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VOTER GUIDE

for ANC6B Election on November 6, 2012

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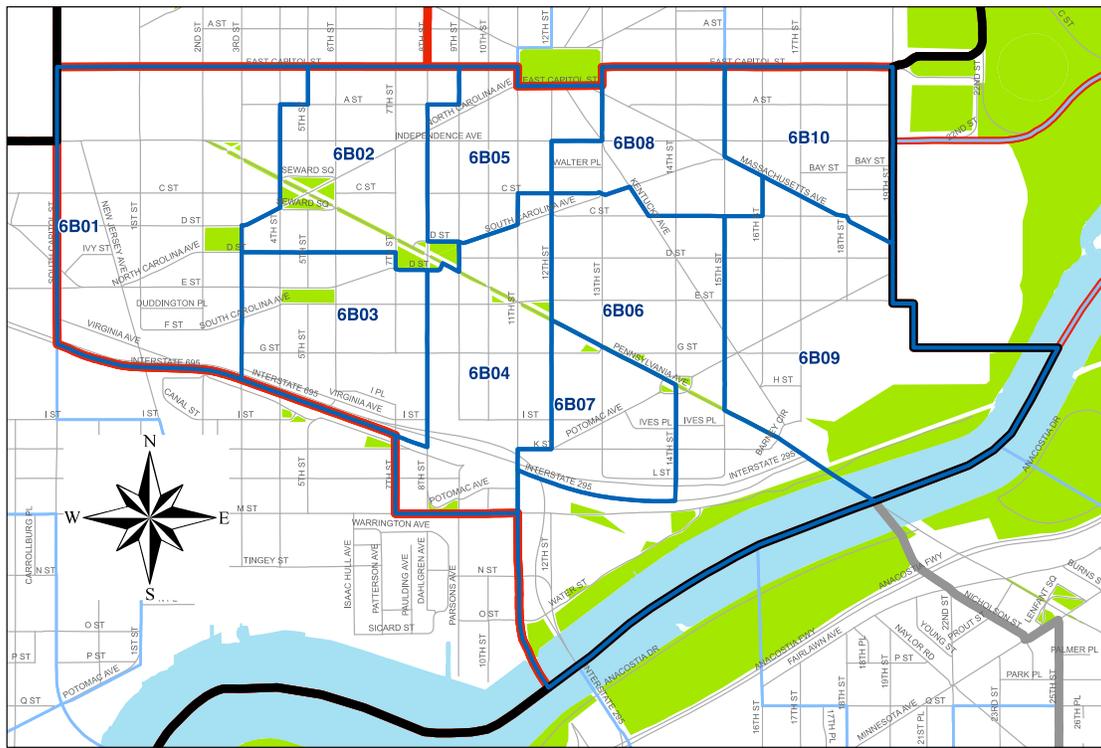
Greetings fellow EMMCA members and Capitol Hill neighbors!

The Eastern Market Metro Community Association (EMMCA) is again delighted to provide our neighborhood's voters with this Guide to the candidates for ANC6B. The Guide is organized by single member districts (SMDs) -- beginning with ANC6B01 and continuing through ANC6B10.

For those of you who may not be sure which SMD is yours, we are providing a map. For those of you who have previously seen the ANC6B map: Please note that some of the boundaries were recently redrawn, and your address may now be in a different SMD.

After reading your candidates' bios and their responses to the four questions, please come out to meet them: Thursday, November 1, 7 p.m., on the ground floor of Southeast Library at 7th and D Streets SE.

And -- of course -- please vote on November 6!



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ANC6B 02
Gerald (Jerry) Sroufe



Mary Ann and I have owned our home on Capitol Hill since 1969. I participated significantly in several election campaigns, beginning with Marty Swaim's campaign for the first elected school board through Kathy Patterson's run for DC Council Chair.

