



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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Director Thennie Freeman
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RE: Status of Jelleff Requests Made to DPR in January 2025

Dear Director Freeman,

On March 3, 2025 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by seven commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following resolution by a vote of (7-0-0) with regard to the above-referenced matter:

At our last meeting, ANC 2E invited the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to provide an update on the status of the Jelleff Recreation Center renovation given shifting timelines, evolving next steps, and concerns over public communications. At our meeting, DPR committed to follow up on a few key items. Given the size and importance of this project to our community, ANC 2E urges DPR/DGS to follow up on the items promised, including:

1. Post the updated draft design plans on the [DGS /DPR webpage devoted solely to updating the public on the project](#); the most recent updates to this webpage are from May 2024, yet the proposed design was updated by DPR/DGS in the Fall of 2025 and no public link is available to the revised design.
2. Schedule a public meeting to discuss the updated Jelleff design plans and general status. DPR stated on a public call that the project is in the “Design” Phase, yet DPR also stated construction will start this summer, or later, said this Fall. Jelleff is a large public facility. We must be well-coordinated on shut-down and construction.

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3. Before setting a date to present the final proposed plans to the Old Georgetown Board (OGB) for its final design review, consider community comments on the design, especially regarding the façade and entrances; adjust as appropriate.

You can go [here](#) to find ANC 2E's January 2025 resolution on our request for

- More Accountability on Community Engagement and Transparency
- Specific Asks Related to the Proposed Jelleff Design

ANC 2E looks forward to partnering with DPR/DGS, and we hope this resolution is a valuable tool to encourage timely collaboration on this once-in-a-century project.

Commissioner Lohse is the Commission's representative in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gwendolyn Lohse" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gwendolyn Lohse
Chair, ANC 2E

CC: Brooke Pinto, Ward 2 Councilmember

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