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Ms. Sheila Cross Reid, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth Street, N.W.
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Dear Ms. Reid:

Re: Application No. 16702 - Millennium Georgetown Partners

Enclosed with this letter are items which we were asked to prepare at the conclusion of Tuesday's hearing. They include:

1. ANC Minutes recording the presentations and actions in connection with this project. They have been annotated to ease identification of the project within lengthy minutes.

2. E-mails that supplement the ANC records.

3. Copies of CAG newsletters reflecting the presentations made by Millennium Georgetown Partners and the varying numbers of theater seats and parking spaces proposed at different stages of the project.

4. A recapitulation of the elements of Barbara Zartman's remarks at the BZA hearing.

These materials will be served today on the applicant's counsel and ANC 2E, the other two parties to this case.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Barbara Downs
President

BZA
Case No. 16702
Exhibit No. 59

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.16702
EXHIBIT NO.59A1

Citizens Association of Georgetown

ANC 2E Minutes

Regarding Incinerator Site

ANC 2E Public Meeting February 10, 1998

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Click for the Agenda for this meeting.

Present: Commissioners McFarlane, Dollenmayer, Byrd, Sinderbrand, Fogarty, Anthony, Linen.
Absent: Comm. Goldstein.

Administrative Session:

First on the agenda was the introduction of Mr. James Linen the new commissioner for ANC2E-08 by Chairman McFarlane.

- Motion: Moved by Comm. Dollenmayer to appoint Mr. James Linen as the new commissioner for ANC-2E-08; seconded by Comm. Fogarty.

Resolution read by Comm. McFarlane. Adopted February 10, 1998 and signed by Chairman McFarlane and Commissioner Goldstein. Councilmember Jack Evans could not attend meeting to swear Mr. Linen in as the new commissioner.

A new meeting schedule for 1998 was presented. No meetings are scheduled for July and August. Comm. Byrd felt that from June to September is a long period without a meeting.

- Motion: Comm. Fogarty moved to accept meeting schedule. Amendment made by Comm. Dollenmayer to consider meeting in July or August if it is necessary. Passed by unanimous vote.

Minutes for January were presented for approval.

Motion:

- Moved by Comm. Fogarty and seconded by Chairman McFarlane. Unanimous vote.

December and January Treasurer's Report presented for approval.

Motion: Moved by Comm Byrd and seconded by Comm. Sinderbrand. Unanimous vote.

Commissioner Dollenmayer addressed the issue of E-mail. Comm. McFarlane presented information on Answer Call. Information obtained by Byl Walker on E-mail was also presented.

- Motion: To install E-mail and Answer Call capability Comm. Dollenmayer moved and Comm. Fogarty seconded. Amended by Comm. Dollenmayer to use Byl Walker's recommendation of Erol's. Seconded by Comm. Byrd. Passed by unanimous vote.

Annual Report will be placed on the March agenda.

Community Comment:

Crime:

January crime was cut by 50% from last year and violent crime is almost completely gone. There have been no assaults, and burglaries are down almost half from last year. In ANC 2E-06 crime and burglaries have decreased to half. There is a decrease in auto thefts as well. Crime in the Foxhall area has decreased 67% from January 1997.

Aggressive driving is a concern in the Foxhall area. A special radar system will be set up to address this issue.

The Second District is leading the city with a 40% decrease in crime.

Comm. Byrd and a community member, Mrs. Cameron, brought up the subject of underage drinking . They specifically addressed Champions, the Foundery, as well as Charring Cross. The police did raid the Third Edition last month, and there is a $1000-$5000 fine to the establishment if caught with under age drinkers. Because of numerous violations the Crazy Horse has been closed.

The barking dog issue in Burleith was addressed, and it was announced that the owner was fined $300. Suzie Gookin stated a letter should be written to the Animal Control Board, and if this is repeated consistently, the Corporation Council should get involved.

Concerns relating to noise and parties in the Burleith area (specifically S Street) were addressed by Suzie Gookin (3821 S Street) and Lt. Burke of the Second District. John Greich who lives at 3829 S Street responded that hefeels greatly harassed by homeowner Suzie Gookin.

Mr. Linen was addressed by Tim Hanan who complained that Mr. Linen identified himself on fliers as an ANC commissioner prior to being sworn in as ANC commissioner by a Councilmember., and noted that this was against the law.

Flea Market:

Michael Sussman addressed the ANC regarding the Georgetown Flea Market. Hardy School will be remodeling the parking lot sometime after school lets out. Mr. Sussman's concern is that he will lose over half the spaces for vendors. He now can accommodate 100-120 vendors, but after the renovation he will only be able to accommodate 50 vendors. He was appealing on behalf of the vendors and their livelihood, and requested that there be a Saturday and Sunday market to accommodate these vendors. He also requested ideas from the ANC as to the possibility of another location. This issue will be placed on the agenda for March.

Incinerator:

Anthony Lanier addressed the ANC regarding progress on the Incinerator Tract development. They are trying to acquire the whole block, which would allow them to construct 450 parking spaces and 2000 theatre seats. They are also considering a small hotel at Wisconsin and South Street, and 40-50 apartments of 2500 sq. ft. each.

Holy Trinity:

Dan Schein, a parishioner at Holy Trinity, addressed the ANC regarding a Capitol Campaign to build/renovate on Holy Trinity property (mid-block - 18th C. Church). He feels Holy Trinity officials have not informed church members, and would like the ANC to provide them with any information on this issue. Commissioners directed him to OGB and DCRA Permits Section for answers.

Valet Parking:

Valet parking on M Street has become a real problem. Instead of parking cars in lots they are parking in the residential areas. The Department of Transportation should be involved in this issue. Commissioners will consider an Ad Hoc Commission to study this issue.

Community Commendation:

Craig Davitian was awarded a Community Commendation for his service on the ANC.

Bowie-Sevier House:

Bowie-Sevier House issue has been canceled for the March meeting because the owners will be out of town. A special meeting regarding this issue has been scheduled for February 24th at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Church on O Street.

New Business

Alcohol and tobacco advertising:

Resolution to support City Council Bill #12-281 and #12-320 concerning alcohol and tobacco advertising near schools.

Motion: Moved by Comm. Sinderbrand and seconded by Comm. Fogarty.

Discussion: Some Commissioners felt these bills to be superficial, making people think a problem has been resolved while providing very little aid.

Motion: Defeated.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ANC 2E Meeting April 7, 1998

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Click for the Agenda for this meeting.

Present: Commissioners Fogarty, Sinderbrand, Byrd, Anthony, Linen, McFarlane, Goldstein, and Dollenmayer.

Administrative Session called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- Minutes for the March ANC meeting are being held for approval until the May meeting.
- February & March Treasurer's Report Approved. Moved by Comm. Fogarty. Seconded by Comm. Linen. Approved by unanimous vote
- The Annual Budget is being held over for approval until the May meeting.
- Quarterly Report for period October - December 1997 was approved. Moved by Comm. Byrd and Seconded by Comm. Fogarty. Approved by unanimous vote.
- Marcia Sheridan will investigate the cost of a new amplifier box to accommodate microphones for ANC monthly meetings.
- It was agreed that any changes to the Annual Report must be made by Friday, April 10th.

Community Comment:

Capt. Patrick Burke of #2 Precinct addressed the ANC. They will be printing a monthly newsletter, and will place anyone on their FAX list.

Crime in lower Georgetown has decreased with only 10 robberies last month. Overall, crime is down as opposed to this time last year. Major concern in the community is disorderly conduct. There is a $25 fine with lockup to enforce the law. There is a $300 fine for noise violations. To report noise violations you can call 202-727-1010.

With the Spring weather and residents leaving their doors open there has been an increase in daytime burglaries. Lt. Burke stressed that residents working in the back of the house, should make sure to lock their front doors.

Bonnie Hardy, President of the Burleith Citizens Assoc gave an update to the commission on the Ellington Field issue. To date DC Public Schools has received 10 bids. On April 15th there will be a bidders presentation night for the entire community.

Chairman McFarlane reported that a resident has requested that ANC commissioners attend the Police Service Area meetings held once a month at the library.

Barbara Zartman addressed the commission regarding a case involving the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. This issue will be looked into, and possibly be placed on the agenda for May (Community Based Residential Facility).

Old Business:

27th Street issue

Comm. Anthony addressed the 27th Street issue. After meeting with the community Comm. Anthony and Comm. Linen came up with a resolution which was read to the commission. After a lengthy question and answer period with community residents, the following motion was passed.

Motion: ANC will write a letter to DPW requesting that 27th Street between Q & P Street be returned

to a two-way street with the following provisions:

1. Stop signs be placed on 27th Street @ East Place for vehicles traveling North or South so as not to affect the amount of parking currently on 27th St.
2. Signs be placed indicating no left turn onto 27th St. during morning rush hour for vehicles traveling west bound on Q St.
3. Parking demarcation lines on 27th St. adjacent to alley be painted.

Motion moved by Comm. Linen and seconded by Comm. Anthony. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Fillmore School

David Levy, Director of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, gave an update on their purchase of Fillmore School. Mr. Ronald Mlotek , a 34th St. resident addressed the commission, and as a matter of record, he held proxys to speak for Dr. & Mrs. Myers & Mr. James Gormley who could not attend the meeting. Residents felt that Mr. Levy, from the Corcoran School, withheld information regarding the 100-car parking lot, and this would impact property values.

Mike Thrasher spoke in favor of Corcoran's plans, but was also concerned abour the parking lot. Beverly Jost stated that she felt that Corcoran is an asset to the neighborhood and noted that the neighborhood will regain greenspace with the renovation of the Hardy School parking lot.

- Motion: That the points agreed to by Corcoran in their April 6th letter to the 34th Street neighbors be directly incorporated into the order issued by the BZA.
- That Corcoran continue to meet with the neighbors of the Fillmore School to successfully resolve any issues that remain.
- The ANC recommends that the Corcoran heavily consider a setback of the proposed wall to the parking lot.

Moved by Comm. Sinderbrand and seconded by Comm. Goldstein. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business:

Incinerator site:

1. Anthony Lanier of EastBanc presented a concept proposal for the Georgetown Incinerator Site. The project was described with special attention to parking and traffic, historic houses info (particularly the house to be demolished), and size and scale of buildings. There are many concerns regarding this project from the residents as well as the ANC.

Recommendation: A site visit will be scheduled with Anthony Lanier and commissioners, and a special meeting to address the issue will be scheduled for Tuesday, April 28th @ 7:30 p.m. at St. Johns Church.