I have been a successful classroom teacher, university professor, and university administrator. Since 1988 I have been Director of Government Relations for the American Educational Research Association, where I continue to work part time. My Ph.D. was earned at the University of Chicago. Skills developed in working with federal and state agencies will contribute to the success of our ANC.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

The ANC represents a noble development in urban participatory democracy. Its success requires that Commissioners reject independent decision-making, uncoupled from the community. I am running because: (1) I am appalled that our ANC approved the Hine development, apparently losing sight of their commitment to the community; (2) I have achieved a position in my professional life where I now can devote time and attention to the community; (3) I believe the ANC provides an opportunity to serve the community with regard to everyday issues that determine our quality of life, and also issues that will shape Capitol Hill's future.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

Representing the views of neighbors within their SMD is the primary function of an ANC Commissioner. However, the rain-barrel analogy – collecting rivulets of expressed opinion – is insufficient. Leadership is required to assure that structures and processes are in place for offering residents opportunities to formulate *informed* opinions. While representation often starts with deference to those with strongly held opinion, opportunities must be provided for consideration of alternative approaches, costs and benefits, and facts, in working toward a consensus that is inclusive. When consensus can not be achieved, mature judgment is required to represent the best interests of the community.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

There will be opportunities, as well -- progress is possible in community safety and education. However, the major challenges will be the big digs in our immediate and adjacent community, especially the Hine project. Issues such as construction staging and work schedules, changing traffic patterns, and the overall impact of construction on neighbors and merchants, demand that the ANC continue to be engaged actively with official and quasi-official agencies and groups. The developer no doubt will seek modification of existing agreements during the implementation stages, and it will be critical that the ANC be firm in protecting the interests of the community.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I would have worked to have the ANC adopt this position: “While we support the development of a PUD, *we oppose* the inappropriate zoning classification requested by the developer, and urge that the DC Zoning Commission require a plan more closely aligned with historical zoning of the Hine site.” Ignored recommendations of expert consultants provided illustrations of zoning changes that would have been compatible with the historic neighborhood and affirmed core values of Capitol Hill residents, while also providing reasonable height and density provisions for the developer. Regarding the MOA itself, the presumed benefits to the community lack both merit and sufficiency.

ANC6B02
Ivan Frishberg



Ivan Frishberg is the ANC Commissioner for ANC6B02 and the Vice-Chair of the Commission. He lives on D St. SE with his family, including two children who attend Brent Elementary. He works as an advocate for a national environmental group and is most focused on federal actions to address climate change.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC’s role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

When I was elected to the ANC, I ran because I loved my neighborhood and saw the ANC as a way to serve it. I believed that we deserved more active and engaged leadership on the Commission and pledged to work hard, take a proactive approach to the big issues facing our neighborhood and engage the community in that effort.

I have worked to find common ground, find solutions, and dedicated myself to understanding what we all find important about our neighborhood. Commissioners are representatives to the City from the neighborhood and we also have an oath of office to serve the City.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much “weight” should an ANC commissioner give to citizens’ concerns?

One of the things I have learned is that there is no magic formula to this. Some cases are a balance of interests, the law or regulation and even the broader City interest. The ideal outcome for me is one where clearly identified solutions are identified and a mutual solution is worked out. That is not only possible and then it is a case of judging what is in the best long term interest of the neighborhood or neighbors involved in the case.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

We have a great neighborhood but we still have a lot of work to do. Crime and Safety issues are on the rise, and many parts of the neighborhood continue to balance commercial activity with residential life. We can do more to support our schools as they are powering much of the progress in our neighborhood and in the City. There is still a lot of work needed to ensure that the Hine agreements are adhered to as we go through construction. Working together as a neighborhood we can continue to make progress on these issues and more.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I negotiated the benefits, amenities and Construction Management agreement with the developers. 70 provisions and some design changes embedded in the proposal. I voted for these because supporting the agreement was the only way to get many of those provisions. Having received Council and Historic Preservation Review approval (multiple times), I believed it was unlikely - even with opposition - that the Zoning Commission would alter the height, mass or foot print of the development – as was born out by their 4-0 vote of support and comments of approval for the proposal. We negotiated hard, got agreements that are widely viewed as extremely strong and substantive, and I believe it would have been a mistake to walk away from that.

ANC6B 03
Randy Steer



I have lived on Capitol Hill for 14 years, after 14 years in Adams Morgan. In 28 years with the Federal government I've negotiated and guided multi-hundred-million dollar government-industry R&D partnerships. I have a Bachelor's in Physics and a Master's in Public Policy. My approach to community issues is analytic, pragmatic, and common-sense.

