



**Government of the District of Columbia**  
**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3/4G**

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3/4G-06 - Peter Gosselin 3/4G-07 - Elizabeth Nagy, Secretary

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## **ANC 3/4G January 2025 Meeting Minutes**

### **Minutes of the Regular Monthly Public Meeting**

### **Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G**

**January 13, 2025, 7:00 PM at the Chevy Chase Community Center, Washington, DC**

There were 25 in-person attendees and 52 online participants.

#### **Members Present:**

- Lisa Gore, Commissioner, SMD01
- Bruce Sherman, Commissioner, SMD02
- Carol Grunewald, Commissioner, SMD03
- Laura Phinizy, Commissioner, SMD04
- Karrenthya Simmons, Commissioner, SMD05
- Peter Gosselin, Commissioner, SMD06
- Liz Nagy, Commissioner, SMD07

**2024 Officers Present:** Commissioner Lisa Gore, Chair; Commissioner Peter Gosselin, Vice-Chair; Commissioner Bruce Sherman, Secretary.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the December 9, 2024, meeting were removed from the Consent Agenda.

**Election of New Officers for 2025** - The following officers were elected for the 2025 calendar year:

**Chair:**

Commissioner Bruce Sherman was nominated by Commissioner Carol Grunewald.

Commissioner Lisa Gore was nominated by Commissioner Karrenthya Simmons.

Commissioner Gore was elected Chair by a vote of 4-3.

**Vice Chair:**

Commissioner Bruce Sherman was nominated by Commissioner Carol Grunewald.

Commissioner Peter Gosselin was nominated by Commissioner Lisa Gore.

Commissioner Sherman was elected Vice Chair by a vote of 4-3.

**Secretary:**

Commissioner Liz Nagy was nominated by Commissioner Carol Grunewald.

Commissioner Peter Gosselin was nominated by Commissioner Lisa Gore.

Commissioner Nagy was elected Secretary by a vote of 4-3.

**Treasurer:**

Commissioner Karrenthya Simmons was nominated by Commissioner Laura Phinizy.

Commissioner Simmons was elected Treasurer by a vote of 7-0.

**ANC 2025 Meeting Schedule (Seconded and passed by vote of 7-0):** 1/13; 1/27; 2/10; 2/24; 3/10; 3/24; 4/7; 5/12; 6/9; 6/23; 7/14; 7/28; August (Recess); 9/8; 10/6; 10/27; 11/10; 11/24; and 12/8.

**Adoption of Agenda:** Commissioner Sherman moved to amend the agenda to remove the adoption of the resolution approving the ANC's participation in the ANC Security Fund and the December 9, 2024, minutes. The motion to adopt the amended agenda was seconded and passed with a vote of 7-0.

**Community Forum:** Several residents spoke during the Community Forum regarding transportation concerns, specifically regarding proposed changes to bus routes under the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) Better Bus Network plan.

Residents highlighted the need for continued bus service to Knollwood Senior Living and the importance of community engagement in transportation planning.

**WMATA Better Bus Network:** Several commissioners expressed awareness of the community's concerns regarding proposed changes to bus routes, particularly the impact on Knollwood and Ingleside residents. Commissioner Sherman highlighted ongoing efforts to address concerns, including advocating for a bus stop at the entrance of Knollwood Senior Living.

**Councilmember's Report:** Councilmember Janeese Lewis-George provided updates on District government activities, including snow removal efforts and upcoming listening sessions. Councilmember Lewis-George also acknowledged the importance of community advocacy efforts regarding the Better Bus Network plan. Commissioner Gore expressed gratitude to Councilmember Lewis-George for her office's support and advocacy.

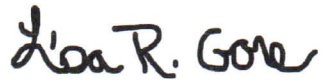
**Public Space Construction Permit Application:** David Landsman, a civil engineer with Cas Engineering, presented a public space construction permit application for 2728 Rittenhouse Street NW. The application proposes the construction of a new curb cut and driveway on a vacant lot. Commissioner Sherman, representing the district where the property is located, reported receiving no objections from neighbors. The Commission voted 6-0-1, with Commissioner Phinizy abstaining, to support the public space construction permit application.

**Modification to the Maret School BZA Order:** Commissioner Sherman presented three proposed modifications to the Maret School Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) Order for the development of athletic fields at the Episcopal Center for Children. The modifications include changing the color of poles from light to dark in order to be less obtrusive, clarifying that the height of football goalposts which is not to exceed 30 feet, and removing the proposed enclosure of a community park space. Commissioner Sherman moved to support the proposed changes, the motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7-0.

**Testing of Artificial Turf for PFAS:** Commissioner Sherman proposed allocating \$3,930 to conduct testing of artificial turf products planned for use at the Maret School athletic fields for the presence of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS). After discussion about testing protocols, the availability of alternative testing laboratories, and potential courses of action based on test results, Commissioner Sherman amended the motion to include that he and Commissioner Gosselin would expeditiously explore other testing laboratories and costs. The motion to approve the pursuing inquiries about testing with the amendment was seconded and passed with a vote of 7-0.

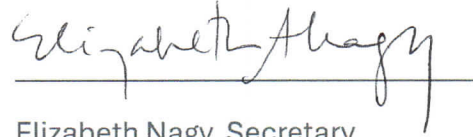
**Announcements:** Several commissioners shared announcements regarding upcoming community events and initiatives, including a meet and greet at Starbucks, a walk-through on Greenville Street, and a Racial and Social Equity Committee event.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.



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Lisa R. Gore, Chairperson



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Elizabeth Nagy, Secretary