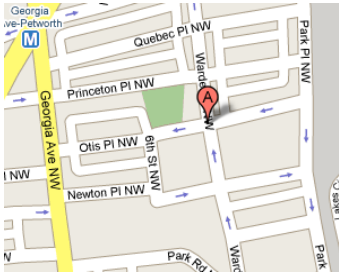


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July 2015 Community Newsletter

UNC Monthly Meeting



The United Neighborhood Coalition meets the first Wednesday of every month in the Park View Rec Center. Meetings are free and open to the public. Have an item

for the agenda? Contact the Secretary at 202-450-3871, or email parkviewuncdc@gmail.com.

tree cover, accessibility, and safety. Also, many streets and alleys are in poor repair, and the city has been slow in responding to 311 requests. Now, a group of neighbors wants to organize to address these issues. At the July meeting, we will discuss the goals for the Park View Streets Working group, begin to develop strategies and assign roles. Please join this process!

Planning the annual block party!

The third annual Park View block party will happen on September 12th. We need your help to make this event a success! Come lend your input to the planning process and sign up to help at the July meeting.

Minutes of the June Meeting of the United Neighborhood Coalition

June 29th, 2015
Parkview Recreation Center
693 Otis PI NW, Washington DC 20010

The meeting commenced at 7:05pm.

Eleven UNC members and 19 guests were in attendance.

Officers' present: Chris Waldmann (President), Sarah Sorscher, (Secretary), Mose Montgomery

Speakers:

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Community Meeting Launch of the Park View Streets Working Group

and planning the annual Park View block party

Wednesday, July 1st, 7-8pm

Park View Rec Center, 693 Otis PI NW

sponsored by the Park View United Neighborhood Coalition

Agenda:

Introductions/Officer and Committee Reports
Community Announcements
Park View Streets Working Group
Block Party Planning

Streets Meeting: Part 2

Launching the Park View streets working group



We had an active community meeting in June on the topic of streets planning and maintenance. Let's continue the conversation this month by launching a working group to tackle these issues moving forward.

Park View lacks a long-term plan for redeveloping its streets and sidewalks for better

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Speakers from the Department of Transportation described a cross-town transport study being launched by DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) this late summer/early fall.

The study will involve an East-West corridor to better connect the McMillan Development and Armed Forces Retirement Home to areas to the West. The study is still in the process of contracting a team that will conduct an intersection-by-intersection analysis of the corridor, which will cover the area from Randolph/Shepard streets down to Howard.

Neighbors asked if the study would just address East-West traffic, or also address North-South traffic, particularly along Park Place, making it more friendly for bicycles. Another neighbor asked whether the study would include attention

to tree boxes and wider sidewalks in Park View, or if this was beyond the scope of the study. It was not clear whether the East-West corridor study would address these concerns.

Speakers also described the Great Streets program, which provided \$8 million in funding for improvements to small businesses (for example, façade improvements, heavy equipment). Half of which is reserved for developments along H street. Grants can be up to \$84 thousand dollars.

Reginald Arno from the Street & Bridge Maintenance program described the process DDOT uses to respond to maintenance requests. His program fixes potholes, alley repairs, and graffiti on DDOT structures. His group also performs the initial investigation to see if an alley needs to be re-done. Big projects are then referred to a different department, known as "Asset Management," which does 95% of the construction projects for DDOT. He shared a list of projects for Ward One for the fiscal year.

A number of neighbors brought up specific repair issues in the area. Many had already reported urgent repair needs to 311 and had not received a response. A neighbor pointed out that only about 5 repair projects in Park View were included in the schedule for this fiscal year.

The meeting adjourned 8:00pm.

The UNC is a civic association located in the Park View neighborhood of Washington DC. Membership is free to those who live or own property within the UNC boundary. Join online at www.parkviewunc.org.