



**Foggy Bottom & West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A**  
([www.anc2a.org](http://www.anc2a.org))

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 17, 2013 7:00 pm Fungler Hall, Rm 108 (GWU) 2201 G Street

**Call to Order**

Chair Florence Harmon (06) called the meeting to order. Commissioners Jackson Carnes (07), Peter Sacco (08), Patrick Kennedy (01), Graham Galka (05) and Rebecca Coder (02) were present. Commissioners Asher Corson (03) and Armando Irizarry (04) were not present.

Chair Harmon stated the agenda item regarding zoning regulation review will be moved to next month's meeting and moved to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Carnes seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. (VOTES: 6-0)

Chair Harmon made the following announcements:

- Ward 2 Mayor's Town Hall Budget meeting will be held this coming Saturday from April 20, 2-4 pm at Charles Sumner School at 1201 17<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Bike lanes are being considered for M Street, NW from 14<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Streets. More information can be obtained from Mike Goodno at [mikegoodno@dc.gov](mailto:mikegoodno@dc.gov).
- Upcoming election on Tuesday April 23, for the at-large council position and the DC referendum "DC Budget Amendment," which will facilitate local budget autonomy.

**General Agenda**

Safety Report

No one was present to give the safety report.

Public Comments

NIH Study at GWU Hospital

Representatives from GWU Surgery Department presented information regarding a new NIH study, Protect III, in which they will be participating as part of a multi-center study. GWU Hospital is the only hospital between Richmond and Baltimore that is involved in this study. There are 60 centers nationwide participating, with a goal of enrolling 600 patients nationwide. Additional information can be found at [www.protectiii.com](http://www.protectiii.com).

Protect III will study traumatic brain injuries from blunt force (i.e. from car collisions and falls or something hitting the head) and methods of treatment with progesterone. Patients will be selected on a random basis for treatment. Half of the patients will receive a placebo containing no progesterone and the other group will be given progesterone.

Because these patients may not be able to give consent for this study (known as “Exception from Informed Consents EFIC), during the first hour a search for the next of kin or proxy will occur. Once legal guardian is located, they will be asked to give permission to continue.

One can opt out on a nationwide registry and be given a bracelet stating “Do not enroll in Protect III). Once enrolled, a family member of the patient can de-enroll them. Pregnant women and cancer patients and others with challenged immune system will be exempted from the study. GWU Hospital intends to enroll two patients per month or 24 per year.

Currently every 15 seconds someone in the US suffers a major traumatic brain injury, causing problems with balance and coordination. Currently, there is no specific drug treatment for traumatic brain injury. This study will explore the safety of progesterone treatment to determine if it reduces brain damage caused from a traumatic brain injury.

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Layby – West End Library Development

Commissioner Kennedy stated that DDOT Public Space Committee rejected ANC 2A’s request for laybys on 24th Street by the retail spaces in front of the West End Library.

#### Duke Ellington Birthday Party

Commissioner Coder announced that the Duke Ellington Birthday celebration will be held on Monday April 29th at the Duke Ellington Park located on the intersection of M Street, New Hampshire and 21<sup>st</sup> Street. The King James Serfs of Swing will play many of Ellington’s music.

#### Senior Proms

Commissioner Peter Sacco stated that the Senior Proms across city, which were sponsored by GWU’s Government Relations Department, were a success.

#### St. Mary’s Fling

Commissioner Carnes stated that the St. Mary’s Fling will be held on Thursday, April 25 from 6-8pm at St. Mary’s Court (725 24<sup>th</sup> St). Tickets cost \$30.

### **Regulatory Agenda**

#### Matters before Zoning Commission

##### Square 77-Second Stage PUD:

Representatives from GWU presented information regarding the closing of the alley off of H Street and the second stage PUD to develop a new residence hall on Square 77. They were requesting to separate votes from the ANC 2A on these issues.

The proposed development of a new dorm will be located on Square 77, between H and I Streets and 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Streets, near Academic Center and Marvin Center. The new dorm will be located behind and will connect to the older West End, Schenley and Crawford residential housing buildings on the top floors. This location is in the center of

GWU campus, which students pass during their course of day between classes and during lunch and dinner.

