**Stronghold Civic Association New Resident Fact Sheet, December, 2020**

 You live in the Stronghold neighborhood, which is bounded by North Capitol Street, Michigan Ave., Franklin St., and Prospect Hill Cemetery. Call 202-656-7431, for further information on any of the following, and we would appreciate learning about any necessary corrections!

 Here are some very general tips about public services in Stronghold (contact the Mayor’s online help center at 311 for more detail on the following):

**Elected Officials and Civic Association Meeting Dates**

You live in Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) Single Member District (SMD) 5E09. Ms. Dianne Barnes is your elected ANC SMD. You live in Ward 5, and your elected Councilmember is Kenyan McDuffie. The Stronghold Civic Association meets at the Inspired Teaching School, 200

Douglas Street, NE (corner of Douglas and Lincoln road, the other side of the cemetery from

Stronghold) at 7PM on the first Monday of each month. All Stronghold residents are welcome to join, membership is not required and all meetings are open to the public. ANC 5E meets at

Friendship-Armstrong Public Charter School, 1400 1st St. NW on the 3rd Tuesday in each month at 7PM.

**Police**

 You live in the Metropolitan Police 5th District which has roughly the same boundaries as Ward 5, headquarters located at 1805 Bladensburg Rd. NE, near the corner of New York Ave. You are also located in Police Service Area (PSA) 502, which is bounded by North Capitol Street, New York Ave., the railroad tracks, and Michigan Ave. For all police and emergency situations, call 911. 5th District Police receive all their dispatches from the central 911 communications center. The 5th District Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meets at the 5th District offices on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7PM, usually.

**Public Utilities**

* Electricity: PEPCO 202 833-7500
* Water/sewage: DC Water 202 787-2000
* Gas: Washington Gas 703 750-1000
* Telephone: Verizon 1-888-591-6076

**Street Address on House, Trash Cans**

 Mark your street address clearly on the front and back of your house and trash cans. Police depend on street addresses on the back of your house, garage, or fence in emergencies, and the only way to identify your trash cans is by marking your street address on them. The new trash cans we were given in March 2014 have a traceable number on them, so copy that down to get your can back if it goes missing.

**Transportation**

 The 80 bus runs downtown to Union Station, Chinatown, the World Bank to the Kennedy Center from stops on North Capitol Street, and runs the other way on Michigan Ave. to Trinity University, Brookland/Catholic University of America (CUA) and Ft. Totten Metro stops. The H2 and H4 buses run from Brookland/CUA down Michigan Ave. through Columbia Heights, Van Ness (UDC) and Cleveland Park Metro stations to the Friendship Heights and Tenleytown/American University station. The D8 has a stop on Michigan Ave. in front of Park Place and goes to the Hospital Center, and makes a meandering trip through Trinidad and the Gallaudet University area and H St. NE to Union Station. The G8 bus travels down Rhode Island Ave. to 17th & I NW and out to the Maryland line. The G2 bus originates on the 300 block of Bryant St. NW (in front of the Bryant Street Pumping Station) and goes to Georgetown University.

**Shopping**

 There is a Giant Food and a Home Depot beside the Rhode Island Ave. Metro station, and there is a Harris Teeter on 1st St. NE near the Galludet/NoMa Metro Station. **A new Whole Foods has opened at 967 Florida Ave. NW (the other side of Howard U. from us) and there’s a Yes! Market on 12th St. NE.** **Union Market has a variety of stores and there’s a new Trader Joe’s on Florida Ave. NE beside Union Market.** At the corner of 4th St. NE and Rhode Island Ave. there is a New Star Super Market and a Save A Lot Food Store. These are the closest grocery stores reasonably close to Stronghold. There are two small corner markets on North Capitol Street at the corners of Channing and Bryant Street. There’s an excellent hardware store, Annie’s, on 8th Street NE near the corner of Monroe Street, just before the bridge over the railroad tracks.

**Churches in the Immediate Area**

* Greater Mount Calvary Holy Church (Rhode Island Ave. and 4th St. NE)
* All Nations Baptist Church (North Capitol and Rhode Island Ave. NE)
* St. Martins Catholic Church (North Capitol and T St. NW)
* Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church (Rhode Island Ave. and 2nd St. NW)
* St. George’s Episcopal Church (2nd and U St. NW)
* The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (Catholic), (Michigan Ave. and 4th St. NE)

**Dogs**

 Dogs must be kept on leashes when outside the home, and dog owners must clean up after their pets according to DC’s “pooper scooper” law.

**Parking**

* Residential Parking Permits (RPP): All blocks in Stronghold have the green RPP parking signs, which permit residents (with RPP stickers, available from the DMV) to park any time, except during street sweeping days. Cars without RPP stickers can park for a maximum of 2 hours between the posted hours of 7AM-8:30PM weekdays. North Capitol Street and the unit block of Michigan Avenue generally do not have these RPP signs because they are emergency evacuation routes and further have the weekday 4-6:30PM rush hour parking restriction. There is no scheduled street cleaning for North Capitol Street or Michigan Ave. Contact the Department of Transportation (DDOT) for RPP stickers and visitor parking permits.
* Various parking fines and restrictions: No parking in the alley ($30), at a bus stop ($100) or within 20 feet of a bus stop ($50), within 5 feet of an alley ($20), within 10 feet of a hydrant ($50), in marked reserved space for residents with disabilities ($250), within 25 feet of stop sign ($50), over 2 hours in RPP zone ($30).
* Street cleaning: No parking on the even-numbered sides of the streets for street cleaning, March-October, on Wednesday mornings 9:30-11:30AM, same on odd-numbered sides of the streets on Thursday mornings.

**Sidewalks and Alleys**

* Residents are required by law to keep the sidewalks and alley adjacent to their property clean and neat. This includes shoveling snow in the winter to keep them clear.

**Residential Trash**

* Wednesday about 8-11AM. Monday or Tuesday holidays bumps our collection one day, to Thursday. You should have a big green city-supplied general trash can, called a “supercan,” and a blue recyclables can. The city will only pick up what is in the cans. Cans must not be in the alley before 6:30PM Tuesday, and must be out of the alley by 6:30PM Wednesday. The Department of Public Works (DPW) will fix broken trash can lids for free, but new or replacement supercans cost $62.50 and recycling cans $45. To request repair of a broken can lid, or to order new cans, or to report missed trash collection, call 311, or visit the Mayor’s online 311 help center at 311.dc.gov.
* Hazardous materials disposal: Bring household hazardous materials to the Ft. Totten Transfer Station (4900 John F. McCormack Road NE, beside the railroad tracks behind Catholic University) 8AM-3PM on the first Saturday of each month for disposal. Such materials include batteries, motor oil, paint, poisons, aerosols, fluorescent light bulbs, small electronics. Call 311 for further details.
* Bulk Trash Collection: Anything too large to fit in your supercan must either be taken to the Ft. Totten Transfer Station or a special pickup scheduled by calling 311. Check DPW online or call 311 for details on what is and is not acceptable for such collection.

Other Information:

* There is a Stronghold web page containing interesting history of the neighborhood

and other things: <http://www.strongholddc.org>

* And many Stronghold residents look in NextDoor Stronghold for information and

miscellaneous things and information of all sorts. You must have a street address

in Stronghold to join:

<https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/stronghold--washington--dc/>