

ANC 1C Meeting Minutes



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Minutes of Meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C January 3, 2001

The following is a draft of the minutes of the meeting of ANC 1C held on January 3, 2001. This draft may be revised by the Commission before approval.

A meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C (the ANC) incumbent and newly elected commissioners convened at Marie Reed School on January 3rd, 2001.

1. ATTENDANCE

Commissioners present: Softli (outgoing), Roth, Wright, Miscuk, Gibson, Schott, Jovanka, Johnson, Brody, and Klempay.

2. NOTICE OF MEETING

Each Commissioner and the community received notice of the meeting.

3. PRESIDING OFFICER AND SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

Comm. Softli presided, and the Honorable Jim Graham conducted the swearing-in ceremony for the following Commissioners: Miscuk, Gibson and Brody.

4. NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

All Commissioners present introduced themselves. Outgoing ANC Chair Softli then opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson.

Comm. Johnson nominated Comm Schott for Chair, which was seconded by Comm. Jovanka. Comm. Johnson spoke in support of Comm. Schott's nomination. Comm. Wright nominated Comm. Miscuk for Chair, which was seconded by Comm. Roth. Comm. Roth spoke in support of Comm. Miscuk's nomination. There no being further nominations, a vote was held and Comm. Miscuk received 5 votes, Comm. Schott received 4 votes, and Comm. Miscuk was elected Chairperson.

Chairperson Miscuk proceeded with nominations for Vice Chair. Comm. Roth nominated Comm. Wright for Vice-Chair, which was seconded by Comm. Gibson. Comm. Schott nominated Comm. Johnson for Vice Chair, which was seconded by Comm. Jovanka. Comm. Gibson spoke in support of Comm. Wright's nomination, and Comm. Jovanka spoke in support of Comm. Johnson's nomination. There being no further nominations, a vote was held and Comm. Wright received 6 votes, Comm. Johnson received 3 votes, and Comm. Wright was elected Vice Chair.

Chairperson Miscuk nominated Comm. Gibson for Treasurer, which was seconded by Comm. Roth. Comm. Jovanka nominated Comm. Johnson for Treasurer, which was seconded by Comm. Schott. There being no further nominations, a vote was held and Comm. Gibson received 6 votes, Comm. Johnson received 3 votes, and Comm. Gibson was elected Treasurer.

Comm. Wright nominated Comm. Johnson for Secretary, which was seconded by Comm. Brody. Comm. Johnson nominated Comm. Jovanka for Secretary, which was seconded by Comm. Schott. There being no further nominations, an election was held and Comm. Jovanka received 6 votes.

5. COMMITTEE AND OFFICE REPORTS

Licensing & Permits:

Comm. Schott reported on several pending liquor licenses and voluntary agreements, including the Felix expansion and negotiations over HayLaLa. Comm. Schott also covered the topic of Buca Di Beppo's parking concerns, focusing on parking inflexibility which impacts the west side of Connecticut Avenue the heaviest. The parking issue will be presented with for resolution at February's ANC meeting.

Café Aristide's request for modification of its voluntary agreement to allow expanded business hours was considered and reviewed. Comm. Schott raised the question of whether this is considered a "substantial change" requiring the ABC Board's approval.

Public Safety:

Sgt. Sledge followed with 3rd District Police and Crime Report announced the decrease for December 2000 compared to December 1999, and began to read his entire police report. Secretary Jovanka requested a copy of the police report for an official file in the ANC records. A question and answer session followed, with the community and commissioners focusing on unlawful activities at Walter Pierce Park, Rabuat Park ("Pigeon Park") and on cutbacks in Police overtime for street patrols.

Housing:

Comm. Johnson reported on Rent Control issues and spoke about profound problems with lack of heat in several buildings in the neighborhood and massive rent increases. Comm. Johnson also recommended that 17th street and Columbia Rd, be restriped and sidewalks on Kalorama Rd, 17th Street at H.D. Cooke and the 2400 of 17th Street be replaced to create a smooth walking surfaces.

Treasurer:

The Treasurer's Report followed with Comm. Miscuk's Treasurer's 4th Quarter 2000 Report. The summary of the 4th Quarter Report was handed to all commissioners, but action was deferred until the February's meeting due to needed reconciliation of documentation accompanying the report. Upon noticing errors, Comm. Miscuk was encouraged to withdraw the report for consideration.

Secretary:

Comm. Wright distributed November's 2000 and December's 2000 minutes for consideration. Several technical corrections were approved by the commissioners, and the minutes as corrected were approved by voice vote.

6. OLD BUSINESS

The ANC announced and commended the outgoing commissioners for the great work they had accomplished on behalf of the ANC Commission as a whole.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Comm. Miscuk brought up a grant application and motion for CHIME in the amount of \$1,000.00 dollars. A discussion followed about CHIME and about how the ANC's grant guidelines might require revision. Comm. Jovanka moved to delay the CHIME grant application for an adequate demonstration of delivery of back-up documents for the grant application and for the 4th quarter report from the Treasurer. The motion seconded by Comm. Brody. Comm. Schott offered an amendment to the motion that the amount of CHIME grant be lowered to \$500.00 dollars. The amendment was seconded and adopted by a vote of 7 to 2.

Comm. Miscuk invited Comm. Jovanka to proceed with her motion regarding Henry D. Cooke School for voting and accessibility problems, but Comm. Jovanka requested that this issue be postponed. Comm. Miscuk announced that it would be considered as New Business for February's ANC meeting.

Following this event, Comm. Roth presented his "Billboard Resolution" which was moved, seconded and passed by a unanimous vote. (see copy attached.)

Comm. Wright moved to postpone further grants the acceptance of further grant applications until ANC 1C resolved budget issues and reviewed and revised its grant guidelines. Comm. Johnson suggested that grantees receive and apply for ANC only once in a twelve month period.

The motion was seconded by Comm. Brody, and approved by unanimous vote.

8. SMD UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Comm. Roth announced that he will be announcing regular office hours in the near future.

Comm. Wright announced that he would be planning a single member district meeting in the near future.

Comm. Jovanka announced that she would offer a resolution at February's meeting regarding Rabuat Park.

Comm. Klempay announced that he is in the process of making his presence known in the ANC.

Comm. Johnson held an SMD meeting on December 14, 2000 at Park Tower to discuss residential parking problems. Comm. Johnson also announced the "Low Impact Development Workshop" on January 16th, 2001, from 8:30 am to 4 pm at 777 North Capital St., NE at Training Center 1st floor, call Suzy for more information at (202)535-2252.

Comm. Schott reported that his SMD met on December 19th, 2000 to discuss an increase in crime.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jobi Jovanka, Secretary

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