I've been a Board member of multiple community organizations and helped start an "orange hat" safety patrol. I developed some of the first neighborhood-information websites in DC, along with *pro bono* websites for community organizations. I supported the original Hine redevelopment design, but have written and spoken against the increased size of the new design.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

ANCs serve multiple roles, and I believe they could be stronger in some of those roles. I don't believe the ANC should try to act as a "mediator" between the city and citizens; the ANC is the *voice* and *advocate* of its residents. A principal reason I'm running is to ensure that ANC 6B is truly a strong voice and advocate for the residents.

ANCs serve as conveners of neighborhood discussions regarding city services and policies. After the neighborhood conversation, Commissioners take on the role of *elected representatives* to establish an ANC position, and then the ANC should serve as a "spokesperson" on behalf of the entire community.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

The same (i.e. "great weight"). A commissioner needs to synthesize the varied opinions of his or her constituents and should then serve as a spokesperson and strong advocate for his constituents' positions.

Rarely, a Commissioner may feel it necessary to advocate or vote a position that does not represent the majority of his or her constituents' opinions – e.g. “vote his conscience.” But in those instances he needs to be able to clearly explain why his position is in the long-term interest of his constituents (“It’s the best I can do” is not an adequate explanation), and he needs to be prepared for the political consequences of voting his conscience.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

1. The impact (and possible interference) of multiple large construction projects throughout the ANC may require convening construction companies and residents.
2. Consider temporarily limiting new liquor licenses on Barracks Row, while leaving them unrestricted elsewhere. Two years ago an ANC Commissioner from Adams Morgan told our community that he envied our (then) “perfect balance” between retail and restaurants. If we don’t want to become another Adams Morgan, we should heed such comments.
3. The approved 90+ foot height for the Hine redevelopment (twice the height of neighboring buildings) establishes a new “existing structures” baseline for the historic district. That should not be the new "norm."

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I would have voted against the MOA. The negotiators let themselves be distracted by dozens of trivial developer give-aways (one of the oldest negotiating tricks in the book) while not getting significant concessions on project characteristics that will harm the human-scale feel and “sidewalk culture” of the historic neighborhood for generations to come.

If the negotiators didn’t realize that they should simply walk away, rather than accept a bad deal, it was incumbent upon the current ANC members to make the decision to walk away – i.e. not accept the MOA. Being willing to walk away is an essential negotiating skill, and the ANC failed the community on that point.

ANC6B 03
Philip Peisch



My wife and I live on G Street SE, and spend much of our free time enjoying everything great about Capitol Hill. For the past year, I've served as the resident member for Single Member District 6B03 on ANC 6B's Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Committee.

I work as an attorney at a law firm in DC, and I have lived in DC for most of the past 8 years. I graduated from Georgetown University Law Center and Dartmouth College.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

Capitol Hill is a wonderful neighborhood, with strong public elementary schools, historic streets, vibrant commercial corridors, and a great sense of community. This did not happen by accident—it is the result of decades of hard work. I'm running for ANC because I want to help build on these successes and preserve the accomplishments that have been achieved.

I view the ANC as a representative of, and advocate for, the community. Accordingly, I believe ANC commissioners should proactively solicit input from constituents; work to make ANC decision-making transparent and responsive to residents; and push for the city services that our community deserves.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

If I am elected, the most important consideration in any decision I make will be the views of my constituents. This does not mean simply deferring to the most vocal residents on a particular issue. Representing the community requires proactively soliciting the opinions of all residents on important issues, and working to find common ground when community opinions diverge.

As a candidate, I have knocked on hundreds of doors, and I have distributed my e-mail and cell phone number to almost a thousand households. If elected, I will continue to reach out to constituents, and my door will always be open to residents.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

Public safety. As a commissioner, I will advocate for increased police patrols on bicycle and foot, improved street lighting, and other city services to help keep our community safe. I will also facilitate collaboration between the Metropolitan Police Department and residents.

Balancing commercial growth with residential livability. Ensuring that Eastern Market, Barracks Row, and our other commercial neighbors thrive in a manner that is compatible with the residential character of the community is an ongoing challenge. As a commissioner, I will work with businesses and residents to address important concerns about parking, public safety, noise, and rat control.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

Although the Hine project has its flaws, I would have voted for the MOA because I believe it will benefit our community.

