



# October 11, 2021 Meeting Highlights

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## Decisions Taken

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ECA members voted **YES** to provide \$500 in ECA funds to become a silver sponsor of [Langley Elementary's Tiger Trek](#) fall fundraiser.

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## How You Can Help

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- ECA officer elections for 2022 are taking place on November 8, 2021. Please take a look at our [call for candidates](#) and contact us at [eckingtoncivic@gmail.com](mailto:eckingtoncivic@gmail.com) if you are interested in running for one of these offices. The deadline to express interest in running for election is November 1, 2021.
- Join efforts to promote traffic safety on Lincoln Road. Eckington and Edgewood residents have created a [website](#) and are hosting a [virtual meeting on October 14 at 7pm](#) regarding safety issues along Lincoln Rd. We'll be attending and expect to have action items at our November and December meetings to support this effort. No action has been taken by DDOT in response to the ECA's [2019 traffic safety assessment request](#) regarding Lincoln Road.
- Eckington & Eckington Day T-shirts are still available for \$30. Email us at [eckingtoncivic@gmail.com](mailto:eckingtoncivic@gmail.com) if you'd like to buy one!



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## ECA Updates

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- Eckington Day recap and feedback
  - Thanks to everyone who participated and attended -- we had a great time
  - We'll be thinking about how best to organize future events like this. Stay tuned for updates about a possible Eckington Day planning committee
- Street safety
  - DDOT [responded](#) to our feedback on the Dave Thomas Circle design. They are implementing speed limit reductions and considering extending protected bike lanes north to R street. It appears that they have declined to embrace the rest of our comments (including narrower intersection, prioritizing bus service, extending bike lanes westward). The city has taken possession of the Wendy's property and expects to hold a final meeting on the intersection design later this month.
- Short updates:
  - Union Kitchen at 1625 Eckington Place NE is opening October 11
  - The SEC announced [plans to move their headquarters](#) to North Capitol Street & NY Ave

- **Next steps:** We will be partnering with NoMA BID on a survey seeking community input regarding a possible farmer's market in Tanner Park. The survey is forthcoming, but we need your participation to help us understand how a farmer's market in Eckington could succeed.
- A construction permit was issued for 13-story mixed use building (388 units) at site of the former Exxon at 1 Florida Avenue NE.

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### Updates from the offices of elected representatives and community members

- [Nokomis Hunter](#), Ward 5 Liaison, [Mayor Bowser's Office of Community Relations & Services](#)
  - A [Mayor's Order](#) now requires all adults (teachers, employees, contractors, volunteers, etc.) working in DC public schools or child care centers must receive a COVID vaccination by November 1. Student athletes aged 12+ must also receive a vaccination to participate in school-based athletics.
  - Free self-testing COVID kits are available at 27 DC locations. Ward 5 locations include Edgewood Rec Center (301 Franklin Street NE), Trinidad Rec Center (1310 Childress St NE), Turkey Thicket Rec Center (1100 Michigan Ave), and Woodridge Library (1801 Hamlin St NE). Visit [this site](#) to find the full list of service locations and hours.
  - 2020 residential guest parking passes will remain valid through January 15, 2022. Residents may also print passes at home. Details on creating an account available [here](#).
  - Additional funding has been added to the [StayDC program](#) providing financial assistance to renters and housing providers.
  - The [DC ticket amnesty program](#) (allowing residents to settle unpaid traffic tickets without paying the doubling fine for tardy payments) has been extended through December 31.

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### Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Saturday, October 16: [community cleanup with Eckington Parks & Arts](#)
- Monday, Nov. 1: deadline for ECA officer candidates
- Saturday, Nov 6: [community cleanup with Eckington Parks & Arts](#)
- Monday, Nov. 8: ECA meeting & [ECA officer elections for 2022](#)
- Saturday, Nov 13: Langley Elementary School Fall Festival (101 T Street NE; 10a - 1p)
- Monday, Dec. 13: End-of-year celebration

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### 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](mailto:eckingtoncivic@gmail.com)

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

You can also follow us on NextDoor!

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### 2021 ECA Officers

- Conor Shaw, President
- Dana Samuels, Daniel Agold, & Taylor Kennedy, Vice Presidents
- Neil Shah, Treasurer
- Ben Colbert, Communications Director

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## Other contact information

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### 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](https://twitter.com/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](mailto:5E03@anc.dc.gov) or 202-262-7717;  
Sylvia Pinkney ANC 5E04 (West Eckington) Commissioner: [5E04@anc.dc.gov](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:shgrant@dccouncil.us) or (202) 727-8274; Kelley Cislo, Constituent Services Director: [kcislo@dccouncil.us](mailto: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) 5<sup>th</sup> District

Contacts: Call 911 for any emergencies. Otherwise, contact William Fitzgerald, 5th District Commander: [william.fitzgerald@dc.gov](mailto: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 5<sup>th</sup> District Citizens' Advisory Council: [chair@the5dcac.org](mailto:chair@the5dcac.org)

### [Murder Free DC](#) Violence Interrupters in Eckington/Truxton Circle

Contact: Sean Magruder at [seanmagruder@murderfreedc.org](mailto: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](mailto:Kelly.Jeong-Olson1@dc.gov)