Minutes

of the Regular Meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D Wednesday, February 5, 2024 7:00 PM Via Electronic Zoom Meeting

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Meeting brought to order at approximately 7:00 PM. Commissioners in attendance:
Elkins, 3D01
Duncan, 3D02, Vice Chair
Colón Roosevelt, 3D03
Blumenthal, 3D04
Horn, 3D05, 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, Secretary ANC 3D

Position in Recording	
HH:MM	
00:00:00	Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda Chairperson Horn called the meeting to order and welcomed the community to the meeting. Chairperson Horn amended agenda to move Bangbop from Official Actions to Discussions and added MacArthur High School holiday construction hours and Mandatory Increases in Car Insurance to Official Actions. Commissioner Duncan seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda. The motion to pass the agenda as amended passed unanimously 6-0-0. Commissioner Elkins is experiencing computer issues and will join momentarily.
00:01:53	GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY UPDATES
	Anthony McElwee (Metropolitan Police Department Update)
	Officer McElwee, liaison officer with the Second District in PSA 205, stated there
	were 17 offenses in the last 30 days. Nine thefts from autos and 8 general thefts.
	The Officer reminded all to remove valuables from vehicles when parked.
	Commissioner Duncan inquired further about a burglar who was apprehended and his role in multiple Massachusetts thefts. The Officer stated a photo was available

of the suspected burglar. Commissioner Colón Roosevelt asked about the timing of the burglaries; they occurred between the hours of 10:30 am and 12:30 pm when neighbors are making quick shopping stops.

Captain Haskis reiterated the need to remove valuables from vehicles.

William Owen Cox (MOCRS)

The MOCR team has been working with DPW on snow removal. Christmas tree removal will resume following snow clearing delays.

Commissioner Nowalk asked for an explanation on the delay in recycling pickup. Mr. Cox said the delay was strategic to allow for regular trash pickup to minimize vermin risk. Mr. Cox will investigate Commissioner Nowalk's issue regarding Group D leaf removal occurring in the spring and not the fall.

Commissioners Blumenthal and Colón Roosevelt expressed concern over the lack of communication regarding recycling pickup. Messaging was delayed and incorrect. Mr. Cox will raise the issue with DPW.

Commissioners Colón Roosevelt and Elkins raised un-shoveled sidewalk concerns. Snow Heroes who volunteer shoveling services are a resource but there aren't enough volunteers. Commissioner Elkins suggested high school students get service hours for shoveling.

Commissioner Horn noted that DPW should keep the community informed of weather-related issues on their website and/or other official places and that posting on X is a problem. Commissioner Blumenthal agreed, noting that X now requires a login.

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Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, PTAs, and Local Civic Associations and other Community Groups)

Kevin Days (George Washington University)

Commissioner Horn relayed Mr. Days' update that there is a basketball game on February 15th and the community is invited to attend at no cost.

Cory Peterson (Georgetown University)

Students living in Foxhall winter houses were provided with shovels and salt. The main campus continues to experience waster and steam outages largely due to an aging 80-year-old system. Repairs are underway and are projected to be completed in April to coincide with commencement and reunion weekend.

Commissioner Szymkowicz asked about flooding on the lawn which is being addressed by the repairs. He also thanked the university for taking care of the rat problem.