With the construction of this new dorm, GWU will be able to fulfill its commitment to decommission City Hall residence building as an undergraduate housing option. GWU leased units in City Hall and offered them to undergraduate students. In the past, GWU owned the units within Columbia Plaza and leased them to students as housing options. However, GWU no longer owns these units and has not used Columbia Plaza for undergraduate students. GWU has planned to stop using City Hall by the summer of 2016. GWU houses graduate students only in HOVA.

GWU will also reclaim and restore its historic buildings (West End, Schenley and Crawford), as identified by DC Historic Preservation office. These student residential buildings will retain their above-ground and separate entrances. Additional entrances will be located on the H Street alley and on I Street, NW.

All sorted student mail will be centralized, located and distributed from mailboxes in this building. Matt Scott, Executive Vice President of Resident Hall Association (RHA) stated the RHA does not have a position regarding the moving mailboxes from individual dorms to a centralized mailbox location.

The new dorm will house 898 student beds, an increase of 300 beds from current bed numbers. It will be within the height and mass approved in the first stage PUD order, and will set back so it cannot be seen from the sidewalk. The new dorm will be LEED silver certified and will have some ground retail on I Street, NW and below grade level dining room facilities. About 3-4 retail stores will be located on the below grade level, which is meant to serve as a thoroughfare. Demolition will commence during the summer of 2013 and be open in the summer of 2016. This project has a PUD hearing before the Zoning Commission on May 20, 2013.

Commissioners inquired about rental options for local retail and expanded retail providing nighttime activities. Representatives of GWU responded that they will solicit vendors within one year of this dormitory's opening, so they cannot commit to discounting rental rates at this point.

Community members inquired about the delivery trucks accessing this dorm from I Street, NW. Representatives of GWU responded that the alley will not be accessible to trucks longer than 45' because of loading area dimensions. This applies to trucks driven by vendors and students. If there is a need of a 55' truck, GWU will request permission from DDOT for special deliveries.

#### Matters before DC Surveyor and DC Council

##### GW- Closure of Square 77 Alley:

Representatives from GWU presented information regarding the closure of the alley in Square 77, which is scheduled for consideration before the DC Surveyor on May 28<sup>th</sup> and then would be considered by the DC Council Committee of the Whole. Some DC

agencies, including those involving utilities, have reviewed their plan and have no objection. GWU is waiting to hear from OP and DDOT. If the alley is no longer used, the DC Council can approve this closure. GWU's counsel stated that there are no requirements for closing the alley nor is any payment to the City required.

Commissioners discussed amenities, which should be sufficient to relieve congestion on the campus and neighborhood, because the alley property to be conveyed to GWU is estimated to be worth \$2.8 million.

Chair Harmon made a motion to authorize ANC 2A to spend \$500 to retain counsel on this matter and to tentatively take some action today but incorporate revisions to the resolution at the suggestion of counsel. Commissioner Carnes seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES: 6-0)**

Chair Harmon read the draft resolution and made a motion to approve the closing of the alley in Square 77, pending comments and advice from counsel, with inclusion of sufficient amenities to relieve congestion on the campus and neighborhood, given the substantial worth of the property at issue. Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES 6-0).**

#### Matters before DDOT Public Space Committee

##### GWU Museum – Square 102 (curb cut) 21<sup>st</sup> and G Streets, NW:

Representatives from GWU discussed their public space application for Square 102 – GWU Museum located on 21<sup>st</sup> and G Streets, NW. Museum items will be displayed at this site but will be sent for conservation at their lab in Virginia. Public space elements, such as the curb cut, loading zones, and utility vaults, have been discussed in the consideration of the second-stage PUD and preliminary approved by DDOT and the Zoning Commission. The loading dock will be available only for moving art works. There will be a curb cut related to this project. The green space surrounding the Woodhull House will be retained. Stone steps will lead visitors to the entrance of the museum from the concrete walkway along 21<sup>st</sup> Street. The pavement will transition from the brick paving walkway of the University Yard to stone paving to tinted concrete pavers to 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Concrete cobbled-pavers will be located between the tree boxes on 21<sup>st</sup> Street. A brick-paver walkway will be located along G Street. Trees and bushes will be planted along the 21<sup>st</sup> Street streetscape. Building identifiers and electronic signage in the front of the museum on 21<sup>st</sup> Street will be situated so they do not distract drivers.