Motion: Moved by Comm. Dollenmayer and seconded by Comm. Anthony. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Georgetown University's SW Quadrangle:

Linda Greenan, Dir. Community Relations at Georgetown University presented the conceptual design of Georgetown University's SW Quadrangle. She passed out fact sheets regarding the project for an 800 bed residence hall. It will be presented to the OGB in June for conceptual review. Karen Frank, Ex. Dir., Student Services and Tom Edgerton, VP Facilities, answered questions.

- Motion: ANC 2E supports the conceptual design of Georgetown University's SW Quadrangle, as presented by the University at the April 7th ANC 2E meeting. Our approval does not

indicate in any way our approval of any present or future increase in enrollment. ANC 2E's support is preliminary and relates only to the conceptual design, which is presently scheduled to be reviewed by the Old Georgetown Board at its June meeting. It is understood that Georgetown University will report to and meet regularly with ANC 2E with respect to other public review aspects of this project, including but not limited to, the Environment Impact Statement, any bond issuance before the DC City Council, and the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

Moved by Comm. Fogarty. Seconded by Comm. McFarlane. Passed by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

ANC2E Special Meeting - April 28th 1998

Georgetown Incinerator Site

Present: Commissioners Fogarty, Sinderbrand, Anthony, Linen, Goldstein, Dollenmayer and Bryd.
Absent: Commissioner McFarlane.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Judith Dollenmayer. She provided some context and background for the special meeting and introduced Anthony Lanier, of Millennium Georgetown Development, LLC, the developer for the Georgetown Incinerator Site (Incinerator Site) project. Lanier articulated additional historical background and explained in detail the progression regarding this project. Lanier highlighted the issue regarding the need to close Copperthwaite Alley and, the concern of the community for preserving and moving the red frame (coach) house and the Brickyard Hill houses.

The Incinerator site will consist of three distinct levels. The overall development will include retail stores, restaurants, 10 movie theatres with approximately 2500 seats, a small, elegant hotel and residential townhouses. The hotel will not have either large banquet or meeting rooms. The project's boundaries are 31st Street on the east, to Wisconsin Ave. on the west. South St. on the north and K St. on the south. The site is expected to provide approximately 450 parking spaces in addition to the approximately 4000 other parking sites identified by consultants in the immediate walking area.

Lanier introduced his team of architects, historic preservation consultants, the traffic/parking consultants and zoning attorneys for the project. Together, the group gave a detailed presentation to the community on all aspects of the site. All remained to answer questions from the community.

The key site challenges were massing, height and its historic requirements. The incinerator site has an approximate drop of 40 feet from the top at South St. to the bottom at K Street. The architects have created a site that will incorporate the original incinerator smokestack and main building on the 31st St. side. The project will require the closing of Copperthwaite Alley, and moving its historic Brick Yard Hill houses, and the red frame house located within this area. It will also require approval of subdividing these lots to complete the massing. The developers agreed to preserving and restoring the old structures, and when construction is completed, returning them to some place within the site. The focal point of the project will be the smokestack. The movie theatres entry will be constructed of glass and look onto the smokestack, and will be accessed from K Street. The hotel will be accessed from South Street. Truck loading docks and deliveries will be from the K St. level. All levels will have opening to the street for public access. The residents will have their own entrance and parking. Every effort will be used to reduce the visual impace of the massing necessary for the commercial success of this project and, thus, will include the incorporation of as much green spaces as possible. Major retailers and/or department stores are presently being cultivated. Retail areas will right the property. Consideration has been given to lighting and safety.

The project has and will continue to process through, and comply with, the District's governmental agencies including Old Georgetown Historic Review, HPRB and NCPC. The developer will continue to report to the ANC during its progression through the City's procedures.

The formal presentation was completed. Copies of the traffic and parking study were provided for the ANC office. The developers requested a motion from the ANC to its approval for the design concept, subdividing and massing plans presented. The floor was opened for community discussion with a question and answer period. Traffic impacts were the major concern.

The ANC Commissioners passed the following motion introduced by Commissioner Fogarty and seconded by Comm. Goldstein. The vote was unanimous.

- Motion: ANC 2E has no objection to the subdivision and closing of Copperthwaite Alley,

provided that the Brick Yard Hill houses and the red frame house on Copperthwaite Lane be restored and preserved somewhere on the development site; and, the developer return to ANC 2E for approval when the design is further detailed.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Fran Goldstein, ANC 2E Secretary/Treasurer.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E May 5, 1998

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Click for the Agenda for this meeting.

Present: Commissioners Fogarty, Sinderbrand, Byrd, Anthony, Linen, McFarlane, Goldstein, and Dollenmayer.

Administrative Session called to order at 6:45 p.m.

Annual budget was discussed. Comm. Byrd requested that there be funding for copying costs. It was decided that the amount provided in the "Printing & Duplicating" part of the budget would sufice.

- Motion: To accept the annual budget. Moved by Comm. Byrd and seconded by Comm. Anthony. Passed by unanimous vote.

- Minutes for March were approved by a unanimous vote.
- Minutes for April were approved by a unanimous vote.
- Minutes for the special meeting held 4/28/98 on the Georgetown Incinerator Site was passed by unanimous vote with the correction of the spelling of Copperthwaite Lane. Motion by Comm. Anthony and seconded by Comm. Sinderbrand.
- Treasurer's report for April passed by a unanimous vote.

Community Comment:

The Police Report was given by Lt. Patrick Burke. Pickpocketing in Georgetown is on the rise. There have been 6 arrests for underage drinking. Graffiti is on the down side. Two kids from Potomac were arrested for graffiti; their parents offered to pay for damages. Under the Noise Control Act, 11 citations have been written; mostly in Burleith. This is a $300 fine.

A grant was submitted for $300,000 for a program to educate bar owners and party givers on their responsibility regarding underage drinking. The fine for underage drinking is $1000.

Fair Housing Act:

Barbara Zartman addressed the ANC regarding the Fair Housing Act, which she also addressed at the April meeting. (This issue was not placed on the agenda for May because Ms. Zartman failed to provide the ANC with information prior to the May meeting, and her districts commissioner, Comm. Byrd failed to follow through in providing this information to the ANC office for placement on the agenda prior to the May meeting). It was decided that this be placed under new business for discussion.

Old Business:

Hillandale Mansion:

Comm. Goldstein addressed the ANC regarding the subdivision of the Hillandale Mansion. A resolution has been drafted between the Hillandale Homeowners Association, Ms. Walters and owners. Jacques DePuy, attorney for the new property owners spoke to the commission addressing the split of the property into 2 lots. Mr. Tim Hanlon, President of the Homeowners Association spoke, and stated that the Association was pleased with the restoration and development of the mansion, and that the owners have agreed to submit proposals regarding paint and roof construction to the Historic

Preservation Review Board, which they are not obligated to do.

Comm. Goldstein read into the record the following Resolution:

- Whereas, the owner of the Hillandale Mansion and the prospective purchasers of the western portion of the Mansion, the Ernst Family, are seeking approval from the Mayor's agent for D.C. Law 2-144 for a subdivision of the Hillandale Mansion into two "theoretical lots"; and
- Whereas, the Hillandale Mansion is a historic building, having been placed on both the National Register of Historic Places and the District of Columbia's Inventory of Historic Sites and is subject to restrictions contained in Zoning Commission Order No. 305 dated January 10, 1980 (the "PUD Order"), as part of a Planned Unit Development; and
- Whereas, the Ernst Family have reached an agreement in principle with the Hillandale Homeowners Association regarding their plans for the Hillandale Mansion; and have agreed to comply with certain restrictions regarding the use and construction of any new access driveway to the Ernst' portion of the Hillandale Mansion, the construction of any alterations to the Ernst' portion of the Hillandale Mansion and the landscaping of the Ernst' portion of the Hillandale Mansion; and
- Whereas, a hearing before the Mayor's agent for D.C. Law 2-144 has been scheduled for May 19, 1998.
- Now therefore, a vote having been taken of the ANC, after proper notice of the meeting to be held, the ANC resolves that the Mayor's agent for D.C. Law 2-144 should approve of the subdivision request being made by the Ernsts for the Hillandale Mansion, a building listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the District of Columbia's Inventory of Historic Sites, subject to the following conditions:
- a. That the Ernsts apply for and receive a modification to the PUD Order which authorizes the use of the Hillandale Mansion for two residential units, and no more, and which authorizes the access to the Ernst' portion of the Hillandale Mansion from a new driveway and curb cut to be constructed in accordance with the Agreement between the Ernst Family and the Hillandale Homeowners Association; and
- b. That the Ernsts finalize the terms of Agreement between the Ernst Family and the Hillandale Homeowners Association and comply with those terms.
- Motion: The ANC supports the subdivision and modification of PUD Order and will inform the Mayor's Agent and Zoning Commission by letter.

Motion moved by Comm. Goldstein and seconded by Comm. Fogarty. Passed by a unanimous vote.

Moritorium on the issuance of liquor licenses:

The next item on the agenda was the renewal of the moritorium on the issuance of liquor licenses in Georgetown. Anthony Lanier spoke, and felt that a modification to the liquor license law be made.

- Motion: ANC 2E supports the moratorium, and move the boundary one (1) block south to P Street. Comm. Linen will read this resolution to the Commission at the Wednesday, May 6th meeting.

Motion passed with Commissioners Anthony, Byrd, Dollenmayer & Linen, oppossed by Commissioners McFarlane, Fogarty & Sinderbrand, abtained by Comm. Goldstein.

Banking of liquor licenses:

Second motion regarding the banking of liquor licenses was moved by Comm. Fogarty, seconded by Comm. Sinderbrand, and passed unanimously.

- Motion: Whereas, an unintended result of the liquor moratorium has been to cause the cost of liquor licenses in the moratorium zone to be exorbitant, and
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- Whereas, the number of small cafes and "neighborhood" establishments in the moratorium

zone has been greatly reduced;

- ANC 2E requests that the City Council pass legislation requiring that all liquor licenses of any class revert back to the District of Columbia government when an establishment goes out of business; and
- ENABLING DCRA to reissue those licenses at the same cost as in non-moratorium zones of the city; and that
- The cap that exists in a moratorium zone be maintained, so that the number of establishments remains the same; and that
- The legislation include some formula for "grandfathering" or buying back those licenses for which the current owners have paid an exorbitant amount (as established by the City Council).

