

ANC Meeting Minutes
December 14 , 2006

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Amy McVey at 7:30 p.m. Commissioners Carolyn Sherman, Lucy Eldridge and Anne Sullivan were also in attendance.

ANC Business:

- The Commission voted 4-0 to recommend the removal of a bus stop at Mass. Ave.& Westover.PI, NW
- The Commission voted 4-0 not to oppose a request for a variance to build an addition at 4323 River Road
- The Commission voted 4-0 not to take a position on the matter of a four-way stop sign at 45th & Davenport St until DDOT held a community meeting on the issue.
- The Commission voted 4-0 requesting that DDOT postpone their plans to eliminate parking at Harrison and Wisconsin Ave. NW until a discussion with developers had taken place
- The Commission voted 4-0 to request that DDOT postpone their decision to reinstall speed bumps at speed bumps on 46th Street NW until relevant information had been received and reviewed.
- The Treasurer's report was circulated by Commissioner Anne Sullivan and approved by the Commission.
- The following changes to the bi-laws were made:
[Get details from Amy](#)

Second District Police Report:

Lt. Aiello reviewed the crime statistics for the last 30 days.

Open Forum:

Mr. Scott presented a short history of Senator Fessenden, after whom Fessenden Street is named.

Joan Flower announced a march to call on congress to return take immediate action to end the war in Iraq. The march will take place on January 27th at the foot of the US Capitol.

Request from a citizen to recommend removal of a bus stop at Mass. Ave.& Westover.PI, NW

Commissioner Sullivan reviewed the history of the installation of the metro stop at Mass. Ave and Westover Place and heard remarks from the community in support of its removal as well as requests to retain the bus stop. Commissioner Sullivan moved in support of the removal of the bus stop, citing that it was dangerous to encourage pedestrians to cross the road on that part of Mass. Avenue, NW. Chairperson McVey seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

Update of proposed Comp Plan amendments

[Get information from Anne.](#)

Variance to build an addition at 4323 River Road

Mr. Ergene, on behalf of Mr. Guldu, asked the commission for support in requesting a variance to build a small addition at 4323 River Road. The request asks for an addition of 600 square feet. Members of the community supported the request and noted that letters of support from immediate neighbors were unattainable because most of the surrounding houses were rental units. Commissioner Sherman proposed a motion not to oppose the request. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

Four-way stop sign at 45th & Davenport St

Jeff Jennings of DDOT confirmed that the department was planning on putting up a four-way stop sign at 45th and Davenport Street. Due to the lack of support from the community Mr. Jennings proposed that the department meet with community to further discuss the issue. Chairperson McVey proposed a motion that the ANC not take a position on the matter until DDOT hold a meeting in the community to discuss the issue. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

Parking at Harrison and Wisconsin Ave. NW

Jeff Jennings of DDOT heard comments from the community regarding plans to eliminate parking spaces, presently designated as unrestricted parking, on the south side of Harrison Street at the Wisconsin Avenue intersection. Community members supported making the spaces available for residential parking but did not support the removal of the parking spaces. Referring to recommendations in the Friendship Heights Transportation Study that the removal of parking along that area would relieve the queuing of cars on a residential street and that the neighboring business (Gawlers) supported their removal, Mr. Jennings stated that DDOT intended to implement the plan within the next two months. Commissioner McVey and Commissioner Sherman requested that DDOT postpone their decision until the ANC had a chance to discuss the issue with Akridge who are planning to develop the site on the north corner of the intersection. Commissioner McVey also noted that while the streets are public space the city should take into account not only the interests of abutting businesses, but also the interests of nearby residents. Commissioner McVey proposed a motion requesting that DDOT postpone their plans until a discussion with the developers had taken place. Commissioner Sherman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by a vote of 4-0.

Speed bumps on 46th Street NW

Jeff Jennings of DDOT notified the community that the speed bumps on 46th Street had originally been installed at the request of the community. The speed bumps had been removed during a resurfacing project and it was the policy of the department to reinstall existing engineering design elements when roadways are reconstructed or resurfaced. Members of the community supported replacing the speed bumps. Chairperson McVey noted that she had requested the information regarding the history of the installation of

the speed bumps and had not yet received an answer. The Chair proposed a motion requesting that DDOT postpone their decision until the information had been received and reviewed. Commissioner Eldridge seconded the motion and the vote passed unanimously by 4-0.

Installation of a stoplight at Wisconsin Ave and River Road

Jeff Jennings reviewed the terms of the traffic calming decisions concluded by DDOT, with input from the community, for the River Road area. Under the terms of the decision, a stoplight would be installed at Wisconsin Avenue and River Road. Chairperson McVey again requested that DDOT hold a community meeting to discuss pending changes in the area.

Chairperson McVey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m.; the motion was seconded and approved.

Amy McVey, Chair ANC 3E