

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B**

ANNC 1B

**AGENDA PACKET FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
ON**

FEBRUARY 1, 2024

6:30 p.m., via Zoom webinar

Sabel Harris, SMD 1B08, *Chair*

Larry Handerhan, SMD 1B01, *Vice-Chair*

Miguel Trindade Deramo, SMD 1B06, *Secretary*

Santiago Lakatos, SMD 1B04, *Treasurer*

Sean Holihan, SMD 1B02

Jamie Sycamore, SMD 1B03

Alan Kensek, SMD 1B05

Ashleigh Fields, SMD 1B07

Tucker Jones, SMD 1B09

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AGENDA
for the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
on
February 1, 2024, via Zoom

Guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

- Christopher Dyer, Community Engagement Manager, DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)

Call meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Commissioner	Present	Absent
1B01 Handerhan		
1B02 Holihan		
1B03 Sycamore		
1B04 Lakatos		
1B05 Kensek		
1B06 Trindade Deramo		
1B07 Fields		
1B08 Harris		
1B09 Jones		

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes

B. Two-minute comment time for Commissioners and community members

IV. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Financial report (Cmsr. Lakatos)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Regulations

- i. [Report forthcoming]
- ii. Next regular meeting: Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m.

B. Committee on Economic Development

- i. Main Streets – Clean Streets (Lower GA Ave., Shaw, 14th Street, and U Street)
- ii. Neighborhood updates
 - 1. 1617 U Street redevelopment: Zoning Commission resumed hearings on the upzoning of this site from MU-4 to MU-10.
Details: <https://dmped.dc.gov/page/1617U>
 - 2. Alcohol moratorium in North Shaw: ABCA draft rule
 - 3. Public safety interventions: 3D CAC Public Safety meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 7pm at 1620 V Street, NW. Spanish speaking only meeting on the last Wednesday of each month at 7pm. The T Street Task Force continues to meet monthly. Howard plans to announce an interim use at the CVS site.
- iii. Committee agenda topics for 2024
 - 4. Existing Public Disposition conversations (1617 U Street, Reeves Center, Grimke); future of U Street; update on DC HFA redevelopment; Night Life Task Force engagement; revisit Green New Deal for Housing/Social Housing resolution; revisit Public Restrooms resolution
- iv. Next regular meeting: Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m. (third Thursday of the month)

C. Committee on Public Safety and Community Engagement

- i. [Report forthcoming]
- ii. Report from Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)
- iii. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m.

D. Committee on Transportation

- i. Resolution on U Street Bus Priority Project (1B02, 1B07, 1B08)

1. Transportation Committee recommendation: **Full ANC support of the resolution on the U Street Bus Priority Project spanning SMDs 1B02, 1B07, and 1B08 (3-0-0).**
- ii. Resolution on Florida Avenue Bus Priority Project (1B01, 1B02)
 1. Transportation Committee recommendation: **Full ANC support of the resolution on the Florida Avenue Bus Priority Project spanning SMDs 1B01 and 1B02 (3-0-0).**
- iii. If interested in joining the Transportation Committee as a community member, please contact Commissioner Santiago Lakatos at 1B04@anc.dc.gov.
- iv. Next regular meeting: Wednesday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. (Registration via ANC1B.org)

E. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

- i. Howard University proposed map amendment Z.C. Case No. 24-01 ([view case here](#))
 1. Property: Area outlined in white in map on the left: Southern bound approximately Florida Ave NW and U Street Alley. Northern bound approximately Euclid St NW. Western bound approximately Georgia Ave NW. Eastern bound approximately 5th St NW between U and W St NW, and 6th St NW between W and Euclid St NW. See case linked above for detailed map.
 2. SMD/Commissioner: 1B01 (Larry Handerhan), 1B02 (Sean Holihan), 1E05 (Philip Newland), 1E07 (Brian Footer)
 3. Proposal: The area is currently zoned either for RA-2 or PDR-3. Howard University is proposing changing the zoning for this area mostly to MU-10, with some parts being changed to MU-9. Right now the MU-9 subtype is listed as MU-9A but Howard may amend the proposal to change that to MU-9B.
 4. **No motions were made** and the ZPD committee has no recommendations at this time.
- ii. Z.C. Case No. 23-17 (Office of Planning – Proposed Text Amendment to Reduce Parking Requirements for Publicly Assisted Affordable Dwelling Units)