For too long, a large, unattractive building has sat vacant in the heart of our neighborhood, within steps of Eastern Market and Barracks Row. Transforming this space was bound to require compromise. On balance, I believe the new housing and retail, as well as the outdoor space improvements, are good for the neighborhood. In addition, although density on the scale of the Hine project is inappropriate in most of Capitol Hill, on Pennsylvania Avenue, near the metro, some increased density makes sense.

ANC6B 04
Kirsten Oldenburg



Commissioner, ANC6B04, since 2007

Served as Secretary, Vice Chair of Planning & Zoning Committee, Chair of Transportation Committee

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

I am running for reelection to continue to serve the residents of the 6B04 district in the many ways that I have done for almost 5 years. ANC Commissioners have many roles. We are advocates for our constituents and work to ensure their views are represented when we have to make decisions. This involves mediation, advocacy and leadership on the critical issues facing our community. I also spend considerable time connecting constituents to the city services they need and deserve and mediating between residents and businesses.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

I continually provide information to constituents on the matters before the Commission and happenings in the community and, thus, seek out their views. These views are critical and I always consider them when I have to make decisions, such as voting at the Commission. I do not, however, always follow the loudest voices and sometimes I try to lead in other directions.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

The biggest challenges I foresee are transportation-related projects such as rebuilding the CSX Virginia Avenue Tunnel, turning the SE/SW Freeway into a boulevard, the completion of the 11th Street Bridges project, and the revamping of Barney Circle, as well as block level issues such as parking and traffic on residential streets. We will undoubtedly face challenges as the Hine project gets underway. I will continue to take the same approach as before: studying each issue fully and listening to my constituents with the goal of making decisions that will improve the quality of life on Capitol Hill.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I voted in favor of the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc. I did not approve of several aspects of the MOA but I voted to support the package because it was a fair compromise that took into account and balanced the needs of the larger community and of impacted residents.

ANC6B 04
Tim Britt (Write-In)



On the Hill since 2007, my wife and I love seeing the community grow and prosper. I enjoy our two dogs, college football, buying fresh ingredients at Eastern Market, and riding my Segway around the neighborhood. I was a Military Police officer in the Army for eight years, did one tour in Iraq, and – as part of Personal Security Detail on Fort McNair – have worked during such memorable experiences as the 2008 Inauguration and Ted Kennedy's funeral. Since returning to civilian life, I have provided security for the Justice Department and will soon transition over to the US District Courthouse. I ask for you to **WRITE-IN** Tim Britt for 6B04!

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

I am running as a write-in candidate to give residents a choice and an alternative to the status quo for 6B04. For too long residents' voices have not been heard or listened to. ANC Commissioners should be there to help residents and resolve issues. I want to be a mediator who has no personal agenda other than to make our neighborhood a better place.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

I believe citizens' concerns are of paramount importance. We are the neighborhood residents who spend our days and nights on the Hill and truly want to see it prosper.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

Capitol Hill has been threatened by an increase in crime which must be addressed in a strong assertive manner by working in conjunction with the community and police to heighten vigilance and patrols. In addition, our community is growing at a rapid pace and our ANC representatives should recognize and appreciate responsible growth based on community input not their own personal agenda.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

The community as a whole would like responsible development at the Hine location. Our ANC representatives need to listen to residents to implement a development that will benefit all members of the community while maintaining the historical integrity of Eastern Market and the surrounding neighborhood.

ANC6B 05
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Born in Jacksonville, Florida, I came to DC in 1993. Graduating from Georgetown with a degree in International Affairs, I earned a commission in the Marine Corps. After active duty, I worked as a health IT consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton and currently work for PCI Strategic Management as an IT consultant. My wife, Elisabeth, and I are busy parents of a 5-year old son and 2-year old daughter. I have volunteered at Miriam’s Kitchen and fought for voting rights as a member of DC Vote. I speak on the impact of military family separation and support United Through Reading.

1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC’s role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

I am running for one final term to continue working for residents of the SMD. I will continue reform of the ANC’s internal workings and finish major projects, such as landscaping of the metro plaza and improvement of Eastern Market operations. I will continue efforts to strengthen chronic offender and vacant property rules; and ensure the ANC advocates for good schools.

By law, the ANC is an advisory body with “great weight”, with a more formal role in zoning and alcohol issues. Informally, the ANC can mobilize people. ANCs should be measured and deliberate, but not afraid to address the myriad issues that face our neighborhood.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much “weight” should an ANC commissioner give to citizens’ concerns?