Wesley Theological Seminary

	Commissioner Duncan share that the Wesley Community Liaison Committee
	meeting is open to the public and will occur on Thursday, February 20 th .
	Kai Spicher (German Embassy Construction Project Update)
	Herr Spicher is addressing neighborhood concern over idling trucks producing
	noise and fumes.
00:40:45	COMMISSIONER UPDATES
	Szymkowicz- Observed an altercation between police and an assailant of a taxicab driver in Georgetown. MPD apprehended the man.
	Nowalk – DC selective and charter school admission applications for K through 8 th grade are due March 1 st . She requested residents complete an online community health survey conducted by Sibley and Howard University hospitals.
	Horn – Considerable concern has been expressed about the lack of crossing guards on MacArthur between Dana and Arizona. Please see the link if interested in becoming a crossing guard.
	Blumenthal – Will be requesting a stop sign at the intersection of Macomb and Carolina Place.
	Colón Roosevelt – Reminded residents not to leave valuables in plain view when parking in front of restaurants and stores.
	Duncan – The Transportation meeting is scheduled for February 27 th from 2:00 - 3:30 pm. Sibley Hospital has scheduled a community meeting on February 13 at 7:00 pm. Efforts are underway to preserve the Foundry Branch Trestle Bridge. WMATA owns the bridge and is pushing to tear it down. The bridge is on National Park Service land and would need to be transferred to DDOT for pedestrian traffic. Georgetown University and multiple community groups are part of a working group to develop a restoration plan. There is debate on the terminus of the path from the east side of the bridge. Commissioner Duncan supports language that says, "The final pathway of the east side of the bridge should be determined by DDOT and professionals based on safety, utility, existing conditions, and costs along with significant input from Georgetown University Partnership and neighboring communities."
	Elkins – No additional updates.
1:05:45	DISCUSSIONS
	Bangbop ABCA License
	Commissioner Nowalk introduced Mr. JB Bak owner of Bangbop who is seeking a liquor license from the ABCA. Mr. Bak overviewed the restaurant's offerings and policies and emphasized adherence to food and alcohol handling procedures. A soft

	opening is planned for late February and a grand opening will take place when a beer and wine license is obtained.
01:16:10	OFFICIAL ACTIONS
01:16:10	The Field School Athletic Field
	Commissioner Szymkowicz made a motion to approve the Field School's campus plan amendment. Commissioner Duncan seconded the motion.
	The motion to approve the Field School campus plan amendment passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:31:27	5010 V Street BZA
	Commissioner Horn made a motion to approve the special exemptions to build over an already impervious surface at 5010 V Street.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:35:00	48th Place Crosswalk
	Commissioner Horn moved to approve a letter of support for a crosswalk on 48 th Place. Commissioner Nowalk seconded the motion.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:37:39	Support for the Bottle Return Bill
	Commissioner Elkins moved to approve a letter to the DC Council in support of the Bottle Return Bill. Commissioner Horn seconded the motion.
	Commissioner Elkins accepted a friendly amendment from Commissioner Nowalk to eliminate the reference to a "one or two ward phase-in".
	The motion to approve the letter as amended passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:52:31	MacArthur High School Holiday Construction Hours
	Commissioner Nowalk moved to approve a letter containing additional details on construction requirements requested by DCPS for activity taking place at MacArthur High School on DC holidays. Commissioner Duncan seconded the motion.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:53:57	Increase in Mandatory Car Insurance

	Commissioner Szymkowicz moved to approve a letter in support of Councilmember Mendelson's Motor Vehicle Insurance Modernization Act of 2024
	(B25-0810). Commissioner Horn seconded the motion.
	The motion to approve the letter passed unanimously 7-0-0.
01:58:53	COMMISSION BUSINESS
	Go Vocal Contract Approval
	Commissioner Elkins moved to approve entering into a contract with Go Vocal for community engagement software. Commissioner Duncan seconded the motion. The motion to approve signing the Go Vocal contract passed unanimously 7-0-0.
	Treasurer Report
	Commissioner Elkins overviewed the quarterly financial report for the first quarter of the 2025 fiscal year. Administrator and transcriber expenses were reviewed. Commissioner Horn motioned to approve the 1Q2025 Financial Report with Commissioner Duncan seconding the motion.
	The motion to approve the 1Q2025 Financial Report passed unanimously 7-0-0.
02:04:45	Approval of Minutes
	Commissioner Nowalk introduced a motion to approve the January Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Horn seconded the motion.
	The motion to approve the January Meeting Minutes passed unanimously 7-0-0.
02:05:29	Notice of Next Meeting
	Commissioner Horn noticed the next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 5, 2025.
	Commissioner Szymkowicz suggested inviting District officials to future meetings. Commissioner Elkins expressed concern over the future of Home Rule Law in the District.
02:12:00	Adjournment
	Chairman Horn adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:12 pm.