

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8D

Public Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Commissioner Dionne Yvette Brown, Chair. Commissioner Erica Brown, Secretary, performed the roll call. A quorum was established.

ROLL CALL

SMD	NAME	STATUS
8D01	Dionne Yvette Brown	Present
8D02	Michael Pugh	Present
8D03	Cassandra Matthews	Present
8D04	Keith Moore, Jr.	Present
8D05	Erica R. Brown	Present
8D06	Anna Hamilton	Absent
8D07	Frederick Nelson	Present
8D08	Randell Strickland	Absent

*Commissioner Anna Hamilton was prevented from being present due to a technical glitch preventing her from logging in remotely.

The June meeting minutes were not available for approval.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chairperson's Report

- Commissioner Michael Pugh (8D02) was certified by the Board of Elections on August 7, published in the August 15 edition of the D.C. Register and sworn in by Councilmember Trayon White on September 9 to fill the 8D02 seat.
- Seat 8D08: Although Commissioner Randell Strickland was elected in the general election, he has not attended any planning or public meetings, responded to emails addressed to his official ANC account or otherwise engaged the Commission. A Special Meeting regarding this matter was unanimously approved to be held at 6:00 p.m. immediately preceding the next public meeting.
- The Commission signed onto a letter to the U.S. Senate drafted by the Council for Court Excellence opposing the elimination of the D.C. Judicial Nominations Commission and elected D.C. Attorney General.

Treasurer's Report.

No transactions occurred between June 2025 and August 2025 due to the Commission's recess.

Current balance: \$80,027.39.

FY26 Annual Budget (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026): \$25,400

Item	Amount
Personnel	\$0
Direct Office	\$700
Communications (website, cellphones, mailing list)	\$8,500
Office Supplies	\$7,500
Purchase Services	\$2,500
Bank Fees	\$200
Other/Miscellaneous	\$400
Grants	\$5,000
Local Transportation	\$600

Budget will be posted on the OANC website.

Due to unresponsiveness from the current Wells Fargo Bank representative, the Commission proposes closing the Wells Fargo account and moving to Bank of America.

Proposal to purchase Commission cell phones: 6 iPhone 15 Pros and 2 Samsung S24s. Total cost: \$4,452.38. T-Mobile Connect prepaid plan at \$35/month per line. Total: \$280/month plus fees and taxes.

SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT STATUS REPORTS

SMD	Issue(s)
8D01	Bellevue Neighborhood Library experienced frequent closures due to HVAC system failure; full system replacement is being planned. A tree with large dead branches on the 4000 block of MLK Jr. Avenue SW poses a safety hazard. DDOT Urban Forestry Division Director sent notice. No response from homeowner. Construction of house in unit block of Brandywine Street SW improperly secured water lines, creating potential for a future sinkhole. DDOT notified multiple times since 2019 with no subsequent action.
8D02	No report
8D03	
8D04	Reported abandoned cars on 4700 block of First Street SW are obstructing traffic flow.
8D05	No report
8D06	No report
8D07	Residents at a four-unit property at 65 Forrester St SW continue to face serious landlord neglect. Common area utilities have been repeatedly shut off, trash remains uncollected, and multiple maintenance violations cited by the Department of Buildings remain unresolved. The landlord

	has been unresponsive. Engaged the Office of the Attorney General's Mediation Service. Residents have expressed concerns regarding the long-closed Fort Greble Recreation Center. Demolition permits are underway, with construction on a new facility expected to be completed by spring or summer 2026. Commissioner Nelson will continue monitoring progress and advocating for timely completion to meet community needs.
8D08	No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution introduced on Federal Overreach into District Policing at the recommendation of Commissioner Hamilton. Commissioner Pugh moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Moore. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Resolution introduced on U.S. House of Representatives' Attacks on Home Rule at the recommendation of Commissioner Hamilton. Commissioner Pugh moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Moore. Resolution adopted unanimously.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

Marcus Hunt, Director of DC National Guard discussed their Task Force Beautification. Provided history of the DC National Guard and shared community and youth engagement initiatives.

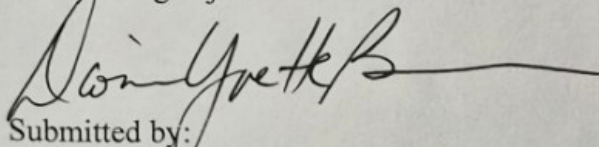
Leckie Update: Leckie Elementary School has expanded from a Pre-K–5 program to Pre-K–8 and is now Leckie Educational Campus. A new building extension has been completed to accommodate the expansion. Invited guest speakers, Mr. Mervin Augustin (Coordinator, Facility Planning and Design, DCPS Office of Operations) and Ms. Niyeka Wilson (Principal, Leckie Educational Campus), were not present.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Lania Gallmon, President of the Unity Place Tenant Association (formerly Worthington Woods), reported issues with unpermitted renovations, missing/incorrect Certificates of Occupancy and poor unit quality. Advised by Wendy Glenn (MORCS of Ward 8) to connect with DCOP & DOB to arrange inspections with residents.

Resident reported problem with condo association not using fees to maintain property.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12.



Submitted by:
Dionne Yvette Brown, Chair