A Commissioner should begin by understanding the concerns and positions of their constituents, always seeking to build consensus. Usually that’s an easy exercise, but when opinions and concerns are diffuse or divergent, a Commissioner has to use their best judgment and work diligently to separate legitimate issues from emotional ones.

Regardless, any elected official has an obligation to be up front about what they are doing and provide a rationale for why they are doing it.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

We've got to get Eastern Market finances right—the Market can not continue to run at a deficit. I am advocating refocussing Market legislation to address financial issues, coupled with a robust effort to inform Capitol Hill residents about these issues.

We will need to manage the impact of Hine construction. The mechanisms spelled out in the construction management agreement with Stanton will allow us to do this.

Lastly, Commissioners should spend most of their time helping residents receive the best possible City services in a safe environment. That's why I've spent so much time on vacant properties, building rapport with MPD, sidewalk repair and other infrastructure projects.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I voted in favor of the MOA. The development is imperfect, but the MOA makes the best of it by providing a significant set of community benefits and protecting local interests. A more important question is, "Do you support development of the Hine school or not?" I felt like a lively, multi-use development serves the community better than a rotting, decaying school building in the heart of our commercial corridor. Opposing the Hine development, as some suggested I should do, would result in a long delay in developing the parcel, an unacceptable cost to our neighborhood. We need the jobs, housing, retail diversity and opportunities that this development will provide.

ANC6B 05
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My wife and I live at 210 8th St. SE. I have lived on the Hill for 18 years. I am part of the EMMCA steering group, an active member of Hine School North Neighbors and served on the ANC's Hine working group on Public Space. Until Hine was closed, I tutored and mentored children from homeless shelters under Project Northstar. I have over 20 years of professional experience working with communities and governments on local planning, service delivery and empowerment. I retired as a Lead Social Development Specialist, World Bank and have also worked for United Nations/UNHCR; Merrill Lynch Capital Markets; United Steelworkers; Peace Corps Volunteer

1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

The ANC has a pivotal role in maintaining the quality of life in our neighborhood and, through the range of issues it weighs in on, helps to shape our community. I am active in the community, have relevant experience and will commit myself fulltime to the office. In my view, the ANC serves the neighborhood, first and last. On day to day issues, yes, we delegate authority to the ANC because we invest it with our trust as our advocate. But, even given our busy lives, we need to find better ways to enable the community to have a direct voice in bigger issues.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

My short answer is that citizen's concerns are paramount. The ANC should be an advocate for residents. On very local issues, (streets, blocks, alleys, etc.) individual commissioners should listen to what residents want, lay out options if they have them and let the residents decide. On community wide issues, same answer. The challenge is in how you figure out what the priorities and views of the community are. I think the only way, and this is time consuming, is to constantly interact face to face as well as electronically and to develop mechanisms that work to ensure that the work of the ANC reflects the community's genuine wishes.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

To me the evolution of our “town center”, (Eastern Market, Hine, Metro Plaza) is the single biggest challenge we face because it will help define who we are as a community in the coming years. How do we support the vibrancy of this area while keeping the unique character of Capitol Hill that brought most of us here in the first place? Listening to the community in a constructive and consistent way combined with drawing on the wide array of talent and skills in our neighborhood is the only way to achieve this.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I would have voted against the MOA because:

- It didn't result in meaningful change in areas our community was most concerned about: density, public space, the Flea Market, segregation of affordable housing, privatization of C Street and other issues.
- It provided inadequate compensatory amenities to the community at large. Many amenities are conditional on future actions or difficult to quantify.
- It was concluded under an artificial deadline. We could have continued negotiations through 2 months of Zoning hearings and had more leverage.
- It undermined extensive community opposition at the Zoning Commission (which saw the ANC as our representative).
- ANC6b05 constituency was particularly opposed to the project design. I would have voted with my constituents.

