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SEPTEMBER ANC 1A REPORT

The September ANC 1A meeting was attended by Commissioners Marvin L. Johnson (1A01), Josue Salmeron (1A02), Tom Gordon (1A03), Matthew Goldschmidt (1A04), Thu Nguyen (1A05), Patrick W. Flynn (1A06), Darwain Frost (1A07), Kent Boese (1A08), Bobby Holmes (1A09), Rashida Brown (1A10), Dotti Love Wade (1A11), and Margaret Hundley (1A12). No Commissioners were absent.

There were two presentations during the meeting. The first was by the owner of the restaurant Esencias Panameñas located at 3322 Georgia Avenue. The owner has applied for a liquor license

and will be seeking ANC support for a stipulated license once the ABRA placards have been posted.

The second presentation was by Project Giveback. They spoke about their program and submitted a grant application seeking support for their Thanksgiving food distribution. At this time, ANC 1A has a grants moratorium which will need to be addressed prior to full consideration of the application.

During official business, the Commission considered seven items. The first was approval of entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with Howard University and a Consulting Services Agreement for an independent review of ANC1A's Bruce Monroe Long-term Use Survey. The University will compile the results of the survey and report back to the Commission. The MOU and agreement were approved by a vote of 11-0-1.

The second item considered was a stipulated alcohol license agreement for Thip Khao located on 14th Street. The license will permit alcohol to be served on their sidewalk café. The license was approved unanimously.

The third item was a liquor license protest for Pho 14 pending approval of a Settlement Agreement. The Commission voted unanimously in support of the protest and expects to approve a Settlement Agreement in October.

The fourth item of business was to support a use variance to allow Asante Guest House, located at 1207 Kenyon Street, to continue operating as a guest house. The commission voted unanimously to support the variance.

The next item of business was consideration of the zoning variances requested for 3701 New Hampshire Avenue. This property is located in Ward 4, but abuts Ward 1, so both ANC 4C and ANC 1A have "great weight" in the case. The two issues were relief from the lot area requirements for the new development and relief from the parking requirements for the site. Commissioner Boese introduced a resolution supporting the requested variances believing the application met the requirements to be considered a practical difficulty. The resolution was approved by a vote of 8-3-1. Commissioners Johnson, Gordon, Goldschmidt, Nguyen, Flynn,

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Frost, Boese, and Hundley voted in support; Commissioners Salmeron, Holmes, and Wade voted against; and Commissioner Brown abstained.

The next resolution was co-introduced by Commissioners Holmes and Boese supporting strict adherence to the Zoning Regulations as they relate to the unpermitted development at 723-725 Morton Street, and opposition to any attempt to convert the property to a multi-family building. The resolution passed 11-0-1.

The final item considered was a request to the Zoning Commission to extend the period for ANCs to weigh in the Zoning Regulation Review by 60 days. The request was unanimously approved.

Official ANC 1A minutes are available online at: <http://anc1a.org/mins.html>

The next ANC 1A meeting scheduled for October 14 starting at 7 p.m., Harriet Tubman Elementary School.



**COMMISSIONER BOESE'S
ANC ABSENTEE
RESOLUTION ADVANCED
BY COUNCILMEMBER
NADEAU**

At the May 13, 2015, meeting of ANC 1A, Commissioner Boese introduced a resolution urging the Council of the District of Columbia to amend the District's ANC law to empower the District's Board

of Elections to declare ANC seats vacant when an elected Commissioner fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Commission. While this is not a problem with ANC 1A this term, during the last term the Commission had two absentee Commissioners which negatively impacted the ANC's ability to have a quorum, and by extension, conduct the people's business.

The language in Commissioner Boese's May resolution for consideration was:

§ 1-309.06(i) Any member of an Advisory Neighborhood Commission who ceases to attend the Commission's official public meeting for three consecutive months shall be considered to have resigned, and the office shall be declared vacant.