1. For full information see the Office of Zoning site here: https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/CaseReport/CaseReportPage.aspx?case_id=23-17
2. ZPD Committee recommendation: **Full ANC support of Zoning Case number 23-17, the proposed text amendment to reduce parking requirements for publicly assisted affordable dwelling units (3-2-0, with the Chair voting in favor).**

iii. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Election of committee chairs (Cmsr. Harris for the Executive Committee)
Under the Commission's Standard Operating Procedures, the Executive Committee reviews all eligible submissions for committee chairs and presents nominations to the Commission for approval. Committee chairs are appointed to a one-year term.

- i. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Regulations
- ii. Committee on Economic Development
- iii. Committee on Public Safety and Community Engagement
- iv. Committee on Transportation
- v. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

VII. EXECUTIVE, COUNCILMEMBER, COMMISSIONER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Office of the Councilmember, Ward 1: Nicole Rivero**
- B. Office of the Mayor: Jerrod Allen, MOCRS**
- C. Commissioner announcements**
- D. Community announcements**

- i. Diane Romo Thomas, Rock 'N Roll DC Half Marathon and 5K, March 16

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be on March 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES
from the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
on
January 4, 2024

Guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

- Sean Cuddihy, DC Council, Deputy Committee Director, Committee on Housing (Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr., Chair), provided background on social housing and took questions from Commissioners and community members.

Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Commissioner	Present	Absent
1B01 Handerhan	X	
1B02 Holihan	X	
1B03 Sycamore	X	
1B04 Lakatos	X	
1B05 Kensek	X	
1B06 Trindade Deramo	X	
1B07 Fields	X	
1B08 Harris	X	
1B09 Jones	X	

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A. Consent agenda

- i. December draft meeting minutes
 1. **MOTION:** Commissioner Kensek moved to approve the December minutes. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained).**
- ii. Consent agenda with December 2023 draft meeting minutes, 2-minute comment time, 1 comment per speaker per topic, for Commissioners and community members

1. **MOTION:** Commissioner Jones moved to approve the January agenda. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained)**.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Election of 2024 ANC 1B officers

i. Chairperson

1. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Handerhan nominated Chair Harris for Chairperson. Chair Harris accepted the nomination.
2. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Sycamore nominated Commissioner Trindade Deramo for Chairperson. Commissioner Trindade Deramo did not accept the nomination.
3. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Sycamore nominated Commissioner Kensek for Chairperson. Commissioner Kensek accepted the nomination.
4. **VOTE:** Commissioner Jones led the vote count. Commissioner Harris received **6 votes**. Commissioner Kensek received **2 votes**. By a vote of 6-2, Commissioner Harris was re-elected as Chairperson.

ii. Vice-Chairperson

1. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Kensek nominated Commissioner Handerhan as Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Handerhan accepted the nomination.
2. **VOTE:** With no opposition, Commissioner Handerhan was re-elected as Vice Chair.

iii. Treasurer

1. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Kensek nominated Commissioner Lakatos as Treasurer. Commissioner Lakatos accepted the nomination.
2. **VOTE:** With no opposition, Commissioner Lakatos was re-elected Treasurer.

iv. Secretary

1. **NOMINATION:** Commissioner Jones nominated Commissioner Trindade Deramo as Secretary. Commissioner Trindade Deramo accepted the nomination.
2. **VOTE:** With no opposition, Commissioner Trindade Deramo was elected as Secretary.

B. Applications for chairs of committees

- i. The two-week period in which the Commission will accept applications for the chair of each committee began.

C. Security fund: ANC 1B's participation in the ANC security fund, related fees of up to \$100, and authorizing the Treasurer to complete all related paperwork.

- i. **MOTION:** Commissioner Lakatos moved that ANC 1B participate in the ANC Security fund up to \$100 and authorize the Treasurer to complete all necessary paperwork. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained)**.

V. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' REPORTS — No reports.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Regulations

- i. Did not meet in December, no action items to report out.
- ii. Next regular meeting: Wednesday January 17, 2024, at 7pm via Zoom (Registration via ANC1B.org).
- iii. Commissioner Holihan responded to a community member question: whether ABR Committee would be handling new licenses and protest opportunities for licenses newly available for medical marijuana dispensaries and other cannabis dispensaries. The answer was yes.

