



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3D
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ANNUAL REPORT

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ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3D

COMMISSIONERS

Chuck Elkins, 3D01

Tricia Duncan, 3D02 Chair

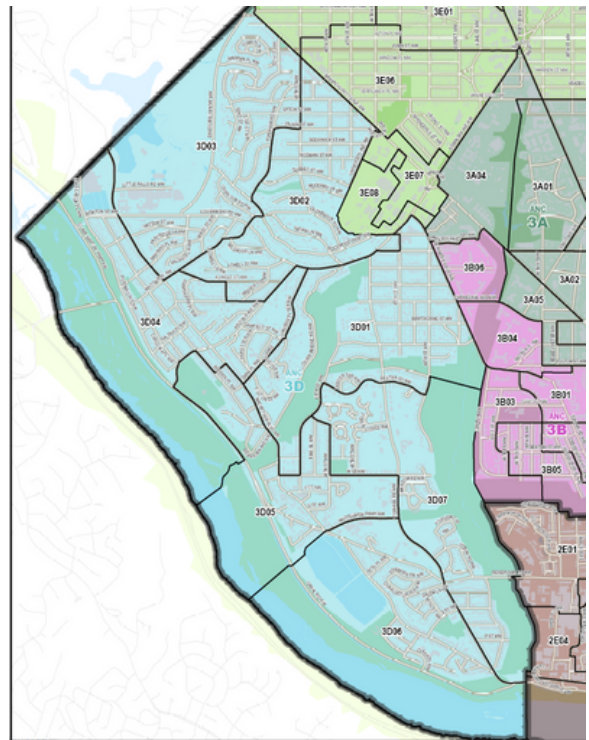
Quentin Colin-Roosevelt,
3D03

Jeremy Joseph; Andrew
Davis 3D04

Bernie Horn, 3D05 Vice-
Chair

Marilyn Nowalk, 3D06
Treasurer

J.P. Szymkowicz, 3D07



Map of ANC 3D and Single Member
District Boundaries



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D (“Commission”, “ANC3D”) is located in Northwest DC. It contains the neighborhoods of Wesley Heights, Spring Valley, Palisades, Kent, Foxhall Village, and Berkley.

ANC3D holds public meetings open to every member of the community to discuss issues affecting the area, share information, and make policy recommendations to city decision-makers.

The Commission has seven members, each representing about 2,000 residents in the community.

14,000+

Residents Served

ANC 3D meetings are typically held on the first Wednesday of each month. The date of the next meeting is posted on the ANC3D website along with the proposed agenda for the next meeting. ANC 3D invites residents to suggest agenda items for future public meetings. Each public meeting includes time for community concerns and updates in which anyone can raise issues, make comments, and ask questions.

INTRODUCTION

PALISADES
RECREATION



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEMBERS

Chuck Elkins*
Co-chair

Derry Allen
Co-chair

Lisa Adams
Natalie Ambrose
Hattie Babbitt
Andrew Beath
Mark Blumenthal
William Clarkson
William Dickenson
Tricia Duncan*
Avi Green
Andrew Heimert
Mark Maves
Michael Sriquei+
George Tsibouris
Jack Wells

*Current ANC
Commissioner

+Former ANC
Commissioner

ANC3D has a very active Transportation Committee that met on a regular monthly basis throughout the year. During the meetings, the committee discussed the details of proposed transportation projects. In each case, after reviewing the details of these projects and their pros and cons and making suggestions for their adjustment, the Committee recommended positions that the full Commission should take on these projects with DDOT.

This year the Committee's efforts were especially focused on the review of the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) for bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements on New Mexico Avenue and Arizona Avenue.

The Committee also addressed the repair of sidewalks in the Commission's neighborhoods and need for new sidewalks where access to schools, transportation, and recreation is endangered because of the lack of sidewalks.

Additionally, the Committee advised the relevant agencies regarding transportation options for the students expected to attend the new public High School on MacArthur Blvd.

KEY ISSUES AND ANC ACTIONS

From January 1, 2023 to December 6, 2023, the Commission voted to approve many official actions. Many of these were resolutions on substantive policy matters in the District. The Commission sent letters to key District officials and Councilmembers advising them on proposed policies, advocating for improvements that align with community preferences, and supporting local activities.

In this section, we have chosen to highlight the Commission's work on four key issues: transportation, public education, quality of our neighborhoods, and keeping our neighbors informed

KEY ISSUE: TRANSPORTATION

The Commission addressed a variety of different transportation issues during the year. Among the most significant were:

Making Our Streets and Sidewalks Safer

Focusing on:

- Supporting Traffic Safety Bills brought before the DC Council
- Encouraging DDOT to complete the slower speed limit sign changeover
- Ensuring DDOT maintains sidewalks and pathways in ANC 3D
- Advocating for harsher penalties for using fraudulent license plates
- Construction of a protective bike lane and pedestrian safety improvements on New Mexico Avenue NW and Arizona Ave NW

Advocating for Improved Access to Alternative Forms of Transportation

Focusing on:

- Providing WMATA with real data through ANC 3D's Better Bus Initiative Survey
- Improving Bus access to much of ANC3D, especially near MacArthur High School
- Advocating for a better network of bike paths in ANC 3D
- A detailed letter asking DDOT to incorporate the Commission's list of priority projects into their FY 2024 plans
- Encouraging DDOT and DDOE to better plan for the accommodation of Electric Vehicles (EVs)
- Supporting the rehabilitation of the Trolley Trestle Bridge

KEY ISSUE: EDUCATION

The Commission submitted 7 recommendations to the District agencies related to education this year. Among these recommendations were:

Approving and Monitoring Compliance with Campus Plans

Focusing on:

- Working with neighborhood groups and organizations to support the construction of new facilities at American University and Wesley Seminary
- Bringing attention to issues within the OSSE Bus Service program
- Encouraging action on the building of additional public schools in Ward 3

KEY ISSUE: QUALITY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

The Commission exercised its role in reviewing applications for the proper use of public space and appropriate deviations under the Zoning Regulations by reviewing 16 public space applications and 13 applications to the Board of Zoning Adjustment

Taking Action

Focusing on:

- Identifying and rectifying issues with unpermitted construction projects
- Communicating and collaborating with developers seeking to build in ANC 3D
- Approved two new restaurant's request for liquor licenses
- Finally, the Commission made recommendations to the Zoning Commission regarding the giving of adequate notice to Advisory Neighborhood Commissions regarding upcoming matters in which these Commissions may wish to participate.

