



Tuesday, March 19, 2013
7 PM – 9PM

The Summit @ St Martin
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ANC5E MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: Commissioner Barnes

Roll Call: Commissioner Quinn

5E01	Commissioner Debbie Smith-Steiner	Absent
5E02	Commissioner Christy Davis	Present
5E03	Commissioner Tim Clark	Absent
5E04	Commissioner Sylvia Pinkney	Late Arrival
5E05	Commissioner Joyce Robinson-Paul	Late Arrival
5E06	Commissioner Teri J. Quinn	Present
5E07	Commissioner Wanda Foster	Present
5E08	Commissioner Mark Mueller	Present
5E09	Commissioner Dianne Barnes	Present
5E10	Commissioner Angela Blanks	Absent

Public Safety:

Sgt. Queen for PSA 502 - Out of 35 robberies, there were about 24 closed. Added officers to Edgewood led to reduction in robberies. There was a concern about bike trail – The trail has bad lighting and fences are in disrepair. MPD are not allowed to use cars on the trail (bikes only). Holes in the fence will not be repaired. Suggestion: Please ride trail in pairs and be aware. Another concern was if any items had been recovered and question the patrolling the neighborhoods.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Quinn motioned to approve agenda as presented. The agenda stands approved as presented with a quorum. Motion was 2nd and it passed.

Updates:

McMillan VMP Presentation Anne Corbett – Vision McMillan Partners – Trammel Crowe, EYA, and J. Lynch – have exclusive rights with DC to develop the McMillan Sand Filtration Site. Topics of discussion were Storm Water Management; Transportation Management; Preserved Sense of Place; Open Space with Expansive Green Space; and Community Center. There will be Olmstead walk around the perimeter.

DC Water Project will take 4-5 acres of the site to enhance water infrastructure. DC Water will temporarily store large amount of water on the Site. Increase permeability

Preserve one third of the (South) tripartite for public space - a 6.2 acre Public Park to include a Community Rec Center; create a one-acre park at cell 14; the North end of the tripartite will include medical office buildings; the middle will consist the housing, and grocery store.

Ms. Corbett went into some details about the park - interesting plantings and art works; have a playground and a water spray ground; a waterfall; indoor pool; fitness room with all kinds of health equipment. They will come back in the coming months and “wow” us with the cool building drawings. There is no longer one building dedicated to affordable/senior housing. Housing will be mixed use throughout every residential component.

The HPRB Hearing is scheduled for March 28th, changed to April 4th. DC Water will present proposed plan for its project on the Site. The Zoning and Building Design will follow. **A Community Meeting is scheduled on Saturday, April 27th – to roll out the building concepts (houses, offices, community center, etc.).**

There was a concern about the non-functional pond; could it be reduced due to no swimming in it; a concern about an amphitheater on Channing Street due to noise; the entry point on Channing along North Capitol Street. Another concern was asked if VMP has consulted an engineer if this project is sound; and about sounds carrying over to the hospital.

The Site is 25 acres: The new central park is 6.2 acres plus 2 acres of open space (=8.2 acres) and the service courts are 1.8 acres 48% of the site is open space and 20 acres of underground built space awesome caverns, only one acre of that is guaranteed (cell 14). 100 units will be work force housing. Inclusionary zoning requires 30%, 50% and 80% of area median income. This complies that \$40,000 dollars is 80% AMI; workforce is 100 and 120 % AMI which is about market rate.

DC Office of Aging and Disability Resource Center – The presenter focused on people holistically (health, age, etc). Strategic plan has 4 goals: Age friendly and age in place; Senior linked to appropriate services; Seniors have access to meals and physical activity; Create and strengthen senior services; Seniors use the information resource center a lot; Place patients at the center of decision-making – home health care is in place, etc. Goal by end of year is to come up with universal discharge agreement.

If you have 8 or more persons meeting they will come to your meeting/workshop. Lifespan Respite – They do things that give folks fresh ideas so that the help does not get burned out. Sometimes caregivers are paired so that they can collaborate and give each other helpful tips. It was suggested that this information be provided to all seniors.

Options Counseling – they may stay at home or at another location; make an individualized plan. There are new programs for Ambassadors. For information, please call 202-724-5622. They will provide you with more details than what they have tonight; Senior Friends Program – pilot with local preschools, looking for volunteers; Intergenerational Collaboration with the Youth Build Charter School. Seniors who lives in DC, 60 years and over or with disabilities – if they need painting the students will do it; the program is licensed bonded and insured; they do great work. You pay for all supplies. Workers can only work on first floor and outside of home. There will be a Symposium for seniors in May. The audience was asked to visit website for more information. There was a concern about the location of the center and if they offer transportation. The response was yes, just call Model Cities and let them know. The Center is open five days a week.