In response to inquiries from community members about bus deliveries, representatives of GWU stated that buses will notify the museum in advance of their deliveries, and GWU will ensure that these delivery trucks park in metered parking spaces on G Street near the front of the museum. When the meters are not used by the buses, the parking spaces will return to the status of a metered public parking sites.

Chair Harmon read the draft resolution that states that ANC 2A supports the use of the loading area is limited to the movement of artifacts so as to minimally impact pedestrian use of the sidewalk. ANC 2A also supports the designated on-street loading area for non-artifact delivery (such as for catering services), the use of special paving and GWU streetscape elements, and the retention of pedestrian access from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to the University Yard. Community members and commissioners made suggested changes to the resolution. Chair Harmon made a motion of a resolution in support this application. Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES 6-0) (Attachment 1)**

Founding Farmers (sidewalk café):

Chair Harmon stated the representatives from Founding Farmers (requesting a sidewalk café) were not able to attend tonight's meeting. This item will be moved to the May meeting.

Matters before DCRA

Proposed DCRA Food Truck Regulations:

Commissioner Carnes provided an overview of the proposed DCRA food truck regulations. He read a draft resolution, opposing the proposed regulations, stating that they draw a broad brush. DCRA provides the licenses to the food trucks. He stated that food trucks fill a unique void in the Foggy Bottom neighborhood with historically few restaurant options. However, the proposed regulations that include a month-to-month lottery system are inflexible and introduce an element of uncertainty. Options, such as reapplication every three months, were suggested. In addition, the provisions in the proposed regulation banning food trucks from serving customers where there is less than 10 feet of unobstructed sidewalk width should be more flexible and include consultation with local ANCs to provide exceptions (such as on H Street between 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Streets) in certain areas. Regulations should better balance public health, safety and customer choice. Chair Harmon made the motion for a resolution in opposition to the proposed food truck regulations. Commissioner Carnes seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES 6-0) (Attachment 2)**

DC War Memorial – Historic Landmark Application 1307:

Commissioner Kennedy stated that the National Park Service submitted a historic landmark application (#1307) to the Historic Preservation Office for the DC World War I Memorial. The construction of this memorial was funded by DC residents and civic organizations to honor DC residents who served in World War I. It is the only local memorial for DC residents on the National Mall. It was dedicated on Armistice Day 1931 and re-dedicated in 2011 following a restoration project.

The World War I Memorial is located on Independence Avenue, S.W. between 17<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Streets, NW on the National Mall and within the boundaries of ANC 2A. It is composed of marble and represents a circular domed temple in Doric tradition.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion in support of the preservation of this Memorial to honor the service of DC residents in World War I and to encourage the designation of a national World War I memorial at an appropriate location elsewhere. Commissioner Harmon recused herself from voting. Commissioner Coder seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES 5-0-1) (Attachment 3)**

Councilman Barry Proposed Legislation: ANC Empowerment Amendment Act:

Commissioner Kennedy stated Council Member Marion Barry introduced legislation entitled “ANCS’s Empowerment Amendment Act” in the last council period, but it was withdrawn. This legislation would eliminate the statutory prohibition against ANC’s initiating and utilizing their funds for legal action in the courts. This legislation would strengthen the ability of ANCs to hold agencies accountable for giving their concerns “great weight.”