On September 22, 2015, Councilmember Nadeau introduced Bill B21-0376 - Advisory Neighborhood Commission Absenteeism Accountability Amendment Act of 2015 furthering the resolution passed by ANC 1A. The bill includes language nearly identical to that in Commissioner Boese's resolution, and was co-introduced by Councilmembers Bonds and Silverman and co-sponsored by Councilmember May.

Should this Bill become Law, it will be the Boese's second resolution to do so.

**RECONFIGURED
SIDEWALKS MEAN MORE
TREES FOR OTIS PLACE**

At the end of June and beginning of July, Commissioner Boese observed that new sidewalks were going in on the section of Otis Place between Warder and 6th Street to the north of the school. Realizing that this was a prime location where there was an opportunity to add more street trees to the neighborhood, he immediately contacted DDOT and requested an onsite meeting with them and the Mayor's office.

In response, Commissioner Boese was able to meet with DDOT's Deputy Director Greer Gillis and other DDOT folks on site to discuss the issue. During the meeting it was agreed to collaborate with the school and recreation center to see if the existing sidewalks could be moved away from the street and the green spaces moved toward the curbs. DDOT's original scope of work was to replace the old sidewalks with new concrete exactly in the same footprint as the old sidewalks.

DDOT has now completed the new sidewalk work next to the school and will work with Commissioner Boese to do the same for the north

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side of the street in the next fiscal year.

As a result of the new sidewalk configuration, there is now room for 8 new trees which will be planted in the 2015/2016 planting season.

Overall, Park View will not be getting many new trees in the upcoming planting season as nearly all of the neighborhood's tree boxes are full. In order to tree up our treeless areas, Boese believes we need to either find solutions such as the one on Otis Place, or make trees available for private yards such as the ones on Luray, Manor,

Warder, and Park Road.

The map below shows the locations of the new trees along with the kinds of trees they will be.



METROBUS ROUTE ALIGNMENT PROPOSED FOR 11TH STREET

WMATA will be at the October 14th ANC 1A meeting to discuss a consolidated alignment for Metrobus routes 63 and 64 along 11th Street NW. The map below shows how the proposed alignment would impact the routes on Sherman Avenue and 11th Street. The alignment was a

recommendation that came out of a study conducted jointly by WMATA and DDOT.



PARK VIEW UNC SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR GOVERNING BOARD

The **Park View UNC** will be accepting nominations for officer and board positions at its regular monthly meeting on **Wednesday, Oct. 7th at 7 PM** at the **Park View Rec Center**. If you or someone you know is interested in serving the community through the UNC, please contact Chris Waldmann at 202-421-5822 or via email at parkviewuncdc@gmail.com.



1	Sweetbay Magnolia
2	London Planetree
3	London Planetree
4	London Planetree
5	Downy Serviceberry
6	Downy Serviceberry
7	New Harmony Elm
8	Sweetbay Magnolia
9	Okame Cherry
10	Okame Cherry

Proposed Species for the New Tree Plantings near Bruce Monroe @ Park View Elementary School

**CRIME REPORT FOR
THE PERIOD 8/15/15-
9/15/15**



In comparing crime for the past month with the same period last year, total crime

