



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 17th, 2016; 7:00 p.m.
GWU Fungler Hall, Room 108 – 2201 G Street NW

Call to Order

Chair Patrick Kennedy (01) called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Commissioners John Williams (03), Philip Schrefer (05), Florence Harmon (06) and Eve Zhurbinskiy (08) were present. Commissioner William Smith (04) arrived at 7:17 pm.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-0).

Community Forum

Report from the Metropolitan Police Department’s PSA 207

Lt. Corinne Hughes from MPD’s Police Service Area (PSA) 207 was present. She gave an overview of the recent crime statistics for the neighborhood.

Report from the Executive Office of the Mayor

Keylin Rivera, a ward 2 representative for the Mayor’s Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS), was present. She gave an overview of the Mayor’s Homeward DC plan to close the DC General shelter. She also talked about the upcoming Ward 2 neighborhood walk-through with the Mayor’s Office, as well as the Mayor’s upcoming FY 2017 budget engagement forums.

Report from the Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Jack Evans

Adam Gutbezahl, a representative for Councilmember Jack Evans’ office, was present. He gave an overview of the upcoming performance oversight process that the DC Council would be going through. He encouraged meeting attendees to participate in the performance oversight hearings.

Mr. Gutbezahl also talked about the private security camera program that the Mayor had just launched. He said that PSA 207 was one of the police service areas that would be given priority under the program.

Report from the Ward 2 Education Network

Chris Sondreal, ANC 2A’s representative to the Ward 2 Education Network, was present. He gave an overview of the work that the Cross-Sector Collaboration Task Force was doing. He added that the Ward 2 Education Network had not scheduled its next meeting, but that the

meeting would probably be in April. He said that the Network was asking for suggestions for topics to cover at the next meeting.

Mr. Sondreal added that the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens' boys middle school basketball team was the recently-named the city champion.

Announcements and Public Comments

Marina Streznewski, the President of the Foggy Bottom Association (FBA), talked about the FBA's upcoming monthly meeting. She said that the meeting would be a training on establishing a neighborhood watch program.

General Agenda

Presentation from the DC Department of Behavioral Health

Darrell Powe, the Senior Community Engagement Coordinator for the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), was present. He gave an overview of DBH, including the services that the agency offered to the community, as well as where the agency was located.

Sara Maddux, a local resident, said that there were many people in the vicinity of Pennsylvania Avenue NW that could benefit from DBH's services.

Commissioner Smith thanked Mr. Powe for DBH's work on treating mental illness, as well as for Mr. Powe's work in reaching out to the community about the services that DBH offered.

Regulatory Agenda

Presentation and Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Zoning Commission Case #04- 33G, an Application Submitted by the Coalition for Smarter Growth for a Text Amendment to Chapter 26 of the DC Municipal Regulations on Inclusionary Zoning

Elinor Hart, a representative for the Coalition for Smarter Growth, was present. She gave an overview of the Zoning Commission's inclusionary zoning program. She said that the Commission's density bonus was working well for developers, but that the affordable housing part of inclusionary zoning program was not working well. She added that, because housing that is affordable for those making 80% of the area median income (AMI) qualifies under the inclusionary zoning program, the program was problematic because many people in DC were making much less than 80% of the AMI and thus could not afford units that the city considered to be affordable.

Commissioner Smith asked if the Coalition for Smarter Growth's proposed amendment affected just who had access to the units and not the density of the projects themselves. Ms. Hart said that the amendment would just affect who could access the units.

Ms. Maddux said that in order for the inclusionary zoning program to be a successful program, the Zoning Commission needed the regulatory authority to stand behind the program, oversee it, and make sure that it properly worked. Ms. Hart said that she agreed with the statement. She added that the Zoning Commission needed to do more marketing to people who were looking for affordable housing and could qualify under the inclusionary zoning program.

Ms. Hart said that the Zoning Commission's deadline for submitting comments regarding the proposed amendment was 5:00 pm on March 3rd.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the Zoning Commission's inclusionary zoning program. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Application by "Watergate Liquors LLC" (dba Watergate Vintners & Spirits) for a New Retailer's Class "A" Liquor Store License

Commissioner Smith distributed a resolution he wrote on the matter.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt the resolution in support of the liquor store license application for Watergate Vintners & Spirits. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Application by "51st, LLC" (dba The 51st State Tavern) for the Addition of an Entertainment Endorsement to the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License

Geoff Bosworth, the general manager for the 51st State Tavern, was present. He said that the tavern was seeking to add an entertainment endorsement to its license in order to allow the tavern to have acoustic music or a DJ playing in the tavern's second floor space.