ANC6B 06

Jared Critchfield



I moved to ANC6B06 nearly 8 years ago after earning a Ph.D. at Howard University. I immediately began working to make the community better, by sweeping the streets and sidewalks, attending PSA (Police Service Area) meetings and working with police personnel to improve the neighborhood, and demanding city services, like trash collection, improve. Let's continue to work together to make our community better. Please contact me about making our neighborhood a safer place to walk, bike, drive, and enjoy.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role - as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

The demolition of the old KFC building is one example of my work: many hours of meetings with developers and neighbors, getting the issue on the agendas for the ANC and Planning and Zoning Committee meetings four times, putting flyers on doorsteps, and many emails and phone calls. While I have accomplished much as ANC6B06, I am running for re-election because I want to continue to impact the neighborhood positively, with your help. I have invested many hours, first as Secretary and now, as Chair of the ANC, to ensure our "great weight" is realized and to advocate for you and other constituents.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

Citizen concerns should be given great weight and considered carefully by both the Commissioner and the entire Commission. My votes consistently show attention to—and consideration of—the nearby neighbors' concerns and interests. In two

alley building cases I organized meetings with the alley property owners and potential neighbors to review architectural drawings. One alley home was supported by the ANC because the neighbors supported the project. The other alley building plan was rejected because the neighbors, and I, opposed it. I ask constituents for their opinions and I listen to their concerns and address them.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

The community will face many large construction projects in the next two years. The Hine School Redevelopment will displace the Saturday and Sunday flea markets and cause countless issues through construction. Southeast Freeway Boulevard construction will likely begin following fall 2012 environmental studies. The Clean Rivers Project construction tunnel will be dug at John Philip Sousa Bridge next year. Parcels F1 and G1 at Reservation 13 will—hopefully—be under construction during the next two years. I will proactively ask DDOT and other agencies to provide their plans and explain how they can minimize disruptions to citizens across the community.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

Although you see my signature on the MOA as Chair and representative of ANC6B, I opposed the document because it does not include enough benefits and amenities for the community. The purpose of the Planned Unit Development project is to provide additional amenities to the neighborhood. Some of my concerns about the project include the loss of public space, lack of planning for the flea markets, the concentration and stigmatization of low income housing in the North Building, and the developer-controlled “reopening” of C Street. I never believed that opposing the MOA would cause Hine to sit vacant indefinitely.

ANC6B 06
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I am an Air Force Academy graduate and former military officer responsible for leading supply chain organizations around the world. After finishing my military career, I began practicing law in the District and moved to the Hill East neighborhood. As a D.C. attorney I have had success in developing and implementing local regulations. For the past decade, I have served as the director of a charitable organization that organizes youth activities programs for children ranging in ages from 8 to 18. Through this incredibly rewarding experience I have gained experience in building and managing youth programs. I believe that these experiences lend themselves well to service on the ANC.

1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC’s role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

Over the past decade, three issues have emerged that I believe are very important to our growing neighborhood: youth programs, traffic, and litter. As your commissioner, I would ensure that these issues receive the attention they deserve. I believe that the ANC functions best when it serves as the voice of all the people, not just those who yell loudest or spend the most money. For too long, the ANC has focused on the pet projects of a select few, ignoring many other important issues and discouraging public involvement and participation. That shouldn’t be our ANC. Our ANC should listen. Everyone deserves a chance to be heard.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much “weight” should an ANC commissioner give to citizens’ concerns?

The ANC is the voice of the community and as such should give significant weight to the concerns of the neighborhood. A representative’s job is to listen to all sides of an issue, try to reach a consensus, and make the best decision possible under the circumstances. In reaching a decision, the ANC should thoughtfully consider every citizen’s opinion; not just those of a select few. A consensus will not always emerge, and tough decisions sometimes must be made, but everyone deserves to have an equal voice.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

In my opinion, the number one priority of our neighborhood should be improving the lives of our children. Our neighborhood children deserve high quality, engaging activities programs. A number of public and private sector funding resources exist to institute new youth programs in our neighborhood and improve the existing programs. As the long-time director of a charity that manages youth athletic programs, I am familiar with these resources and would use my experience to help the ANC, and our neighborhood, take full advantage of them. I believe that busy, engaged, and fulfilled children will make our neighborhood an even better place to live.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I would have polled the residents of ANC 6B06, listened to their concerns, and voted accordingly. However, while Hine is an important issue in the greater Capitol Hill area, the areas beyond Eastern Market have significant issues that also deserve our attention. Studies have shown that property values in areas where litter is a problem are lowered by 7%, and that businesses are reluctant to relocate there. As your commissioner, I would partner with non-profit and government organizations to secure funding for education programs in our schools and for community pride-focused advertising. We would all benefit from ensuring that our neighborhood capitalizes on all available resources.

