Minutes

of the Regular Meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D Wednesday, June 7, 2023 7:00 PM Via Hybrid In-person/Zoom Meeting

Meeting brought to order at approximately 7:00 PM. Commissioners in attendance: Elkins, 3D01 Duncan, 3D02, Chair Joseph, 3D04 Horn, 3D05, Vice Chair Nowalk, 3D06 Szymkowicz, 3D07

Public notice of the date, time, location, and agenda for the meeting was published on ANC 3D's website (anc3d.org) and local listservs within the proper notice period.

Jeremy Joseph, Secretary ANC 3D

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	Approval of the Agenda
00:01:41	Chairperson Duncan moved to pass the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Elkins.
00.01.41	The Commissioners discussed the agenda.
	The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.
00:02:04	Metropolitan Police Department Update
	Officer McElwee (MPD) – Officer McElwee from the 2 nd District gave an update on crime and traffic-related issues. Officer McElwee detailed some of the reported incidents and responded to questions from Commissioners and residents.
00:14:40	Discussion with MPD Commander Branch
	MPD Commander Branch gave a presentation on the Safer Stronger Amendment Act of 2023, which enhances legal protections for victims of violent crime around DC. Commander also heard and responded to questions from Commissioners and residents.

00:25:00	Government Agency Updates
	Matthew Barclay (MOCRS) – Mr. Barclay with the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services provided information for various upcoming events in DC and heard questions from the community.
	Steven Palmer (Councilmember Frumin's Office) – Mr. Palmer updated the community on the DC Council Budget process, provided information on upcoming events in DC and reminded community members to submit comments to WMATA's Better Bus Initiative.
00:40:39	Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, PTAs, and Local Civic Associations and other Community Groups)
	Cory Peterson (American University)- Mr. Peterson invited the community to attend American University's Community Liaison Committee meeting on June 20.
00:42:22	Commissioner Updates
00.55.45	Nowalk- Provided an update on DDOT safety improvements made at the Foxhall Rd and Reservoir Rd intersection. Elkins- Informed the community about upcoming improvements to New Mexico Ave NW that are taking place this summer, as well as invited community members to attend the June Transportation Committee meeting. Joseph- Provided an update on the lack of response from the Department of Buildings related to the Commission's numerous concerns related to the development at 5122 Cathedral Ave NW Duncan- Invited the community to check out new businesses in the ANC, and provided an update on the Spring Valley stormwater management project. Horn- Announced changes to the trash and recycling area at the Black Coffee development and invited community members to attend the July meeting for a presentation by the developer. Szymkowicz- Gave an update on crime in DC.
00:55:47	DC Smart Lighting Discussion
	Ashely Wells from the Smart Street Lights program gave a presentation to community members on the Smart Street Lighting upgrade project. All of DC's Street Lights will be replaced to a smart LED bulb in the upcoming months. The project team also heard and responded to questions from Commissioners and residents.
01:09:32	AU Meltzer Center Letter to the Zoning Commission
	Commissioner Elkins introduced a letter that supports AU's application to the Zoning Commission for the construction of the Meltzer Center and Sports

	Annex. Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the letter as presented. Seconded by Chairperson Ducan.
	Cory Peterson of American University gave a brief presentation outlining the project plans and the University's interactions with the community thus far, and responded to Commissioners' questions.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously.
01:20:08	Iona Senior Services
	Chairperson Duncan introduced a letter in support of Iona Senior Services' grant application. Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Elkins seconded.
	The motion to approve the letter as presented passed unanimously.
01:22:11	Sibley Sterile Processing Center
	Chairperson Duncan, on behalf of Commissioner Colón Roosevelt, introduced a letter in support of Sibley Hospital's application to construct a new sterile processing center within the hospital. Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously.
01:23:08	Resolution on Mayor Bowser's Legislation on Crime
	Commissioner Szymkowicz introduced a letter in support of Mayor Bowser's legislation on crime. Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to approve the letter as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Horn.
	The Commissioners discussed the resolution.
	Commissioner Elkins moved to amend the proposed letter and replace it with a separate, pre-circulated letter. Chairperson Duncan seconded.
	The Commissioner discussed the amended resolution. The question was called to accept the alternative letter, and Commissioner Szymkowicz called for a roll-call vote.
	3D01- AYE 3D02- AYE 3D04- AYE 3D05- AYE 3D06- AYE 3D07- NO

	The motion to approve the letter as amended passed by a vote of 5-1.
01:43:42	3001 Foxhall Road NW
	Commissioner Elkins introduced a letter regarding a Public Space Application at 3001 Foxhall Road NW. Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the letter as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Nowalk.
	The Commissioner discussed the implications of the PSA and focused on pedestrian and bicycle safety around the Foxhall Rd and Hawthorne St NW intersection. Commissioners also heard comments from the applicant, applicant's architect, and neighbors.
	Commissioner Elkins accepted a friendly amendment to add language regarding vehicular sight lines around the Foxhall and Hawthorne intersection.
	The question was called on this matter, and Commissioner Syzmkowicz called for a roll-call vote.
	3D01- AYE 3D02- AYE 3D04- AYE 3D05- AYE 3D06- AYE 3D07- NO
	The motion to approve the letter as amended passed by a vote of 5-1.
02:25:10	4726 Sedgewick St NW Zoning Application
	Chairperson Duncan introduced a zoning application at 4726 Sedgewick St NW and moved to approve the letter of support as presented. Commissioner Horn seconded.
	Chairperson Duncan noted that there was no neighbor opposition to this application.
	The motion to approve the letter as presented passed unanimously.
02:26:59	4821 Rodman St PSA
	Chairperson Duncan introduced a Public Space Application at 4821 Rodman St NW and moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Horn seconded.

	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously.
02:28:33	Better Bus Initiative Survey Results
	Chairperson Duncan introduced a letter authorizing the ANC to transmit its BBI Survey results to WMATA once finalized. Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the resolution as presented. Commissioner Horn seconded.
	The motion to approve the resolution passed unanimously.
02:30:00	5017 Eskridge Terrace NW
	Chairperson Duncan introduced a letter in support of the Public Space Committee's recent action on the related case. Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.
	The commissioners discussed and heard comments from the applicant.
	Chairperson Duncan called the question on the matter and <i>the motion to</i> approve the letter as presented passed unanimously.
02:46:55	Review and Proposed Approval of ANC3D Testimony on Zoning Regulations Changes #22-25
	Commissioner Elkins introduced the testimony on the proposed zoning changes and moved to approve the testimony as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.
	The motion to approve the testimony passed unanimously.
02:49:42	Review and Proposed Endorsement of Commissioner Elkins's testimony on proposed regulations dealing with Cannabis Licensing
	Commissioner Elkins introduced his testimony and moved to endorse the testimony as given to the ABCA. Commissioner Duncan seconded.
	The Commissioner discussed. Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to amend the letter. The amendment was not seconded.
	The question was called on the matter and the motion to approve the testimony passed by a vote of 5-0-1, with Commissioner Szymkowicz abstaining.

02:57:01	Notice of Next Meeting
	Chairperson Duncan noticed the ANC 3D's next meeting on July 5 th at 7pm.
02:57:35	Adjournment
	Chairperson Duncan moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Joseph.
	The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.