Commissioner Williams asked for additional details about what instruments the tavern was proposing to have playing. Mr. Bosworth said that they were just proposing to have an acoustic guitar.

Commissioner Harmon said that, based on how Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board entertainment endorsements work, the issuance of an entertainment endorsement would allow for any type of instruments or music, and that any limits on certain types of music would have to be specified in a settlement agreement.

Barbara Kahlow, a local resident, asked if the establishment had met with any of its neighbors. She also asked if there would be any outdoor music. Mr. Bosworth said that they were not proposing to have any outdoor music. He also said that he had not met with any neighbors but that he would make an effort to do so during the next week.

Commissioner Smith said he found that the main problem with DC's noise issues was that the base from the music could be very disruptive, even though it had low decibel levels. He

suggested that the establishment should try to limit the base levels from the music it would be playing.

Ms. Kahlow suggested that the establishment should request to delay the ABC Board hearing on the application until the establishment talked with its neighbors. Mr. Bosworth said that he would be open to delaying the hearing on the application.

Chair Kennedy suggested that the ANC should protest the application and then work on negotiating a settlement agreement or delay of the ABC Board hearing with the applicant.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to protest the application for the addition of an entertainment endorsement based on the adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Follow-Up Discussion Regarding the State of Vehicular Parking and Trash in the Parking Area of the Rock Creek Valero (2708 Virginia Avenue NW) and on the Sidewalk and Roadway Adjacent to the Establishment

Commissioner Smith gave an overview of the positive steps that the Rock Creek Valero management was taking to remedy the neighborhood's ongoing concerns. He said that there were still some outstanding concerns, and that he would talk to the general manager about them. He said that the ANC could follow-up on the matter at its regular March meeting.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding DC Council Bill B21-0529 – the “Special Police Officer Enhanced Security Amendment Act of 2015”

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy distributed a resolution that she had drafted on the matter, which stated that the ANC was opposed to the legislation. She went over the reasons for why she thought the ANC should oppose the bill. She said that the bill was overly broad and ambiguous, and that it could create many problems for the Foggy Bottom neighborhood.

Commissioner Harmon suggested multiple changes to the “Whereas” clauses of the resolution. She said that she was sympathetic to the argument that the GW Police Department (GWPD) could help regulate off-campus student behavior, however she thought that the DC Council needed to go back to the drawing board to rewrite this legislation.

Commissioner Harmon talked about the need for more community involvement in the process of approving the universities' off-campus policing plans if the legislation passed. She said that if students were old enough to go to college, then they should be subject to the full extent of MPD enforcement.

Ms. Streznewski said that Commissioner Harmon's statement about college students being subject to lesser judicial proceedings was incorrect. She said that college students were still subject to the full DC judicial process in addition to the judicial process under GW's Student Code of Conduct.

Commissioner Smith said that he was stuck on a process point as to whether the DC Council was looking for general testimony on the bill or a highly structured resolution that responded to each part of the bill. Commissioner Zhurbinskiy said that she was suggesting that the ANC adopt a more generalized resolution regarding the bill.

Commissioner Smith asked Commissioner Zhurbinskiy how she would respond to the community's argument that existing student behavior policing models were not working. Commissioner Zhurbinskiy said that she thought that GW's new community policing program could be expanded without the need for this legislation.

Commissioner Harmon said that she was not against the bill in its entirety, but that she thought the bill was so broadly worded that it would create unintended consequences for the neighborhood.

Commissioner Williams said that the objective should be to use the university's authority to contain problematic student behavior, but that the objective should not be to expand GWPD's jurisdiction.

Commissioner Smith said that the ANC could use the "Be It Resolved" clause of the resolution as a statement of principles on the matter, and that the ANC could then work together to finalize the "Whereas" clauses of the resolution.

Ms. Kahlow suggested tabling the resolution in order to allow for further review. Chair Kennedy said that he does not support tabling the resolution because other communities have come out with their opinions on the bill and that ANC 2A should thus take a position in order to provide constructive feedback in a timely manner.

Commissioner Smith suggested changes to the language in the fifth paragraph of the resolution.

Chair Kennedy suggested adding a clause about the Clery Act that went over reconciling the legitimate needs of the universities under the Clery Act with not creating unintended consequences related to the neighborhood's concerns of the other parts of the bill.

