The meeting convened at 6:35 pm.

David Julyan opened the meeting with an introductory statement that outlined the parties cosponsoring the process (ANC2A, DC Office of Planning, and GW) and the process to be followed.

The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The agenda and all presentations made at the meeting are posted at the website.

David Julyan reviewed the June 22 meeting. All the original sheets on which community issues had been identified were posted on the walls. The issues are being used to create an Issues Exhibit. The Issues Exhibit is a dynamic, working tool being used to identify, categorize, and address any issue raised by any participant. It is an open exhibit. Issues can be added at any time.

Issues proposed by any participant are included on the Issues Exhibit. Issues are categorized as one or more of the following types: Information (I), Policy (P), or Design (D). Information issues will be addressed with factual responses as quickly as possible. Design issues will be used to consider design principles for preparing the framework. Policy issues will be discussed and, if the process continues past the framework, they will be addressed, as part of the District’s regulatory process or be the subject of future discussions and exchanges.

Issue Exhibit comments can come from any cosponsors: ANC2A, GW, or DCOP.

The Issues Exhibit is intended as a working tool. Nothing included or missing from the Exhibit should be viewed as “controlling” or “agreed to” or “binding.” The cosponsors will address the content and format of the exhibit if it is to have a purpose after the summer.
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Next, Rosalynn Taylor, from the District’s Office of Planning, outlined OP’s key issues. Ms. Taylor’s full presentation is posted on the website. Ms. Taylor highlighted OP’s goals to include:

- Creating a transparent and accessible process
- Coordinating this effort with other District and Federal agencies to make sure GW’s strategy for growth is consistent with other plans for the area
- Identifying a guide for growth that illustrates how GW can accommodate its projected space needs within its campus boundary and includes projected square footage, massing, and uses for each development site
- Demonstrating use of OP’s key planning principles including protecting residential neighborhoods and establishing a Foggy Bottom/West End town center.
- Ensuring that additional development will maintain or improve air quality levels.
- Establishing a regulatory mechanism to ensure compliance
- Incorporating exceptional design and sustainable practices in all new construction
- Retaining and incorporating historic resources in new developments
- Increasing the amount of, and accessibility to, open space that can be used by all District residents
- Enhancing access to and increasing the amount of cultural and academic benefits and employment opportunities

Matt Bell from EEK Architects presented draft design principles and showed how they evolved from the design issues previously identified. For five major heading (Student Housing, Physical Environment, Off-Campus Facilities, Square 54, and Traffic, Circulation and Environmental) Matt reviewed the design issues identified and the design principles created to address the issues. Matt’s complete presentation is posted on the website.

The community responded to the presentation and discussed both issues and principles. It was the general consensus that the design principles presented captured the intent of the related issues, but residents also raised new issues that will be reflected in additional principles to be shared at the next community meeting. Some participants also stated that it was difficult to assess the application of the principles without seeing them applied to design concepts.

David Julyan closed the meeting by recapping the upcoming schedule, encouraging the participants to stay involved and get their neighbors involved, too, and thanking everyone for attending and participating.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.