Georgetown Incinerator Site:

Anthony Lanier spoke to the commission regarding new displays for the development of the Georgetown Incinerator Site; modifying the garage, eliminating 3,000 sq. ft. of retail space, and subsidized parking for moviegoers. Mr. Austin Graff spoke and requested that a letter be written to the Office of Planning stating that Mr. Lanier would provide some form of subsidized parking to moviegoers at the incinerator site.

Because it was added to the agenda too late, this issue could not be voted on, but it was agreed that a letter be written to Mr. Roberto Duke at the Office of Planning that Mr. Lanier would offer to provide a meaningful parking discount to movie patrons at the incinerator project. This letter would be signed by all of the commissioners. This letter will be written by Comm. Anthony and sent to the Office of Planning by May 11th.

New Business:

Johnny Rockets:

Joe Spinelli presented draft plans for the new Johnny Rockets at 3131 M Street. The Commission felt that the color and design was not appropriate for Historic Georgetown. Also, there was objection to the 1950's style sign from Comm. Byrd.

- Motion: ANC 2E believes that the Johnny Rockets' Façade is inconsistent with the character of Georgetown. Specifically, we request that the sign as presented in the drawings be significantly altered so as to conform with the character of the Georgetown Historic District.

Moved by Comm. Anthony and seconded by Comm. Byrd. Vote passed with seven votes for, none opposed. Comm. Fogarty abstained.

Fair Housing Act:

Barbara Zartman addressed the Fair Housing Act with the commission and requested a letter be sent to the Zoning Commission requesting that this issue be left open until such time the ANC could review how this would impact the community. Barbara Zartman will draft a letter to the Zoning Commission and have the commissioners sign.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

ANC 2E Public Meeting September 1, 1998

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Present: Commissioners Dollenmayer, Goldstein, Sinderbrand, Fogarty, McFarlane, Anthony, and Linen.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION:

Chairman McFarlane called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm. She introduced the new ANC 2E Administrator, Barbara Moskowitz and explained that the administrator will generally be in the office between the hours of 10:30 am and 4:00 pm except Wednesdays. Phone messages will be picked up daily. McFarlane also made the following announcements:

1. The ANC mourns the recent death of former Commissioner, Ted Jacobs.
2. DC Councilwoman Kathy Patterson will hold an ANC oversight hearing on September 24 at 10 am in the Council Chamber at 441 4th Street. Community members were invited to express their support for ANCs.
3. Voter registration forms were available at the back of the meeting room for those who need to register or who wish to change parties. While it is too late to register for the primary election, there is still time to register for the general election.

The minutes for the May and June 1998 meetings were considered. Dollenmayer moved and Goldstein seconded approval. The motion passed unanimously.

Goldstein reported on the internal audit of ANC 2E books by Caroline Scullin, explaining that a previous administrator had failed to file the proper forms and that Scullin reviewed the ANC books from the 4th quarter of 1997 through the 3rd quarter of 1998. Scullin refiled all necessary forms, and finances are now completely in order. As of August 18, 1998 the ANC has received $7,774 in past due allotments from the DC Government. Additional allotments should be released as soon as the approved minutes are sent to the DC Auditor's Office. Goldstein reported that the final quarter of 1998 has not been completed and so has not been filed. Anthony moved and Fogarty seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's reports for October 1997 through July 1998, as well as the Quarterly Reports for the first half of calendar year 1998. The motion passed unanimously.

McFarlane noted that in order to attract qualified people to the job of ANC Administrator, Commissioners feel that a pay increase of from $12/hour to $15/hour is appropriate to put the pay more in keeping with the demands of the job. Sinderbrand moved and Dollenmayer seconded a motion to increase the ANC administrator's pay from $12 an hour, currently, to $15 an hour, retroactive to the first of August 1998. The motion passed unanimously.

Fogarty reported that improvements to the sound system for ANC 2E public meetings have not yet required any expenditure. He added that the most further improvements will cost is $200 if new microphones must be purchased. Goldstein moved and Fogarty seconded a motion to set a ceiling of $200 for purchasing additional equipment needed to improve the sound system. The motion passed unanimously.

McFarlane briefly explained the history of the current ANC 2E Procedures, noting that they have been pulled together into a single document (available at the back of the room and in the ANC office) from many different sources. Dollenmayer added that the Procedures have been discussed extensively in the past. Anthony moved and Fogarty seconded a motion that the ANC 2E Procedures be accepted as presented and amended at the August 10, 1998 Executive Session and as minuted after that meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Dollenmayer announced that the McCain Bill (S.2279) currently before the US Senate would add 24

daily slots to already busy Reagan National Airport. Twelve of these would be perimeter rule exemptions and 12 would be for low-cost airlines. She expressed concern about this bill on behalf of residents who live in areas which will be impacted by the increased noise of these additional flights, adding that the Georgetown noise monitors have been out-of-service for 18 months. Further, she said that such a law would be a breach of the 1986 agreement Congress made with the community regarding flight noise. Linen said low-cost airlines often use older, noisier, planes. Community members were invited to express their opinions to Congress.

COMMUNITY COMMENT

National Symphony Show House:

The first speaker from the community was Carla Jones, chair of the NSO Decorator Show House. Jones passed out brochures about the event, which is at the Edes House at 30th and N Streets this year. Explaining that transportation and parking are the biggest community concerns about the project, Jones described the following measures being taken by NSO to ensure as little inconvenience as possible:

1. The Kennedy Center will provide parking for 50 NSO volunteers. It will also provide discount parking to patrons ($4). Shuttle buses will carry patrons from the Kennedy Center to the Edes House and back. Because the house will not open until 10:00 am weekdays and will close at 3:00 pm every day but Thursday (when it will be open until 7:00 pm), the shuttle buses will run primarily during non-rush hours.
2. The publicity for the show house will provide information on how to use Metro and a phone number to call for other specific information on how to get to the house.
3. Publicity will point out commercial parking available in the area. Discounted parking will be available at the Latham Hotel, and additional discounted parking is still being sought.
4. The NSO has rented five spaces at Colonial Parking for volunteers.
5. Shuttle buses will only load and unload in an area directly in front of Edes House, not in the alleyway. However, the caterers will need to use the alley prior to opening each day and following the close each evening.

Discussion among community members was generally supportive of the project and included a commendation of the NSO for creating a "model of flexibility" in their willingness to work with the public. Many expressed concerns about the impact on residents and suggestions included:

1. That the phrase "Street parking in Georgetown is very limited" be added to publicity.
2. That the Kennedy Center be encouraged to provide free parking to patrons so more people will be inclined to park there and use the shuttle buses rather than drive themselves.
3. That the contractors currently working on the house be better supervised to eliminate debris and safety problems in the alley where they park.

Riverside Psychiatric Hospital:

Terry Williams, Senior Associate for Community Outreach at the hospital, provided some general information about the facility and addressed community concerns. Williams said the hospital has 150 beds for acute and residential care. Currently an average of only 45 patients is being treated; there is no outpatient care. Patients are children and adolescents up to the age of 21, and residential patients stay from six to 18 months. Most patients are referred to the hospital by Children and Family Services; some come from Oak Hill, staying only as long as it takes to stabilize them. Riverside has a staff of 150, including certified psychiatrists, psychologists, clinical social workers, and mental health technicians. In addition to standard therapy, patients get art, movement, and music therapy; physical education; and treatment for substance abuse if necessary.

Williams said that patients seen walking outside the fence at Riverside are almost ready for discharge and are accompanied by a mental health tech at a ratio of one tech for every three patients. Acute patients are never allowed outside the fence and while they are outside the building, they are with a

mental health tech at a ratio of one-to-one. Riverside is considering establishing some kind of uniform for employees so the public can more easily identify them. Security guards patrol the building and grounds 24 hours a day.

In response to questions from the community, Williams explained that family visitors are provided with a place to meet with patients, that patients arrive at the facility by private car or by transport operated by Riverside, and that Riverside does not have any contracts with Oak Hill. Community members continued to express concerns about the supervision of patients who come from Oak Hill and asked Williams to address these concerns at a meeting with citizens' associations in the area.

March for Cancer:

Caitlin Pike spoke briefly about the national march to help eradicate cancer on the Mall on September 25 and 26. On the evening of the 25th, there will be a candlelight vigil by the Reflecting Pool, and on the 26th, marchers will be encouraged to add to the Wall of Courage with mementos of those who have died or are living with cancer. Pike also noted that volunteers are still needed for the event.

ANC Website:

Bob Andrews of the Foxhall Citizen's Association addressed the ANC about the value of establishing an ANC 2E website to help publicize meetings, provide information to the public about ANC business, serve as a source of "institutional memory," help provide continuity from one election to the next, and help provide accountability by both the ANC and the District government. He told the ANC that a website could be set up free, but that eventually it would be important to get city support in order to broaden its usefulness. In response to questions, Andrews said each document put on the website would take about five minutes to load, and he did not recommend loading information from the distant past. The first step in establishing a site is to put information such as meeting agenda into the Erol's site and set up a counter to allow the ANC to see how many people visit the site. Commissioners were enthusiastic about the concept and agreed to discuss it further in another meeting.

Police report:

Patrick Burke, police commander, discussed summer crime activity beginning with the August 2 homicide of a 28-year-old female near the entrance to Georgetown University. Burke said there are a number of leads in the case, noted that police have determined the crime occurred between 10:00 and 11:00 pm, and invited community members to come forward with any information that might be helpful in solving the murder. In addition, Burke said there have been fewer commercial but more residential burglaries this summer and that many of them seem to have been committed by professionals. Linen asked about the effectiveness of alarm systems, and Burke said they can be a significant deterrent, but he pointed out the problems caused by false alarms. Burke also mentioned an increase in Latino gang activity south of K Street. Currently, the activity is limited to graffiti, but police are working to keep it from going further.

In response to questions, Burke discussed a bill proposed by Councilman Jack Evans which would increase penalties for those convicted of producing graffiti, pointing out that while police currently close most graffiti cases, many defendants are from affluent families which have them out on bond the same day. Burke notified the ANC that police have upgraded the priority given to noise complaints, and fines of $300 will be issued on the spot to owners of property where excessive noise is a problem. As a result of a meeting of CAG, GU, and the police, signs will be posted saying: "Quiet. Residential Zone. Maximum fine $300 or 10 days in jail."

Historical Society of Washington:

No one came to address the ANC.

