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Minutes of the April 18, 2006 special meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1-D

These minutes approved at the May 2, 2006 meeting.

Call to order

Chair Jack McKay called the meeting to order at approximately 7:20 pm, noting the presence of five of the six ANC 1D Commissioners, Wayne, Gregg, Mitchell, Stormy, and himself, declared a quorum. Rich was absent, but was due to arrive later.

Public discussion

Marika Torok mentioned the meeting that was planned for the following evening concerning the triangular space at the intersection of Adams Mill Road, Kenyon Street, and Irving Street.

Special committee report: Long Range Planning

Gregg said that the writing of a draft Comprehensive Plan by the Office of Planning was nearly complete, so there was little that this ANC could do at this time to influence that draft. He explained that there was no formal written report from the Long Range Planning Committee to the ANC. Mitchell expressed uncertainty about the instructions given the Committee upon its formation. Stormy observed that the function of the Committee was to gather information and come back to the ANC with advice as to what the ANC should do.

Bestway driveway

Gregg offered this resolution:

ANC 1D resolves to request that the Historic Preservation Office, the Historic Preservation Review Board, and the Attorney General of the District of Columbia, investigate the legality of the removal of the historic cobblestone composition driveway and curb cut behind the Bestway grocery store on 17th Street NW, with notification to neither the historic preservation authorities nor the ANC; and, if the removal is found to have been illegal, who bears responsibility for its restoration.

Resolution passed by unanimous vote (show of hands).

Formation of Committee on Public Safety and Security

Mitchell moved the creation of a standing Committee on Public Safety and Security. (Rich Wysocki arrived during the discussion of this motion.) After some discussion, Jack suggested that we limit the current motion to the creation of the committee, with Mitchell Backfield as chair, and that we devise a more detailed statement of the instructions to this committee for the next ANC meeting. *Motion to form the committee approved by unanimous vote.*

Treasurer's report

Rich submitted the financial report for the first quarter of FY2006, which was due immediately at the Auditor's office. Rich noted that the report had already been reviewed by that office, and a few changes made in response to their comments. *Financial report accepted by unanimous vote.*

Lending of equipment

Gregg asked if anything was needed so that he could borrow the meeting electronics for the 26th. It was agreed that there was no objection to that, though Mitchell worried about accountability for the components, in case of loss or damage.

Voluntary agreements

In a lengthy discussion of the so-called "voluntary agreements" that are attached to liquor licenses, the Commission agreed to have the committees address the live-music ban, using Jack's draft resolution as a model for discussion; and for Jack to renew the request to the ABC Board for a meeting to discuss these issues.

Adjournment

By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:10 pm, after an hour and fifty minutes.