B. Committee on Public Safety and Community Engagement

- i. Sponsorship update
- ii. ANC Neighborhood Engagement Intern review
- iii. Proposal for community engagement at Cardozo
- iv. Public safety updates

- v. Upcoming community events for PSCE
- vi. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 7pm via Zoom (Registration via ANC1B.org).

C. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

i. Case #1

1. Applicant: Drakakis Architecture for client Lincoln Liebner
2. Contact: Desiree Drakakis desiree@drakakisarchitecture.net
3. Property: 1332 T St NW (square 0238 lot 0078) (current zoning RF-1) (Greater U Street Historic District) (1B08 – Sabel Harris)
4. Case number: Not yet assigned
5. Request of committee: BZA zoning special exception (or whatever exceptions/variances are necessary) to allow for a second-floor addition to existing rear detached garage. Applicant notes “the existing garage was approved under a variance because the rear alley width is narrower than usual. Other adjacent garages have a 2nd story as well, and similar setback, so we are hoping we can just piggy back off of the original variance.”
6. ZPD committee recommendation:
 - a. **Full ANC support the project at 1332 T St NW at the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) so far as we think it is compatible with the historic character of the neighborhood** (3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining).
 - b. **Full ANC support at 1332 T St NW with respect to zoning the proposed changes to the concept and massing to alter the existing accessory building** (3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining).
7. **MOTION:** Commissioner Jones moved that ANC 1B support the project at 1332 T St NW at the HPRB as we think it is compatible with the historic character of the neighborhood. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained).**

8. **MOTION:** Commissioner Jones moved that the full ANC 1B support the proposed project at 1332 T St NW with respect to zoning regarding the proposed changes to the concept and massing to alter the existing accessory building. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained)**.
- ii. Case #2
 1. Applicant: Hunt Laudi Studio (for client)
 2. Contact: Julian Hunt jhunt@huntlaudistudio.com
 3. Property: 1311 S St NW (square 0238 lot 0852) (current zoning RF-1) (Greater U Street Historic District)
 4. Case number: BZATmp3329 (provisional number) (1B08 — Sabel Harris)
 5. Request of committee: BZA zoning special exception to allow for an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU). For context, applicant notes “that alley behind 1311 S St. NW has at least five or six ADU's already so I don't foresee any objections to this new building type that will allow greater density and add some relief to the housing shortage.”
 6. ZPD committee recommendation to ANC 1B: **Full ANC support a request for special exemption to allow an ADU in an RF-1 zone at 1311 S St NW while meeting all other zoning requirements for the zone** (3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstaining).
 7. **MOTION:** Commissioner Jones moved that ANC 1B support the request for special exemption to allow an ADU in an RF-1 zone at 1311 S St NW while meeting all other zoning requirements for the zone. The motion was seconded. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained)**.
 - iii. Next regular meeting: Tuesday January 16 starting at 6:30pm via Zoom. Please see ANC 1B's website for details. Please contact the ZPD committee's chair Cmsr. Tucker Jones 1B09@anc.dc.gov if you have any questions.

D. Committee on Economic Development

- i. Did not meet in December, no action items to report out.
- ii. Lindsay Hicks (U Street Main Street) provided an update on activities of U Street Main Street.

- iii. Zoning Commission’s public hearing on 1617 U St. and proposed rezoning, on January 8th, 2024, at 4pm.
- iv. Next regular meeting: Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 pm via Zoom (Registration via ANC1B.org).

E. Committee on Transportation

- i. Did not meet in December, no action items to report out.
- ii. If you are interested in joining the Transportation Committee as a community member, please contact Commissioner Santiago Lakatos at 1B04@anc.dc.gov.
- iii. Next regular meeting: Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at 7pm (Registration via ANC1B.org).

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Office of the Ward 1 Councilmember — Niccole Rivero, Chief of Staff, provided community updates and fielded both Commissioner and community questions.

