

**Minutes  
of the Regular Meeting of  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D  
Wednesday, November 6, 2024  
7:00 PM  
Via Electronic Zoom Meeting**

Meeting brought to order at approximately 7:00 PM.

Commissioners in attendance:

Elkins, 3D01

Duncan, 3D02, Chair

Davis, 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.

Marilyn Nowalk

Marilyn Nowalk, Secretary ANC 3D

<b>Position in Recording HH:MM</b>	
<b>00:00:00</b>	<p><b>Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda</b> Chairperson Duncan called the meeting to order and welcomed the community to the meeting. Commissioner Duncan moved to approve the agenda with amendments. Commissioner Horn seconded the amended agenda. The amended agenda reordered Official Business in the following order: the public space application, Wesley Seminary, 5310 Cathedral, then Sibley Memorial Hospital. Under commission business the Hardy PTO grant was deleted and the fourth quarter QFR was added. The motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.</p>
<b>00:02:23</b>	<p><b>GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY UPDATES</b></p> <p><b>Kendall Gibson (MOCRS)</b> Ms. Gibson introduced herself as the new MOCRS manager for Ward 3. Mr. Owen Cox partners with Ms. Gibson.</p> <p><b>Anthony McElwee (Metropolitan Police Department Update)</b> Officer McElwee, liaison officer with the Second District in PSA 205, stated there were 18 offenses in the last 30 days. One robbery, one burglary, two stolen motor</p>

	<p>vehicles, 11 thefts from autos, and five general thefts. A traffic fatality occurred on October 30<sup>th</sup> on Foxhall Road which was investigated by the Major Crash Unit. A vehicle crossed over the counterflow lanes, mounted the curb and struck a tree.</p> <p>Commissioner Szymkowicz asked for an update on the 10-year-old boy who was hit by a car on Volta Street. The boy’s father, Mr. Martins, shared details of the traumatic event and asked Officer McElwee to follow up with the responding officer (Officer Passmore) to correct the police record. Ms. Canan Hincal whose son witness the accident shared additional details. Ms. Christine Glomazic and others stressed the need for speed bumps. Commissioners Elkins, Duncan and Szymkowicz will discuss speed bumps and other options for this street at the next Transportation Committee Meeting.</p> <p><b>Hana Fouladi (Ward 3 Councilmember Matthew Frumin’s Office)</b> Councilmember Frumin will be holding a roundtable on athletic field access. Also scheduled is an Out of School Time amendment hearing on November 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 am. Leaf collection has begun. Councilmember Frumin send a letter to MWAA urging support for the Fly Quite program for DCA. Commissioner Szymkowicz received clarification that the athletic field access initiative is largely focused on District owned fields.</p>
<p><b>00:43:00</b></p>	<p><b>Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, PTAs, and Local Civic Associations and other Community Groups)</b></p> <p><b>Jason Millison (American University)</b> Mr. Millison, Director of Community Relations, announced the Arlie Fall festival and 5K will be held on November 24<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><b>Kevin Days (George Washington University)</b> No updates currently.</p> <p><b>Sherry Rutherford (Field School)</b> No updates currently. Commissioner Szymkowicz asked about field access and was told fields are available to other youth sports organizations.</p> <p><b>Kai Spicher (German Embassy Construction Project Update)</b> Herr Spicher reported the construction project is moving ahead smoothly. To date no more than eight workers have been on site at any one time and parking has not been a problem.</p>
<p><b>00:49:06</b></p>	<p><b>COMMISSIONER UPDATES</b></p>
	<p><b>Elkins</b> - The Transportation Committee will meet on November 19th at 2pm. The meeting will focus on the Volta Street traffic accident and the committee’s focus for 2025.</p> <p><b>Duncan</b> – Reported all the commissioners for ANC 3D are returning except for the retiring Commissioner Davis whose seat will be filled by Mark Blumenthal.</p>

