED that any person or group which has previously organized the Adams Morgan Day Festival shall be required to provide ANC 1C with an audited financial statement or verified accounting of the proceeds for each such previous festival in order to be eligible for ANC 1C's future endorsement.**

The resolution, as amended, was approved by a roll call vote.

YEA: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Jovanka, Gibson, Brody, Klempay

NAY: Schott, Johnson

Commissioner Miscuk moved that the September Forum Meeting be rescheduled to September 20, 2001. This motion was seconded, debated and approved by voice vote. The topic of the meeting will be the redistricting of ANC 1C.

Commissioner Jovanka submitted her resignation as Secretary of the Commission, which resignation was accepted by Chairperson Miscuk with thanks for her services.

Chairperson Miscuk nominated Commissioner Klempay to serve as Interim Secretary to serve until the October business meeting of the Commission. The nomination was seconded and Commissioner Klempay was elected Interim Secretary by a voice vote.

Commissioner Johnson moved to reconsider the above vote on the Letter of Commendation. The motion was seconded, debated and disapproved by a voice vote.

YEA: Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Gibson

NAY: Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Brody, Klempay

Commissioner Brody moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved by the Commission. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Peter L. Klempay  
Interim Secretary