B. Commissioner announcements

C. Community announcements

VIII. NEW BUSINESS — None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT at 8:05 p.m.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2024, 6:30pm
Via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Welcome**
2. **Roll Call and Introduction of Members**

Committee Members	Present
Larry Handerhan, 1B01	X
Tania Shand, 1B02	X
Frank Chavin, 1B02	X
Krishna Kumar, 1B03	X
Howard Kurtzman, 1B04	X
Karen Gaal, 1B05	X
André Denegri, 1B07	

3. **Committee Administrative Items**

- This year, ANC 1B is using a new process to recruit and identify a Chair and/or Co-Chair for each committee: you can apply here:
- Commissioner Handerhan will be stepping back from ED Committee to focus on Vice Chair role – focus on governance items.
 - Discussion: ANC 1B recently missed roll call hearings for 2 ANC 1B02 protests – need to ensure we have duplication so this doesn't happen again.

4. **Community Updates**

- 1617 U Street (Commissioner Handerhan):
 - Zoning Commission Hearings reconvening after continuance in the fall to discuss the upzoning from MU-4 to MU-10.
 - First hearing of 2024 was on January 8th and second was on January 18th. The Next Hearings January 29th at 4pm. All are public.
 - It is not clear when Zoning Commission will make a decision.
 - You can learn more about the project here:
<https://dmped.dc.gov/page/1617U>
- Alcohol moratorium (Committee Member Frank Chauvin)
 - ABCA published a moratorium draft rule that gives explicit acknowledgement that a moratorium is needed to address adverse

impacts/nuisances caused by the overconcentration of alcohol licenses in North Shaw.

- However, the proposed moratorium does not include taverns so neighbors are working to advocate for updates (generally not happy).
- Nightlife Task Force has shut down of streets, 9th Street shut down Friday and Saturday nights. Mixed results, generally positive.
- Public Safety interventions
 - 3D CAC Public Safety meetings – held on the last Thursday of each month at 7pm at 1620 V Street, NW. Spanish Speaking Only Meeting on the Last Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. Next week, Darnell Robinson will attend.
 - *T Street Task Force* – Continues to meet monthly and add agencies and partners. Howard plans to announce an interim use of CVS site within the coming weeks that will come online by the end of February, which will include music, arts, maybe food. For CVS permanent development – construction could take as little as two years (no zoning changes, currently zoned ARTS-2). Overall, some disappointments and some progress. Looking to add Streatery on North Side on street.
- Shaw Main Streets Update – Building Ambassadorships and escort programs in night life areas. Also looking at camera enhancements.
- U Street Main Street Update – Hosted a Safety Forum with businesses. Wishing to have a stronger presence and join Night Life Task Force.

5. Next Steps for Future of U Street

- This has been a general charge of this Committee over the past 2 years. Recently, Grimke had challenges to get tenants has put this back on our radar.
- Question – what have we learned in Shaw that might be applicable?
 - Shaw Main Streets: Can't fill vacancies – public safety is part of it. Also square foot rates are beyond what people are willing to do, combined with landlords willingness to do tenant improvement credit. Pandemic still impacted hiring/retaining staff.
 - In past, have had success in past with fashion – have to be careful what you “sell” to potential folks.
- U Street Main Street plans to focus on this in the upcoming year. Would love to dig into vacancies and incentives.
- Vacancy Report – due quarterly. Should use surveys, look at best practices.
 - Can we get inventory of vacant storefronts?
- Jean – DC right now is not a business-friendly environment. We are at the absolute bottom of the New Business Applications list of all states.
- Need to hear from landlords to better understand issues
 - Next Steps / Ideas for future conversations (Committee Member **Krishna Kumar** to be lead)
 - ARTS overlay: Ask for a Zoning review to look at ARTS overlay
 - Schedule conversation with landlords
 - Ask Office of Planning (OP) to explore Small Area Plan for U Street: Columbia Heights and Mt Pleasant both had financing and approval to adopt a Small Area Plan

- Community conversation marking the 20th anniversary of the Duke Plan: e.g. panels with various players, maybe even a series

6. Past resolutions

- How can we build support for vacant and blighted properties resolution?
- Four Commissions have passed similar resolutions. Issues has been connected to downtown issues and H Street challenges – violence prevention bill from Mendelsohn included reference to blighted properties related to crime.
- Washington DC Economic Partnership (www.wdcep.com) has some info available on vacant properties in DC with details on sq ft and cost per month
- Leverage landlords – there are also misaligned incentives with vacant buildings.
- Connect with 1A Commissioners
 - Next Steps: Committee Member **Howard Kurtzman** to lead Committee advocacy on this. **Commissioner Handerhan** to make connections with District agencies and other Commissions