Currently, the ANC can be a party to agency action but cannot be a party on appeal in the court action. The ANCs cannot initiate legal action in a court.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to support a resolution, encouraging the reintroduction of the “ANC Empowerment Amendment Act.” Commissioner Coder seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES 6-0) (Attachment 4)**

Council Member Barry’s Proposed Legislation: ANC Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act:

Commissioner Kennedy stated Council Member Marion Barry introduced legislation entitled “ANC Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act” in the last council period, but the Council did not vote on it. This legislation would direct the Auditor to release the ANC’s allotments no later than 30 days after the submission of an ANC’s quarterly report or within 90 days of the last day of the quarter. The release of allotment funds would occur when ANCs submit reports and would eliminate the delay associated with review of the quarterly report.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion for a resolution encouraging the reintroduction of the ANC Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act this council period. Commissioner Coder seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed.

**(VOTES 6-0) (Attachment 5)**

Matters before ABC/ ABRA:

- a. ABRA 085365 – Burger Tap Shake – 2200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- b. ABRA 060611 – Thai Place – 2134 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- c. ABRA-006447 – Best Vending – 1776 D Street, NW
- d. ABRA 015122 – Best Vending II- 730 21st Street, N.W.
- e. ABRA 001269 – Exchange Ltd. – 1730 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- f. ABRA 078312 – State Plaza/F Street Bistro – 2116 F Street, NW
- g. ABRA 060095 -- Froggy Bottom – 2142 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- h. ABRA 020060 -- Bertucci's Brick Oven Pizzeria—2000 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
- i. ABRA 010242 - Primi Piatti – 2013 I Street, NW

- j. ABRA 071154 – Meiwah – 1200 New Hampshire Avenue NW
- k. ABRA 060396 – Sizzling Express – 538 23rd Street, NW
- l. ABRA 085365 – District Commons/Burger Tap & Shake – 2200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
- m. ABRA – 086425 – One Fish Two Fish – 2423 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- n. ABRA 019070 – The Lombardy Café Hotel – 2019 I Street, NW
- o. ABRA – 023759 – Park Hyatt Washington – 1201 24th Street, NW
- p. ABRA 001469 – The Prime Rib – 2020 K Street, NW B
- q. ABRA 078651 – Renaissance M Street Hotel – 1143 New Hampshire Ave., NW
- r. ABRA 089405 – Courtyard by Marriott Washington DC Foggy Bottom/GWU515 20th Street NW
- s. ABRA 060004—Marcel’s –2401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW B
- t. ABRA 060087 – St. Gregory Hotel & Suites—2033 M Street NW
- u. ABRA 072312 – Panda Café—2138 ½ Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- v. ABRA 001133—Restaurant Associates-2700 F Street, NW
- w. ABRA 060813—TGI Friday—2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- x. ABRA 075297 – Tonic 2036 G Street, NW
- y. ABRA 075008-Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- z. ABRA 001782—The River Inn/Dish, 924 25th Street, NW
- aa. ABRA 060618-The Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street, NW
- bb. ABRA 075025—The Westin Grand, 2340 M Street, NW
- cc. ABRA 001070—The Marvin Center, 800 21st Street, NW
- dd. ABRA 023794—Grillfish, 1200 New Hampshire Avenue, NW B
- ee. ABRA 026668—George Washington University Club, 1918 F Street, NW
- ff. ABRA 060219—George Washington Alumni House, 1925 F Street, NW
- gg. ABRA 060525—Ristorante La Perla, 2600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- hh. ABRA 090259—The Caucus Room Brasserie, 2350 M Street, NW
- ii. ABRA 060309—One Washington Circle Hotel/Circle Bistro, 1 Washington Circle NW
- jj. ABRA 060556—Nottie Bianche, 824 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
- kk. ABRA 083344—West End Cinema, 2301 M Street, NW
- ll. ABRA 085729—Rivers at Watergate, 600 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
- mm. ABRA 087042—Rasika West End, 1177 22nd Street, NW
- nn. ABRA 086726—Circa at Foggy Bottom, 2221 I Street, NW
- oo. ABRA 076803—RIS, 2275 L Street, NW
- pp. ABRA 076629—Washington Marriott Hotel, 1221 22nd Street NW
- qq. ABRA 060750—Charm Thai, 2514 L Street, NW A

Chair Harmon stated that all restaurants and nightclubs have to renew their ABRA licenses in 2013. Restaurants licenses are currently being reviewed. She stated she has not heard any complaints from community members regarding the above restaurant establishments. Some restaurant establishments have signed voluntary agreements with ANC 2A, such as West End Cinema and Tonic.

Chair Harmon proposed that ANC2A not take any action on these establishments. Commissioners concurred.

Miscellaneous Items:

ANC designation of Community Advisory Members & Foggy Bottom Streetscape Plan (2007 Foggy Bottom Campus Plan)

Chair Harmon stated that the Foggy Bottom Campus Plan allows ANC 2A to appoint no more than three commissioners to the Community Advisory Committee. This Committee is not a voting body but is meant to encourage community members and representatives of GWU to discuss campus issues in depth. After discussion, Chair Harmon proposed a motion to include a board member from West End Association, Foggy Bottom Association and three ANC commissioners but to be informally determined.

Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion which was voted upon and passed.

**(VOTES: 6-0)**

Annual Best Buddies 5K Challenge (20 mile bike ride) – October 19, 2013

The representative from BestBuddies presented information regarding the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual BestBuddies Challenge, a 5K (20-mile) bike ride, which will occur on Saturday, October 19, 2013, from 7:45am to 10:30am. They expect 2000 bike rider. The 20-mile ride will start and finish at 15<sup>th</sup> Street between Constitution Avenue and Madison Drive. The route will proceed throughout DC, MD and VA. Within ANC 2A, the route will proceed to Pennsylvania, 9<sup>th</sup> Street tunnel, Ohio Drive, Potomac Parkway, and Clara Barton Highway. Rest stops are available throughout the course.

The representative stated that Best Buddies is a 501(c) (3) organization that raises awareness and funds for those with physical and mental disabilities. Best Buddies is a sister organization to the Special Olympics Foundation.

Chair Harmon made a motion for a letter of non-objection regarding the BestBuddies Challenge. Commissioner Coder seconded the motion which was voted upon and passed.

**(VOTES: 6-0) (Attachment 6)**

**Administration**

New ANC 2A website:

Chair Harmon stated that ANC 2A would like to explore a new website. Commissioner Sacco has reviewed the current ANC 2A website and found it not very visually appealing and hard to read. The plans for the new website will allow uploading of more documents, including resolutions, agenda, minutes, handouts, testimony, and voluntary agreements. Commissioner Sacco will look into costs of hosting the site and contracting out to a website designer. He will coordinate with Gottlieb Simon (DC OANC), who currently provides the template and access to the current website.

Adoption of Minutes:

January 23, 2013 Regular Meeting, February 20, 2013 Regular meeting



Chair Harmon made a motion to adopt the January and February minutes as amended and corrected by the commissioners. Commissioner Coder seconded the motion, which was voted upon and passed. **(VOTES: 6-0)**

Rewrite of Bylaws of ANC 2A

Commissioner Carnes stated that the bylaws need to be updated and rewritten. Participation from the public and commissioner are welcome. Commissioner Coder suggested creating a committee or working group on this project with a deadline for completion by the end of the year.

ANC Community Grant Process

Chair Harmon stated that ANC 2A is considering offering grants to the community. Commissioner Coder stated that ANC monies cannot be used for certain functions, such as parties, alcohol, medications, foods, and political functions.

The Commission will study how other organizations and ANCs provide grants to the community and will report their findings. Community members stated that DC Auditor be involved.

2013 Budget (Oct 1- Sept 2013)

Commissioner Graham presented information on the proposed 2013 budget. The 2013 budget includes approximately \$18,664 disbursement and \$18,313 of receipts, leaving a positive balance of \$351. He stated that an increase in the allotment of approximately \$1,000 is anticipated based on an increased number of commissioners. In addition, higher wage taxes and an increase of \$3000 for purchase of services are anticipated. In addition, \$500 is listed for other expenses, such as costs of security name plates and business cards. The cost of hosting and creating a new website (approximately \$250) will be included. There is a carryover of approximately \$ 21,321 from 2012 going forward. Tax liabilities for previous years were estimated lower than incurred. Grants will be distributed from the carryover funds.

Community members inquired about the purchases of services, which Chair Harmon and Commissioner Galka identified as legal services provided by Hunton & Williams and Con Hitchcock. The expenses for moving the files from West End Library to School Without Walls (while the Library undergoes renovation) and the rent of a post office box during this time should be added.

Chair Harmon closed the public meeting at 9:58 pm for a closed executive session. She added that the public meeting would resume after the executive session.

Chair Harmon opened the public meeting at 10:18pm. Chair Harmon made a motion to approve the matter that was presented in the Executive Session. Commissioner Kennedy seconded the motion, which was voted upon and approved. **(VOTES: 6-0)**.

Chair Harmon called the meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm

## ATTACHMENTS

### **Attachment 1 - 21<sup>st</sup> and G Street Museum Public Space Application (Square 102)**

Government of the District of Columbia  
Foggy Bottom and West End  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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c/o West End Library                      1101 24<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.                      Washington DC 20037

Via Email

April 23, 2013

Mr. Matthew Marcou  
Public Space Committee, Chair  
District of Columbia Department of Transportation  
55 M Street, SE, Suite 400  
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Public Space Application for Square 102 GW Museum, Tracking Number 789678

Dear Chairperson Marcou and Members of the Public Space Committee:

On April 17, 2013, at a duly-noticed regular public meeting and with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC”) 2A voted unanimously (6-0) to support the above application from The George Washington University for elements in public space and adopted the following resolution.

RESOLVED that ANC 2A supports The George Washington University’s Public Space application for the Square 102 GW Museum, based on the following understandings and conditions:

Public Space elements such as the curb cut, loading zones, and utility vaults were discussed in the consideration of the second-stage PUD and preliminarily approved by DDOT and the Zoning Commission. The ANC 2A expects the University to work with the Public Space Committee on minor refinements to public space elements and is in general approval of the project. The ANC 2A notes that use of the loading area is limited to the movement of artifacts, so that pedestrian use of the sidewalk will be minimally impacted. ANC 2A also supports components of the project that include a designated on-street loading area for non-artifact delivery, the use of special paving, GW Streetscape elements, and notes that pedestrian access from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to the University Yard has been retained and that the proposed improvements to the public space are appropriate for the surrounding context.

We respectfully urge the Public Space Committee to give careful attention and approve the project.

Sincerely yours,

Florence Harmon, Chair, ANC 2A

cc: David Avitabile, Goulston & Storrs  
Paul Goldstein, D.C. Office of Planning  
Jamie Henson, DDOT  
ANC 2A Commissioners

**Attachment 2 - Food truck regulations**

Government of the District of Columbia  
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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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c/o West End Library  
Washington DC 20037

1101 24<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.

Via email

May 9, 2013

Vincent Orange  
Councilmember, At-Large  
District of Columbia Council  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 107  
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Proposed Food Truck Legislation

Dear Councilmember Orange:

At its duly noticed, regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2013 with 6 of the 8 commissioners present, constituting a quorum, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2A (6 to 0) unanimously passed the following resolution.

Whereas, food trucks have filled a unique void in recent years in parts of the Foggy Bottom neighborhood with historically few restaurant options;

Whereas, ANC 2A views the proposed month-by-month lottery system as inflexible to the market;

Whereas, ANC 2A appreciates the rationale for banning food trucks from serving customers where there is less than 10-feet of unobstructed sidewalk width, but believes that this provision should be made more flexible with the consultation of local ANCs to provide for exceptions in certain areas;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A opposes the proposed District Department of Transportation food truck regulations and suggests that any future regulations emphasize a better balance between public health, safety, customer choice, and that the ANCs be consulted to ensure that there is a balance between the small business owners in the neighborhood and food trucks.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

Sincerely,

Florence Harmon, ANC 2A Chair

Cc: Chairman Phil Mendelson  
Cc: Council member Jack Evans, Ward 2  
Cc: Council Member Anita Bonds, At-Large  
Cc: Council Member David Catania, At -Large  
Cc: Councilmember David Grosso, At-Large  
Cc: Councilmember Jim Graham, Ward 1  
Cc: Council Member Mary M. Cheh, Ward 3  
Cc: Council Member Muriel Bowser, Ward 4  
Cc: Council Member Kenyan McDuffie, Chair Pro Tempore, Ward 5  
Cc: Council Member Tommy Wells, Ward 6  
Cc: Council Member Yvette Alexander, Ward 7  
Cc: Council Member Marion Barry, Ward 8  
Cc: Commissioner Jackson Carnes, 2A07  
Cc: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

**Attachment 3 - World War I Memorial Designation as a NPS Historic Landmark**

Government of the District of Columbia  
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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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c/o West End Library  
Washington DC 20037

1101 24<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.

Via email

May 11, 2013

Ms. Gretchen Pfaehler, AIA , HPRB Chair  
Chairman, Historic Preservation Review Board  
1100 4th Street, SW Suite E650  
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Landmarking of the District of Columbia War Memorial

Dear Ms. Pfaehler:

At its duly noticed, regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2013 with 6 of the 8 commissioners present, constituting a quorum, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2A (6 to 0) unanimously passed the following resolution:

ANC 2A RESOLUTION ON THE LANDMARKING OF  
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WAR MEMORIAL

WHEREAS the National Park Service (NPS) has submitted a historic landmark application (#13-07) to the Historic Preservation Office (HPO) for the District of Columbia War Memorial;

WHEREAS the prospective landmark is located on Independence Avenue SW, between 17<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Streets, on the National Mall and within the boundaries of ANC 2A;

WHEREAS the War Memorial's construction was funded by D.C. residents and civic organizations to honor D.C. residents who served in World War I;

WHEREAS the structure was dedicated on November 11, 1931 (Armistice Day) and was re-dedicated on November 10, 2011 following a substantial restoration project;

WHEREAS the Memorial itself is composed largely of marble and represents a distinguished, circular domed temple in the Doric tradition;

WHEREAS the edifice is the only local memorial for District of Columbia residents on the National Mall;

WHEREAS members of Congress recently introduced, and then withdrew, legislation that would designate the District of Columbia War Memorial as the "District of Columbia and National World War I Memorial";

WHEREAS the Liberty Memorial, located adjacent to The National World War I Museum in Kansas City, MO or Pershing Park represent suitable alternative locations for a "National World War I Memorial"

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2A, in recognition of the existent Memorial's unique importance to residents of the District of Columbia, supports the historic landmark application filed by NPS.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2A supports preservation of the Memorial in its current form, exclusively to commemorate the service of D.C. residents in World War I, and encourages the designation of a national World War I memorial at an appropriate location elsewhere.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy  
Vice Chair, ANC 2A

Cc: Cc: Council member Jack Evans, Ward 2  
Cc: ANC 2A Commissioners  
Cc: National Park Service

**Attachment 4 - ANC Empowerment Amendment Act**

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c/o West End Library  
Washington DC 20037

1101 24<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.

Via email

May 11, 2013

Marion Barry  
Councilmember  
District of Columbia Council  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 102  
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Reintroduction of ANC Empowerment Legislation

Dear Councilmember Barry:

At its duly noticed, regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2013 with 6 of the 8 commissioners present, constituting a quorum, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2A (6 to 0) unanimously passed the following resolution:

ANC 2A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE RE-INTRODUCTION AND  
PASSAGE OF THE “ANCs EMPOWERMENT AMENDMENT ACT”

WHEREAS, in 2012 Councilmember Marion Barry introduced the “ANC Empowerment Amendment Act” (B19-0716), which would have eliminated the statutory prohibition on ANCs initiating action in the courts and also eliminated the prohibition on ANCs using their allocated funds for legal expenses associated with Commission business;

WHEREAS the elimination of these prohibitions would strengthen the ability of ANCs to hold agencies accountable for properly giving their concerns “great weight”;