ANC6B 06
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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC’s role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

I am running for ANC so that I can provide a greater voice for the residents of our community. Besides PSA meetings which are run by MPD, there are no regularly scheduled ANC 6B06 meetings. In addition, the larger monthly ANC6B meeting fails to include the issues most important to our neighborhood. These issues include safety, quality of life, community involvement, schools, and mindful commercial development east of Eastern Market.

This community needs a more involved and communicative representative. As your Commissioner, my goal will be to understand the pressing issues of this neighborhood, advocate for them to the commission, and vote on them accordingly.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much “weight” should an ANC commissioner give to citizens’ concerns?

The focus of every ANC Commissioner should be the issues facing his or her community; it is the Commissioner’s responsibility to give the greatest weight to the concerns of the citizens he or she represents.

I will work with my neighbors to create venues for discussion and forums for collaboration. For example, I will hold regular meetings to discuss important issues of 6B06 and the larger 6B area. I believe that these face-to-face meetings will help us build a greater sense of community. I will also provide an online forum for open communication, hearing your concerns, and providing feedback.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

As a member of the 6B06 community, I know that the issues of most importance to my neighborhood include public safety, quality of life, the redevelopment of commercial spaces, and the continued improvement of two elementary schools. Since the Hine redevelopment is set to begin in 2013, I am certain that this project, and the issues born of it, will continue to dominate the 6B agenda.

As Commissioner, I will be an attentive, accessible, and reliable representative, working hard to provide you the representation needed at the ANC level. Through open and honest discussion and debate, I will ensure that your concerns are heard and addressed.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

Regardless of the final plan, this type of development is sure to bring long-term change. The building blocks for the redevelopment of the Hine School are in place, and, although review and re-review of the MOA will occur, we know this for certain: the face of the Eastern Market area is evolving. Changes like these bring us obvious opportunities and challenges. For example, the MOA requires dedicated space for local retailers, but community concerns about the loss of flea market space still remain. Despite the ultimate outcome, we must continue to interact, communicate, and connect with one another so that this community remains a great place to live.

ANC6B 07
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I've lived in Washington DC for eight years, and ANC6B07 for six of those. I've spent the last several years building environmentally focused companies in the Washington DC area, where I've overseen thousands of square feet of green infrastructure installations and maintenance, as well as over 100 energy efficiency retrofits for homes. I'm currently a Partner at Annette Environmental Inc, where I work on living architecture design challenges. I hold a BS in Marketing from Arizona State University and a MBA in Environmental Policy & Management from The George Washington University, and I'm an accredited Green Roof Professional.

1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

ANC commissioners are volunteers who are dedicated to their community. The role changes often depending on the situation but the spirit of community service is the guiding principle. I love this neighborhood, and I believe it has the potential to be even greater. I hope I can help make that happen.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much "weight" should an ANC commissioner give to citizens' concerns?

The city gives the ANCs great weight, so I feel commissioners must in turn place great weight on the concerns of businesses and residents of their single member districts. ANCs exist to give voice to smaller constituent groups.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

The development / redevelopment of several large parcels of land near transit hubs in ANC6B hold the potential to reshape the neighborhood and change the needs of its citizens. I'm particularly concerned with developing and safeguarding environmental and recreational amenities to serve our community and building and maintaining safe multi-modal transit throughout the neighborhood. I am familiar with processes that require collaboration between multiple agencies and stakeholder groups and I'll endeavor to navigate these processes as judiciously and efficiently as possible.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I didn't participate in all the meetings and negotiations that led the current commissioners to their decisions regarding the MOA, so I don't feel its appropriate to voice an opinion. In the future, I will work to ensure that large projects of this nature deliver benefits to our community and to the groups who invest in it.

ANC6B 09
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Brian has a Masters degree in public policy from the Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and a Bachelors degree in political science, economics and history from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC’s role – as mediator between the city and citizens, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

I’m running for ANC to improve the quality of life of residents in Hill East and Capitol Hill. While ANCs are purely advisory – ANCs, by law, are not decision-makers with delegated authority – commissions can and should use their “great weight” to highlight major issues and pressure the city to address them.