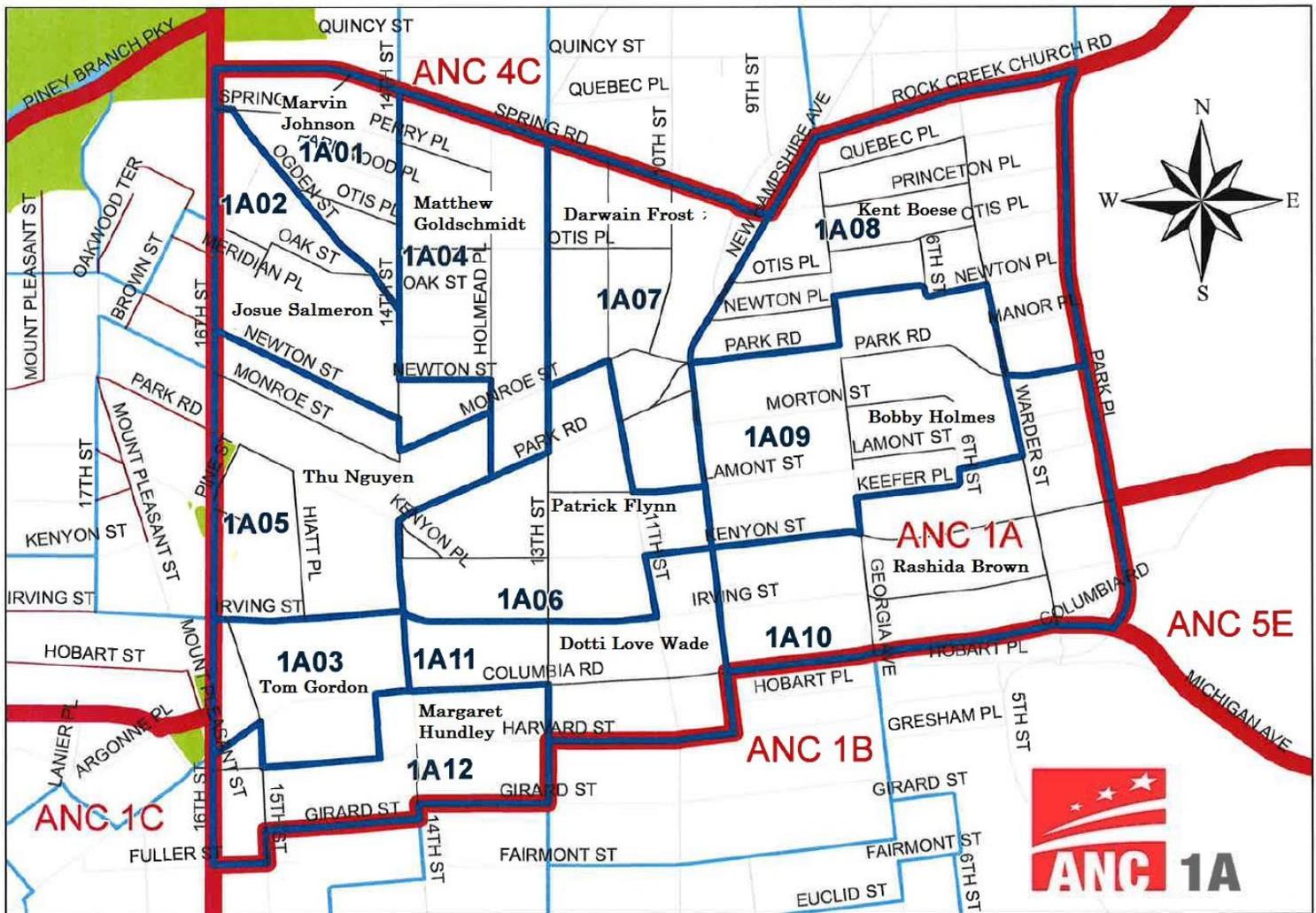
was up. A year ago there were 41 reported crimes within 1,500 feet of the intersection of 6th Street and Newton Place, NW, compared to 56 this year. Of the 56 incidents, 49 were property crimes and 7 were violent in nature. The reported crimes were:

Sex Abuse	1
Robbery Excl. Gun	3
Assault w/ Dangerous Wpn Excl. Gun	3
Burglary	3
Theft.....	16
Theft from Auto	29
Stolen Auto	1

**AREA REAL ESTATE SALES
REPORTING PERIOD:
JULY 2015**

3205 Georgia #202	\$364,900
3205 Georgia #205	\$319,900
3205 Georgia #407	\$500,000
3223 Georgia	\$530,000
619 Keefer	\$615,000
650 Lamont	\$761,250
419 Newton	\$587,500
703 Newton #7	\$499,900
3644 Park Pl.	\$682,000
3666 Park Pl.	\$850,000
757 Park Rd. #2	\$687,250
727 Quebec	\$690,000

(Data from Redfin.com)



ANC 1A Single Member Districts and Commissioners effective January 2015