



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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Mr. Donovan Anderson

Chairperson

Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board

2000 14th Street NW, S400

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**RE: Application by GreySky Design & Consulting for Medical Cannabis Retailer at
3120 Grace St NW (ABRA- 127942)**

Dear Chairperson Anderson,

On September 3, 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 resolution by a vote of (8-0-0) with regard to the above referenced matter:

ANC 2E protests the new application of GreySky Design and Consulting, LLC to become a Medical Cannabis Retailer at 3210 Grace Street NW. This protest is based on the question of validity of location, as well as peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood. The ANC is waiting for clarification from ABCA to see if the location qualifies under the law. The debate has to do with the proximity to Georgetown Montessori School which is located in Grace Church at 1041 Wisconsin Avenue NW.

Should this location be deemed appropriate, the ANC agrees to withdraw the protest if and when a satisfactory settlement agreement is executed by the ANC and the applicant and presented to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board for Approval. ANC 2E wishes to reiterate to ABCA continued concerns regarding the number of Medical Cannabis retailers receiving licenses. As of this meeting, there is the potential of 5 in SMD 2E05. In a resolution passed by this ANC (dated: October 12, 2023), we requested a limited number of Medical Cannabis Retailers be approved for the area encompassed by 2E which includes all of Georgetown.

COMMISSIONERS:

Kishan Putta, District 1 Topher Mathews, District 2
Joe Massaua, District 4 Mimsy Lindner, District 5

Daniel Chao, District 7

Paul Maysak, District 3

Gwendolyn Lohse, District 6

John DiPierri, District 8

Furthermore, while there has been some progress in closing some unlicensed cannabis businesses there are still too many recreational stores that offer a “gift” of cannabis with a purchase of another item, such as a t-shirt or a sticker. ANC 2E once again voices concern regarding these and unlicensed businesses and hopes that ABCA will work harder and faster in assisting in the closing of these businesses.

ANC 2E authorizes Commissioner Mimsy Lindner to negotiate and execute a Settlement Agreement with the applicant. The ANC further authorizes Commissioner Lindner, ANC 2E Executive Director Anna Noakes, and ANC Chair Gwendolyn Lohse to represent the ANC at all hearings related to this matter.

Chair Gwendolyn Lohse (2E06@anc.dc.gov) and Commissioner Mimsy Lindner (2E05@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission's representatives in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gwendolyn Lohse", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Gwendolyn Lohse
Chair, ANC 2E