

Final January 13, 2016 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order (6:36pm)
2. Roll Call and Introduction of Commissioners: Vann-Di M. Galloway, Zachary Teutsch, Kathleen Crowley, John Paul Hayworth, Taalib-Din Uqdah, Joe Martin, Timothy Jones, Elisa Irwin, Maria Barry and Michael Halpern present.
3. Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Hayworth made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Reading and Approval of the December 2015 Meeting Minutes, Commissioner Uqdah made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Crowley's report covered the period of December 1 through December 31, 2015, \$16,198.43 remains in the checking account after expenditures of \$1,279.02 and \$16,749.44 (including interest) in the savings account.
6. **Agency Announcements:**
Dolly Turner, Councilmember Brandon Todd's Office: Reported on the 14th Street Tree Box Clean-up and the responsibility of the business owners to keep the area clean; the DC Economic Partnership tour of Ward 4 including the Walter Reed site; small business and retail development along the Georgia Avenue corridor.

Khalil Thompson, Mayor Bowser's Office: Reported on the City Councils' passage of the Camera Rebate Bill not yet finalized offering a rebate of up to \$200 for one camera \$500 for a home; the Snow Removal Program for seniors over 65; and an update on Powell Elementary School.

John Donelan, DC Fire EMS Deputy Chief, Special Operations: Reported on EMS reforms in progress for the privatization of the ambulance service, additional resources for the call center and allow them to control the number of calls; Hands on CPR Training Program.

Annual Commission Matters

1. Election of 2016 Officers:
Vann-Di M. Galloway – Chairman. The motion passed unanimously
Zach Teutsch - Vice Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.
Michael Halpern –Treasurer. The motion passed unanimously.
Joseph Martin – Secretary. Vote Count: Joseph Martin 8 votes total; Taalib-Din Uqdah 1 vote; and 1 Abstention.
Parliamentarian – John Paul Hayworth. The motion passed unanimously.
Commissioner Galloway made the motion to approve the elections. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Security Fund: (DCMR required) Participation in city's collective bonding program. Commissioner Hayworth made motion to approve the Security Fund. The motion passed unanimously.
3. ANC 4C 2016 Public Meeting Dates Approval: (DCMR required) Approve reserved library dates for 2016 public meetings. Commissioner Irwin made the motion to approve the 2016 meeting dates. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Motion for Administrative Assistant's contract extension until February 10, 2016. Commissioner Galloway made the motion to approve the extension. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Motion to designate 801 Shepherd Street, NW, Suite 231, Washington, DC 20011 to be the ANC office location where ANC 4C's books and records shall be kept and maintained. Commissioner Teutsch made the motion to approve the office location. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion to designate Industrial Bank of Washington, DC to be the banking institution where ANC 4C funds will be held on deposit. Commissioner Irwin made the motion to approve Industrial Bank. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentations:

1. Commissioner Uqdah (SMD4C01) presented the recognition and accomplishments of Cornrows and Company/American Hairbraiders & Natural Haircare Association (AHNHA): a 36-year Ward 4 (SMD 4C01) business co-owned by Commissioner Uqdah and his wife Pamela Ferrell. Together, they have changed laws in 13 states and the District of Columbia, exempting African-style hair braiders from cosmetology laws and has successfully sued dozens of major corporations, forcing them to change their grooming standards that prohibited braids, twist and locks. Most recently, they were instrumental in changing those same grooming standards for enlisted women in the Army and Marines; the Navy changed its standards in 1997. They are internationally recognized and highly sought after speakers, presenters and defenders of the U.S. Constitution. Their work, collectively, garnered the two entities – Cornrows & Co. and AHNHA – a place in the Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of African American History & Culture.
2. Sarah Fasbaugh, Community Relations Specialist: reported on the ABRA Licensing Renewal process and procedures for renewing ABRA licenses including nightclubs, taverns and restaurants; 34 establishments in Ward 4 are up for renewal, most due in February 2016. All interested are invited to a Town Hall meeting on 1/25/16 at the Petworth Library. Hotline phone (202) 329-6347 (7:00 pm to 3:00 am) opened Sunday through Saturday. Protest can be made by the ANC, groups of 5 or more people for violations of the standards of peace, order, or over concentration of establishments. Contact sarah.fasbaugh@dc.gov, phone 2/397-3971.
3. Improving the safety and efficiency of the 1300 block entrance to Powell Elementary School. Emily Dalphy, DDOT, Traffic Operation Safety Team presented several traffic safety plan options to calm street traffic, cross walks, speed tables, pedestrian refuge islands and additional pedestrian crossing locations. Email: Emily.dalphy@dc.gov

ABRA MATTERS:

Settlement Agreement for Ruta Del Vino, 800-802 Upshur Streets NW. Commissioner Hayworth made the motion to approve the Settlement Agreement with Ruta Del Vino. The Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. DDOT Notice of Intent (15-269 TOA) Traffic Signal on Georgia Avenue NW and Webster Street NW. Commissioner Hayworth noted the information for the commissioners and public. No action was taken.
2. DDOT Resolution: Powell's Traffic Safety Plan Pedestrian/Parking. Commissioner Teutsch made the motion to write a letter of support to DDOT for the cross walk on behalf of the ANC 4C. The motion passed unanimously, as amended by Commissioner Uqdah for a separate letter to MPD. The second item for access and egress to a new parking lot through an alley off of Taylor Street. was moved to the February 2016 Agenda.
3. DMV Proposal Request Department of Motor Vehicles to eliminate any alphanumeric tag plate considered to be offensive. Commissioner Uqdah made the motion to support the DMV resolution

opposing the utilization of the prefix “FU” on tags, as amended by Commissioner Hayworth to include the EOM on the title and in the body of the Proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

4. BZA Application #19177 to convert 615 Upshur Street, NW from a single family dwelling into three condos with a roof deck. Commissioner Hayworth made the motion to approve the resolution of opposition with the proviso that if there is an agreement between the developer and the neighbors the opposition will be withdrawn. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn 8:49 pm