

Minutes
of the Regular Meeting of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D
Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:00 PM
at George Washington Mount Vernon Campus and
Via Electronic Zoom Meeting

Meeting brought to order at approximately 7:00 PM.

Commissioners in attendance:

Elkins, 3D01

Duncan, 3D02, Chair

Colón Roosevelt, 3D03

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
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Jeremy Joseph, Secretary ANC 3D

Position in Recording HH:MM	
00:01:55	<p><u>Governmental Agency Updates</u></p> <p>Officer McElwee (MPD) – Officer McElwee from the 2nd 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.</p> <p>Matthew Barclay (MORCS)– Barclay introduced the Mayor’s Office of Community Relations and Services and gave a brief update. Barclay noted the opening of DPR program registration and the upcoming peak blossom of the Cherry trees.</p> <p>Steven Palmer (Ward 3 Councilmember)- Palmer updated the ANC regarding the activities of Councilmember Frumin’s office and noted that the Mayor would be releasing her budget in the upcoming weeks.</p>
00:27:40	<p><u>Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, PTAs, and Local Civic Associations and other Community Groups)</u></p>

	<p>Allison Prince (The Lab School) – Prince gave an update to the community regarding The Lab School’s upcoming BZA extension request. Price introduced the application and answered questions from Commissioners and residents.</p> <p>Katie Marchek (Marine Corps Marathon)- Marchek introduced the 2023 Marine Corps Marathon and informed the community about road closures and the marathon’s pedestrian and vehicular traffic plan. Marchek also answered questions from Commissioners and residents.</p>
00:43:27	<p><u>Commissioner Updates</u></p> <p>Nowalk- Gave updates on the opening of the DCTAG application process. Elkins- Updated the community on the DC Council oversight hearing on the Committee on Transportation and the Environment. Elkins reported that multiple Commissioners and several community members gave testimony and that testimony is available on the website. Joseph- Updated the community on the Arizona Avenue protected bike lane NOI. Joseph asked residents to submit comments via the ANC website. Colón Roosevelt- Announced the opening of the new Apple Tree Charter School in the fall.</p>
00:48:14	<p><u>Discussion with SBOE Ward 3 Representative Eric Goulet</u></p> <p>Eric Goulet, the State Board of Education Representative for Ward 3, introduced himself and his role as Ward 3 Representative. Goulet outlined his priorities for DCPS and updated the community on the work he has done since taking office. Goulet also answered questions from Commissioners and residents.</p>
01:13:35	<p><u>Presentation on the proposed new development at 4885 MacArthur Blvd</u></p> <p>Christine Roddy from Goulston & Storrs law firm and the project team provided an update on the proposed new development at 4885 MacArthur Blvd, the property above Black Coffee, Café Vino and Dodge Chrome. Roddy noted that the client is proposing approximately 22 units above the existing retail. The project team informed the community that the plan is to keep the existing retail open and operating for as long as possible throughout the construction period. The development team gave a Powerpoint presentation and answered questions (and received comments) from Commissioners and residents. Parking for residents and the loss of parking spaces on the roof of the existing structure was a common concern.</p>
01:54:45	<p><u>Presentation by American University on the new Alan and Amy Meltzer Center for Athletic Performance and the Sports Center Annex</u></p> <p>Cory Peterson from American University gave an update on the new Alan and Amy Meltzer Center for Athletic Performance and the Sports Center Annex. Peterson gave a Powerpoint presentation that provided an overview of the AU Campus Plan</p>

	and the new construction projects. Peterson also invited the community to the upcoming community information meetings.
02:07:50	<p><u>Approval of the Agenda</u></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Joseph seconded. <i>The motion passed by unanimous consent.</i></p>
02:08:30	<p><u>2234 49th Street NW BZA Application</u></p> <p>Commissioner Elkins introduced the BZA application at 2234 49th Street NW. Chairperson Duncan opened the floor for comments from the community and the Commission heard from the Applicant's representative.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the resolution as introduced. Commissioner Duncan seconded. <i>The motion passed unanimously.</i></p>
02:31:13	<p><u>Petition to remove Female Gingko tree on Glover Drive</u></p> <p>Commissioner Elkins introduced a resolution to remove a female Gingko Tree on Glover Drive, adding that there are a number of neighbors who would like to see the tree removed.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the resolution as introduced. Commissioner Horn seconded. <i>The motion passed unanimously.</i></p>
02:37:57	<p><u>Lights-Out Hour DC</u></p> <p>Chairperson Duncan introduced a resolution supporting the city-wide observation of Lights-Out DC. The Lights-Out program is one hour dedicated to dimming lights around the world.</p> <p>Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the resolution. Chairperson Szymkowicz seconded. <i>The motion to approve the resolution was passed unanimously.</i></p>
02:35:03	<p><u>Heritage Tree Removal Permit at 5244 Watson Street</u></p> <p>Commissioner Colón Roosevelt introduced a letter to DDOT regarding the classification of a large tree. Chairperson Duncan proposed a friendly amendment to add a sentence that cites how the large heritage trees absorb a large amount of storm water runoff.</p> <p>The friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioner Colón Roosevelt</p>

