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3G07- Elizabeth Nagy, Vice-Chair



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ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3/4G
Chevy Chase, Barnaby Woods, Hawthorne

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G
Meeting Minutes – Feb. 23, 2026 - Virtual Via Zoom

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Lisa Gore (ANC 3/4G-01)
Commissioner Bruce Sherman (ANC 3/4G-02, Treasurer)
Commissioner Carol Grunewald (ANC 3/4G-03, Secretary)
Commissioner Laura Phinizy (ANC 3/4G-04, Chair)
Commissioner Karrenthya Simmons (ANC 3/4G-5)
Commissioner Peter Gosselin (ANC 3/4G-06)
Commissioner Elizabeth Nagy (ANC 3/4G-07, Vice Chair)

Number of participants online: 50 participants, including Commissioners

I. Opening Business

Call to Order

Chair Phinizy called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Meeting Procedures

Chair Phinizy outlined virtual meeting procedures.

Approval of Agenda

The Chair reviewed proposed agenda modifications, including:
• adjustment of time allocation for the Sidewalk Gap Program discussion

Chair Phinizy moved to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion was adopted unanimously (7-0-0).

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Grunewald moved to adopt the minutes of the Feb. 9, 2026 meeting, with leave to make technical corrections. The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously (7-0-0).

Chair Phinizy moved that the minutes be done strictly in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order (bare bones with no summaries) to avoid controversy. The motion was seconded and it was adopted unanimously (7-0-0).

II. Resident Forum and Reports

The Commission received a report that the broken Civic Core playground slide is not a budget priority item for DGS in this fiscal year but that barriers have been installed to prevent use of the broken slide until it can be repaired possibly in the next fiscal year.

III. Presentations and Motions

Maret School / Friends of the Field Community Service Agreement

The Commission received a report regarding a proposed Community Service Agreement between Maret School and Friends of the Field relating to the operation of Maret's new athletic field. Commissioner Sherman moved to approve a resolution supporting the Community Service Agreement, the ANC's new role under that agreement, Maret's request to have the athletic field accepted as built before the BZA, and vacating the existing MOU in favor of the new agreement. Chair Phinizy offered a friendly amendment to designate not only Commissioner Sherman, but any future ANC Chair, to act as representatives on this matter. The friendly amendment was accepted; and the motion was seconded and adopted unanimously (7-0-0).

The Commission also agreed that the ANC Chair and Commissioner Sherman would present the ANC's position at the Board of Zoning Adjustment hearing regarding the matter.

Sidewalk Gap Program

The Commission discussed potential sidewalk projects proposed by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), including possible installations on Oliver Street, and Pinehurst Circle and nearby streets. No motion was made.

Connecticut Avenue Apartment Buildings

Commissioner Nagy reported that she is reaching out to management companies and owners of apartment buildings along Connecticut Avenue to ask about real estate conditions, vacancy rates, and their opinions on the proposal to add apartments to the Civic Core site. No motion was made.

IV. COMMISSION BUSINESS

Racial and Social Equity (RASE) Committee

After noting that several RASE committee members had resigned, the Chair reviewed and confirmed expressions of interest from other individuals seeking to serve on the Committee.

Commissioner Sherman nominated Lester Burke, and Commissioner Simmons nominated Cal Simone, to be co-chairs of the RASE Committee. Commissioner Sherman accepted a friendly amendment to conduct the vote on a two-person slate rather than individually and then moved to appoint the slate of Lester Burke and Cal Simone as co-chairs of the RASE Committee. The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously (7-0-0).

The Chair moved to appoint Sheryl Barnes and Anita Beier to the RASE Committee. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The Chair moved to approve a slate consisting of Colleen Bragiel, Ty Green Wingfield, Brian Heilman, Renee Turner-Inman to serve on the RASE Committee. The motion was seconded but failed due to a requirement in Commission bylaws that the RASE Committee contain at least nine members and only six candidates were available.

Discussion followed regarding possible future bylaw changes with regard to the committee and whether to terminate the committee or try to keep it going. No vote was taken.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sherman reported the following expenditures:

- \$2,100 payment to Go Vocal for the ANC communications platform plus a \$90 wire transfer fee associated with that payment
- \$105.99 payment to GoDaddy for website diagnostic services

The Treasurer also reported that payment of the third installment of the website contract would be processed following consultation with the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions.

Website Update

The Commission discussed the current status of the ANC website, noting that the existing platform is not functioning reliably due to outdated software.

Commissioners will review a website platform offered by the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC) and compare it with the one it had privately developed before making a decision.

B. Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner announcements included:

- A ranked-choice voting information session co-hosted with the Chevy Chase Community

Association

- A community meeting regarding the Civic Core project involving DMPED, DC Public Library, and DPR
- Water main replacement work by DC Water
- Logistics regarding access to the ANC mailbox and office keys

Possible Items for March 9, 2026 Meeting

- A visit by DC Council Member Janeese Lewis George
- A presentation on social services for some needy residents living in apartment buildings along Connecticut Avenue
- DDOT's sidewalk gap program

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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