



June 2021 Virtual Meeting Agenda

June 14, 2021 | 7:00PM-8:30PM

How to Participate in Our Virtual Meeting

Link: meet.google.com/ryy-qwco-bod

Or dial: +1-219-654-2369 PIN: 149 080 474#

Join the Civic Association: [Register here \(it's free\)](#).

You can also [support the civic association by making a one time or recurring donation](#).

Agenda Items

ECA business — 7:00-8:00 pm

- Eckington Day (Dana Samuels, Ben Colbert)
 - Save the Date: Saturday October 2, 2021 at Tanner Park
 - What we're working on: fun activities for all ages in the park, music, and more!
 - Discussion of and **vote on** allocating up to \$2,500 of ECA funds to cover Eckington Day costs (some of which may be recouped from donations, fees for exhibitors)
- Discussion of and **vote on** proposed ECA Comments re: DDOT's 65% plan for Dave Thomas Circle
 - Please [review and comment on our draft comments](#) in advance of the meeting
- Discussion of and **vote on** [proposed joint Eckington and Bloomingdale Civic Association letter](#) regarding study of North Capitol Street.
 - Many thanks to Eckington Parks & Arts's Mark Galvan for his efforts to coordinate the ECA, BCA, and the Deckover Steering Committee.
 - The Mayor's budget includes \$1 million for a study of North Capitol Street, including the feasibility of the deckover and other options for improving the corridor from Michigan Ave. to Mass Ave.
 - Note: we're working with the Deckover team on a special joint meeting (details & timing TBD)
- Quick updates:
 - With your help, [we succeeded in restoring one of two amendments](#) to the comprehensive plan
 - In 2020, [we requested funds](#) to improve Harry Thomas Recreation Center. In this year's proposed budget, Mayor Bowser allocated \$19 million in DC's [Capital Improvements Plan](#) in fiscal years 2024 and 2025 to modernize the facility.
 - This year, with the help of several partners, including Langley Elementary PTO, Eckington Parks, Ward 5 for All, and ANC 5E, we [advocated for funds](#) for a DC public library to serve Eckington, Edgewood, and Stronghold. In this year's proposed budget, Mayor Bowser allocated \$24 million for a neighborhood library to serve our communities (again, the money is allocated in FYs 2024-25).
 - The budget also contains significant investments in violence interruption programs, the [subject of a letter the ECA transmitted this Spring to Mayor Bowser](#). It is not yet clear where the city will choose to expand violence interruption programs.
 - We are planning to move ECA officer elections to November, a month in which our meetings have typically had higher attendance than December. We'll use the last meeting of the year in December for a look back at the year's achievements, set some goals for 2022, and have a party.
 - We anticipate returning to in-person meetings in September (but will hope to have a virtual participation option).
 - Eckington's nonprofit community bike shop, GearinUp, is looking for a new home. We are trying to assist. [Please consider donating to help them with their move](#).

Updates from the offices of elected representatives and community members — 8:00-8:30 pm

- [Silas Grant](#), Constituent Analyst, [Office of Ward 5 Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie](#)
- [Nokomis Hunter](#), Ward 5 Liaison, [Mayor Bowser's Office of Community Relations & Services](#)
- Other members of the community

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Saturday, June 19: [community cleanup with Eckington Parks & Arts](#)
- Thursday, June 24: Third Eckington Day Planning Meeting
- Monday, July 12: Next ECA Meeting
- The ECA will not be meeting in August
- Monday, Nov. 8: ECA meeting including ECA officer elections for 2022
- Monday, Dec. 13: End-of-year celebration

About the Eckington Civic Association

The Eckington Civic Association meets the first Monday of each month (unless otherwise noted). You do not need to be a member to attend. If you are interested in becoming a member of the association, which allows you to vote at meetings and serve on committees, please register [HERE](#). Membership is free for residents (your participation is your most valuable contribution!), but we welcome donations [HERE](#).

Website: <https://eckingtoncivicassociation.com>

Twitter: [@EckingtonCivic](#)

Email: eckingtoncivic@gmail.com

Join the Eckington Google Group [HERE](#).

You can also follow us on NextDoor!

2021 ECA Officers

Conor Shaw, President

Dana Samuels, Daniel Agold, & Taylor Kennedy, Vice Presidents

Neil Shah, Treasurer

Ben Colbert, Communications Director

Other contact information

DC 311 (this is where you should file city service requests, like rodent abatement, tree planting, etc.)

Contact: File a request for city services at <https://311.dc.gov/citizen/home>, on their smartphone app (search DC 311) or on twitter [@311DCgov](#).

If you are having an issue with city services, please begin by filing a service request to see if it resolves your issue. If contacting 311 does not or cannot resolve your issue, please consult the list below to contact the appropriate office.

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners (contact your ANC commissioners about zoning, permitting, and related matters)

Contacts: Denise Wright, ANC 5E03 (East Eckington) Commissioner: 5E03@anc.dc.gov or 202-262-7717;

Sylvia Pinkney ANC 5E04 (West Eckington) Commissioner: 5E04@anc.dc.gov or (202) 269-4180

Eckington's ANC commissioners should be your first point of contact for zoning, permitting, and other ANC matters. The ECA endeavors to coordinate with our ANC officials on other matters when possible. ANC 5E

typically meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm at Friendship-Armstrong Public Charter School, 1400 1st Street NW, Washington, DC. More information here: <https://anc5edc.blogspot.com/>.

The Mayor's Office of Community Relations & Services (Mayor Bowser's constituent services office)

Contact: Nokomis Hunter Ward 5 Liaison, MOCRS: Nokomis.Hunter@dc.gov or (202) 251-5049. .

MOCRS serves as the Mayor's primary constituent services organization by responding to constituent requests, complaints, and questions. If you are experiencing issues with a city agency, MOCRS may be able to help resolve the matter.

Ward 5 Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie (your Ward CM)

Contacts: Silas Grant, Constituent Analyst: shgrant@dccouncil.us or (202) 727-8274; Kelley Cislo, Constituent Services Director: kcislo@dccouncil.us or (202) 724-8172

Council Member McDuffie's office should be your primary point of contact regarding legislative matters, and his office can also be a resource to navigate issues with city agencies. Council Member McDuffie represents Ward 5, which includes Eckington. Keep in mind that you also have 5 other representatives on the DC Council who hold at-large seats and also may be able to assist you. They are currently: Chairman Phil Mendelson; Anita Bonds; Christina Henderson; Elissa Silverman; and Robert White, Jr.

Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) 5th District

Contacts: Call 911 for any emergencies. Otherwise, contact William Fitzgerald, 5th District Commander: william.fitzgerald@dc.gov or (202) 698-0150 for inquiries about our local police district. You can also contact Frances Penn, who is the Chair of the 5th District Citizens' Advisory Council: chair@the5dcac.org

Murder Free DC Violence Interruptors in Eckington/Truxton Circle

Contact: Sean Magruder at seanmagruder@murderfreedc.org or +1 (619) 956-6065

District Department of Transportation (DDOT)

Contact: Kelly Jeong-Olson, DDOT Ward 5 liaison: Kelly.Jeong-Olson1@dc.gov