KEY ISSUE: KEEPING OUR NEIGHBORS INFORMED

One of the important functions of the Commission is making sure that residents are kept informed of District programs and policies as well as those of local institutions.

What does this entail?

- Among the briefings provided to residents at Commission meetings were those involving the District's plans for public education, upgrades to the District's water and electric infrastructure, and plans for construction at both the Wesley Seminary and American University campuses.
- Residents and the Commission also heard from local representatives, including Councilmember Matthew Frumin, DDOT Director Everett Lott, DOB Director Brian Hanlon and Ward 3 BOE Representative Eric Goutlet.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED IN 2023

Click each resolution to view the full text

TRANSPORTATION

- In favor of a DC budget earmark for bus service to the MacArthur High School – Commissioner Elkins
- The Need for Improved Bus Service for the Palisades (Commissioner Duncan)
- Letter to DDOT and DDOE regarding Electric Vehicles (Commissioner Elkins)
- Letter to Councilmember Frumin regarding MacArthur High School Bike paths (Commissioner Elkins)
- Comments to DDOT on NOI for Arizona Ave NW Bike Lanes (Commissioner Elkins)
- Letter to DDOT regarding the repaving of New Mexico Ave NW (Commissioner Elkins)
- Letter to DDOT regarding the transition from 25mph signs to 20mph (Commissioner Duncan)
- Letter in support of the 2023 Marine Corps Marathon Traffic Plan
- Letter to WMATA requesting an extension to the comment period for the Better Bus Initiative (Commissioner Duncan)
- Resolution authorizing ANC 3D's Better Bus Initiative Survey results (Commissioner Duncan)
- Letter to Councilmember Frumin regarding Traffic Safety Bills
- Resolution to DC to release funds for the Trolley Trestle Bridge Rehabilitation (Commissioner Szymkowicz)

ZONING

- Letter to AG Schwalb regarding agreements with developers
- Letter to the Office of Planning regarding the Wesley Planned Unit Development (Commissioners Duncan and Elkins)
- Resolution in support of further processing for the American University Meltzer Center (Commissioners Duncan and Elkins)
- Letter in support of the construction of Sibley Hospital's Sterile Processing Center (Commissioner Colón-Roosevelt)
- Letter to the Zoning Commission regarding rules governing the consideration of ANC oral testimony
- Letter in Support of the Wesley Seminary PUD and Campus Plan (Commissioners Duncan and Elkins)
- TCC/ Balfour Project Letter to the BZA (Commissioner Horn)

RESOLUTIONS-CONTINUED

EDUCATION

- Letter to Councilmember Frumin on the Foxhall Elementary Budgetary Timeline (Commissioner Nowalk)
- Letter to the Mayor and the DC Council regarding OSSE Bus Service (Commissioner Colón-Roosevelt)
- Request for DGS to install “closed” signs and the Mann School Playground (Commissioner Elkins)

OVERSIGHT

- ANC 3D 2023 Budget and Oversight Priorities (Commissioner Duncan)
- Claudio’s Table Liquor License and Settlement Agreement
- Letter of support for Iona Senior Services grant proposal (Commissioner Duncan)
- Letter to DDOT Regarding public engagement regarding the Spring Valley Stormwater Project (Commissioner Elkins)
- Response to DDOT Notice of Intent for Spring Valley Stormwater Project

CRIME

- Criminal Code Reform Resolution and Resolution Denouncing Federal Congressional Interference in Local DC Laws (Commissioners Nowalk and Szymkowicz)
- Resolution Supporting Councilmember Gray's "Police Officer Recruitment and Retention Act of 2023"
- Letter to the DC Council regarding penalties for the fraudulent use of license plates (Commissioner Szymkowicz)
- Resolution in support of Mayor Bowser’s Legislation on Crime (Commissioner Szymkowicz)

OTHER

- Letter in Support of Lights-Out Hour DC (Commissioner Duncan)
- Letter in support of the BellRinger Bike Race
- Emergency Storm Response Thank You Letters (Commissioner Szymkowicz)

50+
Resolutions Passed

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



ANC3D FY2023 Amended Budget

Officially adopted at the January 11th, 2023 Commission meeting

Item	FY 2022 Approved Budget (\$)	FY 2023 Proposed Budget
Total Resources	94,717	\$57,000 in reserve + FY23 allocation of \$20,533 (\$17,239 in FY24)
Expenditures		
Personnel	0	0
Direct office cost (including meeting room at \$425/month for 7 months);post office box (~\$205), dropbox (~\$127)	1500	3500
Communication (Zoom)	10,000	250
Office Supplies, Equipment, printing (hybrid meeting equipment)	5000	1300
Grants	45,000 (13,000 actually expended)	??
Local Transportation	0	0
Purchase of Service (Administrator at \$25/hr for 35 hours max per month=\$10500/yr) Transcripts at \$1100/year Other possible contracts ~\$500/year	30,000	12,100
Bank charges	175	250
Other	25	25
TOTALS	91,700	17,425(without grants)