Ms. Streznewski said that, according to the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area, the main purpose of the bill was to bring DC law in compliance with the Clery Act.

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy made a motion to adopt the resolution with the suggested edits. Commissioner Harmon seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-0).

Special Event Application for the Race for Every Child on October 1st, 2016

George Banker, a representative for the Race for Every Child, was present. He went over the timeline and the course for the race.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to raise no objection to the special event application. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Special Event Application for the Four Seasons' Sprint Four The Cure on September 17th, 2016

Kristen Duncan, a representative for the Sprint Four the Cure, was present. She said that she represented the entertainment company that was producing the event. She went over the timeline and course for the event. She said that the race would kick off and end at the Four Seasons Hotel, and that the beneficiary of the proceeds from the event would be MedStar's Washington Cancer Institute.

Chair Kennedy asked how the roads around the event's planned 19th Street NW turnaround would be affected. Ms. Duncan went over how the roads in the area would be affected.

Ms. Maddux said that Ms. Duncan needed to make sure that the MPD officers staffing the race knew that residents should be able to access blocked down roads in order to access their homes. Ms. Duncan said that she would make sure that the MPD officers were briefed on the matter.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to raise no objection to the special event application. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Request for the Use of Rock Creek Park by the Marine Corps Marathon on October 30th, 2016

Commissioner Harmon recused herself from discussing and voting on this matter.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to support the use of Rock Creek Park for the marathon. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (5-0-0).

Approval of Testimony Regarding Metro's proposed "University Pass" Program for Commissioner Eve Zhurbinskiy to Deliver at Upcoming WMATA Board Hearing

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy gave an overview of the testimony she prepared for the upcoming Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Board hearing on WMATA's FY 2017 budget.

Ms. Kahlow suggested including a sentence about how the program was going to be paid for.

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy made a motion to approve the testimony with Ms. Kahlow's suggested edit. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Administrative Agenda

Adoption of Past Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Harmon made a motion to adopt the regular January 2016 meeting minutes, subject to minor technical edits. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-1).

Approval of Quarterly Financial Report for FY 2016 Quarter 1

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy gave an overview of the quarterly financial report for FY 2016 Quarter 1.

Commissioner Zhurbinskiy made a motion to approve the quarterly financial report. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

Regulatory Agenda (Continued)

Special Event Application for the 26th Annual Lawyers Have Heart 10K & 5K on June 11th, 2016

Jewel Hanson, a representative for the 26th Annual Lawyers Have Heart 10K & 5K, was present. She went over the timeline and proposed course for the event. She said that her team would be putting out street signs and an ad in the local newspaper to let the community know about the plans for the event. She added that the eastbound lanes on Virginia Avenue NW would be kept open for the duration of the event.

Chair Kennedy made a motion to raise no objection to the special event application. Commissioner Schrefer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 4-0).

Adjournment

Chair Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 9:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Schrefer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

Philip Schrefer
Secretary, ANC 2A05



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February 19, 2016

Mr. Anthony Hood
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RE: Application by Coalition for Smarter Growth, et al. for a Text Amendment to Chapter 26 of the DC Municipal Regulations on Inclusionary Zoning

Dear Chairman Hood,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution, which was introduced by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Smith, by a vote of **(6-0-0)**:

WHEREAS, affordable housing remains a top priority for this ANC as rising housing prices in the District of Columbia and ANC 2A are increasingly out of reach for low and moderate income households;

WHEREAS, the DC Zoning Commission created the Inclusionary Zoning (IZ) program in 2006 with the intent to help low and moderate income households live in the city by requiring that most new residential developments set aside 8 to 10 percent of new housing to be affordable;

WHEREAS, the IZ program has been successful in many respects, producing or creating a pipeline of 767 IZ units, with applicants leasing and buying IZ units that are distributed across the city;

WHEREAS, these units were intended to be affordable to both moderate (80 percent of median family income) and low income households (50 percent of median family income);

WHEREAS, 88 percent of all IZ units are affordable at the 80 percent median income level, and less than 20 percent at the 50 percent income level;

WHEREAS, 80 percent median family income rental IZ units are too expensive for most DC residents in need of housing, and most applicants in the IZ program;



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WHEREAS, 80 percent of median family income is too close to market rents in too many neighborhoods in DC, especially for small apartments;