Victorian Holiday Festival:

A member of the community expressed concern to the Commissioners about this annual event held on the waterfront. The event goes on for several months during which parking can be a problem. In the past, the organizers have failed to clean up after themselves, leaving the area a mess. After brief discussion, commissioners agreed to put the Festival on the October agenda and to try to get details about whether permits have been issued for the event and whether the organizers have a bond to cover clean-up.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on 27th Street:

Anthony reported that the ANC 2E had asked DPW to return 27th Street to two-way status, and DPW has agreed to do so. ANC 2E had also asked that a stop sign be placed about 1/3 of a block in from Q Street, and DPW wanted to know if that request should be reconsidered in light of the fact that the area will lose three parking places if such a sign is installed. There was considerable discussion of the stop sign issue during which it was clear that the community opposed the signs as unnecessary and even detrimental to safety; the additional stop signs were deemed "useless" by many. No one spoke in favor. Anthony moved and Goldstein seconded a motion that the ANC 2E write DPW to withdraw its request for stop signs on 27th Street at East Place. The motion passed unanimously.

Incinerator Project:

Representatives from EastBanc Millenium presented updated plans for the South Street/Georgetown Incinerator Project, noting that they have completed procedures necessary for city approval of acquisition of the site, pending Control Board approval. They went over the newest design model in great detail, and the commissioners were pleased that the Copperthwaite Lane houses have been preserved and the hotel bridges have been removed, opening the area around the incinerator. They were also pleased that the sidewalk on K Street has been widened, that retail will now continue up 31st Street, that the lobby of the theater has been pulled back to create a larger area for waiting outside the theater, and that balconies have been introduced in residential areas to vary the outline of the structure. Several commissioners said they hoped that the architects would find a way to make use of the roof of the incinerator because of its wonderful views. Linen expressed his preference for more sloped rather than flat roofs to give the project a more "graceful" look. Community comments were limited and focused on concern that the balconies would become roosting places for pigeons and that parking would be inadequate to accommodate patrons to the 3,000-seat movie theater.

Dollenmayer moved and Anthony seconded a motion that ANC 2E approve the revised plan for the Incinerator Project, while urging the architects to continue focusing on the adequacy of parking and the number of theatre seats; to continue exploring means of making the incinerator roof, with its spectacular vista, a major public destination for Georgetown; and to reconsider the roof pattern over the entire complex. The motion passed unanimously.

Phillips Row Townhouses:

Larry Smith of Cranberry Hill Associates presented revised plans for the townhouses. Concept approval was received from Fine Arts in June. He noted that the number of basement entrances has been reduced to three, and the mass of the corner house has been reduced in response to community comment. Comments on the project from commissioners were all favorable, although Linen expressed a desire to change the balance of row houses to other types of houses, creating fewer but larger houses. Smith explained that zoning laws prohibit such a change. Anthony moved and Goldstein seconded a motion that ANC 2E has no objection to the plans as presented for the Phillips Row townhouses, provided that the developers continue their discussions with the neighbors of the project on issues of concern to the neighbors. The motion passed unanimously.

Regarding a variance that is being requested by Cranberry Hill for a single back yard in the project, Smith said he did not need a vote from the ANC 2E because a hearing date with BZA has not yet been set. Anthony recommended that consideration of this matter be postponed to some future meeting when

a hearing date has been set and neighbors of the project can attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Improvements to 35th Street/Sanborn house:

The owners of the house at 1679 35th Street have applied for a zoning variance to allow them to demolish an old corrugated metal garage and replace it with an artist's studio. The garage has been determined to have no historical significance, and the studio will use the same footprints. Neighbors have all been notified and sent letters in support of the project. No concerns were raised. Fogarty moved and Goldstein seconded a motion that ANC 2E approve the proposed zoning variance to demolish and reconstruct the garage structure as an artist's studio. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed addition to Hodges residence:

Gary Pedon of Hugh, Newell Jacobsen presented plans for a rear addition and creation of a front entrance for the Hodges residence at 1518 28th Street. Linen said he notified neighbors of the proposed changes and all approved. OGB has already approved the project. Several commissioners commented on the beauty of the house and grounds and noted that the proposed changes will enhance it. Linen moved and Fogarty seconded a motion that the ANC 2E approve the proposal for the Hodges residence as presented, including both sub-division and design.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

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The meeting was called to order at St. John's Church by Chair, Jonda McFarlane, at 6:50 pm Commissioners present were: McFarlane, Sinderbrand, Linen, Fogarty, and Dollenmayer. Commissioner Anthony arrived at 6:55 pm. Commissioner Goldstein arrived at 7:00 pm.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

The minutes for the November 4, 1998 meeting of the ANC were passed unanimously.

COMMUNITY COMMENT

Police Report:

Officer Roger Lowery of the 2nd District Police reported that overall crime in the district is down, but auto theft and burglary continue to be a concern at this time of year. He added that several cases have been closed in the last month. Suspects in the carjacking which took place in November on 31st Street have been arrested. These same suspects had been arrested a few weeks earlier for another carjacking, but they had been charged as juveniles and released. The primary suspect in the 31st Street carjacking was charged as an adult when he was re-arrested. Lt. Patrick Burke added that 19 slots for overtime have been allocated in the 2nd District, which means there will be a greater presence of officers on the street in this area.

Gift of Light:

Rae Mellet spoke briefly on behalf of the Gift of Light committee which is again selling Christmas ornaments, the proceeds from which are used to install and maintain decorations in Georgetown. Mellet said two ornaments, selling for $12 and $20 each, are available this year. The group's annual holiday party will be held on December 9, 5:30 to 8:00 pm, at Georgetown Park.

OLD BUSINESS

2705 Olive Street:

Chair McFarlane explained that this request for a backyard zoning variance had come before the ANC last month but that neighbors had not been prepared with comments at that time. Austin Graff, speaking on behalf of neighbors, reported there is no opposition to the variance request. Anthony moved and Goldstein seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E votes not to oppose the developer's request for a rear-yard variance for Lot 80.

Georgetown Incinerator Project:

Anthony Lanier of Eastbanc Millenium began by explaining to the ANC and community members that while Eastbanc Millenium is required to hold a public hearing on the project prior to getting final approval to acquire the property, it has been unable to do so because the District of Columbia government lacks the $150 necessary to run the required 30-day public notice of the meeting. Nevertheless, Lanier presented the latest design changes made to this project in response to concerns

expressed by the Old Georgetown Board. He noted that OGB has seen this latest design and said that this is "the direction they will support" but that they want some further refinements in the facades.

Lanier described the major changes which have been made in the design since it was last seen by the ANC. These include pushing back the building on the K Street side, making the sidewalk three feet wider and modifying the corners to reduce the massing. Copperthwaite Lane remains open, and an open court to the east of the incinerator continues to be a drop-off for the hotel.

McFarlane commended the developers for their responsivenes to community concerns and noted that the massing of the project has greatly improved over time. She continues to be concerned, though, about the solid glass at the corners and pointed out that the building must work for the pedestrian, not just for those who will see it from a distance. She added that the inclusion of different architectural styles create a conflicted look. Linen agreed and added that the project looks too industrial and Art Deco.

Dollenmayer and Goldstein disagreed, and a member of the community pointed out that the incinerator location has historically been an industrial area and should continue to serve as a reminder of what was in Georgetown in the past.

In response to questions, Lanier explained that developers have no plans currently for the three historical buildings on the site. They have not had access to two of them, although they do know that the buildings have small rooms, narrow and steep staircases, and low ceilings, which make them difficult to use.

Dollenmayer moved and Goldstein seconded the following motion which passed by a vote of 6-1 with Linen opposed:

- ANC 2E approves the conceptual design for the Georgetown Incinerator Project of Millenium Partners, provided further attention is paid the complex's corners on K Street to ensure much light at the K Street level and a varied rhythm of well-articulated masses.

NEW BUSINESS

Prospect Court:

The stairs and chain link fence proposed at Prospect Court had been on the draft agenda and then removed when it seemed that the project did not concern the ANC. Due to a misunderstanding, however, neighbors attended the meeting expecting to discuss it. Commissioners discussed the problem amongst themselves. After noting that the owners of the property in question were not present and expressing concern that commissioners themselves were not as informed as they would like, McFarlane said ANC 2E would ask OGB to delay consideration of the project until January, giving the ANC an opportunity to consider it in January as well.

Rat Control:

William Page, Chief of the Vector Control Division of the DPW, addressed community concerns about rat control in Georgetown. Page passed out brochures and flyers instructing residents and business owners how to prevent and/or respond to a rat problem. He noted the importance of dealing with rats collectively, rather than one resident at a time, and said that problems should be reported as soon as they are noticed because rats have litters of six or seven babies every 23 days. In response to questions, Page acknowledged there is a big problem along the canal, but said his department works on it continually. He added that the baiting technique used by his office is generally safe for pets because the bait is pushed well inside a rat hole, and the hole is then sealed with newspaper and dirt. He pointed out the importance of disposing of dead rats quickly to keep them out of the way of pets and children.

Page also provided several useful phone numbers:

- His office: 645-6188 or 6189 (available 7:00 am to 3:30 pm)
- Housing inspector: 727-7673 (to report unclean yards)
- Food protection: 727-7251 (to report restaurants leaving trash out)
- Dead animal removal: 727-4600

Hardy Field and Recreation Center:

Linda Brackett provided background information on the Center, its goals, and its activities and presented a formal request for a $1,000 grant from the ANC to replace the recreation center piano, to do some landscaping, and to support Center programs. Dollenmayer, noting that ANC 2E has some financial reserve, said that making such a grant would be an important statement that the ANC is willing to reach out to support the needs of the community. There was discussion about the uncertainty of ANC finances, given the lack of legislation allowing for ANC allocations for fiscal 1999. However, commissioners and community agreed on the desirability of funding a grant should it become clear that money will be available for it after ANC financial responsibilities for the year have been met. Dollenmayer moved and Anthony seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E expresses its intention to award a community grant to the Friends of Hardy Field and Recreation Center, a group working in partnership with DC Department of Parks and Recreation and with other user groups to physically improve the grounds, landscaping, and athletic facilities of Hardy and to support programming and outreach to establish additional community activities not supported by DCDPR funds. In the event funds finally become available from the DC government, a quarterly report of grant expenditures based on a stipulated budget shall be submitted to ANC 2E in April, July, October, and late December.