7. Proposed new resolutions (20-30 mins)

- Public restrooms: [A draft resolution in support of public restroom facilities at newly redeveloped DC-owned properties whenever possible](#)
 - Guest Speakers: Commissioner Tucker Jones & Marcia Bernbaum: can find lots of research at www.DCPublicRestrooms.org
 - Discussed District pilot that feel apart – CM Nadeau still working on something for Ward 1 U Street corridor was identified as target area
 - Past ANC 1B resolution: [ANC1B-Resolution.pdf \(dcpublicrestrooms.org\)](#)
 - Can look at one option, The Thrown, here: <https://www.thronelabs.co>
 - General discussion topics:
 1. Need to be clear on cleaning and sanitation
 2. Safety is a concern
 3. How to handle gender neutral component
 4. Overall, mixed interest – need more discussion before determine if a vote on ED Committee makes sense
- Green New Deal for Housing: [A draft resolution in support of the Green New Deal for Housing](#)
 - Guest Speaker: Commissioner Tucker Jones
 - Different model to address need for sustainable affordable housing – bill was introduced and will be reintroduced this year. Has been getting steam in the general housing conversation.
 - DC has had a long history of co-op housing – aligned with social housing but ownership model is different
 - Also different from public housing, but overall maintenance is a concern
 - General discussion topics:
 1. Social housing vs. public housing vs. co-op housing
 2. Likelihood that model will be implemented at all in DC, and if so, when would actually be a tool (e.g. not likely for 1617 U Street)
 3. Overall, general interest – need more discussion before vote

8. Agenda topics for 2024:

- Existing Public Disposition conversations (1617 U Street, Reeves Center, Grimke)
- Future of U Street – how do we live up to the full potential of the corridor, engage the community
- Update on DC HFA redevelopment
- Night Life Task Force engagement
- Revisit Green New Deal for Housing / Social Housing resolution
- Revisit Public Restrooms resolution

3. Meeting Adjournment and Next Meeting

- Next Meeting: Thursday, **February 15 at 6:30pm**
- Contact Committee at: 1B01@anc.dc.gov. On the web at: ANC1B.org



Transportation Committee

January 10, 2024 at 7 PM

Agenda

I. Welcome

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Members

Committee Members	Present
Brian Dofflemyer, 1B09	X
Ben Klemens, 1B02	X
Sharon Dreyfuss, 1B03	
Harry Quinton, 1B04	
Karen Gaal, 1B05	X

III. Committee Yearly Planning and Goal Setting

- Santiago introduces the topic and solicits feedback from committee members and the public about specific issues areas and projects they are interested in
- Brian raises the issue of safety at 16th and U
- Ben raises the question of the 11th St bike lane
- A member of the public raises a concern about capital projects and the Banneker baseball field
- Santiago clarifies that the baseball field is in 1E, but that the Commission would be willing to consider a resolution supporting 1E's actions
- Karen raises the issue of consideration of improvements to bike lanes at corners to allow for ADA drop off and pick up
- Santiago adds the topics of the Florida Ave reconstruction project follow up, the U Street performance parking zone, and the T Street no parking zone as areas to consider

IV. Resolution Regarding the U Street Bus Priority Project

- Santiago introduces the resolution and provides the context around it, including project design, previous meetings and discussion.
- Santiago adds note that this resolution could address 16th and U safety concerns
- No committee members have questions/comments
- Santiago motions, Karen seconds
- Resolution passed 3-0-0

V. Resolution Regarding the Florida Avenue Bus Priority Project

-Santiago introduces the resolution and provides the context around it, including project design, previous meetings and discussion.

-No committee members have questions/comments

-Santiago motions, Karen seconds

-Resolution passed 3-0-0

VI. New Business/Community Announcements

VII. Meeting Adjournment and Next Meeting

- Next Meeting: February 7, 2023

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Florida Avenue Bus Priority Project Resolution

WHEREAS the 2021 Update to the DDOT's [Bus Priority Plan](#) designates both U Street NW and Florida Avenue as part of the District's bus priority network, and specifically designates the corridor as the highest ranked bus priority corridor in the District,

WHEREAS in 2023 ANC 1B requested that DDOT include bus lanes within a plan for their bus priority project,

WHEREAS DDOT has proposed bus lanes throughout the corridor from 9th Street NW to 1st Street NE,

