GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3B GLOVER PARK, CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS AND WESLEY HEIGHTS



ANC 3B Public Meeting Minutes 13 March 2025

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Members Present: Kevin Lavezzo (3B01), Brian Turmail (3B02), Melissa Lane (3B03), Richard

Pollock (3B04), Gupi Howie (3B05) and Rob Rodriguez (3B06)

Approval of Agenda: Passed 6-0.

Police Report. Lt. Johnson reported 13 crimes in the past 30-day period, none of them violent crimes. All were thefts. Four were package thefts reported from one apartment building. Others included thefts at CVS and the Walgreens. One was a theft from auto. Asked about the continuing thefts at CVS, Lt. Johnson said that MPD's Crime Suppression Team is doing operations at CVS and other retailers. Asked about progress on solving the carjacking on Davis Place last month, Lt. Johnson said that they have a picture of the assailant that has been shared with the community but that the case is still open.

Old Business:

Discussion of Resolution on DC Bill B26-0058, Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Amendment Act of 2025. The bill seeks to establish a producer responsibility collection and recycling program for beverage containers to be overseen by the Department of Energy and the Environment. The bill is currently under review with the Committee on Business and Economic Development which must hold hearings on the bill by July 14, 2025. Commissioner Turmail summarized the draft resolution. While ANC 3B fully supports efforts to increase recycling, mitigate trash and protect our waterways from pollution, it has a number of concerns about the current bottle bill and urges the DC City Council to hold public hearings by the July deadline and address potential concerns including redemption rates and the potential impact of higher beverages costs on lower income groups and DC retailers. It further urges Council to make adjustments to the legislation as appropriate to mitigate any concerns. A motion was made to approve the resolution, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Discussion of Resolution on the Current Washington Gas Proposal, "District SAFE" (update of Project Pipes). Commissioner Lavezzo asked that this item be tables until the May meeting so that he can gather more information and talk to additional stakeholders.

New Business:

Briefing on Route, Signage and Parking Changes for the Better Bus Network Implementation on June 29, 2025. Implementation of the Better Bus Network in Glover Park replaces the D2 bus that loops between DuPont Circle and Glover Park with two bus lines: the D96 southbound and the C85 northbound. These changes require moving some bus stops and eliminating and moving some curb

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parking spaces. Commissioner Lane described the new bus routes in Glover Park and the required changes to accommodate them. Specifically, bus stops need to be moved on Edmunds Street because the bus route will no longer loop around Glover Park but will exit via a lefthand turn on to Edmunds from 41st Street and a right turn on to 42nd Street to New Mexico. WMATA will running the larger buses through the neighborhood rather than the smaller ones thus requiring more turning radius. To accommodate the larger buses, some curb parking spaces will be eliminated at 42nd and Edmunds and 41st and Edmunds and one space will be eliminated at Benton and 40th Street. Details on these changes are available at the ANC 3B website.

Discussion and Resolution on Funding for DC's Universal Pre-K and Pre-K Enhancement and Expansion Program (PKEEP). PKEEP provides funding to community-based organizations to offer PK3 and PK4 classes for DC families. The programs face elimination in the FY 2026 budget thus leaving families with fewer and more costly options for early childhood education. Commissioner Howie explained the issue and the resolution before ANC 3B. The resolution urges the Bowser Administration to protect funding for Universal PreK and the PreK Enhancement and Expansion Program (PKEEP). A motion was made to approve the resolution, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Updates and Information

Update on MacArthur High School SIT (School Improvement Team) meeting and Construction Status. A meeting was to take place in mid-March but it was delayed until April so an update will be provided at the next 3B meeting.

Open Forum

- Holly Pollinger from Glover Park Village asked about a grant request to ANC 3B. Because it was submitted the day before the March meeting which does not meet the requirement to be submitted a minimum of 7 days before the meeting, it will be considered at the April meeting.
- Kendall Gibson, Ward 3 Manager in the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, thanked everyone for their input on PKEEP and promised to relay those concerns about funding to the mayor's office. She also said that DC Health Link is having two events the Cleveland Park Library on March 26tth and April 18th where people can enroll in quality and affordable health insurance.
- Ashlee Mercer, Constituent Services Coordinator in Councilmember Frumin's office, said the March Workday in the Ward will be on March 27th from 8 am to 5 pm at Compass Coffee in Spring Valley. She says that CM Frumin fully supports PKEEP and is working to save the program. Also, there is a new website, fedsupport.dc.gov, which includes information on unemployment insurance and how to apply, resources for job seekers, federal employment guidance, and DC government opportunities. Finally, CM Frumin has announced his budget priorities for FY 2026 focus on six areas: Fully Fund Our Education Ecosystem, Support Our Seniors, Invest in Small Business and Commercial Corridors, Continue Our Commitments to Public Safety, Parks, Recreation, and Libraries and Expand Supportive Services in Tandem with Affordable Housing.

Administrative Matters

- Commissioner Turmail made a motion to approve the February minutes. It was seconded and approved 6-0.
- Commissioner Lavezzo gave the February financial report. The beginning balance was \$43,725.77. There were credits for \$1,466.55 and no expenditures. The ending balance was \$45,192.32

Motion to Adjourn: Passed 6-0. 7:58 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 10, 2025

These minutes were approved by the Commission by a vote of 4-0 at the duly noticed public meeting on April 10, 2025, at which a quorum was present. (Four of the six Commissioners constitutes a quorum.)