3015 M Street:

No owner or architect for this project, involving a request for a permit for a rear addition, was present. Anthony explained that the project is before the ANC after many months of conflict. The owner had originally applied for and received a permit for a rear addition from the Commission of Fine Arts. This permit was contingent on retention of the historic carriage house on the property. Once he had the permit, however, the owner not only demolished the carriage house but also constructed an addition which does not resemble the plans approved by CFA. Further, the original plans were flawed in that they were based on the property having party walls, which it does not. DCRA has issued a stop work order, but construction continues, unpermitted. Until recently, agencies of the DC government which should have prevented this construction have been unresponsive. The ANC and CAG have requested a meeting to discuss this issue with Camille Barnett, with Lloyd Jordan, new head of DCRA, with members of the Fine Arts Commission, and with others. Commissioners and neighbors present all expressed grave concern with the ability of property owners to freely violate laws of the District. Anthony moved and Linen seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E votes to oppose the issuance of a permit for a rear addition to 3015 M Street. We understand the Commission of Fine Arts has in the past made its approval of such a permit contingent upon retention of the carriage house. The applicant has violated this requirement by instead demolishing the carriage house. In addition, ANC 2E wishes to point out that the original permit was flawed by an assumption that there were party walls. There are, in fact, no party walls. We urge the CFA to require demolition of the building that is being constructed in violation of the requirements of the original permit.

Barbara Zartman added that copies of the letter to the Commission of Fine Arts should be sent as well to DCRA, the Corporation Counsel, and the head of the civil division of the US Attorney's Office.

Goldstein left the meeting at 9:05 after expressing her gratitude to commissioners who will be leaving

office this month and her eagerness to work with the newly-elected commissioners.

Ristorante Piccolo:

No one representing the restaurant was present at the meeting. However, John Hopkins spoke on behalf of neighbors, pointing out that Piccolo has violated its voluntary agreement of 1989 with the ANC in which it said it would not use flyers to advertise. In addition, it has expanded its business beyond what is allowed by its permit, and it has opened an unpermitted outside dining area. Anthony moved and Dollenmayer seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E protests the renewal of the Alcoholic Beverage Control license of Ristorante Piccolo on the grounds that the restaurant has made substantial changes in its operations which have expanded its seating capacity and the physical occupancy of the premises as well as expanded into public space without the required public notice and approvals. In addition, the management of the restaurant has operated the restaurant in violation of the voluntary agreement that they entered into with the ANC in 1989 which prohibits advertising by the distribution of leaflets.

Alamo Grill:

No one representing this establishment was present. Again, John Hopkin represented neighbors. He explained that Alamo has added a sit-down bar; has expanded its outdoor operation beyond the number of seats and the dates permitted; has added rooftop seating; and has permitted live entertainment outside, blocking the sidewalk. In addition, McFarlane noted that the restaurant is in violation of its OGB permit. Anthony moved and Dollenmayer seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E protests the renewal of the Alcoholic Beverage Control license of the Alamo Grill on the grounds that the restaurant has made substantial changes in its operations without public notice and approval, which changes have expanded its seating, physical occupancy of the premises and changed the nature of its operations. The management of the restaurant has also expanded its operations on public space without the required permits.

Sports Fans:

Both the owner and the manager of the bar were present. The owner noted that Sports Fans has had a voluntary agreement with CAG since 1991 and that the agreement has been revised four times during that period. McFarlane expressed concern with the content of flyers distributed on the Georgetown University campus advertising the bar, as well as with an article in the campus newspaper which describes Sports Fans as a great place to get drunk cheaply. McFarlane added that three arrests for underage drinking were made at the bar in September. The owner said the flyers in question were not published by the bar itself but by groups using the bar for a function. He also explained the difficulties in preventing underage drinking when excellent fake identification is readily available. The manager explained the procedures following by the bar to prevent underage drinking, and neighbors spoke favorably of the way in which the bar deals with these issues. Commissioners noted that perhaps a revised version of the voluntary agreement would help, and the owner agreed. Anthony moved and Sinderbrand seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E votes to protest the renewal of the ABC license for Sports Fans until such time as Sports Fans negotiates a revised and expanded agreement with the Citizens' Association of Georgetown.

Graffiti Bar & Grill:

The owner was present and also addressed the difficulty of preventing underage drinking. McFarlane

cited a police report saying that arrests had been made at the establishment on three separate occasions in September and October. A neighbor who lives in back of the restaurant said that the establishment is a good neighbor until late evening when it becomes "more like a nightclub than a restaurant," including loud music which he said goes on until 3:00 am. He added that the restaurant has not been responsive to his complaints. The owner disputed this claim. Anthony moved and Sinderbrand seconded the following motion which passed unanimously:

- ANC 2E protests the renewal of the ABC license for Graffiti Bar & Grill until such time as the establishment negotiates an agreement with the ANC and the Citizens' Association of Georgetown.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm.

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Georgetown Visitation School

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Chairman Pulsifer, with all commissioners present.

Administrative:

Commissioner Zartman moved adoption of the minutes as circulated, including the addition of ANC action on 3288 M Street; there was no objection.

The Treasurer's report for October was accepted without objection. The quarterly report was approved as circulated in draft without objection.

Commissioner Schultz moved (Ryan seconded) a motion to change depository banks:

- ANC 2E agrees to change from its present depository bank to the Adams National Bank; the officers are to be signatories (Chairman, Peter Pulsifer; Vice Chairman, Art Schultz; Secretary, Barbara Zartman; Treasurer, Matt Payne).

Community Comment

Take Back the Night:

Georgetown University student Mary Kultz spoke about the "Take Back the Night" program to be held Friday night at 8 p.m. to focus attention on and support for personal safety. Events will kick off at Red Square.

Historic Preservation:

Steve Raiche, head of the District's Historic Preservation Division, spoke of his office's work in the many D. C. historic preservation zones, of which Georgetown and Capitol Hill are overwhelmingly most active. He introduced Toni Cherry, a 12-year veteran of the Department of Public Works, who is now the historic preservation enforcement officer. She has already shut down more than 200 jobs for proceeding without proper approvals; fines begin at $500. Violations can be reported anonymously. Contact information: phone 442-9474; after-hours voicemail 442-4535; email HP INSPECTOR@HOTMAIL.COM

There was discussion about the issues involved at 3017 M Street, where remedial measures are being considered in conjunction with corporation counsel because work was done that had not been approved. Pat Allen discussed a P Street home where work was not approved, fines were not paid, and enforcement seemed hollow.

Raiche was asked how long permits are good for, and he indicated they expire after one year. He and Cherry continued to respond to citizens concerns about particular properties in the lobby after their presentation.

Neighborhood Stabilization Officer:

Neighborhood Stabilization Officer James Hawser (districts 206-9) spoke of the coordination among

DPW, DCRA, and Metropolitan Police to enforce violations. Hawser's contact information is phone 442-4635, cellphone 439-2837. Lonnie Dorn is the NSO for other northern Georgetown (442-4397).

DPW Trash enforcement:

Tom Day (645-9608) of DPW was introduced by Ray Kukulski, who has worked with him on block-sweeps to reduce or eliminate unsightly trash problems. There is a focus on the commercial areas of M Street and Wisconsin Avenue, including the abutting public space, regarding trash storage and vermin. DPW's role in trash collection in multi-unit residences is limited to buildings with three or fewer units; they are working with owners and student leaders to manage the problems. Marguerite Carey asked that special attention be paid to the Canal Express food facility on the towpath.

Police Report:

Lts. Tommy Hayes and Pat Burke provided police reports, with focus on Halloween enforcement efforts. The incidents in the Hillandale area appear to have been taken care of.

Georgetown University community affairs office:

Brenda Willoughby, the new deputy in Georgetown University's Office of Community Affairs, was introduced by Linda Greenan.

Old Business

Commissioner Polk moved (Zartman seconded) to take off the table the requests for DPW signage and for traffic-control measures in the Foxhall community. Thanks were offered to the Foxhall Community Citizens Association for defining the problems and to the Current newspaper for circulating information about the affected streets. It was approved without objection.

ABC applications: San Marzano Restaurant, Prospect Pastry and Pizza

San Marzano Restaurant and for Prospect Pastry and Pizza have both applied for ABC licenses. ABC Chairman Schultz presented new boilerplate language for voluntary agreements that would enforce health, safety, and preservation codes. It was made clear that the operating conditions from the application regarding hours and seating would be included in these and future agreements. Counsel for both establishments agreed to the various provisions. It was moved (Schultz) and seconded (Zartman) that:

- ANC 2E supports the ABC applications of San Marzano Restaurant and Prospect Pastry and Pizza, provided that each restaurant's voluntary agreement, as presented, is incorporated within and runs with each license.

There were no objections.

ABC Chairman Schultz also commented that the ABC licenses that had been seized by D. C. Government and resold (for Hibiscus and for Bottom Line Wines) will be required to pursue the standard approval process before they can be used.

Incinerator site:

Anthony Lanier provided an update on the project at the Incinerator site, where the last carry-over tenant has finally moved. Commissioner McFarlane inquired about the roof terrace, intended as a public amenity. Lanier responded that code issues were making this problematic. McFarlane asked what could be done to preserve the terrace, and Lanier urged that interested parties "stay vocal" about their support.

Commissioner Zartman asked to place on the record the commitment Lanier had made on behalf of

Eastbanc to adopt the Cooper Rules for safe operation of excavation/construction vehicles at all their sites.

Design Center West:

In connection with Design Center West, Commissioner McFarlane introduced a resolution of support for the BZA variance (Application 16524) that will be required to allow residential use of buildings that front an alley. McFarlane moved (Schultz seconded) the following:

- ANC 2E has reviewed and approved the concept for Design Center West's buildings at 3316-20 M Street and 3336-3340 M Street, the designs for which have from the beginning included residential units facing the alley. Because the design calls for significant amelioration of the alley which the residential units face, and because those units on the south side of the alley further have the view over the C & O Canal and across the river, ANC 2E supports a zoning variance for the project.

There was no opposition.

Cynthia Reed:

Cynthia Reed made a presentation of her plans for the rear portion of the property that housed the French Market at 1628-32 Wisconsin Avenue. She indicated that landscaping plans were being prepared by Guy Williams, but were not yet completed. Commissioner Zartman moved (Goldstein seconded) as follows:

- ANC 2E approves in general the concept for the rear of 1628-32 Wisconsin Avenue as presented, and looks forward to seeing the landscaping plan for the balance of the property. There were no objections.

New Business

To amend the balance of the agenda, Commissioner Zartman made the following motions (seconded Payne):

- I move that we take from the agenda several items either at the request of the applicant or because the ANC has not received adequate materials for review: 1201 Wisconsin Avenue (Riggs Bank), and from the consent calendar the Wang residence, the Nagin residence, the Copeland/DeMoraes residence and the Smith and Hawken sign. There was no objection.
- I move that we pass the consent calendar to the proper agencies without objections. There was no opposition.

