



# February 2019 ECA Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2019 | 7:00PM-8:30PM Location: The Summit at St. Martins

Meeting called by: Eckington Civic Association

Facilitator: Conor Shaw

## 1. 2020 Eckington initiative

- looking for people in the area to join steering committee

## 2. ANC updates

### ○ Development

- Corner of north capitol and Florida avenue 13/14 stories
  - Center of Eckington
  - Haven't heard from developers yet
- 50 Florida avenue
  - certificate of occupancy not given until community benefits
    - tree boxes for around 60 residents
  - Tours offered
- 72 Florida Avenue
  - self storage- 1500 units
  - completed early next year
- 101 Q street
  - applied for raise application
  - 32 unit five level building to house women and children who suffered from domestic violence

### ○ Crime in Eckington

- Chief of police asking for suggestions → contact his office
  - In light of recent events this is a PRIORITY

### ○ Parks and Rec

- Will be sending out survey to ask what programs we want at the Harry Thomas Rec center

### ○ DCRA

- Issues in Eckington- look for update in newsletter
- People are illegally building on senior citizen's property

### ○ Dave Thomas Circle

- no idea when how or what but it WILL happen
- Frame of reference for time-Deck over is 10-15 years

### ○ Project on Florida and Q Street

- Many extensions - PUD
- Unable to get building permits
- 95 units
- 1500 square feet of retail
- ANC gave 1 year extension for environmental preservation
- Historic preservation
- Bloomingdale is going to get lawyer involved
- “Clean ups” and Eckington Safety walkthroughs to start back up

### 3. McDuffie’s office

- **St. Martins**
  - concern with building integrity
- **Racial Equity Bill**
  - Aimed to have gov. assess itself for performance
  - Will require the mayor to have an assessment tool to look at Agencies on racial equity
- **Responding to violence**
  - Funding to cure violence model to ward 5 and 8
  - 6 million additional dollars to fund cure model til 2020
  - Academy to help people at risk for unemployment to get employed
  - Online gaming money (90 million) will be used to assist with violence

### 4. DASH

- Showed up at meeting and established presence in a few short words

### 5. Eckington Yards

- JBG smith and Elkorn pared together
  - Time line
  - R street alley will be closed for 4-6 weeks
- No tie backs on properties
- Gale Eckington residents are being impacted by construction
- Around 59 units are going to be low income friendly
- Updates on listserv

### 6. Grand Ancestor Records- “Warehouse 628”

- Background- Vinyl only record business
- Plan to turn space near Uhaul directly right under Rhode Island Ave into an art/zoning space (628 W Street)
  - Looking for support from ECA and ANC for
  - Building is leased (3 year)
  - Hearing-April 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Votes in favor- 26→PASSED

### 7. Letter to DDOT

- Supported by ANC reps
- Long term solutions with a full redesign

- at least 5 years
- Votes in favor- 20→ PASSED

#### **8. Eckington Proposed Comprehensive Plan**

- Higher density development closer to metro stations
- Transition between lower density to the trail
  - Aka art projects
- Eckington 2030 project- will add to this
- Need community support to get ahead with vision
- Vote in favor- 21→ PASSED

#### **9. Committees**

- Looking for members to get involved
  1. Safety
  2. Social
  3. Beautification

#### **10. Mayor's office**

- Tree pickup
- Antiviolence
  - Planning a 6 million dollar investment
  - go into community and ask individuals about the problems they are dealing with
    - SYP youth off the streets for the summer (14 to 24)