

## ANC 3E Meeting Minutes

May, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by Vice-Chairperson. Commissioners Eldridge, Sullivan, Sherman and Primor were present.

### **Announcements:**

Chairperson McVey that Lt. Aiello was retiring from PSA 202 and that there would be no report from the 2<sup>nd</sup> District that evening. Commissioner Sullivan announced the establishments requesting liquor license renewals and asked that concerns and comments be e-mailed to the commissioners in advance of next months meeting when the applications would be considered.

### **Discussion with Roadside Development about their proposed Public/Private Partnership**

Presentation by Roadside Development on PARmond Spikell of Roadside Development presented the initial concept for a public/private partnership between the development company, Tenleytown Library and the Janney Elementary School. Roadside Development proposed a residential building of four or five stories above the site of the existing library and on part of the school's land. Proceeds from the residential development would go to fund necessary upgrades for the school and to towards renovating the library. The 19,000 square foot project would include a 13,000 square foot addition to the school which would house four new classrooms, a gym and a library. Visitors and staff of both the school and the public library would share newly created underground parking as well as provide evening and weekend parking for those living in the residential section of the development. Removing the portable classrooms presently located on the grounds around the school would

provide additional green space. The height of the proposed building would be approximately 65 feet.

Questions from the audience raised concerns about the future of the Tenleytown Library and how the distribution of the funds would be allocated. The Tenleytown Library is presently closed for renovations, independent of Roadside Development, which will cost approximately \$16 million and is scheduled to reopen in March 2010. Several residents and Martha Saccacio, president of the Friends of the Tenley-Friendship Library, also commented that building the library above Janney School would restrict any future expansion. In answer to questions about the funding of the project, Mr. Spikell responded that the project would follow the PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) program of the Oyster Bilingual Elementary School. Taxes from the residential property would be used to fund part of the improvements to the school and to the library as well as any affordable housing. While Mr. Spikel contends that the DC Government owns the land that is occupied by both Janney School and the library, others contend that the DCPS owns Janney School and the DC Library owns the land on which the present building stands.

Members of the Commission also voiced confusion over the financing of the project and Chairperson McVey announced that future meetings would have to be held to discuss the project further. Announcements of the meeting will be sent out on community listserves.

### **ANC Business**

The commission approved the following items unanimously:

- The April 2007 minutes

- The Treasurer's report for the month ended Mach 31, 2007 financial report
- The second quarterly financial report
- Authorization for Commissioner Eldridge to represent the ANC in the Zoning hearing for the Akridge project

There being no further business the meeting was adjoined at 9:50 pm

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Amy McVey, Chair ANC 3E