WHEREAS, the DC Office of Planning’s July 3, 2015 Setdown report on Case No. 04-33G recommended in Option 1B to revise IZ income targeting to require all rental IZ units to be priced to be affordable for households earning 60 percent of median family income and all for-sale IZ units to be priced to be affordable to households earning 80 percent of median family income;

WHEREAS, preliminary economic analysis for high density zones by the DC Office of Planning demonstrates that it is feasible to require that IZ units serve 60 percent median family income households for rental and 80 percent median family income for ownership due to the surplus value created by the 20 percent density bonus given to properties to offset IZ costs;

WHEREAS, preliminary economic analysis for low density zones by the DC Office of Planning demonstrates that it is feasible to require that IZ units serve 60 percent median family income households for rental and 80 percent median family income for ownership if minor modifications can provide cost offsets for revised IZ requirement; and

WHEREAS, the timing for revising IZ requirements is critical to ensuring that future IZ units serve our neighborhoods with rental units that are otherwise unavailable nearby.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A recommends that the Zoning Commission consider and adopt, as part of Case Number 04-33G, the proposed revision of IZ income targeting to require that all rental units be affordable at the 60 percent median family income level, and all for-sale units be affordable at the 80 percent median family level, to ensure that ANC 2A and the District will continue to create affordable homes for DC residents who otherwise are unable to live here or are paying too much of their income in housing costs.

Commissioner Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission’s representative in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.



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Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Cheryl Cort, Policy Director, Coalition for Smarter Growth



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February 22, 2016

Mr. Donovan Anderson
Chairperson
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
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RE: Application by “Watergate Liquors LLC” (dba “Watergate Vintners & Spirits,” ABRA-101097) for a New Retailer’s Class “A” Liquor Store License at 2544 Virginia Avenue NW

Dear Chairperson Anderson,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution, which was introduced by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Schrefer, by a vote of **(6-0-0)**:

WHEREAS, Watergate Liquors LLC has submitted an application to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for a new Retailer’s Class “A” Liquor Store license at 2544 Virginia Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, the owners of the establishment have proposed reasonable hours of operation that will have minimal impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the surrounding neighborhood,

WHEREAS, the establishment will be located in the Watergate Retail Plaza on the lower level of the Watergate East building of the Watergate complex,

WHEREAS, the Watergate Retail Plaza has greatly suffered from the loss of several prominent businesses in recent years, including the closure of the Watergate Safeway in December of 2011,

WHEREAS, the loss of businesses in the Watergate Retail Plaza has put a strain on the Watergate and greater Foggy Bottom communities, whose residents must now travel further for needed services,

WHEREAS, the last liquor store tenant in the Watergate Retail Plaza was Watergate Wine & Beverage, which closed during the summer of 2014,



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WHEREAS, the residents and employees who live and work in the Watergate Complex, as well as nearby Foggy Bottom residents, would greatly benefit from the opening of a new liquor store in the Watergate Retail Plaza,

WHEREAS, the opening of a new liquor store could further spur the opening of additional businesses in the Watergate Retail Plaza, a space that currently has multiple vacant storefronts, and

WHEREAS, the opening of a new liquor store will also benefit the guests of the nearby Watergate Hotel, which is set to open later this year after a multi-million dollar renovation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A supports Watergate Liquors LLC’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “A” Liquor Store license at 2544 Virginia Avenue NW.

Commissioners William Kennedy Smith (2A04@anc.dc.gov) and Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Bernard Dietz, Counsel for the Applicant



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Mr. Donovan Anderson
Chairperson
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RE: Application by “51st, LLC” (dba “The 51st State Tavern,” ABRA-071333) for the Addition of an Entertainment Endorsement to the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern License at 2512 L Street NW

Dear Chairperson Anderson,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (6-0-0), after a motion made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Schrefer, to protest the above-referenced application based on adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood.

Commissioners Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov), John Williams (2A03@anc.dc.gov), and Rebecca Coder (2A02@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Geoff Bosworth, General Manager, The 51st State Tavern



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March 8, 2016

Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie
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RE: DC Council Bill B21-0529 – the “Special Police Officer Enhanced Security Amendment Act of 2015”

Dear Councilmember McDuffie,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted to adopt the following resolution, which was introduced by Commissioner Zhurbinskiy and seconded by Commissioner Harmon, by a vote of (5-1-0):

WHEREAS, Councilmember McDuffie has introduced proposed legislation entitled the “Special Police Officer Enhanced Security Amendment Act of 2015” (hereinafter referred to in this resolution as the “Special Police Officer Act”);

