

**From:** Holliday, Bertha G. (SMD 5E07) <5E07@anc.dc.gov>

**To:** Sophie Bethune <sophie.bethune@verizon.net>

**Subject:** Re: Response to your letter

**Date:** Thu, Jan 17, 2019 1:49 pm

**Attachments:** JAM DOUNG MEETING NOTICE 2.docx (13K)

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Dear Ms. Bethune --

Attached is a notice for a neighborhood meeting re neighbors' concerns re Jam Doung. You had previously indicated you would distribute such letter via the Randolph Pl. neighbors' listserv. The meeting is scheduled for this coming Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019 at St. Martins Catholic Church located a North Capitol and T Streets, NW in the church's Pioneer Room (basement entry on T St.)

Also, I encourage you to read the 14 -page personal testimony I submitted in support of Jam Doung, which also noted all neighbor concerns received by me prior to the hearing. I presume you are also aware that BZA urged Jam Doung owners to meet with neighbors and attempt to reach some agreement regarding neighbors' concerns. This and any other related documents were to be submitted to BZA by 1/15/19. I have urged Jam Doung owners to request a one week extension of time. I realize the meeting notice is short, but there are real time constraints.

As to my "role as an ANC rep" -- That role is defined by DC law and regulation. Please be aware that recommendations of ANCs are determined by a vote by ALL of an ANC's members. ANC 5E has voted its support for Jam Doung's request for a variance in use and formally identified me (as the Commissioner in whose SMD iJam Doung is located) as the ANC5E designated representative to BZA hearings on the matter. That is why I supported Jam Doung's request at the hearing. That does not mean I am opposed to neighbors' concerns. At the upcoming neighbors' meeting, we will hopefully seek to resolve those cncerns to the benefit of both the owners and the neighbors.

Thank you for your willingness to distribute the meeting notice. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday.

PLEASE CONFIRM RECEIPT OF THIS EMAIL, SO I WILL KNOW YOU HAVE RECEIVED MEETING NOTICE FOR DISTRIBUTION.

Bertha Holliday

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**From:** Sophie Bethune <sophie.bethune@verizon.net>

**Sent:** Thursday, January 17, 2019 9:17 AM

**To:** Holliday, Bertha G. (SMD 5E07)

**Subject:** Re: Response to your letter

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Thank you. Can you clarify that you are still working on this in your role as our ANC rep? It appeared during that hearing that you were speaking on behalf of the Jam Doung owners which goes beyond your role as our ANC rep, so I just wanted to clarify. I appreciate your help.

I will certainly share details of a meeting but I am concerned about short notice over a holiday weekend. I think we will also need to wait to see the contents of the OP report before agreeing to any conditions, if at all.

Thanks again.

Sophie

-----Original Message-----

From: Holliday, Bertha G. (SMD 5E07) <5E07@anc.dc.gov>

To: Sophie Bethune <sophie.bethune@verizon.net>

Sent: Wed, Jan 16, 2019 9:43 pm

Subject: Re: Response to your letter

Dear Ms. Bethune,

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Jam Doung. I am in full agreement with the need for a meeting with neighbors and the Jam Doung owners, and I have talked with the owners about such a meeting for several weeks. I think your most recent letter helped convinced them of the benefit of a such a meeting -- that will hopefully involve both owners and neighbors in a willingness to negotiate and compromise, seek common ground, and result in a related written agreement between the owners and the neighbors that can be presented to the BZA.

We are in the process of seeking a location for such a meeting. We are hopeful that such a meeting can be scheduled this coming Saturday or Sunday. I will email you tomorrow with more info.

Bertha Holliday

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Commissioner, ANC 5E07

Treasurer, ANC 5E

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**From:** Sophie Bethune <sophie.bethune@verizon.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 16, 2019 11:28 AM

**To:** p2705191@yahoo.com; Holliday, Bertha G. (SMD 5E07)

**Subject:** Response to your letter

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Ms Stedman and Ms Hutchinson: