The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Quorum
A quorum of 5 out of 6 commissioners was present (Mr. Eckenwiler, Ms. Edelman, Ms. Healey, Mr. Price, and Ms. Wirt). Mr. Miller arrived a few minutes later, making it 6 commissioners present.

Approval of the Agenda
The agenda was approved without objection. Motion: Ms. Wirt/Mr. Eckenwiler.

Approval of the April Minutes
The April minutes were approved unanimously, with the usual caveat that commissioners will have one week to report any inaccuracies or typographical errors before the minutes are posted on the ANC 6C website. Motion: Ms. Wirt/Mr. Eckenwiler.

Treasurer’s Report
Mr. Price presented the treasurer’s report for April. The beginning balance was $49,050.81. There was an interest payment of $0.37 from the Bank of America. Check 1335 was written for $557.48 to Deaf Access Solutions for ASL interpreting at the April meeting. Other expenses were check 1352 to J.O. Wilson PTA for $2,355.12 (a grant for Screen on Green); check 1356 for $2,500, a grant to Capitol Hill Village to support a health and housing seminar; and check 1358 was written for $1,495.50 for ANC 6C ads in the Hill Rag and annual Guide. The ending balance was $42,143.08. The treasurer’s report was approved without objection. Motion: Mr. Price/Mr. Eckenwiler. The second quarterly report also was approved unanimously. Motion: Mr. Price/Mr. Eckenwiler.

Two new expenses were approved unanimously: $2.95 for bottled water at the Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee (Motion: Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Wirt) and an expense not to exceed $50.00 for the treasurer to purchase stamps for ANC correspondence (Motion: Mr. Price/Mr. Eckenwiler).

Brief Community Announcements
1. Council Member Elissa Silverman addressed Initiative 77 on the next ballot. It will increase the minimum wage between 2017 and 2020 to $15 an hour and increase it according to inflation thereafter. It will eliminate the tip credit in eight increments so that tipped employees receive the same minimum wage directly from their employer as other employees by 2026. Currently the tip credit is $3.33 and if an employee does not receive the minimum wage through tips, the employer is supposed to fill the gap. Seven states have eliminated the tipped wage. The argument against the tipped wage is that it would change the revenue flow of restaurants, and the restaurant industry and some tipped employees are against it. The Council Member favors the elimination of the tipped wage but is concerned about the pace of increase of the minimum wage over a short period of time and supports a longer phase-in. She also touched on sexual harassment in the restaurant industry.
Other issues addressed were improvements put in place by the Committee on Labor and Workforce Development, which the Council Member chairs, including $150 million in the DC budget for jobs and an analysis to determine how many jobs have been created from this fund; a position funded in the D.C. Auditor’s office to focus on oversight; a $1 million grant to D.C. Central Kitchen to relocate the facility out of CCNV, which is scheduled to close in a few years; and an infrastructure academy to promote jobs at WMATA. Council Member Silverman gave her contact information as (202) 724-7772 and esilverman@dccouncil.us.

2. Commissioner announcements—Mr. Miller announced that a settlement agreement has been reached with the Giant at 3rd and H Streets NE. Mr. Eckenwiler stated that his request to improve the streetcar situation at the intersection at 3rd and H Street NE has seen no action, neither by the DC fire chief or the EMS. Ms. Wirt described efforts by Pepco, MPD, Council Member Charles Allen’s office, and residents next door to discourage loitering by homeless people at the Pepco substation located at 45 E Street NE. Ms. Healey stated repair of three alleys in her SMD is ongoing simultaneously, which puts pressure on the on-street parking, but the alley work is going well and residents are pleased. Ms. Edelman announced a farmer’s market opening on Sundays at 9 am beginning May 20 at Pierce and First Street NE. The Pow! Wow! mural competition can be seen at 3rd and M Streets NE. The NoMa BID has website information on the murals. There will be a joint PSA 104, 107, and 108 meeting at J.O. Wilson Elementary School, 6th and K Streets NE at 7 pm on May 10. The Council approved reinstating into the budget $15,000 to cover ASL expenses by ANCs beginning in 2019, with no retroactive reimbursement.

Consent Calendar
1. 310 E Street NE, potential BZA appeal of permit B1806410, issued March 27, 2018—The drawings for the permit to replace the rear exterior access stairs and repair the historic cast-iron porch misstate many aspects of the existing structure. Any change in the footprint requires a variance or a building code exception. DCRA issued the permit in error, and HPO approved the permit. An appeal is recommended as well as making HPO aware of the irregularities.
2. 1125 7th Street NE, potential BZA appeal of permit B1805207, issued on April 18—This is a revision of permit B1706219, for which ANC 6C has a pending appeal. The revised plans have several zoning violations, including a 4 ft. high penthouse claimed as a matter of right but which requires a special exception, and lack of clarity regarding the number of units on premises. It is recommended that the revised permit be incorporated into the pending appeal, and that ANC 6C formally authorize the appeal of the revised permit.
3. Cava Grill, 523 H Street NE, application 10574315, unenclosed sidewalk café—The recommendation is to support with several caveats: A trash receptacle would be placed outside but to discourage use of to-go containers by dine-in customers, the opening of the receptacle would not be large enough to fit to-go bowls; tables and chairs would be stacked and chained overnight to discourage use after hours; and a graduated seating plan would be in place, with potential increase in number of seats at a later date following a period without significant complaints.
4. 1100 Delaware Avenue NE traffic improvements—The recommendation is to send a second letter (first one sent December 2016) to DDOT suggesting this block be made one-way northbound with no right turns from M to Delaware because of the difficult turning range and lack of driver visibility of eastbound pedestrians and bicycles.
5. Capitol Fine Wine and Spirits, 415 H Street NE, ABRA-082981, class A license renewal—The recommendation is no protest of this license renewal.
6. Schneider’s Liquor, 300 Massachusetts Ave NE, ABRA-000252, class A license renewal—The recommendation is no protest of this license renewal.
7. Sidamo Coffee and Tea, 417 H Street NE, ABRA-109491, new license—The recommendation is to protest on the basis of the usual three reasons (noise, vehicular disruption, adverse effect on property values) with the intention of negotiating a settlement agreement concerning hours of the outside area at...
the rear of the establishment in close proximity to residences. The vote included designation of Jason Starr, vice chair of the ANC 6C Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee, to represent ANC 6C, with Steve O’Neal, chair of the committee, as his alternate.

The vote to approve the recommendations of the consent calendar was unanimous with Commissioner Eckenwiler designated to handle the BZA appeals. **Motion: Ms. Wirt/Mr. Eckenwiler.**

**Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee**
1. The Ministry, 601 New Jersey Ave NE, ABRA-108087, new Class C tavern—The recommendation is to protest on the basis of the usual three reasons (noise, vehicular disruption, adverse effect on property values) with the intention of negotiating a settlement agreement concerning hours and an entertainment endorsement. The commissioners voted unanimously to protest. The vote included designation of Emily Beline, member of the ANC 6C Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee, to represent ANC 6C, with Steve O’Neal, chair of the committee, as her alternate. **Motion: Ms. Wirt/Mr. Eckenwiler.**
2. Kogod Liquors, 441 New Jersey Ave. NE, ABRA-024868, Class A renewal plus request for a tasting endorsement. Because the applicant did not show for the May committee meeting, and the protest hearing date is not until June 18, the commissioners voted unanimously to take up the matter at the June committee and full-Commission meetings. **Motion: Ms. Wirt/Mr. Eckenwiler.**

Mr. Price asked if the committee would address marijuana usage. Mr. O’Neal replied that this matter could be discussed.

**Grants Committee**
Ms. Lord, chair of the Grants Committee, summarized the April 21 ANC 6C Grants Committee seminar. The turnout was 25-30 people, with many attendees new to the neighborhood and new to the ANC grants process. Council Members Charles Allen and Elissa Silverman stopped by during the seminar. Ms. Lord presented a bill for April 21 seminar flyers, $65.88. The expense was approved unanimously. **Motion: Ms. Wirt/Ms. Edelman.**

**Transportation and Public Space Committee**
1. Union Station Expansion Project—The commissioners voted unanimously to support the committee recommendation, which involved two letters. The first letter to the Federal Railroad Administration/Union Station Expansion Project had three parts: (1) The design should de-prioritize neighborhood residential streets for primary station functions such as intercity buses, pickup/drop off zones, and parking entrances. The parking garage and a newly designed H Street bridge should accommodate these needs instead. (2) K Street NE should not be used for any motor vehicle access point, parking or otherwise. This will create an enormous traffic burden to the entirely residential neighborhood to the east. (3) The cycle track on First Street NE should not be moved to the west side of the street, which will result in additional conflicts with intersecting streets as well as incompatibility with the rest of the cycle track further to the north remaining on the east side. The second letter, to DDOT director Jeff Marootian, will suggest that DDOT become more heavily involved in the project. **Motion: Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Edelman.**
2. Union Market traffic and pedestrian safety—This is the area around 4th, 5th, Neal, and Morse Streets NE, a commercial warehouse district that has transitioned intro a largely pedestrian-focused area. Issues include extremely wide roads with no lane markings; poorly placed or nonexistent street signage, including stop signs and one-way signs; and narrow, poorly maintained sidewalks. The commissioners voted unanimously to send a letter to DDOT regarding these matters, asking for a comprehensive DDOT plan for area improvements, with a copy to Sam Zimbabwe asking him to attend the next ANC 6C
Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting regarding this matter. **Motion:** Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Wirt.

3. Union Pub, sidewalk café, 201 Massachusetts Ave. NE, nonvoting item—The co-chairs of this committee met with the proprietor, Mr. Weiss, who said he plans to resubmit an application with a reduced size for the awning and an enclosure in compliance with the DDOT regulations. The application will go back to the committee.

4. The June meeting of this committee will review the results of the NoMa bike study.

**Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development Committee**

1. 216 (aka 222) 8th Street NE, HPA 18-300—Concept approval for a rear addition. The owner seeks to construct a rear two-story addition on the former rectory of St. James Church and convert the structure into two condo units. The commissioners voted unanimously to support the committee report, which is to cover the proposed window wells with flat grates at grade, as opposed to vertical guardrails, and relocate the utility meters to be less visible. The vote included four requests: (1) Add an 8 ft. safety fence between the church and condos; (2) conduct a pre-condition assessment; (3) Monitor vibrations during construction; and (4) include mitigation damage. The applicant is encouraged to consider a different name than “The Rectory,” which indicates the priest lives there. The vote also included authorization of Mr. Eckenwiler to represent ANC 6C for this application. **Motion:** Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Healey. Mr. Price suggested a friendly amendment: That the applicant write a letter to Father Williams regarding renaming the project and the fence.

2. 732 4th Street NE, HPA 18-248, revised application for concept approval of rear and rooftop additions—Revised drawings were received by ANC 6C on this day, which adequately address most committee concerns except for water drainage on the deck and prohibition of umbrellas and “a patio look.” The commissioners voted unanimously to support the project contingent on the revised plans being sent to HPA and including consideration of the drainage and umbrella concerns. The vote included authorization of Mr. Eckenwiler to represent ANC 6C for this application. **Motion:** Mr. Eckenwiler/Mr. Miller.

3. 732 4th Street NE, BZA 19742, special exception from lot occupancy requirements—The commissioners unanimously voted provisional support, conditioned on the promised section drawings and correction of other errors and inconsistencies. The motion is to take no action unless the applicant fails to upload revised drawings to BZA by Monday c.o.b. If the applicant fails to do so, ANC 6C will ask to remove the expedited hearing status. The vote included authorization of Mr. Eckenwiler to represent ANC 6C for this application. **Motion:** Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Edelman.

**Parks and Events Committee**

No business this month.

The motion to adjourn at 8:58 pm was approved without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Eckenwiler/Ms. Wirt.