WHEREAS, the Special Police Officer Act would allow campus police in the District of Columbia to exercise their authority outside the currently defined and recognized boundaries of their respective campuses;

WHEREAS, the Special Police Officer Act defines “campus” to include “any building or property owned or controlled by the university and includes all public property that is within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the university”;

WHEREAS, the George Washington University’s main campus and its campus police are located within the boundaries of ANC 2A;

WHEREAS, the Special Police Officer Act’s definition of “campus” is defined so broadly that any university that owns property in the District of Columbia, of which there are many due to universities throughout the country that operate DC-based internship programs, could designate campus police to exercise authority within the boundaries of ANC 2A;

WHEREAS, without limitation, ANC 2A has the following concerns with the Special Police Act as drafted:



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1. The language of the proposed legislation is overly broad and ambiguous, particularly with respect to the scope and breadth of expanded jurisdiction for campus police. In addition, the legislation fails to include sufficient guidance and limitations on the interaction and lines between private and public policing especially as it relates to law enforcement authority for campus police.
2. Although some additional training will be required in the areas of mental health and behavioral health, campus police will not have the same level of training provided to MPD officers, yet they will have equal policing powers in jurisdictional areas, including neighborhoods within ANC 2A. In fact, under DC law, campus police are only required to receive 1 week of training prior to performing patrol duties and have up to 2 years thereafter to complete 250 hours of law enforcement training. By contrast, the DC Police Academy is a 28-week program (approximately 1,120 hours) and the probationary period for MPD officers is 18 months.
3. The legislation will provide an impetus for currently unarmed campus police officers to begin carrying guns. Currently, only Howard and UDC police carry firearms. However, once the other campus police forces leave the relatively safe confines of their campus, a legitimate argument can be made that they, too, will need to carry firearms for their own protection with the potential for lethal consequences. Firearm training for campus police is not comparable to MPD firearm training.
4. Campus police lack both transparency and accountability to DC residents. For example, campus police are not subject to the same freedom of information and record keeping requirements as MPD and there is no indication that campus police will either have body cameras or, even if they do, will have to release footage. This runs counter to recent gains in transparency and public accountability.
5. Some students living off campus are concerned that having campus police in their neighborhoods will lead to inherent conflicts between DC laws and university policies.
6. The legislation makes no provision for community involvement. Campus policing plans will be unilaterally approved by the Chief of Police without any opportunity for comment or input by the very neighborhoods they will be policing and without any input from elected officials.
7. The legislation’s definition of a college campus is broad enough that the numerous DC campuses of non-DC based universities, such as Johns Hopkins



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University; Pepperdine University; and the University of California, Berkeley, could have campus police forces that go into the community.

8. The legislation creates unnecessary liability for private property owners outside the campus boundaries. If the apartment owners or condominium boards admit campus police into their private buildings and student residents are thus expelled from their university because of the campus police’s findings, parents and/or students could sue the apartment owners or condominium boards for admitting the campus police officers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that while ANC 2A supports those provisions in the Special Police Officer Act that expand and enhance training requirements in the areas of mental and behavioral health, nonetheless, based upon the reasons set forth in this resolution, ANC 2A opposes those provisions of the Special Police Officer Act that would expand the law enforcement authority and jurisdiction of campus police officers beyond the currently defined and recognized boundaries of their respective campuses.

Commissioners Eve Zhurbinskiy (2A08@anc.dc.gov) and Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Councilmember Jack Evans, Ward 2
Councilmember Mary Cheh, Ward 3
Councilmember LaRuby May, Ward 8
Councilmember Anita Bonds, At-Large
Councilmember David Grosso, At-Large
Councilmember Elissa Silverman, At-Large
Chairman Phil Mendelson, DC Council
Chanell Autrey, Legislative Counsel, Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie
Renee McPhatter, Office of Government and Community Relations, GW
Sally Kram, Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area



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Ms. Tanya Mitchell
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RE: Special event application for the Race for Every Child on October 1st, 2016

Dear Ms. Mitchell,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (**6-0-0**), after a motion made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Schrefer, to raise no objection to the special event application for the Race for Every Child on October 1st, 2016.

