# Government of the District of Columbia ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3F

Van Ness • North Cleveland Park • Wakefield • Forest Hills

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# **Public Meeting Minutes - July 18, 2023**

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

#### **MINUTES**

ANC 3F convened their regular meeting on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, virtually at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82114414095?pwd=cUxsdlJBazJLaUJUVGtXV1pzNkNmQT09.

Meeting number: 9821 1441 4095 Password: Y9qzAp. The meeting was duly noticed and open to the public. Copies of resolutions approved are available at www.anc3f.com.

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Commissioners Present: Cudemus-Brunoli

Huet Baer David Tandaric Carlson

ITEM	VOTE	KEYWORDS
1. Approval of Agenda and Amendments	6-0-0	Passed with amendment
2. Approval of ANC Minutes for June 20th, 2023	6-0-0	Passed with amendment
3. Approval of ANC 3F 2023 Q1, Q2, and Q3 Quarterly Reports	6-0-0	
4. Approval of Undesign the Redline \$5,000 Grant	4-2-0	
5. Approval of DDOT permit #420857 for 4404 29 <sup>th</sup> Street NW	6-0-0	

Call to Order: 7:01 PM Adjournment: 9:51 PM

# **AGENDA ITEMS**

## I. Adoption of the July 18, 2023 ANC 3F meeting agenda

Agenda was modified to include approval of the ANC3F 2023 Q1, Q2, and Q3 Quarterly Reports.

Commissioner David moved to approve the agenda. The agenda is approved by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions (6-0-0).

# II. Approval of ANC 3F meeting minutes for June 20th, 2023

Commissioner David moved to approved the meeting minutes from the June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting with an amendment to the Approval of Expense for Website Design and Transfer and Organization of Previous Data/Content notes. The agenda is approved by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions (6-0-0).

# III. Approval of ANC 3F 2023 Q1, Q2, and Q3 Quarterly Reports

Commissioner Baer moved to approve the 2023 Quarterly Reports for Q1, Q2, and Q3. The quarterly reports are approved by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions. (6-0-0).

## IV. Regular Agenda - Commissioner Updates and Announcements

- ANC 3F01 Ryan Cudemus-Brunoli: Effective resignation is tomorrow 7/19/2023
- ANC 3F02 Teri Huet:

Housing Committee update; met with the Chair of Streets and Sidewalks Committee and W3 DDOT representative to talk about public safety issues at 31st Street; the area lacks a needed sidewalk. DDOT will install a crosswalk along Albemarle.

- ANC 3F03 Mitchell Baer:
  - No update.
- ANC 3F04 Claudette David:

Commissioners have seen new website design, will be posted in a week before it is live at anc3f.com.

- ANC 3F05 James Tandaric:
  - No update.
- ANC 3F06 Courtney Carlson:

Update between Nebraska and Fessenden commercial strip; Rosemary Bistro has updated and invested in the streetery pavilion; highly recommend Honeybee Bakery

## V. Regular Agenda – Committee Reports

- Streets & Sidewalks
  - Paul Harrison (paul@3lobos.com):
    - Did a walk along 35th street behind Breadfurst / Ex Burger King area
    - Highlighted a need to DDOT for traffic calming in Forest Hills / Wakefield, as well as identifying sidewalk gaps and overall safety concerns
    - Broad Branch stormwater refit, DDOT will be installing traffic calming and extending sidewalk to increase the permeable surface and the committee outlined areas where they can use these changes to increase safety
    - Waiting for preliminary design of 4-way stop at 32nd and Albemarle where there are crossings towards the Soapstone trailhead
    - No news on the bike lane study
    - Broad Branch Road: conversations whether DDOT can enter a biking or walking path into the park as the only current entrances are at Tilden and Military Road, excluding a large swath of the park
- Parks & Watersheds
  - O Mitch Baer: Signage put in for the Broad Branch Trail
- Schools & Universities
  - James Tandaric: Discussed next steps for new UDC president coming in, committee will meet next month, please email James Tandaric if you would like to join the committee. <u>3F05@anc.dc.gov</u>
- Housing & Neighborhoods
  - Teri Huet: No update, committee will meet August 15th.

## VI. Regular Agenda - Community Forum

- University of the District of Columbia
  - O Juanita Gray:
    - Summer enrollment: 809 students enrolled, 580 at Van Ness campus
    - Archives will be giving another presentation tonight
    - Retail updates: Mom's is slated to open December 2023, Dog Haus Summer 2024, Chick Fil A and Fudruckers August 2024
    - Academic year starts August 21st, 2023.
    - Question from community about any update on 4225 Connecticut
       Avenue, no update from Juanita at this time
    - Question whether the ANC can help expedite Mom's opening, no information yet whether Mom's needs the ANCs assistance at this time