	<p>Commissioner Colón Roosevelt moved to approve the letter as amended. Commissioner Elkins seconded. <i>The motion to approve the resolution was passed unanimously.</i></p>
02:41:06	<p><u>Letter to Councilmember Frumin re MacArthur High School Bike Paths</u></p> <p>Commissioner Elkins introduced a letter to Councilmember Frumin regarding the planning of bike lanes to the new MacArthur High School. Commissioner Elkins noted that the letter is a result of the Transportation Committee’s special work group.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the letter as introduced. Chairperson Duncan seconded. <i>The motion to approve passed unanimously.</i></p>
02:44:16	<p><u>Criminal Code Reform Resolution and Resolution Denouncing Federal Congressional Interference in Local D.C. Laws</u></p> <p>Commissioner Nowalk introduced a resolution that encourages the Mayor and the DC Council to work together to pass the Revised Criminal Code Act of 2022.</p> <p>Commissioner Nowalk moved to approve the resolution as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.</p> <p>Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to consider his resolution as an unfriendly amendment to the resolution on the floor. The motion was not seconded.</p> <p>The commissioners debated and heard comments from members of the community.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to propose a friendly amendment to Commissioner Nowalk’s resolution to delete the language regarding carjackings in the second paragraph. The friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioner Nowalk.</p> <p>Chairperson Duncan called for a roll call vote.</p> <p>3D 01 - Aye 3D 02 - Aye 3D 03 – Aye 3D 04 – Aye 3D 05 – Aye 3D 06 – Aye 3D 07 – No</p> <p><i>The motion to approve the letter as amended passed by a vote of 6-1-0.</i></p>

	<p>Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to introduce his resolution as presented. The motion was not seconded.</p>
<p>03:24:51</p>	<p><u>Resolution Supporting Councilmember Gray's "Police Officer Recruitment and Retention Act of 2023</u></p> <p>Commissioner Szymkowicz introduced his resolution supporting Councilmember Gray's Police Officer Retention Act. Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was not seconded.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins introduced a resolution requesting the DC Council to allocate funds to bring the number of active police officers to 4,000. Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.</p> <p>The commissioners had a brief discussion and also heard comments from members of the community.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to add additional cc's as an amendment.</p> <p>Chairperson Duncan called for a roll call vote for the motion to approve the resolution as amended.</p> <p>3D 01 - Aye 3D 02 - Aye 3D 03 – Aye 3D 04 – Aye 3D 05 – Aye 3D 06 – Aye 3D 07 – Aye</p> <p><i>The motion to approve the resolution as amended passed unanimously.</i></p>
<p>03:44:50</p>	<p><u>Letter to Zoning Administrator requesting compliance with BZA Order at 4865 MacArthur Blvd</u></p> <p>Commissioner Horn introduced a letter requesting that the Zoning Administrator investigate and enforce violations of the developer's BZA order. Commissioner Horn moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded.</p> <p>The Commissioners had a brief discussion. Chairperson Duncan noted that the Developer was made aware of the letter and the meeting but did not attend.</p> <p>Chairperson Duncan called for a vote on the matter. <i>The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously.</i></p>
<p>03:47:34</p>	<p><u>Discussion of upcoming Budget hearings</u></p>

	<p>Commissioner Elkins introduced a letter regarding DDOT budget estimates for the upcoming fiscal year. Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the letter as presented. Chairperson Duncan seconded. <i>The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>Commissioner Elkins moved to designate himself as a representative of ANC 3D as the upcoming budget hearings. Commissioner Szymkowicz seconded. <i>The motion passed unanimously.</i></p>
03:51:28	<p><u>Proposed submission to OANC for funding of a monthly ANC Digest of District-wide ANC resolutions</u></p> <p>Commissioner Elkins introduced a proposal to OANC for funding of a monthly ANC digest. Commissioner Elkins moved to approve the application for funding from the OANC. Chairperson Duncan seconded.</p> <p>The Commissioners had a brief discussion. <i>The motion passed by unanimous consent.</i></p>
03:55:52	<p><u>Possible engagement of legal assistance related to Wesley Planned Unit Development</u></p> <p>Chairperson Duncan detailed recent developments regarding Wesley Seminary's Planned Unit Development and its Campus Plan. The Commissioners then discussed the engagement of legal assistance for upcoming zoning matters.</p> <p>Chairperson Duncan moved to pre-approve the expenditure for legal assistance. Commissioner Colón Roosevelt seconded. <i>The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioner Nowalk absent.</i></p>
04:02:35	<p><u>Approval of Minutes</u></p> <p>Chairperson Duncan moved to approve the February Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Joseph seconded. <i>The motion passed by a vote of 6-0-1 with Commissioner Nowalk absent.</i></p>
04:05:30	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Chairperson Duncan moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Szymkowicz seconded. <i>The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.</i></p>