WHEREAS DDOT has offered options for curbside lanes in both directions throughout the corridor and/or alternatives in two specific sections where curbside lanes would only be on the north side of the road,

WHEREAS Florida Avenue NW from 7th Street NW to 1st Street NE has no parking or standing anytime in all curbside lanes,

WHEREAS DDOT is currently planning for bus lanes on U Street NW from 9th Street NW to 18th Street NW, which would connect to the Florida Avenue Bus Priority Project,

WHEREAS the Florida Avenue NW corridor is a critical bus corridor for the 90, 92, and 96 MetroBus lines, which carry 14,200 average weekday passengers,

WHEREAS the Florida Avenue NW corridor bus lines operate 24 hours, 7 days a week due to a subsidy provided by the District to WMATA,

WHEREAS these bus lines carry riders to, from, and through ANC 1B to access jobs, attend schools and universities, reach essential services including healthcare facilities, and patronize local businesses,

WHEREAS despite its importance, the Florida Avenue NW bus corridor was given an "D" rating in the [2019 MetroBus Report Card](#),

WHEREAS buses on this corridor had only 65% adherence to headways, 62% adherence to bus schedule, and an average speed of 8.3 mph,

WHEREAS the low performance metrics for the buses on Florida Avenue NW result in passenger delays, crowding, and overall poor service,

WHEREAS this bus priority corridor fills a critical east-west gap in MetroRail service between population centers in ANC 1B and major population centers in Eckington, Truxton Circle, Union Market, Congress Heights, Capitol Hill, and H Street neighborhoods,

WHEREAS these buses operate past MetroRail's closing hours and under a proposed Council funding measure would operate 24 hours a day serving as a vital corridor for nightlife workers and patrons in the U Street and Florida Avenue corridors whose hours of extend after MetroRail closes,

WHEREAS WMATA's Better Bus network redesign project proposes adding two new routes to Florida Avenue in ANC 1B as well as increasing frequency of service on other routes.

WHEREAS Florida Avenue NW is a high injury network corridor for traffic safety injuries,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 1B supports the proposed concepts for continuous offset and curbside bus lanes in both directions on Florida Avenue NW from 9th Street NW to 1st Street NE,

ANC [★]_★_★ 1B GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests that the bus priority team collaborate with the curbside management team and the Mayor's Office of Nightlife and Culture to identify locations on the segment from 9th Street to 7th Street NW where curbside pick-up/drop-off zones and ADA loading zones would be possible,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests that the DDOT include the following:

- Fixed enforcement cameras to maintain continuous bus flow through the corridor,
- Transit signal priority for buses to ensure continuous movement,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests DDOT return to ANC 1B to consult the community during its planning process.

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Certification:

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of 7 of 8 present at its February 1, 2024 meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B voted, with XX Yeas, XX Nos, and XX Abstentions, to adopt the above resolution.

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U Street Bus Priority Project Resolution

WHEREAS the 2021 Update to the DDOT's [Bus Priority Plan](#) designates both U Street NW and Florida Avenue as part of the District's bus priority network, and specifically designates the corridor as the highest ranked bus priority corridor in the District,

WHEREAS in 2022 ANC 1B passed a resolution supporting dedicated bus lanes on U Street NW and requesting added infrastructure including loading zones, ADA accessibility improvements, added shelters, and other infrastructure,

WHEREAS DDOT has proposed offset bus lanes from 9th Street NW to 18th Street NW,

WHEREAS the U Street NW NW corridor is a critical bus corridor for the 90, 92, and 96 MetroBus lines, which carry 14,200 average weekday passengers,

WHEREAS these bus lines carry riders to, from, and through ANC 1B to access jobs, attend schools and universities, reach essential services including healthcare facilities, and patronize local businesses,

WHEREAS despite its importance, the U Street NW bus corridor was given an "D" rating in the [2019 MetroBus Report Card](#),

WHEREAS buses on this corridor had only 65% adherence to headways, 62% adherence to bus schedule, and an average speed of 8.3 mph,

WHEREAS the low performance metrics for the buses on U Street NW result in passenger delays, crowding, and overall poor service,

WHEREAS this bus priority corridor fills a critical east-west gap in MetroRail service between population centers in ANC 1B and major population centers in Eckington, Truxton Circle, Union Market, Congress Heights, Capitol Hill, and H Street neighborhoods,

WHEREAS these buses operate past MetroRail's closing hours and under a proposed Council funding measure would operate 24 hours a day serving as a vital corridor for nightlife workers and patrons in the U Street and Florida Avenue corridors whose hours of extend after MetroRail closes,

WHEREAS WMATA's Better Bus network redesign project proposes adding two new routes to U Street in ANC 1B as well as increasing frequency of service on other routes.