It is easy for ANC commissioners to spend time on little things – minor planning and zoning cases, liquor license requests and public space permits. While these issues are important, I’m motivated by the big issues, the issues that will ultimately have a major impact on our neighborhood.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANCs. How much “weight” should an ANC commissioner give to citizens’ concerns?

ANC Commissioners should give the “greatest weight” to citizen concerns, particularly the views and concerns of their constituents. Commissioners are elected to be advocates for their neighborhoods and to ensure that the city is addressing the needs of residents in their Single Member Districts. In instances where constituents are split on an issue, an ANC Commissioner should listen to both sides, explain why he or she voted in a particular way and respect the views of constituents who disagree with his or her vote or position.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

There are a number of challenges, but the biggest is achieving a balance between preserving the unique, residential character of Capitol Hill while also encouraging additional commercial and retail development. The debate over the Hine development is an example of this tension, and I predict the same scenario will play out as new projects are proposed for other parts of Capitol Hill (ex. Hill East Waterfront/Reservation 13).

As I have during my first term on the Commission, I plan on approaching this problem by proactively engaging residents affected by the development (both nearby neighbors and others), listening closely to concerns, and supporting the path that achieves an appropriate balance.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent, how would you have voted on this issue, and why?

I voted in favor of the Hine MOA because it represented an appropriate balance between the interests of nearby neighbors and the interests of the entire Capitol Hill neighborhood. The MOA addressed concerns about height, focused commercial development on the 7th Street side of the development and included a number of community benefits requested by neighbors. In addition to bringing new retail, the Hine project will bring more residents and daytime workers to Capitol Hill, which will in turn bring additional business to the current vendors and/or merchants at and around Eastern Market. I certainly understand and respect that EMMCA disagrees with my perspective on the project.

ANC6B 10
Francis Campbell



Francis M. Campbell, age 61. Michael to my family and close friends. Married to Rachelle since 1978. Proud father of 5 sons, Jonn, Bastian, Christian, Patrick, and Jordan. Grandfather to Taya Imani Ryan. Graduated from Washington Technical Institute class 1976. Associates degree in Respiratory Therapy. Retired now after 30 years. Also retired from Amtrak's Auto Train after 6 years with On Board Services and Human Resources Instructor after injuries received in a derailment. CPR, First Aid and CERT Instructor for a number of years. ANC Commissioner since 2002. Halloween is one of my favorite holidays.

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1) Why are you running for ANC, and how do you see the ANC's role-as mediator between the city and citizen, decision-maker with delegated authority, or some other way?

Initially I ran for ANC Commissioner because our Commissioner at the time had only attended two meeting during the 2 year term and was non communicative with constituents.. I try, and hope I've listened to consistent concerns and try to voice them in my dealing with various city agencies. My thought is that we are mediators and sometimes the voice of constituents who feel they don't have a voice where the city is concerned or don't have the time/knowledge of who to contact to address their concerns. From trash can replacement to permitting issues, to whatever we can do to assist to make life better.

2) City agencies are to give "great weight" to recommendations from ANC's. How much "weight" should an ANC Commissioner give to citizens concerns?

The whole reason we're in the positions we are in is because of the citizens. They elected us to "Voice their concerns". When they elected us they felt/thought that we would represent them so as Commissioner we should give them the "great weight" we expect the various city agencies to give us as the voice of the people.

3) What do you consider the biggest challenge(s) the ANC6B community will likely face in the next two years, and what approach would you take to addressing such a challenge?

I think one of our biggest challenges will be the development of Reservation 13/Hill East Waterfront. Although it was moved into Ward 7 with the last redistricting fight it will have a major impact on this neighborhood and the hill. It will be important that we not lose our voice in its development and that we work closely with the new ANC Commission and Councilperson of Ward 7 to see to it that the development is mutually beneficial and productive to us all.

4) If you are an incumbent, did you vote in favor of, or did you oppose, the MOA with Stanton-Eastbanc, and why? If you are not an incumbent how would you have voted on the issue, and why?

I am the incumbent, I voted in opposition for three reasons:

- 1) I felt the project was too big for the land mass and area in which it is proposed and that it was not in keeping with the historic character of Capitol Hill.
- 2) That the street infrastructure of the surrounding neighborhood may not be sufficient for the development that Stanton-Eastbanc has proposed.
- 3) That the package of amenities/community benefits was insufficient to the surrounding community and neighborhood.