- Next Community-Campus Task Force Meeting will be Thursday, November 16, 2023 @ 6:30pm
- Van Ness Main Street
  - Gloria Garcia
    - The ground that UDC is on has additional bureaucratic difficulties related to DC and WMATA and the Fine Arts Commission
    - Working with Compass Coffee to see if we can bring them up
    - Day's Inn is undergoing more than a \$1 million renovation, including interior, facade, and landscape, ideally will organize some tours to see what has changed
    - Upper corridor, will be an art gallery at the Headliners salon, after which the only vacancy will be the old Jake's place
    - New updates to come on the Park Van Ness Uptown Market space
    - Movie Night tomorrow evening and the following Wednesday
    - Art All Night September 29th.
    - Sand fundraiser for Forest Hills Park, will be purchasing from Ace Hardware <a href="https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause">https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause</a> pdetails/MTg1ODE0
      - Lieutenant Ollivierre has suggested reaching out to MPD to see if they can speed along the process. Matthew Barclay of MOCR is also assisting.
- Representative from Councilmember Matt Frumin's Office
  - Shantise Wynn-Brown, staff assistant and scheduler, next Wednesday working in the Ward July 26th at Dolan from 8 am to 5pm. Different agencies will visit and DDOT will be present from 3pm to 5pm, MPD from 9:30 am to 11am as well as OAG.
  - o If any constituent would like anything from the office, feel free to call the Councilmember's office at 202-724-8062
  - Councilmember Frumin's Work Day in the Ward July 26th 8am 5pm at Dolan Uyghur. Coffee w/CM Frumin 8am 10am, OAG 9am 11am, MPD 9:30am 11am, DDOT 3pm 5pm, MOCRS 4pm 5pm. Please contact our office for any issues, concerns, or assistance at 202-724-8062 or email me at swynn-brown@dccouncil.gov
- Oye Owolewa (US Representative)
  - DC Statehood, bills going to Congress and still pushing for DC statehood, ensuring access to AEDs in DC that is comparable to similar funding for other states
  - Public Safety clinic with people with criminal records on how to seal records, begin a career, and decrease recidivism.
  - o If you have questions, please reach me at adeoye.owolewa@dc.gov.
- MOCR Matthew Barclay
  - Mayor Bowser is proud to announce our new Chief of Police, Pamela A. Smith.
     Chief Smith knows DC, she knows MPD, she knows policing, and she understands

the network of law enforcement and public safety teams that work to keep Washington, DC safe. https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-names-pamela-smith-chief-police-metropolitan-police-department

- https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2023/07/17/police-chiefdc-pamela-smith/
- Pathways to the Middle-Class Initiative:
   <a href="https://progressreport.dc.gov/page/pathways-middle-class">https://progressreport.dc.gov/page/pathways-middle-class</a>

   We have opportunities for DC residents to gain employment throughout DC Government. Mota.dc.gov/jobs
- All-Star events. All week long. All welcome. Celebrate #MLSAllStar at Sandlot Anacostia with events ranging from a movie night to trivia. July 18th, 4-8pm Drills, skills, and trivia. July 19th, 4-8pm Atlas Brew works pre-game tailgate.
- O Mayor Bowser's July 11th Comments on Safer, Stronger DC Emergency Legislation Vote: "Today, the Council approved Councilmember Pinto's emergency legislation that includes several provisions from my Safer Stronger Amendment Act of 2023. I want to thank Councilmember Pinto for her partnership, leadership, and sense of urgency, and I want to thank the more than 150 people who testified two weeks ago at the Council hearing. We know that a safer DC is possible. And our community agrees that the status quo is unacceptable. People getting killed on our streets is unacceptable. People getting their cars or property stolen at gunpoint is unacceptable. Parents being afraid to let their children play outside or seniors being afraid to walk to the bus stop is unacceptable. The legislation that the Council passed today will fill gaps in our criminal justice system and, in doing so, will increase accountability for violent and criminal behavior and make our city safer."
- O Got Guns? Information: Help us make a #SaferStrongerDC. If you know someone who has an illegal gun or know where an illegal gun is hidden, participate in our gun tip reward program. Tips will remain anonymous. Call (202) 727-9099 or Text 50411
  - You will be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,500 for a tip leading to an arrest and a seizure of an illegal gun. You will be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$10,000 for a tip leading to an arrest and conviction in a shooting.
- o The Mayor's Office of the Clean City invites residents to bring any bulk items and used electronics to a drop-off site at no cost to help achieve DC's Zero Waste goals. Space is limited. Any seniors or residents living with disabilities can contact Carmen Roberts-Williams, President of NMPCA, at (202) 841-5266 by Saturday, July 15 to get assistance. When: Saturday, July 22 @ 10:00 a.m. Where: North Michigan Park Recreation Center (1333 Emerson Street NE)
- Mayor Bowser Announces Downtown Action Plan Mayor Bowser Launches
   Downtown Action Plan You can watch the downtown futuring workshop here.

- https://twitter.com/mayorbowser/status/1679560009510690816?s=46&t=sUnwdvYfgy1GoF4xmLzkPw
- Contact information: 202-340-7853, <u>matthew.barclay@dc.gov</u>; Twitter: Matthew Barclay, @Ward3Matthew

# National Building Museum

- O National Building Museum 2023 Summer Block Party is hosting Ward Day for Ward 3 Residents on August 3rd 10am 4pm. Complimentary admission to the National Building Museum and Look Here! Explore their newest summer installation, participate in hands-on crafts, enjoy Storytime at 11 am and 1 pm led by the DC Public Library, and meet community partners.
- O Resident's proof of address required to verify zip code. All children must be accompanied by an adult (no more than 10 children per adult, please).