WHEREAS U Street NW is a high injury network corridor for traffic safety injuries,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 1B supports the proposed concepts for continuous offset bus lanes on U Street NW from 9th Street NW to 18th Street NW,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests that the bus priority team collaborate with the DDOT curbside management team and the Mayor's Office of Nightlife and Culture to identify locations throughout the project corridor where curbside pick-up/drop-off zones, ADA loading zones, and cargo loading zones would be possible,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests that the DDOT include the following:

- Fixed enforcement cameras to maintain continuous bus flow through the corridor,
- Transit signal priority for buses to ensure continuous movement,
- Intersection daylighting at locations where bus stops are removed,
- The addition of tactical intersection medians including but not limited to, Qwick Kurb's, to prevent illegal and dangerous u-turns,
- Re-evaluating the signal changes and design of the transition for cyclists on New Hampshire Avenue

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traveling through the intersection,

- The addition of a raised crosswalk on 12th Street at the intersection of 12th and U Streets (not on U Street) – 12th Street is a local road,
- The addition of additional traffic safety infrastructure at the intersection of 16th and U to provide for addressing the dangerous conditions for all road users including, but not limited to, a red light camera, speed camera, and further physical tactical barriers to slow down speeding drivers,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B requests DDOT return to ANC 1B to consult the community during its planning process.

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Certification:

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of XX of XX present at its February 1, 2024 meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B voted, with XX Yeas, XX Nos, and XX Abstentions, to adopt the above resolution.

Sabel Harris
Chair, ANC 1B

Miguel Trindade Deramo
Secretary, ANC 1B



ANC 1B Zoning, Preservation, and Development (ZPD) Committee

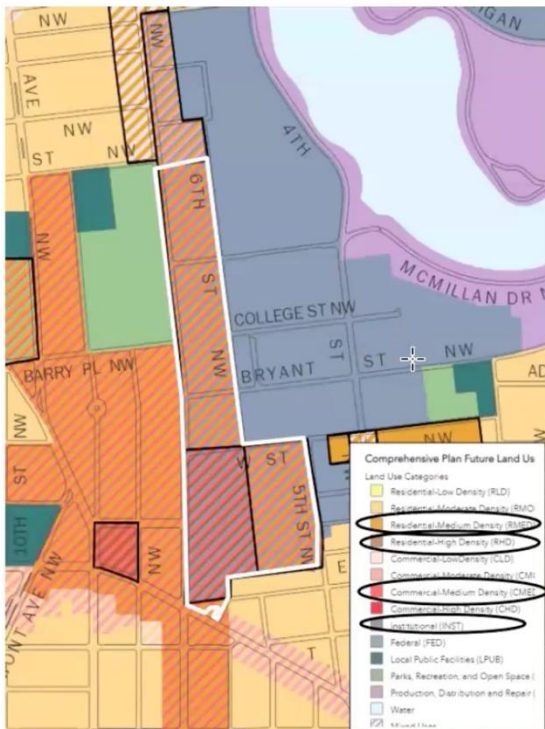
Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 6:30pm via Zoom

Agenda

1. Roll call and introduction of members

Committee Members	Present	Committee Members	Present
Chair Cmsr. Tucker Jones (1B09)	Yes	Karen Gaal	Yes
Jason Bello	Yes	Joel Heisey	Yes
Frank Chauvin	Yes		

2. Known business



- a. Topic #1:
 - i. Discussant: Teresa Edmondson and Derrek Niec-Williams for Howard University
 - ii. Main topics:
 - 1. Howard University proposed map amendment 24-01 ([view case here](#))
 - a. Property: Area outlined in white in map on the left: Southern bound approximately Florida Ave NW and U Street Alley. Northern bound approximately Euclid St NW. Western bound approximately Georgia Ave NW. Eastern bound approximately 5th St NW between U and W St NW, and 6th St NW between W and Euclid St NW. See case linked above for detailed map.
 - b. SMD/Commissioner: 1B01 (Larry Handerhan), 1B02 (Sean Holihan), 1E05 (Philip Newland), 1E07 (Brian Footer)
 - c. Proposal: The area is currently zoned either for RA-2 or PDR-3. Howard University is proposing changing the zoning for this area mostly to MU-10,

with some parts being changed to MU-9. Right now the MU-9 subtype is listed as MU-9A but Howard may amend the proposal to change that to MU-9B.

