

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## **Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E**

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Mr. Kent Boese Executive Director Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 11 Washington, DC 20004 Kent.Boese@dc.gov

## **RE:** Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Providing Zoom Accounts to ANCs

Dear Executive Director Boese,

On September 5, 2023 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by eight commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-0) with regard to the above-referenced matter:

ANC 2E understands that the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC) is working to upgrade its website, platform, and communication and social media tools. As part of this upgrade project, OANC is exploring the potential to host websites for each Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) and to provide other communications and social media support to the ANCs. Communications are critical to all ANCs meeting their mission, however ANC budgets and resources are extremely limited. Therefore, ANC 2E responded to the OANC survey regarding this potential office support with the ANC's support and information.

ANC 2E appreciates that it will take OANC at least a year or more for the office to execute this overall project to support the over 40 ANCs in our city. That said, a valuable communication tool that OANC could immediately provide to the ANCs is Zoom accounts. Since COVID, ANC 2E has relied heavily on Zoom to both host its meetings and to communicate with constituents, community partners, and city agencies. A centralized, bulk purchasing of Zoom will help ANCs around the city conserve their limited resources. ANC 2E urges OANC to consider this request and stands ready to assist the office with any data that it may need in order to make such an offering a reality by the end of 2023.

## COMMISSIONERS:

Kishan Putta, District 1 Topher Mathews, District 2 Paul Maysak, District 3 Joe Massaua, District 4 Mimsy Lindner, District 5 Gwendolyn Lohse, District 6 Daniel Chao, District 7 John DiPierri, District 8 Commissioner Gwendolyn Lohse (<u>2E06@anc.dc.gov</u>) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gwendolyn Lohse Chair, ANC 2E