Ellington Faculty/staff parking

The Commission discussed the problems encountered by the faculty and staff at the Duke Ellington High School for the Performing Arts, and the potential solutions agreed to by the school, the community, the ANC commissioners, School Board member Byrd, and City Councilmen Evans and Mendelson (who was in attendance). The following motions were offered by Zartman (seconded by Goldstein):

- ANC 2E supports the immediate removal, following petitioning of residents of the area, of RPP from the west side of 35th Street from R to Reservoir; south side of R Street from 35th to 37th Street; east side of 37th Street from R to Reservoir; and the north side of Reservoir from 35th to 36th Street as requested in a voluntary effort by residents. RPP would be reinstated after 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. No evening rush hour parking at all would be

permitted on Reservoir Road. This experimental program is to run for 18 months. The vote was unanimous.

- ANC2E strongly requests that DCPS urgently take steps to provide on-site parking for faculty and staff of the Duke Ellington School, in areas on 36th Street and on R Street, that such parking areas be suitably landscaped, and that appropriate zoning approvals be obtained. The vote was unanimous.

Georgetown University Canal Rd entrance

Representing the Federal Highway Administration, James Sinnette and Ken Atkins made a presentation on the latest plans for the entrance to Georgetown University at Canal Road. They announced a public meeting on the project would be held on the evening of November 15 at Christ Church, beginning at 6:30. In response to questions from commissioners and the public, they offered the following: the entrance would move 75 meters east of the present turn; the left turn storage lane would accommodate 12 cars; there would be an additional 37 meters at the Whitehurst; the retaining wall above the roadway would measure approximately 10' by 130'; the traffic data used were compiled in 1993; eastbound through traffic on M Street would be carried by a single 10' wide lane. Commissioner McFarlane moved (Schultz seconded) as follows:

- Whereas, the absence of a left-turn option at the Canal Road entrance to Georgetown University requires hundreds of cars leaving the campus each evening bound for Key Bridge to use Georgetown's narrow residential streets to reach their destination, rather than exiting directly onto Canal Road, which is an arterial highway; and
- Whereas, through a five-year Environmental Impact Study (EIS) of alternative solutions to the Canal Road problem, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has determined that breaking the Canal Road median and installing a traffic light at the entrance to the University (formally known as "Alternative 2A Modified") will remove 200 cars from Georgetown residential streets during the peak rush hour and will also allow the University to require all delivery and construction traffic to exit directly onto Canal Road, and has further determined that this will not adversely affect through traffic on Canal Road or have other adverse environmental impacts; and
- Whereas, throughout the EIS process, the Citizens Association of Georgetown has worked with its neighbors in Foxhall and Palisades to address their concerns, making several compromises that led to the formation of Alternative 2A Modified;
- Therefore, be it resolved that ANC 2E supports Alternative 2A Modified and the Preliminary design as presented to ANC 2E on November 2, 1999, and urges the National Capital Planning Commission, the appropriate review agency for this project, to act expeditiously.

Commissioner Zartman offered an amendment (seconded by Polk) in the form of a substitute:

- ANC 2E will postpone consideration of the Canal Road project until after the November 15 public meeting, calling a special meeting if needed to take a timely position.

Vote 2:5:1, Pulsifer abstaining.

The vote on the original motion was 5:2:1 (Pulsifer abstaining).

Q Street Bridge:

Commissioners Schultz and Ryan gave a recap of the meeting held in connection with the Q Street Bridge closing. In response to community concerns, DPW has agreed to work 68-hour weeks instead of 35; it will be completed in less than 1 year; shuttle buses, lights and traffic management will be utilized to minimize disruption. The P Street Bridge will be rebuilt following completion of the Q Street project.

1600 30th Street, Mastran residence:

Charles Robbins presented plans for the rear gardens of the Mastran residence at 1600 30th Street. Thomas and Evelyn Wilcox presented a letter outlining conditions that had been agreed to by the owners, which they asked to be incorporated in the ANC's action on the property. Carlisle Bolton-Smith, the immediate next-door neighbor, expressed continuing concerns about the loss of mature trees and the height of the fence. Commissioner Ryan moved (seconded by McFarlane) that:

- ANC 2E supports approval of the amended designs for the Mastran residence, providing that the concerns of the immediate neighbors be satisfactorily resolved. These issues specifically include the selection of trees and the height and construction features of the proposed brick wall on the west side. The letter from Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilcox is included in the motion as a summary of these concerns.

The vote was unanimous.

3251 Prospect Street (signage):

Robert Elliott presented his plans for signage on the N Street approach to 3251 Prospect Street. Mrs. McFarlane offered the following motion (seconded by Zartman):

- Whereas free-standing signs are not approved in the historic district of Georgetown, and whereas the proposed signs are not related to the restaurant entrance where the applicant wishes to place them, but rather general information signs for other entities in Prospect Court, ANC 2E considers them inappropriate and opposes this application.

The vote was unanimous.

Dumbarton Oaks:

There was an extensive (if foreshortened) presentation of plans for Dumbarton Oaks. Architect Richard Williams outlined the inability of the existing buildings to support the ongoing work of the museums, and the decision to utilize underground construction to allow least impact on the world-class gardens. Landscape architect James Urban outlined the work that will be done to restore the gardens to the designs prepared by Beatrix Farrand for the Bliss family, who donated the property to the Trustees of Harvard. Museum Director Dr. Ned Keenan responded to questions about the project, offering that no expansion of operations is planned; the program had 15 fellows in 1950 and has 18 fellows today. (Architect Mary Oehrlein is a member of the design team and she has recused herself from all consideration and deliberation by the Old Georgetown Board on this project.).

Representatives of the Potomac Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects spoke of concerns about damage that would be done to the gardens and about their desire to see additional museum capacity sited on S Street, behind the existing fellows building. They also questioned why a master plan had not been created covering the gardens.

In order to allow time to consider the plans and the community's concerns, Commissioner Zartman offered (seconded Schultz) the following resolution:

- ANC 2E moves that all further consideration of the plans for changes at Dumbarton Oaks be postponed, that an early site visit be arranged (open to the press and the public), and that the matter be returned for future consideration of all actions, including possible referral to the Historic Preservation Review Board.

The vote was unanimous.

St. Patricks School:

Peter Barrett, headmaster of St. Patricks School, presented their plans for expansion of facilities on Whtiehaven Parkway, and he offered assurances that no increase in student body or other operations

was anticipated. Commissioner Goldstein moved (Zartman seconded) the following:

- ANC 2E supports St. Patrick's application to the BZA for a special exception to allow for the expansion of its existing private school and church structures located in ANC 2E 02 through construction additions to its current classrooms and church buildings. This motion is not intended as support for any change, revision, or alteration to St. Patrick's current conditions or student enrollment levels. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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Georgetown Visitation School

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by Chairman Pulsifer, with Commissioners Polk, Zartman, Payne, Starrels, and Ryan present, constituting a quorum.

Administrative:

Minutes for the June 6 special town hall meeting, which had previously been distributed, were approved without objection, as were the minutes of the August 1 regular business meeting, also previously distributed.

Treasurer Matt Payne suggested postponing consideration of the August report, to which there was no objection. He then presented the slightly amended quarterly reports for October through december of 1999 and for January through March of 2000; these amended quarterly reports were adopted without objection.

Chairman Pulsifer explained that the normal November meeting date for the ANC would be on election day, causing conflict for many in the community; moreover, it would preclude timely comments on projects going to the Old Georgetown Board. He proposed meeting one week earlier, on Monday instead of Tuesday to avoid Halloween evening, which is normally very active in Georgetown. With no concerns raised by members of the community, the date for the next meeting was set for 6:45 p.m. on Monday, October 30.

Chairman Pulsifer explained the need to purchase a combination fax/scanner/photocopy machine for the ANC office for approximately $100 over the budgeted amount; Commissioner Starrels seconded the amendment to the ANC budget, which was adopted without objection.

Chairman Pulsifer indicated the subject of ANC websites would, once again, be postponed because the Office of Technology was not yet in a position to move forward.

Commissioner Goldstein, who arrived at 6:56 p.m., asked to reopen consideration of the August minutes, in order to clarify the change in Commissioner Zartman's motion on ABC establishments and compliance with historic preservation standards; there was no objection to the change.

Community Comment:

Burleith community flea market:

Chairman Pulsifer described the Burleith community flea market on Sunday, September 10, to which all members of the public were welcome as exhibiters and patrons.

Charles Mallet commendation:

A community commendation for Burleith resident Charles Mallet was presented by Chairman Pulsifer, which read:

For tireless and continuing efforts on behalf of his neighbors and his community, ANC 2E commends Charles K. Mallett. As a concerned neighbor, Charles reaches out to everyone on his block, from longtime to short-term residents, and is one of the first to greet newcomers. His efforts to promote a clean and attractive neighborhood include singlehanded summer mowing and winter snow removal

on others' untended curbside space, institutional and public space. As an advocate for his neighborhood, he has worked with Metro and DPW to reduce commuter and heavy bus traffic on neighborhood streets; As a community activist, he has worked to build connections with local institutions, especially the Duke Ellington School and the Washington International School. As a long-time active Board member of the Burleith Citizens Association, he has greatly increased public involvement in and the effectiveness of that association. A fierce defender of the residential community, Charles works always as a consensus-builder, and is a true friend and ally to everyone in the community. We hope that his exemplary efforts and leadership encourage others to take a similar active role.

Its For the Kids commendation:

Commissioner Payne presented a commendfation for the Georgetown University students who completed a 3,000 mile cross-country bicycle ride to raise funds for "It's for the Kids." The citation approved by the ANC read:

WHEREAS, the ten members of It's for the Kids planned and raised funds for more than a year in order to make their ride across the country possible, and WHEREAS, the members of It's for the Kids successfully completed their 3,298 mile bicycle trek from San Francisco to Washington, DC, in just 44 days, and WHEREAS, in doing so, they have raised funds for the battle to defeat pediatric AIDS, and raised awareness of the plight of children who suffer from the disease, and WHEREAS, most importantly, the members of It's for the Kids have provided an example to the entire community of what a dedicated group of young people can do to make a positive impact in our society, THEREFORE, ANC 2E proudly presents this Community Commendation.to Its For the Kids team members Emily Lawrence,Thor Cheston, Danielle Hurley, Brendan Countee, Dave Roberts, Ted Neill, Anton Ghosh, Michelle Melka, Stephen Sobhani, and Brady McGuire

Car Barn:

Commissioner Starrels described the issues involved in the request by owners of the Car Barn for a zoning special exception to hold special events in the roof pavillion. The building is on a split lot, with commercial use permitted on the south portion, but R-3 residential zoning applying to the northern portion of the lot. Extensive discussions have been held with Douglas Jemal, the owner, and with neighboring property owners. Commissioner Starrels said the owner supported postponement of ANC action until the October 30 meeting in the hope that resolution might be achieved.