d. Discussion:

- i. Matthew Fay of the LeDroit Park Civic Association noted that LDPCA will consider this at their next meeting the following Tuesday. It has not had the opportunity to make a vote at any kind.
- ii. Howard and several other neighbors noted that there is a common interest in buffering height and density along the southern end of the property. This is something that several neighbors requested, and Howard is open to finding a setback, stepdown, or other solution to mitigate adverse impacts.
- iii. There was significant discussion about what sort of mechanism can be used to lock both Howard and neighbors into a commitment to ensure setback, stepdown, or other measures. There was some desire for a text amendment and, alternatively, some desire for a bilateral agreement between Howard and an entity such as the ANC or LDPCA. Discussants, both Howard representatives and other neighbors, saw potential benefits and drawbacks for each approach.

e. No motions were made and no votes were taken. The ZPD committee expects a long process of cooperation with Howard University about this map amendment.

iii. Additional topics: Members of the ZPD committee had previously expressed interest in updates on the following properties in or near the area represented by ANC 1B. They were discussed:

1. CVS site (at intersection of Florida Ave NW and 7th St NW)
 - a. Committee member Chauvin noted that the site had not been activated for quite a while.
 - b. Guest Derrek Niec-Williams from Howard said that they have a partner that they will announce soon that focuses on arts, music, and culture at the outdoor section of that property. He promised more to come as soon as he could say anything about it.
 - c. Howard sees that the current zoning of the site (ARTS-2) is compatible with its intended use, so it will not seek any zoning amendments or exceptions.
2. New hospital/Bond Bread/WRECO site (including specific questions about traffic flow and access for emergency vehicles)

- a. Some discussion about changing the direction of W St NW to allow for better emergency vehicle access to the new hospital site
 - b. Some discussion about emergency vehicles' current use of 5th St NW, which Committee member Bello pointed out as a safety concern as well as a quality of life concern.
 - c. Howard U reps noted that they don't have control over which streets emergency vehicle drivers use, but they share an incentive with the neighbors to make traffic flow easy and not send it through neighborhoods. Howard U Hospital's business model in part relies on ambulance drivers choosing to drive there, so if it is difficult or unpleasant to drive there, the drivers may choose competing hospitals.
 3. Walter Washington house
 - a. Committee member Bello pointed out that the site has sustained damage due to its incomplete demolition or renovation.
 - b. Howard U said they will pursue it as a two-unit, rather than dividing the lot and putting four units in it. This all depends on the next cycle of board approval, and the board will review this in March. They are also saddened by the state of the site.
 4. Playground and daycare (in Le Droit Park)
 - a. Howard has completed its procurement process and is almost ready to sign a contract with an architect that will design the green space there. They'll then look to set up meetings with the ANCs and LDPCA for community buy in and input.
- b. Topic #2:
 - i. Z.C. Case No. 23-17 (Office of Planning – Proposed Text Amendment to Reduce Parking Requirements for Publicly Assisted Affordable Dwelling Units)
 - ii. For full information see the Office of Zoning site here:
https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/CaseReport/CaseReportPage.aspx?case_id=23-17
 - iii. Discussion:
 1. There was discussion in favor and against the proposed text amendments. The arguments in favor were generally in support of allowing additional affordable housing units, even at the cost of parking spaces. The arguments against were concern about the impact on existing parking shortages and frustration with the idea that people who live in affordable housing would be forced to make do with fewer amenities.

2. Committee member Bello moved that the ZPD committee recommend that the full ANC support Zoning Case number 23-17, the proposed text amendment to reduce parking requirements for publicly assisted affordable dwelling units. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with 3 votes in favor, 2 against, 0 abstaining, with the Chair voting in favor.

3. New business

- a. There was discussion about how to be an ANC 1B committee chair. Please see the ANC 1B website for details: anc1b.org
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