



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

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**COMMISSIONERS**

3/4G-01 - Lisa R. Gore, Chair 3/4G-02 - Bruce Sherman, Vice Chair 3/4G-03 - Carol Grunewald  
3/4G-04 - Laura Phinizy 3/4G-05 - Karrenthya Simmons, Treasurer  
3/4G-06 - Peter Gosselin 3/4G-07 - Elizabeth Nagy, Secretary

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**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 23, 2025, 6:30 PM – Virtual via Zoom**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

- All Commissioners present

**Number of participants online: Approximately 40, including 7 Commissioners**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Sherman called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM in the temporary absence of Chair Gore due to technical difficulties.

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

**A. MEETING PROCEDURES**

Commissioner Sherman outlined virtual meeting procedures and conducted commissioner introductions.

**B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was amended as follows: Removal of the resolution condemning recent violent attacks on Minnesota lawmakers pending OAG opinion.

The motion to approve the agenda as amended was adopted unanimously.

**C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Nagy moved that the minutes of June 9, 2025, be adopted with leave to make technical corrections. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gosselin and adopted unanimously.

## **II. MAIN TOPICS OF DISCUSSION**

### **A. RESIDENT FORUM**

The Commission heard from the following community member:

Brian Heilman - Expressed concerns about traffic modification at Utah and Nebraska intersection where approximately 70 stanchions have been installed, particularly regarding potential traffic jams when school resumes in the fall.

Commissioners Sherman and Phinizy responded that they have already engaged with the District Department of Transportation on this matter and are working to address community concerns.

### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

#### **1. UPDATES FROM MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' STAFF**

William Owen Cox, Ward 3 liaison for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, reported:

- Kendall Gibson's office hours moved to Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. They will be from 3:30-5:00 PM at Chevy Chase Library
- Commissioners thanked the Mayor's office for exceptional responsiveness during recent storm damage

#### **2. KNOLLWOOD RETIREMENT COMMUNITY LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

Commissioner Sherman reported that the Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis Administration has already granted the renewal for Knollwood's internal liquor license. No community concerns were raised, and no ANC action was required.

#### **3. WARD 3/WARD 4 DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITY EVENT GRANT APPLICATION**

Deidre Brown representing Ward 3 Democrats presented the grant application for a community event at Lafayette Corner Park. Discussion included concerns about the political nature of the event, data collection, and registration processes.

Commissioner Gore moved to support the grant application with a \$500 amount and stipulation that collected registration information will not be distributed to either organization and will only be used for understanding the number of people registered for the event. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gosselin.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

- Sherman: Yes

- Gosselin: Yes
- Nagy: No
- Phinizy: Yes
- Grunewald: No
- Simmons: Abstain
- Gore: Yes

**Motion carried 4-2-1.**

#### **4. HISTORIC CHEVY CHASE DC BENCH GRANT APPLICATION**

Charles Cadwell (Historic Chevy Chase DC) and Brian Combs presented a grant application for installing a memorial bench in front of the Avalon Theater in honor of Brian's parents, Kenneth and Carolyn Combs. Kenneth Combs served as a custodian at Lafayette Elementary School for 35 years.

The Commission voted unanimously to support Historic Chevy Chase DC's application for a public space permit to install the bench. The grant funding portion will be voted on at the next meeting per ANC procedures.

#### **5. RIVER SMART HOMES PROGRAM**

Skye Webster from the Department of Energy and Environment presented information about the River Smart Homes program, which provides subsidized storm water management retrofits including rain barrels, landscaping, shade trees, and permeable surface rebates to residential properties.

#### **6. CONNECTICUT AVENUE MULTIMODAL SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Ted Van Houten and Christophe Wassmer from DDOT presented updates on intersection safety improvements along Connecticut Avenue, focusing on eight intersections within ANC 3/4G territory. The \$7.1 million project addresses crash data, uncontrolled pedestrian crossings, and sight line issues at specific intersections rather than corridor-wide improvements.

Commissioners raised concerns about parking removal, community input processes, and the need for more detailed consultation with residents before implementation.

#### **7. RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE MARET PROJECT TASK FORCE**

Commissioner Sherman moved to adopt the resolution dissolving the Maret Project Task Force, as the construction phase is effectively completed and the task force has fulfilled its mandate under the memorandum of understanding.

The motion was adopted unanimously (7-0).

#### **8. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Simmons reported no expenses requiring approval. She reminded commissioners to cash outstanding checks and submit receipts.

**9. ANC CIVIC CORE SURVEY UPDATE**

Commissioner Simmons reported:


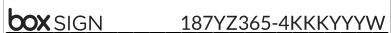
- Survey closes June 29th
- Survey working group meeting scheduled for June 30th at 7:00 PM
- ANC special meeting planned for July 7th
- Resolution due to the city by July 10th
- Mailers were sent to over 6,000 households

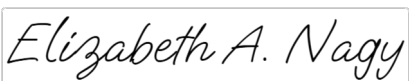

**10. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Simmons - DC Water meeting July 2nd at 7 PM regarding sewer lining project; DOT community engagement meeting Wednesday 7 PM • Commissioner Phinizy - Construction project at Lafayette field and track for repairs; proper ANC notification was not initially provided • Commissioner Gore - Heat safety reminder for pets and residents • Commissioner Nagy - Update on DC Water sewer lining projects causing disruptions on Connecticut Avenue and side streets, project completion expected July 11th • Commissioner Sherman - Reminder that Maret fields are not yet open to public use; artificial turf fields can be 35-55 degrees hotter than ambient temperature

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM.

Approved on July 14, 2025

Attested by:   
  
Lisa R. Gore, Chair

  
  
Elizabeth A. Nagy, Secretary

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Date

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