Commissioner Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: George Banker, Representative for the Applicant



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RE: Special event application for the Sprint Four The Cure on September 17th, 2016

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Commissioner Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Kristen Duncan, Representative for the Applicant



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Ms. Tara D. Morrison
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**RE: Endorsement of the Use of Rock Creek Park for the Marine Corps
Marathon on October 30th, 2016**

Dear Ms. Morrison,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (5-0-0*), after a motion made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to endorse the use of Rock Creek Park for the Marine Corps Marathon on October 30th, 2016.

Commissioner Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Mark Williams, Operations Coordinator, Marine Corps Marathon

*Commissioner Harmon recused herself from discussing and voting on this matter.



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Ms. Jennifer Green Ellison
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**RE: Designation of ANC 2A Representative to Testify on Behalf of ANC 2A
at WMATA Board Hearing on WMATA’s FY 2017 Operating and Capital
Budgets**

Dear Ms. Ellison,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (**6-0-0**), after a motion made by Commissioner Zhurbinskiy and seconded by Commissioner Williams, to designate Commissioner Eve Zhurbinskiy (2A08@anc.dc.gov), the Commissioner for Single Member District 2A08, as ANC 2A’s designated representative at the upcoming Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Board Hearing on WMATA’s FY 2017 Operating and Capital Budgets.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson



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WMATA Hearing on Proposed FY2017 Operating Budget

Testimony by ANC 2A on the Proposed University Pass Program

Thank you for hosting this hearing on Metro’s proposed budget, which includes the proposed University Pass. My name is Eve Zhurbinskiy and I represent ANC Single Member District 2A08, and am a sophomore at the George Washington University. I am pleased to be here tonight to convey ANC 2A’s thoughts on the proposed University Pass.

At our November meeting, our ANC unanimously passed a resolution expressing our support to Councilmember Evans and Chairman Downey for this program. Our neighborhoods - Foggy Bottom and the West End - are home to D.C.’s largest university, and almost all of GW’s approximately 10,000 undergraduate students reside within our ANC’s boundaries. As such, our constituents stand to greatly benefit if this proposal is implemented.

GW was recently ranked the #1 school in the country for internships by the Princeton Review. Unfortunately, due to the cost of transportation, some students resort to cost savings measures when it comes to taking on an internship. I’ve talked to students who say they would be unable to intern for their dream organization if there was no transportation stipend offered. I’ve heard of students who walk 50 or so minutes to Capitol Hill for their unpaid internship because the cost of taking the Metro there every day is prohibitively expensive. A U-Pass would ensure that no student will have to choose between professional development and paying the cost of public transportation.

D.C. attracts tens of thousands of prospective college students every year due to its location. By implementing the U-Pass, students will be better equipped to utilize all the educational resources the city has to offer. A professor may be more inclined to have class at a museum, for example, if he or she knows that cost is not a barrier to student participation. The same may hold true when it comes to participating in service events around the city - students would be more likely to travel to a different neighborhood for community service if transportation costs were not a factor.

Most of GW’s 14,000 graduate students, as well as some undergraduates, commute to the Foggy Bottom campus on a regular basis. For these commuter students, the U-Pass will bring considerable savings - in some cases, hundreds of dollars a month. A student who commutes from Takoma, for example spends \$120 a month on Metro to and from campus. As someone who has worked in East Falls Church since my first semester of college, I know that I personally would see cost savings in the vicinity of \$75 a month should this program be implemented. The resulting savings are likely to be reinvested in local businesses, benefiting communities across D.C and the region.

Though some students don’t use Metro on a regular basis, this program will provide the incentive to boost student ridership rates and win back those who use rideshare services, provide the necessary revenue for Metro, and reduce pollution caused



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by utilizing less sustainable methods of transportation. Increased ridership will lead to more reliable service and less student concern about delays, and students will be more likely to use Metro during off-peak hours, particularly during weekends and late nights. Friday night trips to bars and restaurants in Adams Morgan, for example, would be more hassle-free with a U-Pass, as would weekend trips to the Target in Columbia Heights to stock up on goods.

In closing, ANC 2A believes that the U-Pass program will significantly benefit the student population in our neighborhood by making transportation more affordable, and will impact the greater region by increasing ridership.



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February 23, 2016

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**RE: Special event application for the 26th Annual Lawyers Have Heart 10K
& 5K on June 11th, 2016**

Dear Ms. Mitchell,

At its regular meeting on February 17, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With four of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (**4-0-0**), after a motion made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Schrefer, to raise no objection to the special event application for the 26th Annual Lawyers Have Heart 10K & 5K on June 11th, 2016.

Commissioner Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission’s representative in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Jewel Hanson, Representative for the Applicant