

Final July 8, 2015 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order 6:30pm
2. Roll Call and Introduction of Commissioners: Vann-Di M. Galloway, John-Paul Hayworth, Kathleen M. Crowley, Taalib-Din Uqdah, Joe Martin, Rickey Williams Jr., Timothy Jones, Zach Teutsch and Elisa Irwin present. Joseph Maloney absent.
3. Approval of Agenda: Amendments:
Commissioner Uqdah requested that the Cease Fire Grant be moved to the end of the agenda.
Commissioner Uqdah added several amendments to the New Business section:
 - 1) Cordless microphone system expenditure moved from Presentations to New Business.
 - 2) SMD Business Cards expenditure.
 - 3) FOIA Request.
 - 4) Nightlife Regulation Amendment Act of 2015.All Commissioner Uqdah's amendments were added to New Business.
Commissioner Hayworth postponed the Timber Pizza restaurant to the August 2015 Agenda.
Commissioner Martin made the motion to approve the amendments. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Reading and Approval of the June 2015 Minutes. Commissioner Martin made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Crowley reported on the period of June 1 through June 30, 2015. The checking account balance \$16,741.00 and \$12, 0000 in the savings account balance.
6. Agency Announcements:
Councilmember Brandon Todd's Office representative Matt Santoro update: on Family Fun Day; Neighborhood block captains; the Meet and Greet for all ANC commissioners and block presidents; Ward 4 Safety meeting and school modernization expenditures.

Khalil Thompson, Mayor Bowser's Office update: July 4th block party, office hours start in July.

Presentations:

1. DC Water Green Rivers Update - No show.
2. Commissioner Uqdah moved to oppose specific portions of the proposed Title 13 Sign Regulations, as outlined in his report to the Commission, and authorize the chair or his designee to represent the Commission in the matter. The motion passed unanimously.

ABRA Matters:

1. Timber Pizza 809 Upshur Street NW. Commissioner Hayworth Postponed until the August 2015 meeting.
2. Taqueria Habanero Settlement Agreement and Letter of Support. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve the amended settlement agreement. Commissioner Teutsch proposed that the agreement be amended to limit entertainment to a jukebox at a reasonable volume, per the restaurant management's proposed entertainment. That amendment was accepted as friendly. The proposal to accept the agreement was moved and passed unanimously. Commissioner Williams proposed supporting a stipulated liquor license. That motion also passed unanimously.

Zoning Matters:

1. 3831 Georgia Avenue NW Parking Variance. Commissioner Jones motion to oppose BZA # 19038 amended to include Commissioner William's testimony in the Resolution. The vote: 6 yeas, 1 nay, 2 abstentions. The motion passed.

Old Business:

1. Grant Circle Project/DDOT Letter of Support. Commissioner Martin made the motion to support the DDOT traffic calming letter for Grant Circle amended to include the constituents of Saint Gabriel Church. The vote: 7 yeas 2 abstentions. The motion passed.

New Business:

1. Cordless Microphone Authorization. Commissioner Uqdah made the motion to research only the feasibility purchasing and operating a cordless mic system, for use during public meetings, not to cost more than \$500.00. Commissioner Hayworth amended the motion to read, "research and purchase a cordless microphone system". The motion passed unanimously.
2. SMD Business Cards. Commissioner Uqdah made the motion to authorize the expenditure not to exceed \$300.00, for the purchase of SMD business cards for Commissioners Jones, Galloway, Martin, Irwin and Hayworth. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Commissioner Uqdah made the motion to authorize the Advisory Neighborhood Commission Director Gottlieb Simon and his staff to represent the ANC 4C's response to the FOIA request of Attorneys Gordon and Simmons, LLC, on behalf of their client, Mr. Jay Gross, in the matter pertaining to #6, #7 and #8 Grant Circle, NW. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Commissioner Uqdah moved to oppose specific portions of Bill – 21-0196 / Nightlife Regulation Amendment Act of 2015 -- as outlined in his report to the Commission --- calling for the "self-regulation" of noise ordinances between 9:00 pm to 4:00 am, every night C and D-class ABRA Licensed establishments are open and adopt the Resolution and authority of the chair to appoint a designee to represent the Commission as had been presented. Chairman Galloway authorized and Commissioner Uqdah accepted to represent the Commission in the matter pertaining to Bill 21-0196. The motion passed unanimously.

Grants:

1. Cease Fire Don't Smoke the Brothers and the Sisters Grant Application. Commissioner Crowley made the motion to approve the grant. The motion passed. The vote: 8 yeas and 1 abstention.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.