	<p>WMATA has posted their revised Better Bus Network which reflects ANC 3D comments. After the WMATA board vote there will be a period of 5-6 months to ensure the feasibility of the routes, expected implementation is May 2025.</p> <p><b>Davis-</b> Thanked those present for the opportunity to serve as a commissioner. He noted yard signs, political and commercial were pervasive.</p> <p><b>Horn-</b> No current updates.</p> <p><b>Nowalk –</b> Charter school open houses are taking place. The deadline for applications is February 1st for high schools and March 1<sup>st</sup> for elementary and middle schools.</p> <p><b>Szymkowicz-</b> Thanked Commissioner Davis for his service.</p>
<b>0:55:04</b>	<b>DISCUSSIONS</b>
	<p><b>MacArthur Apt. Public Space Presentation – 4885 MacArthur Blvd</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan introduced Mr. Rishi Bhatnagar, owner of the apartments to be constructed above Black Coffee. Charles Warren, Teass Warren Architects, presented the site plan included in the public space submittal. The plan includes bike racks, bay windows, new trees and landscaping. Mr. Warren is scheduled to present to the Public Space Committee on December 19<sup>th</sup>.</p>
<b>01:05:40</b>	<b>OFFICIAL ACTIONS</b>
<b>01:05:40</b>	<p><b>Public Space Application for 4885 MacArthur Blvd Apartments</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan presented the motion to approve the Public Space Application and drawings for the 4885 MacArthur Blvd. apartments. Commissioner Szymkowicz seconded the motion.</p> <p>The motion to approve the Public Space Application passed 5-1-0 with Commissioner Nowalk dissenting.</p>
<b>01:06:38</b>	<p><b>Wesley Seminary Text Amendment – Zoning Commission</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan made a motion to approve the Wesley Seminary Text amendment to the Zoning Commission. Commissioner Nowalk seconded the motion. The text amendment allows for an exemption in Wesley Seminary’s campus plan to permit income generation through the rental of dormitory units to American University students. Community input was received from Mr. Clarkson who supports the exemption and Mr. Carter who objects to the exemption.</p> <p>The motion to approve the letter passed 5-1-0 with Commissioner Szymkowicz dissenting.</p>
<b>01:56:19</b>	<b>5310 Cathedral Avenue BZA Variance</b>

	<p>Commissioner Duncan moved to approve a letter to the BZA on 5310 Cathedral Avenue supporting the variance for side setbacks. Commissioner Horn seconded the motion.</p> <p>The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously 6-0-0.</p>
<b>02:10:58</b>	<p><b>Sibley Memorial Hospital Behavioral Health ED</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan moved to table Sibley Memorial Hospital Behavioral Health Emergency Department until December or January. Commissioner Symkowicz seconded the motion.</p> <p>The motion to table the letter passed unanimously. 6-0-0.</p>
<b>02:11:50</b>	<p><b>Settlement Agreement for the Fitzgerald Liquor License</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan moved to approve the Settlement Agreement as amended. Commissioner Duncan accepted as a friendly amendment inclusion of the following language in item number two “the establishment will not be held open to the general public”.</p> <p>The motion to approve the Settlement Agreement as amended passed unanimously, 6-0-0.</p>
<b>2:43:31</b>	<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p> <p><b>DC Streateries</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan noted DC is establishing new regulations for Streateries and asked for comments. The comment period closes on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners Elkins and Nowalk suggested communicating with neighbors via list serves and through the District Engage survey tool to get neighborhood input on future Streateries regarding standardization and space implications. Commissioner Duncan supported community outreach.</p>
<b>02:48:05</b>	<p><b>COMMISSION BUSINESS</b></p> <p><b>Review of Proposed Testimony B25-1003 Vacant Properties</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan moved to approve Commissioner Elkin’s proposed testimony regarding vacant properties. Commissioner Nowalk seconded the motion.</p> <p>Commissioner Elkins summarized his testimony noting the city should have additional tools to address vacant and blighted properties including legal, tax and reporting requirements. Commissioner Nowalk agreed ANCs should be involved in identifying vacant and blighted properties and not just notified as a diplomatic gesture.</p>

	<p>The motion to approve Commissioner Elkins testimony passed unanimously.</p> <p><b>Review of Proposed Q4FY2024 QFR</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan moved to approve the fourth quarter 2024 QFR. Commissioner Nowalk seconded the motion.</p> <p>Commissioner Nowalk noted the ANC issues few checks, and the only income source is the District allotment.</p> <p>The motion to approve the fourth quarter 2024 QFR passed unanimously.</p>
<b>02:59:04</b>	<p><b>Approval of Minutes</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan introduced a motion to approve the October Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.</p>
<b>02:59:38</b>	<p><b>Notice of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Commissioner Duncan noticed the next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 8, 2025. A short December meeting could be called to take up the Sibley Memorial Hospital CON. Commissioner Elkins asked that Sibley take action to get neighborhood input, Commissioner Duncan will ask Commissioner Colón Roosevelt to communicate with Sibley Hospital.</p>
<b>03:00:37</b>	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p> <p>Chairman Duncan adjourned the meeting without objection.</p>