Police Report:

Sergeant Harry Hayes presented the police report, indicating a slight decrease in offenses in PSA 206; he noted no special MPD concerns in the area. Chairman Pulsifer described the ANC resolution passed at the August meeting, asking for prompt appointment of commanders for the PSAs serving the greater Georgetown community. Sgt. Hayes indicated he was unaware of any decisions to this point.

Commissioner Ryan questioned what was being done to limit offensive panhandling at Wisconsin and M Streets; Sgt. Hayes indicated that quality-of-life misdemeanors were being charged where circumstances justify this treatment. Justin Wagner, a student at GU, indicated he wanted to meet with Mark to discuss follow-up steps.

New Business

Reservoir Rd traffic initiative and Georgetown parking issues:

Ken Laden of the Department of Public Works presented an outline of first steps DPW plans to take to reduce traffic congestion on Reservoir Road between Foxhall and 35th Street, particularly in light of the changes attendant to MedStar's development on the north campus of GU. He described the process by which a longer term traffic analysis would be produced, paid for in part by MedStar.

Mr. Laden also clarified the rules, as he understood them, for temporary renewal of Zone 2 parking stickers for residents who previously had been excluded from the RPP, with extension of the temporary permits through February 1 for a cost of $5.

He also described the continuation of the work of the task force that was formed to monitor the pilot residential parking program, which will meet again in December. The enforcement that made the early efforts successful have fallen off dramatically, causing great concern among neighbors. Commissioner Zartman also noted that the absence of a viable visitor pass program was a continuing and major concern, and she moved that the ANC adopt a statement of support for the early development of such a program; there was no objection. Valet parking was also unresolved by the task force, but the ANC has previously adopted a resolution on this topic.

Minor parking violations in high-density areas:

The proposal to relax DPW regulations to eliminate tickets for minor parking violations in high-density areas was discussed. Community members spoke of their concerns about public safety, and asked the ANC to support changes in regulations, not waiving of them. Commissioner Pulsifer moved (seconded Goldstein):

- ANC 2E opposes any suspension of rules on a non-emergency basis, such as that proposed by DPW, because of the community's concerns for public safety. (The vote was unanimous.)

Georgetown 10K race:

The organizers of the Georgetown 10K race, Mr. and Mrs. _____ Friedman, presented their plans for an event on Sunday, October 1, starting at 9:30 a.m. Many concerns were raised about the event, which would close the Key Bridge, creating difficulty for ambulances and public safety vehicles, as well as those attending either regular church services or special services at temples for Rosh Hashana. Commissioner Polk introduced a motion (Goldstein seconded):

- Whereas, the race route as described has an adverse impact on the community of Georgetown and the surrounding communities of Foxhall, Palisades, Burleith, and others as well as persons attempting to traverse the city; and
- Whereas, the closing of Key Bridge has an adverse effect on traffic throughout the region, particularly on life and safety; and
- Whereas, the churches and synagogues within Georgetown and in Palisades are hampered in having members arrive for Sunday Services; and
- Whereas, the closing of M Street until 1:00pm would have an adverse impact on commerce, restaurants serving brunch and lunch;
- Therefore be it resolved that ANC 2E does not approve of the Classic Georgetown 10K Race
    - with the race course presented
    - with the closing of M Street from 5:30 am until 1:00pm,
    - on the date proposed

The vote was unanimous.

University fall Student Block Party:

Matthew Cosgrove and Daniel Kelly presented an outline of their plans for the fall Student Block Party, set for Friday, October 6, being organized by the 1227 Gatsby Foundation (338-5698). There were statements of support from some community members, and expressions of continuing concern. Commissioner Payne introduced a motion of support (seconded by Goldstein):

- ANC 2E approves the proposal for the fall Georgetown Charity Block Party under the following conditions presented by its organizers:
- *Time and Location:*

- Friday, October 6, 2000
- Set-up begins at 9AM
- The event starts at 12PM and ends at 7PM
- The event will take place on the 1200 block of 37th St., NW

- *Alcohol:*
  - Beer will be sold at the event.
  - Those individuals who are age 21 and over show have a valid government issued ID will be given identification bracelets and tickets redeemable for two, twelve-ounce beers.
  - Two licensed managers with the appropriate city alcohol server1s license will oversee the site of beer distribution.
  - Each volunteer (both beer pourers and bouncers) will be T.I.P.S. trained
  - Those under 21 will receive free soft drinks.
  - A private vendor will sell discounted food
  - Any underage attendee found consuming beer will be immediately evicted from the block party and the Metro Police officers on duty will be informed.
  - All taps will be shut down at 7PM
- *Safety and Trash:*
  - As in past years, all necessary city permits and licenses will be obtained.
  - Six police officers will be on hand at all times
  - Eight port-o-potties will be on site
  - An appropriate number of trash receptacles will be placed around the block.
  - Volunteers will begin cleaning the street promptly at 7PM and will remain until the street and surrounding area is spotless.
  - Volunteers will perform a mid-event clean up at 3:30PM.
  - G.E.R.M.S. (Georgetown Emergency Medical Services) will be on site should the need for any emergency medical assistance arise.
- Volunteers will provide a neighborhood watch after the event.
- *Charity:*
  - Like last spring, all the proceeds will be given to a host of charities.
  - The charity beneficiaries of the Fall Block Party are yet to be determined.

Commissioner Zartman offered an amendment (seconded by Polk) to make any ANC resolution conditioinal on an expression of support from Georgetown University; it failed on a 3:4:0 vote (Polk, Pulsifer, Zartman in favor; Goldstein, Payne, Starrels, and Ryan opposed). The original motion was adopted on a vote of 4:3:0 (Goldstein, Payne, Starrels, and Ryan in favor; Polk, Pulsifer, and Zartman opposed).

ABC Matters:

Mr. Smith's:

Commissioner Starrels described the process by which a voluntary agreement had been negotiated with the owners of Mr. Smith's on M Street, where excessive noise was the principal problem. He moved ANC approval of the agreement (seconded by Payne), and following some inquiry from community members, there was unanimous support.

Pagoda of Georgetown:

Commissioner Pulsifer asked to remove from the agenda consideration of an agreement with Pagoda of Georgetown, deferring to his personal dealings with the establishment.

Georgetowne Station:

Commissioner Starrels spoke to the Georgetowne Station and its request for a public hall license. There was discussion about whether this constituted a substantial change in their ABC license, and while this represented an effort to bring the establishment into compliance (it was operating as though it

already had a public hall license). It was agreed to postpone further consideration, pending a recommendation from the ABC committee.

Zoning Matters

Lyons Mill condominiums:

Commissioner Ryan introduced residents of the Lyons Mill condominiums, who sought ANC support for their appeal of an expected decision by the Old Georgetown Board regarding their plans to replace the windows of their building with modern, energy-efficient combination windows. Commissioner Ryan introduced a motion (seconded Goldstein):

- Whereas, a very neglected rental building was bought by its tenants who have gone to considerable expense in replacing the heating system, cooling system, and hot water system; and
- Whereas, the existing windows are in a deteriorated condition; and
- Whereas, the replacement of windows of commercial store fronts with thermally efficient panes is common and ongoing practice along M Street; and
- Whereas, the demand for energy by this building will be decreased, enhancing the energy profile for the District of Columbia; and
- Whereas, the replacement windows are wooden, with external mullions and same numbered panes as the original; and
- Whereas, as far as is known, no historic easement has been exercised nor is one available;
- Therefore, ANC 2E asks the Old Georgetown Board to reconsider its decision with regard to renovation of this property, Lyons Mill Condominium, 2537, 2541 Q Street, NW, recognizing that the sample window is incorrectly installed in that the shim required to makeup approximately 1" of narrowness was placed on one side making the window off center. The sample will be redone so as to center the window left to right and all other replacement windows will be done likewise. The sample window also shows a screen installed.

The vote was 6:1:0; Polk, Goldstein, Pulsifer, Payne, Starrels, Ryan in favor; Zartman opposed.

Neyla restaurant:

GTM Architects presented plays for the signage and storefront changes for Neyla restaurant on Prospect Street. Several commissioners raised concerns about the free-standing signs, the color combination, and the overall aesthetic. Commissioner Zartman moved (Polk seconded):

- ANC 2E, based on the design presented, does not approve of the signage for 3206 N Street with respect to its color, the lighting, and the fact that it is free standing.

The vote was unanimous.

Incinerator project update:

Consideration of the update on the Incinerator project was postponed, inasmuch as plans were not ready for review.

3213 P Street, formerly Neam's Market:

Architect Dale Overmyer presented plans for use of the eastern portion of the property that most recently housed the Neam's Market operations. He and his firm will use part of the building for architecture offices, and another tenant will occupy the remainder of the property. Commissioner Ryan asked that inappropriate existing signs be removed, and Commissioner Zartman moved (Starrels seconded):

- ANC 2E is in favor on the design concept of 3213 P Street and the intended use of the building as was presented

1251 Wisconsin Ave, Mizrahi store

There was extensive discussion about the proposed changes and addition at the rear of the Mizrahi store at 1251 Wisconsin. Neighbors (the Werronens and the Ramseys) have grave concerns about the project killing the mature evergreen trees that provide essential screening between their R-3 properties and the C-2-A commercial strip that it borders. They also don't want to lose the access through the alley that they have historically enjoyed. Commissioner Zartman offered a motion (seconded Payne):

- ANC 2E is pleased that discussions have moved away from the objectionable design elements that were presented to neighbors and the ANC Zoning Committee this summer; and we are pleased that discussions have resulted in willingness to make permanent the access neighbors have had to the alley; and we are pleased that construction and excavation will be pulled back from the property line, we hope sufficiently to assure protection for the trees that are so highly prized by neighbors;
- Therefore, we ask the Old Georgetown Board to withhold any approvals that would prevent further productive discussions.

The vote was 6:0:1, with Commissioner Goldstein abstaining.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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Georgetown Visitation School

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Chairman Pulsifer, with Commissioners Polk, Zartman, Payne, Starrels, and Ryan present, constituting a quorum.

Administrative:

The Secretary asked for postponement of consideration of the October 30 public meeting minutes until the next meeting. There was no objection.