WHEREAS the proposed legislation would have especially served to empower ANCs in parts of the District where residents may not necessarily have the means to pursue litigation independently;

WHEREAS the above mentioned legislation was not acted upon in Council Period 19;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A, serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities, strongly encourages the re-introduction of the “ANCs Empowerment Amendment Act” in Council Period 20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A supports the passage of the “ANCs Empowerment Amendment Act” by the full Council in order to support ANCs in their work.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

Sincerely,

Florence Harmon  
Chair

Cc: Chairman Phil Mendelson  
Cc: Council member Jack Evans, Ward 2  
Cc: Council Member Anita Bonds, At-Large  
Cc: Council Member Vincent Orange, At-Large  
Cc: Council Member David Catania, At -Large  
Cc: Councilmember David Grosso, At-Large  
Cc: Councilmember Jim Graham, Ward 1  
Cc: Council Member Mary M. Cheh, Ward 3  
Cc: Council Member Muriel Bowser, Ward 4  
Cc: Council Member Kenyan McDuffie, Chair Pro Tempore, Ward 5  
Cc: Council Member Tommy Wells, Ward 6  
Cc: Council Member Yvette Alexander, Ward 7  
Cc: ANC 2A Commissioners  
Cc: Gottlieb Simon, Director, Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions

**Attachment 5 - ANC Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act**

Government of the District of Columbia  
Foggy Bottom and West End  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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c/o West End Library  
Washington DC 20037

1101 24<sup>th</sup> St., N.W.

Via email

May 11, 2013

Marion Barry  
Councilmember  
District of Columbia Council  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 102  
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Reintroduction of ANC Allotment Efficiency Legislation

Dear Councilmember Barry:

At its duly noticed, regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2013 with 6 of the 8 commissioners present, constituting a quorum, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2A (6 to 0) unanimously passed the following resolution:

**ANC 2A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE RE-INTRODUCTION AND PASSAGE OF THE “ANCs ALLOTMENT EFFICIENCY AMENDMENT ACT”**

WHEREAS, in 2012 Councilmember Marion Barry introduced the “Advisory Neighborhood Commission Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act” (B19-0886), which would have encouraged the expedient generation of quarterly financial reports and reduced the number of forfeited quarterly fund allotments;

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would have directed the Auditor to release a Commission’s allotment no later than 30 days after the submission of a quarterly report or within 90 days of the last day of the quarter, whichever period is longer;

WHEREAS, currently the Auditor is required to approve of the report before funds are released;

WHEREAS, this frequently leads to long waits for allotment disbursements that impair the Commission’s ability to conduct its business in a timely manner;



THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A, serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities, strongly encourages the re-introduction of the “ANCs Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act” in Council Period 20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A supports the passage of the “ANCs Allotment Efficiency Amendment Act” by the full Council in order to support ANC's in their work.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

Sincerely,

Florence Harmon  
Chair

Cc: Chairman Phil Mendelson  
Cc: Council member Jack Evans, Ward 2  
Cc: Council Member Anita Bonds, At-Large  
Cc: Council Member Vincent Orange, At-Large  
Cc: Council Member David Catania, At -Large  
Cc: Councilmember David Grosso, At-Large  
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Cc: ANC 2A Commissioners  
Cc: Gottlieb Simon, Director, Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions

**Attachment 6 - 5<sup>th</sup> Annual BestBuddies Challenge**

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May 11, 2013

Julie Hanson  
Best Buddies International  
5810 Kingstown Center Drive, #120  
Alexandria, VA 22315

RE:    Best Buddies Challenge on October 19, 2013

Dear Best Buddies International:

At its duly notice, regularly scheduled meeting on April 17, 2013, with six of the eight commissioners present, constituting a quorum, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2A reviewed the request for a letter of non-objection regarding the Best Buddies Challenge on October 19, 2013. The ANC voted unanimously to support the requested non objection.

Please let me know if I can answer any questions in the above-referenced matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION,

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Harmon  
Chair