

**Recusal Policy of ANC 2E Commissioner Ron Lewis  
for ANC Agenda Items that Advise the Old Georgetown Board**

The Old Georgetown Board of the federal Commission of Fine Arts (the “OGB”) reviews design issues relating to certain construction within the boundaries of the Georgetown Historic District. One of the functions of ANC 2E is to review some of these issues also and make recommendations about them to the OGB.

My wife, Anne McCutcheon Lewis, FAIA, an architect with considerable experience in historically sensitive design issues, has been honored by the Commission of Fine Arts with an appointment as a member of the OGB. Her first public meeting as a member of the OGB will be September 4, 2008.

I have therefore adopted the following recusal policy, to avoid any appearance of a conflict, with respect to items coming before ANC 2E that relate to ANC 2E advice to the OGB:

I will generally recuse myself and not participate in the substantive discussion, consideration or vote on any matter coming before ANC 2E that relates to advice by ANC 2E to the OGB where the project is not in the Single Member District that I represent (SMD 02). This includes decisions to place such a matter on the ANC 2E Consent Calendar.

I will generally participate in the substantive discussion, consideration and vote on matters that are on the ANC 2E meeting agenda either as regular items or as Consent Calendar items where the project is in SMD 02.

When ANC 2E notifies the OGB of its recommendation in a matter in which I participated substantively, I will see that the ANC 2E recommendation letter to the OGB includes a notification that I participated substantively in that recommendation.

While I am Secretary of ANC 2E, I will continue to record resolutions and votes on all matters whether recused or not, as this is simply a recording function and not substantive involvement.

ANC 2E typically does not advise the OGB on all the items on each OGB agenda. When ANC 2E does not advise the OGB, it is generally because the ANC 2E Commissioner representing the applicable SMD has not requested that the matter be placed on the ANC 2E agenda. Often, for example, when ANC 2E has commented on an earlier proposal for a project, ANC 2E does not comment later, after the matter has been reviewed by the OGB and it is heading back for a further OGB review, because such a subsequent review typically consists of the applicant’s response to earlier OGB guidance and is in the nature of a continuing dialog between the applicant and the OGB. In other instances, a matter presented

for initial review might not be placed on the ANC 2E agenda because, e.g., it does not appear to be of a type, size or complexity that justifies review by both ANC 2E and the OGB.

For OGB matters not in SMD 02, I generally will not participate in discussions about whether such a matter should be placed on the ANC 2E agenda. I generally will participate in discussions about whether to place an OGB matter from SMD 02 on an ANC agenda. If a matter is not placed on the ANC 2E agenda for a meeting or is initially placed on the agenda and then removed from the agenda, the effect ordinarily is that no advice will be given or communication sent by ANC 2E to the OGB about that matter with respect to that meeting and I will not have taken a substantive position advising the OGB about the merits of that matter at that meeting.

Some matters with design issues for the OGB also may present issues for other government agencies – e.g., zoning, transportation or alcoholic beverage control issues. I generally will participate in such other issues where a separate ANC resolution addresses such issues.

Ron Lewis  
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