GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3B Glover Park and Cathedral Heights



ANC 3B 2024 Annual Report and Highlights

Introduction

ANC3B is the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) for the neighborhoods of Glover Park, the western part of Cathedral Heights and southeastern part of Wesley Heights, with each Commissioner serving 2,000 residents in the neighborhood. ANCs are the level of District government closest to the people. Elections for ANC Commissioners are held on a non-partisan basis every two years, as part of DC General Elections. The major function of ANCs is to advise District government agencies and officials on policies and programs.

To carry out that function, the ANC:

- Holds monthly public meetings to respond to DC agencies' proposals and requests for comment, discuss issues and concerns, hear perspectives from constituents, and share information important to residents and businesses
- Identifies emerging issues affecting the community and assists in devising effective approaches for dealing with them
- Reviews applications for liquor licenses and zoning cases in the Commission area, advises on changes as needed and takes official positions in the interest of the neighborhood
- Awards grants to support local projects that provide benefits to the community
- Works with other Commissions and Commissioners on District-wide issues, including policy matters and administrative challenges facing ANCs.

In 2024, ANC3B held 12 monthly "virtual" meetings. Actions include:

- Support Liquor License applications for two new businesses in Glover Park
- Support for 3 Zoning cases
- Awarded 4 grants for a total of \$9,410
- Approved and Submitted 10 letters and resolutions on policy and program issues

Commissioners

In 2024, the six incumbent commissioners of 3B were:

- Jackie Blumenthal, Chair, 3B02 (Eastern Glover Park)
- J. Kevin Carroll, Vice Chair, 3B04 (Western Cathedral Heights and northern most part of Glover Park
- Kevin Lavezzo, Treasurer, 3B01 (Northern Glover Park)
- Melissa Lane, Secretary, 3B03 (Western Glover Park)
- Gupi Howie, At-Large and Stoddert Elementary School Liaison, 3B05 (Southern Glover Park)
- Ben Bergmann, At-Large, 3B06 (Southwestern Cathedral Heights)

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N. Glover Park	E. Glover Park	W. Glover Park	Cathedral heights	S. Glover Park	Cathedral Heights
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Highlights

Addressing and evaluating WMATA's proposals for the Better Bus Network was the major focus of ANC 3B in 2024. The initial proposals removed bus service on Cathedral Avenue in Cathedral Heights as well as any service to the interior of Glover Park. The ANC worked with the community, Councilmember Frumin's office and WMATA representatives over several months and succeeded in restoring bus service to Cathedral Avenue and routing two new lines through the interior of Glover Park in the final Better Bus Network proposal.

ANC 3B also worked with the Stoddert PTO to keep the community abreast of the Stoddert Elementary School construction plans, schedules and impacts on the neighborhood. The first phase of the construction which started in June 2024 is building an addition with ten classrooms on the east side of the school. In June 2024, construction is anticipated to begin on the west side to build a new cafeteria. ANC 3B also addressed licensing issues regarding potential medical cannabis businesses in Glover Park. To date, none of the potential businesses have qualified.

Through the year, ANC 3B worked with the Second District MPD and the DC Department of Transportation to pursue constituents' interests in pedestrian and traffic safety improvements, and to address an upsurge of crime in the area. The ANC also worked with others in the community towards constructive improvements in the Wisconsin Avenue commercial strip, supporting continued work by Glover Park Main Street and its efforts to improve the streetscape and encourage economic health of the area. ANC3B continued to support the Glover Park Clean Team, which helps clean and maintain the Glover Park commercial areas.

Actions

Liquor Licenses

- Maharaja, House of Biryani, 2414 Wisconsin Avenue, NW
- Bonjon Rumi, 2444 Wisconsin Avenue, NW

Zoning: Requests for Special Exception

- 3929 Fulton St., NW
- 2232 40th St., NW
- 3544 W Place, NW

<u>Grants</u>

- \$2,500 to Glover Park Day, a longstanding annual neighborhood celebration, to cover some of the costs of tables, chairs and a music stage
- \$2,200 to the Glover Park Citizens' Association to support the work of the Appalachian Trail Club to do major repairs on the Whitehaven Trail in Glover Park
- \$2,500 to the Friends of Guy Mason to renovate and fully restore the Fragrance Garden at the Guy Mason Recreation Center
- \$2,210 to Hardy School to PTO to support a GeoPlunge and History Plunge tournament at Hardy for five elementary schools including Stoddert that feed into Hardy

Letter and Resolutions

- Resolution Regarding WMATA's Proposed FY25 Cuts in Bus and Metro Service (March 2024)
- Resolution in Support of Continued and Increased Funding for Glover Park Village (March 2024)
- Letter of Support for Glover Park Day (April 2024)
- Resolution Addressing ANC 3B's concerns Regarding the Initiative Amendment Act of 2023 (any initiated measure is to be evaluated for its fiscal implications prior to becoming effective) (April 2024)

- Letter to Chairman Mendelson and Members of Council Expressing Concerns Regarding the Mayor's Proposed Cuts to Early Childhood Education (April 2024)
- Letter to WMATA Expressing Concerns About Better Bus Network Proposals and their Potential Negative Impacts on Glover Park, Cathedral Heights and Wesley Heights (May 2024)
- Follow-Up Letter to WMATA Expressing Further Concerns About Better Bus Network Proposals and their Potential Negative Impacts on Glover Park, Cathedral Heights and Wesley Heights (July 2024)
- Letter to the DC Department of Environment Supporting Glover House Request for an Exception to Construction House to Allow Overnight Paving (September 2024)
- Resolution Supporting Washington Gas and Lights' request to Allow Construction Work to run from 7 am to 5 pm on weekdays in the Area of Glover Park Where Gas Lines are being replaced (September 2024)
- Resolution on DDOT Proposed Rules for Steateries Asking to Life Rush Hour Restrictions on Wisconsin Avenue in Commercial Areas and Addressing the Costs of Having a Streatery. (November 2024)

Financial Statement

ANC	3B FY2024 Budget			
		Approved	Proposed	Actual
		FY23	FY24	FY24
Balance Forward		\$17,616	\$31,053	
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	District Allotment	\$15,477	\$15,941	\$19,591
	Interest			
	Other			
	Transfer From Savings			
Total Receipts		\$15,477	\$15,941	\$19,590.96
Total Funds Available		\$33,092	\$46,994	\$47,474.29
	(Balance Forward + Total Receipts)			
Disbur	sements			
1	Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
2	Direct Office Cost	\$0	\$5,000	\$0.00
3	Communication	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$576.39
4	Office Supplies, Equipment, Print	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
5	Grants	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$7,213.51
6	Local Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
7	Purchase of Service	\$0	\$10,000	\$286.56
8	Bank Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
9	Other	\$25	\$25	\$50.00
Total Disbursements		\$11,025	\$35,025	\$8,126.46
Ending Balance		\$22,067	\$11,969	\$42,517.95

This report was approved by the Commission by a vote of 4-0 at the duly noticed public meeting on December 12, 2024, at which a quorum was present. (Four of the six Commissioners constitutes a quorum.)