# VI. Regular Agenda - Information Items

- Lieutenant Ollivierre, MPD marlon.ollivierre@dc.gov
  - O DC Crime Cards crimecards.dc.gov
  - o June 18th to July 18th, 2022 compared to 2023.
  - O Thefts up from 7 to 21 this year
    - 15 from CVS
  - Thefts from autos, up 7 to 20. Conducted in daylight hours. Thefts from construction, maid, and servicemen
  - Auto thefts, up 1 to 5, leaving cars running on delivery
  - Increased patrols, unit assigned to patrol areas when not on active radio call
  - O No homicides, no carjacking, no robberies in the 30-day comparison
  - Community question(s)
    - Many calls of police to just one apartment building in the area
    - Lt. Ollivierre, calls for services are for disorderly conduct and noise, MPD looks primarily at reported crimes

# • DC Water Update:

- Expanding community outreach during the summer, weekly/bi-weekly updates will continue through the summer
- O Reiterating that the community must stay out of Soapstone Park, it is dangerous for the community and the workers
- O DC Water has promised to have a detailed schedule for shots.
- O Please view / listen to the recording for the full presentation.
- DC Archives Project Update with State Archivist and Public Records Administrator for DC, Dr. Lopez Matthews
  - View the recording for the full presentation

- O UDC Campus Master Plan modification narrows in the proposal for DC Archives. Hearing date in September TBD for modification of the Master Plan.
- Commissioner questions and answers from the presenters were detailed, please listen / watch the recording
  - Community members can contact <u>javier.dussan@udc.edu</u>, Javier Dussan or Juanita Gray
- Community questions and others post-presentation:
  - Many community members wanted to stress the importance of the community garden and its benefit to the city and local community. One specific commenter wanted to stress the importance of greenhouses and public farms for all 8 Wards. There was conversation about whether the planned for garden space matches that which already exists, design revisions can potentially take place

#### ■ UDC Student:

Students thought they would have more input in the process, most who were first able to give input likely have already graduated. So current students won't have much of a say. Question: How can students have better input in the plans of UDC? Answer: University has continued to engage student and faculty, including identifying Bldg. 41 as the site of DC archives. It has been a continued focus for UDC to identify student housing. Archives on site will be an asset to UDC students and the design of Archives will increase green space and connection to public transportation. UDC is working intensively to coordinate synergies with UDC students

#### ■ PhD at UDC:

Student for 3 years and president of garden club for similar amount of time, other PhD students had no idea this project was going on. What student population was engaged? Were students engaged? How will they be engaged? And what will happen to the gardens around campus? Answer: Unsure of specific numbers, question of pausing garden activities during construction. Believes temporary impact on the gardens worth the end result for benefit to the city. Gardens are included in the design. Engaged in planning of overall campus master plan, including surveys, emails, and a taskforce.

- What is the plan for the community roof top garden at Building 41, will there be a similar rooftop garden at the Archives?
- Chat Questions
  - Housing: Still a goal of UDC to move forward with housing plans on campus, the Archives' building plot was not identified as a good location for on-campus housing.

- Who can the UDC garden club contact regarding their questions?
   Answer: VP of Facilities, all questions should be channeled through Juanita Gray
- What are the statistics for student engagement? Answer: Will provide information to the ANC
- Original Master Plan's conditions have not been met in terms of ANC and UDC Garden Club stakeholder involvement, DC Zoning Commission hearing on September 21st, 2023.
  It would have been beneficial to engage with the community prior to the drawing of plans, claims many have questioned why they have not been involved in the process and the logic behind the master plan? Answer: Zoning Commission approved the library as a site as a DC Archives position, issues regarding construction and debris are not related to the zoning commission application. The District and UDC will engage with the community as construction moves forward. Structural load of the DC Archives equipment and records are different to the loads given by books of the current library.
- O Many community members had additional questions and there were follow up responses from the presenters, please listen and watch the recording.
- Permit for zoning relief required to construct a new D.C. Archives building on UDC's Van Ness Campus

# VII. Regular Agenda - Action Items

Grant Application: Undesign the Redline:
 This is a \$5,000 grant. Please listen to / watch the presentation for the full details and commissioner comments / questions.

Commissioner Tandaric moved to approve the Undesign the Redline \$5,000 grant. Motion was approved with 4 voting in favor, 2 voting against, and 0 abstaining (4-2-0).

Permit: 4404 29th Street, NW
 Commissioner Baer moved to approve the DDOT permit #420857 for 4404 29th Street
 NW. Motion was approved with 6 voting in favor, 0 voting against, and 0 abstaining (6-0-0).

#### VIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Tandaric moved to adjourn. Motion was approved with 6 voting in favor, 0 voting against, and 0 abstaining (6-0-0). The meeting adjourned at 9:51 pm.