Treasurer Matt Payne presented the Treasurer1s reports for October and November, and there was no objection to their approval. (Commissioner Goldstein arrived at this point.)

Chairman Pulsifer presented the ANC Annual Report for FY 2000, including the fiscal year financial summary. There were no community comments, but several commissioners asked that certain items be positioned more prominently in the text. Subject to this change, the report was unanimously approved.

Treasurer Payne presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2001 (seconded Goldstein). There was discussion about the need to expand on the number of hours that the administrator was paid to work each week, after which the budget was adopted unanimously.

Community Comment:

Bob Andrew commendation:

Commissioner Polk presented a community commendation to Bob Andrew, president of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association for his extensive leadership on a range of complex issues affecting both Foxhall and the broader community; the text read:

A sincerely appreciative community commends
Robert D. Andrew
for his consistently outstanding efforts to protect community interests and the preserve the quality of life in Foxhall and the surrounding neighborhoods.
Through his tireless efforts, broad vision, and a tremendous investment of time, Bob has greatly increased citizen awareness, involvement and pride in the Foxhall community.
During his three terms as President of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association, he developed one of the city1s first neighborhood web sites, now known citywide as a model for design and content.
He almost single-handedly produced the monthly Foxhall Newsletter and managed its distribution, often to the point of delivering it himself.
His successful efforts at improving traffic flow and pedestrian safety in Foxhall, through study, consensus, and implementation in conjunction with the ANC, and his ongoing efforts to improve traffic on Reservoir Road promise to benefit all of us in the area.
We hope that his truly exemplary efforts and leadership will encourage others to take active roles in the betterment of our wonderful community.

Reservoir Rd traffic study:

Commissioner Polk and Bob Andrew provided an update on the process for choosing a traffic consultant to conduct the studies of MedStar1s impact on Reservoir Road traffic. Further information

will be available shortly after the first of the year.

Neighborhood Services Coordination:

Clark Ray, Ward 2 coordinator for the Mayor1s Office, and Kasia Grzelkowski, Ward 2 planner from the Office of Planning, described the ways in which their respective offices can coordinate local governmental responses, especially when multiple agencies are involved. They encouraged use of their offices to work out complex issues.

PEPCO utility pole replacements:

Chairman Pulsifer asked for consent to take, out of sequence, the matter of PEPCO utility work in neighborhoods without adequate notice to affected residents. PEPCO representatives described the process through which they decide to replace above-ground utility poles, increasing the energy capacity available to customers along the way. They indicated they don1t always know how to communicate with affected communities (it was suggested that ANCs, the Office of Planning, and the Mayor1s ward representatives might assist). PEPCO also indicated that if a community wanted underground wiring, which is six times more expensive, it needed to address the Public Service Commission.

Police Report:

Officer Piersall presented the police report, indicating a slight decrease in offenses in the community. He encouraged particular attention to property during the busy holiday season.

Old Business:

3209 Reservoir Rd, Boroumond

Chairman Pulsifer indicated that the Boroumand residence at 3209 Reservoir Road was, in effect, no longer the subject for ANC action, since the Old Georgetown Board had given conceptual approval to alterations. Several commissioners visited the site to become more familiar with the property.

New Business:

Conduct of Elections:

Chairman Pulsifer introduced Alice Miller, Executive Director of the Board of Elections and Ethics, and Kathy Fairley, Director of Voter Services, for D. C. government. He explained the problems that affected many area voters in the November election, including waits of more than an hour to vote, as well as incorrect ballots being given to voters. Ms. Miller gave the community a briefing on what is involved in operating District voting precincts in general, and Precinct 6 in particular. They asked for community help in recruiting poll workers for future elections, which rely on the good will (and talents) of persons willing to undergo extensive training and long hours for a total of $100 per election cycle. They also described new voting machines which will be available for future elections in the District.

Rose Park bike path:

Chairman Pulsifer presented Pamla Prochnow, head of Friends of Rose Park. She explained that the Rose Park bike path was largely resolved, as the National Park Service had dropped the plan for the widened pathway. She asked, nonetheless, whether the ANC wished to take a position on any such revived plan. Commissioner Zartman moved (Ryan seconded) that the ANC oppose in general any such widened pathway. The vote was 4:1:2 (Goldstein opposed, Starrels and Ryan abstaining).

Zoning Matters:

1836 47th Place, proposed driveway:

Commissioner Goldstein introduced the application for a public space permit at 1836 47th Place to construct a second driveway. She indicated there were few houses on the street and competition for parking at curbside was at a minimum. Commissioner Zartman spoke in opposition, noting the commission's consistent opposition to the expansion of curb cuts and driveways, which deprive all but one family of parking. Approval of the public space permit was 5:2:0 (Goldstein, Pulsifer, Payne, Starrels, and Ryan in favor; Polk and Zartman opposed).

3221 Reservoir Rd:

Commissioner Ryan introduced 3221 Reservoir Road, where the owner is seeking to add a pergola to the second story rear of the home. The immediate neighbor1s property abuts the property line and overlooks the proposed addition. Commissioner Zartman moved (Ryan seconded) that:

- While the ANC has no objection to the design as presented, we do note the concerns of the adjacent neighbor and welcome the attention of the reviewing Board to alternative materials, including lattice, that might lessen the impact on that neighbor.

The vote in support was unanimous.

1661 35th St:

Commissioner Zartman described the many controversies surrounding the site at 1661 35th Street, formerly the "Papa John1s Pizza" site. New owner Bob Barclay described his plans to add to the existing building and add a second single-family house adjoining. Neighbors questioned the owner1s rental of the existing property to many unrelated tenants and challenged the size and mass of the proposed new construction. Commissioner Zartman moved (Polk seconded) that:

- ANC 2E appreciates the work to rehabilitate this troubled building. However, the intensity of the proposed use, scale, and mass of the proposed buildings raises serious concerns.
- ANC 2E refers the project to both the Old Georgetown Board and the Historic Preservation Review Board for careful review of zoning and land use issues as well as design questions.
- We oppose any use of the property other than as single-family residences and oppose any building designs that would facilitate use as group homes or rooming houses.

The vote was unanimous.

1401 35th Street

Commissioner Zartman described what little was known about 1401 35th Street, inasmuch as the architect and applicant had provided no drawings or detail. The ANC unanimously supported Commissioner Zartman's motion (seconded Payne) that:

- The ANC does not approve of any proposed changes to the property because the project was not presented to the Commission and the ANC has reservations concerning the construction of a parking pad and new basement entrance.

3267 P Street

Architect Dale Overmyer presented plans for the Falk residence at 3267 P Street, which will restore an older house, adding new living space at the rear of the property. Commissioner Zartman asked whether there were alternate plans to removal of any original structure. She offered a motion (seconded Payne) that:

- ANC 2E supports the design concept as presented, acknowledging the concerns that might exist about the rear historic fabric of the house.

The vote in support was unanimous.

2619 O Street

Architect Christian Zapatka presented plans for the Hart/Kassner residence at 2619 O Street, which includes extensive additions to the rear and renovations to the interior. Neighbors spoke both in favor and in opposition to the project. Commissioner Zartman moved (Polk seconded) the following:

- ANC 2E has reviewed plans for the project at 2619 O Street. The ANC acknowledges the neighbors1 concerns about the impact of the changes, especially of the sizable rear addition, and asks the OGB to carefully assess the design for ways that it might be amended to minimize impact and maintain the historic character of these charming narrow houses.

The mation passed unanimously.

1717 34th Street:

Commissioner Pulsifer described proposed changes to the property at 1717 34th Street, which has previously been before the ANC for alterations. The latest plans call for rear additions, which the owner indicated were not to facilitate a basement apartment. Commissioner Zartman questioned whether all of the previous alterations had been brought into compliance with OGB and DCRA approvals; Mr. Thompson assured that they had been. Commissioner Pulsifer moved (Zartman seconded) that ANC 2E approves the plans as presented; there was no objection.

Georgetown University1s performing arts center:

Chairman Pulsifer introduced the team presenting Georgetown University1s performing arts center for architectural review. As the commission had previously seen the plans, relatively few questions remained. GU assured the ANC that the project was still intended for student use only, that seating was limited, and that second-stage zoning approval would be brought before the ANC when timely. Commissioner Payne moved (Zartman seconded) that:

- The ANC supports the design as proposed; however, there were concerns about the unrelieved brick walls on the new theater.

There was no objection.

3100 South Street, Georgetown Incinerator project:

Chairman Pulsifer questioned whether anyone had arrived to present plans for 3100 South Street, the incinerator project, including moving the historic houses that were being restored as a community asset. As no one was able to provide any information, Commissioner Zartman was asked to communicate to the OGB that we had received no information about the project and could offer no comment. There was no objection.

3000 M St, Citronelle restaurant sidewalk cafe:

Commissioner Starrels described the amended plans for a sidewalk cafe at Citronelle, the Latham Hotel. Plans were much improved from earlier presentations, but concerns remained about the narrowness of the sidewalk and the DPW requirements for measuring allowed distances. Commissioner Starrels moved (Zartman seconded) that the ANC support the design concept of a sidewalk cafe. The public space permit application for the sidewalk cafe would come to the ANC at a future date. There was no objection.

1208 31st Street, Jessica Nail Salon:

Jessica Nail Salon at 1208 31st Street is being processed for compliance; Commissioner Zartman moved (Polk seconded) that the ANC does not endorse the project, but supports the process of reaching compliance. There was no objection.

3065 M Street, Mac Cosmetics:

George Gordon presented drawings for the storefront at 3065 M Street (Mac Cosmetics), and Commissioner Zartman offered a standard motion that ANC 2E repeats its desire that storefronts incorporate elements more consistent with historic restoration that modern commercial design. There was no objection.

3273 M Street:

George Gordon also presented plans for 3273 M Street, and Commissioner Zartman moved that ANC support the general design of the storefront. There was no objection.

3273 M Street, Soleiman Brothers:

No one appeared to present plans for the storefront at 3273 M Street (Soleiman Brothers); the ANC was unable to support the project.

1601 Wisconsin Avenue, Exxon station

The design consultant for the Exxon station at 1601 Wisconsin Avenue presented plans for renovation of the station. Concerns were expressed about how much commercial signage was at the property, and Commissioner Zartman moved (Payne seconded) that:

- ANC 2E supports the project as presented, with the understanding that design elements previously approved by the OGB for the Exxon station at Canal Road will be incorporated; we ask that the Board specifically consider safety lighting as it reviews this project. We also ask the operator to remove the multitude of vending machines and other clutter on the site.

There was no objection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.