



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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Mr. H. Alan Brangman, Chairman, and Members of the Board  
Old Georgetown Board  
401 F Street NW, Suite 312  
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Dear Chairman Brangman and Members of the Board:

On January 29, 2024 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 positions on matters scheduled for consideration by the Old Georgetown Board on February 1, 2024:

### **With regard to SMD 2E03 - OG 24-087 (HPA 24-105) 1525 Wisconsin Avenue, NW:**

ANC 2E is excited to see that JINYA is opening in this new location as an owner of the building and operator of the restaurant.

ANC 2E is pleased to see the closing in of the mid section on the second floor that will help keep down ambient noise in the abutting residential area on 32nd Street NW. The ANC is also pleased to see the plans to store food waste in the rear in enclosed coolers in order to help control and prevent vermin. However, this creates a question as to the sound of the various compressors needed to operate these coolers and the location of the compressors proposed on the top.

ANC 2E asks that the Old Georgetown Board (OGB) takes into consideration the plans for how the new and replaced HVAC units and the compressors on the roof will be shielded from the view from Q Street NW as well as the residential neighbors in the rear on 32nd Street NW in order to minimize sound and visibility. The ANC asks the applicant to provide the ANC with the specification details on the compressors and HVAC units with sound ratings prior to the OGB meeting.

In whole, ANC 2E supports the new restaurant and the application to OGB.

### **With regard to SMD 2E05 - OG 24-101 (HPA 24-120) 1029 31st Street, NW:**

ANC 2E is delighted to see that this project is in full swing and is happy to see that improvements and adjustments have been made to make things even better. The ANC supports

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the applicant incorporating an adjacent townhouse into the plans knowing that this will provide yet another option for visitors. The ANC appreciates that the applicant is respecting the historic integrity of the townhouse at the same time that it is incorporating the townhouse into the hotel. This hotel will be a major improvement to what exists in this space. The ANC will continue to work with the applicant as the project continues.

ANC 2E supports this project.

**With regard to SMD 2E05 - OG 24-109 (HPA 24-128) 2930 M Street, NW:**

ANC 2E supports this project as it will be a huge improvement to the current building. The enhancements not only include an improved restaurant with an area for private dining but also three residential one-bedroom units. The ANC will rely on the Old Georgetown Board to ensure that the site improvements are in keeping with Georgetown's historic character. The ANC also wants to encourage that trash management be incorporated in the plans. This building will have both residences and a large restaurant. Since trash and rodent issues are a constant issue in Georgetown, the ANC considers this renovation an opportunity to help manage this trash and rodent problem. This site, located on a corner and with a back alley, will allow for reasonable construction management.

ANC 2E supports this project.

**With regard to SMD 2E05 - OG 24-006 (HPA 24-016) 1201 Wisconsin Avenue, NW:**

ANC 2E is happy to see that PNC Bank is moving forward with restoring the beautiful dome at 1201 Wisconsin Avenue NW, at the corner of M Street and Wisconsin Avenue NW. The refreshed gold dome will continue to represent this important Georgetown intersection and will be enjoyed for years to come. The dome will be gilded with custom made 23.75 karat gold leaf from Italy. The ANC appreciates PNC Bank investing in the neighborhood and embracing the historical importance of this iconic dome.

ANC 2E wholeheartedly supports this project.

**With regard to SMD 2E06 - TBD 2609 Dumbarton Street, NW:**

ANC 2E supports the city's efforts to make our city's recreation centers and their bathrooms accessible for all, including at Rose Park. That said, the ANC urges that this proposed work be done in conjunction with the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the Department of General Services (DGS) finishing long-standing issues in Rose Park that will support the overall goal of accessibility. Specifically, the ANC and the Friends of Rose Park (FRP) ask DPR and DGS to take the following into account with the proposed accessibility-focused renovation of the Rose Park Recreation Center:

- First, while working on the building, the bathrooms, and the paths, complete longstanding incomplete work for which a contractor was already paid and which makes Rose Park's paths inaccessible for those with wheelchairs, walkers, or other assistance. The path still has spots with large rocks and dirt rather than paving or brick. ANC 2E resolutions [in](#)

[2023](#) and 2022 highlighted this uncompleted DPR and DGS work that resulted from the contracted Rose Park field renovation three years ago.

- Second, fix some basic maintenance issues already reported to DPR in 2023 such as a broken bubbler causing water damage and safety issues next to the toddler playground, broken toilet drainage in one of the Rose Park Recreation Center's bathrooms, broken benches that one cannot sit on, and issues with the irrigation system on the new field.

ANC 2E supports accessibility and notes that the above ongoing issues interfere with the daily use of this DPR facility and general accessibility.

Finally, as already requested of DPR and DGS, ANC 2E requests that the city coordinates its approach and timing of construction with the longstanding Rose Park Farmers Market. The market is hosted by FRP with private funds and contracts have already been signed with vendors. The ANC asks that these private resources and this wonderful community event not be put at risk.

ANC 2E and FRP welcome a dialog with DPR and DGS staff regarding the above requests.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gwendolyn Lohse". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gwendolyn Lohse  
Chair, ANC 2E