Resolution:

Commissioner Christy Davis – HSVP H Street Community Development Corp Project is the vacant lot at 2321 4th Street NE – Update on the progress: 116 units, pursuing 4% tax credits. Doubled the parking; reduced the size of the building; reduced to 5 floors; workforce housing rents will average \$1250 per month; 1400 highest rent; 4 studios; 4 3-bedrooms; 70 one-bedrooms; 32 two-bedrooms; Architecture same; Going for

singles and smaller families; 32 parking spaces plus a few extras for the folks who work in the retail spaces. There will be a bike share stop close by. Neighborhood oriented retail. This is not a Senior Housing Unit; the rents are limited by the average median income DC.

The developers are applying for funding which should be known by August. This Project may be completed by 2015; there are many things that could stop the project. There was a concern about the average square feet of the bedrooms; and the parking square footage. It was stated that the studios is 362; 1 bedroom is 500-600 square feet, 3 beds are about 840-900 square feet.

Parking – residents of this building will not be eligible for residential parking passes and parking ratio is more than sufficient according to DDOT. **Commissioner Davis motioned to support the 4th street development. The Motion was 2nd and it passed unanimously.**

Community Updates:

Mayor's Office – Serve DC: Support AmeriCorps – 2 million in grants; Train and recruit for the CERT program; Support Volunteer projects for national service days; AmeriCorps volunteers –Community Emergency Response Team CERTS – do monthly training programs, it's free. The Neighborhood Corps coming on line – block by block community area to respond to emergencies and/or natural disasters. Teen Cert – working with the summer youth employment program and public library training youth in emergency response www.serve.dc.gov website. It was suggested that we join the mailing list. Also, they are teaming with the Office of Aging. POC: Juan Thompson juan.thompson@dc.gov.

A resident asked about the Neighborhood Corps – do you have people registered, etc. Serve DC will take care of the structure. Neighborhood Corps take care of your neighbors. The training varies for the neighborhood. The Nation Capitol has never had a volunteer corps @servedc twitter handle

Mural Proposal:

The presenter is asking for community input. Scott Jacobs' Art Gallery is located at 8 Florida Avenue, NW; Submitted 8 months ago a DC Mural which goes through Department of Public Works. Mural proposed for the corner of Florida and North Capitol. **Commissioner Pinkney** suggested that they speak to neighborhood historian; **Commissioner Quinn** asked them to come to her SMD meeting for community input and bring ideas, too.

Resolution for Historic Landmark Requested for 57 N St., NW.

Commissioner Robinson-Paul requested to submit a Resolution for the Art Building at 57 N St, NW. Commissioner Robinson-Paul held a SMD meeting to inform community. ANC 5E05 SMD was unanimous. The HPRB hearing is March 23rd. **Commissioner Robinson-Paul motioned to support the site for historic preservation; Motion was 2nd and it was passed unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Mueller reported a balance \$120.32; Commissioner Mueller added \$120.32 of his own money to take care of account debit for the purchase of Commission's checks. The total of \$36,878.50 was added by the DC Auditor's Office. The current balance is \$36,878. 50.

Commissioner Robinson-Paul submitted supplies expenses.

Commissioner Barnes submitted supplies expenses.

Commissioner Quinn motion to pay all expenses; Motion was 2nd and it passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: *Tabled until next month*

Approval of funding for Cleanup/Beautification Day for Earth Day Saturday, April 20th:

The comments continue from February's Monthly Meeting that the Commission agreed to pay for supplies delivered/pickup by the Civic Associations; the purchase consists of plants, seeds, soil, and perhaps mulch.

There was a question asked of Gottlieb Simon about the purchase plants. Response: Yes, as long as the planting is on public space, ANC5E can purchase supplies themselves for the benefit of the community.

Commissioner Mueller motioned to support the Cleanup/Beautification Day for \$6,000 or less. Motion was 2nd and it passed unanimously.

Laptop Purchase:

Commissioner Robinson-Paul suggested that the Commission purchase a laptop for the Commission usage.

(Please note that Mr. Gottlieb Simon could not find an appropriate laptop from the District Government for ANC 5E Commission usage, it was suggested that the Commission purchase a laptop). Gottlieb Simon spoke about the cost of small laptops for under \$300.

Commissioner Robinson-Paul motioned that the Commission purchase a laptop for at least \$500; **Motion was not 2nd. The motion failed.**

Commissioner Barnes motioned to purchase a laptop to include the purchase of software in the price of \$1000; it was 2nd. Since Gottlieb Simon suggested that he would install on hand software. This suggestion would decrease the purchase price requested by Commissioner Barnes.

Commission Mueller motioned to purchase a laptop for the Commission use for \$400 or less. **Motion was 2nd and it passed unanimously.**

Other Community Concerns:

Controversial Resident Issues: A couple stated that they received a threatening letter from **DASH** attorneys saying they are harassing their clients. Resident feels they have been harassed by residents of DASH. Residents of T Street have never been represented. It was stated that DASH Neighborhood Advisory Board has folks on it that do not live within the DASH area. **Commissioner Quinn** says once it goes to attorneys, it is then out of the hands of the Commission. The Police were contacted. DASH attorney accused the residents of bothering DASH residents, and that their attorney has been contacted. Letter said the situation will be monitored.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 PM

*Meeting notes provided by Michael J. Henderson
ANC5E Recording Secretary*