

**Minutes
of the Regular Meeting of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3D
Wednesday, May 6, 2026
7:00 PM
Via Electronic Zoom Meeting**

Meeting brought to order at approximately 7:03 PM.
Commissioners in attendance:

Elkins, 3D01
Duncan, 3D02
Blumenthal, 3D04
Horn, 3D05, Chair
Syzmkowicz, 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

Items with an (*) are not yet on the official meeting agenda but are expected to be added to the official agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

Position in Recording HH:MM	
00:00:00	Call to Order/Approval of the Agenda <i>Chairman Horn</i> Chairman Horn moved to amend the agenda: The Office of DC Finance was removed from Discussions and Bioretention Facilities was added to Official Actions at the request of Commissioner Elkins. The motion to approve the agenda, as amended, was approved unanimously, 5-0-0.
	GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY UPDATES
00:01:38	Officer Tony McElwee Officer McElwee presented the monthly crime report for PSA 205, noting a decrease in offenses to 12 over the past 30 days, including one

	assault with a dangerous weapon, one stolen auto, eight thefts from autos, and two general thefts. He highlighted specific locations and patterns in thefts, particularly targeting contractor vehicles, and advised residents to secure their vehicles and remove valuable items. Officer McElwee also reported issuing 374 tickets in the second district, with 91 being for speeding on MacArthur Boulevard. William Owen Cox (MOCRS) Mr. Cox announced a city roll-off dumpster event for bulk item disposal. Mr. Cox will investigate Commissioner Elkins experience with the hazardous waste disposal event where he noted a mile long drop-off queue and inattentive staffing. Nora Charles (Councilmember Frumin's Office) Budget season has started the final vote will be June 23rd. The next Workday in The Ward is scheduled for Cleveland Park on May 28th.
00:18:24	Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, and other Community Groups) Laura Marks (American University) Ms. Marks shared May commencement dates for the university. She acknowledged Commissioner Nowalk's participation in neighborhood dinner series. The Zoning Order was received for the sports center renovation. Kevin Days (George Washington University) Mr. Days introduced the Dean of the Mount Vernon Campus, Betsy Shimberg. The Stitch Studio, a textile maker space has launched on the Mount Vernon campus. Cory Peterson (Georgetown University) Mr. Peterson announced the Georgetown University Move Out Drive.
	Other Institutions (Hospitals, Schools, PTAs, and Local Civic Associations and other Community Groups) Sherry Rutherford (St. Patrick's School) Ms. Rutherford provided an update on ongoing conversations with residents of 1801 Fox Hall and Colony Hill regarding the use of Fox Hall field and transportation concerns around Hoban Road. Commissioner Duncan expressed concerns about balancing neighborhood impacts with broader community needs for field space, while Commissioner Elkins raised procedural questions about how the

	ANC would be involved in decisions affecting the field. The discussion revealed a 2006 agreement limiting Fox Hall field usage that St. Patrick's is bound by, though the school is working to find a solution that addresses both neighbor concerns and broader community needs for athletic fields.
	COMMISSIONER UPDATES
00:41:23	Elkins (3D01) - No updates. Duncan (3D02) - DPW is to replace the broken slide at the Palisades Park on by July 22. - DDOT has stated all the bioretention facilities that are to be developed are done, more details to e provided in Official Actions. - The next Transportation Committee meeign is Tuesday, May 19 from 2-3:30. Blumenthal (3D04) - It appears map navigation systems are no longer routing traffic through no-through-traffic streets. Horn (3D05) - Office of Planing's 2050 zoning plan will be shared at the June meeting. Commissioner Horn testified before Councilmember Frumin to oppose legalizing online casino gambling. Szymkowicz (3D07) - No updates.
	COMMUNITY ISSUES AND CONCERNS <i>No community members requested time</i>
	DISCUSSIONS
	OFFICIAL ACTIONS
00:47:19	Georgetown University Boat House Development Project (Horn) - Moved by Horn, seconded by Duncan. - The Georgetown Boat House team, led by Katy Button, provided an update on the zoning application which includes plans for a new boathouse facility with public access and environmental considerations for flood management. Additional hearings are scheduled for July and beyond,

	• Motion is to ask for approval on a letter to the Zoning Commission to support the Georgetown University Boathouse. Letter passed unanimously 5-0-0.
01:15:11	George Washington - VEX Shuttle (Horn) • Moved by Horn, seconded by Duncan. • George Washington University is asking to modify the VEX shuttle service by increasing the size of the shuttles from 30 to 45 passenger capacity to better handle heavy passenger loads during the school year. When concerns were raised about driver behavior, Charlie Wurz, Director of Transportation Logistics, suggested using the TV@GW email inbox as the quickest way for the community to communicate concerns about unsafe driving to the university. • Motion is to approve the letter in support of GWU increasing shuttle capacity in their campus plan. Letter passed unanimously 5-0-0.
01:26:45	Renaming 48th Place to Spence's Way (Duncan) • Moved by Duncan, seconded by Szymkowicz. • Motion is to send a letter in support of renaming 48thPlace as Spence's Way to honor his impact on the community. Letter passed unanimously 5-0-0.
01:29:51	July 4th Parade Letter Of Support (Blumenthal) • Moved by Duncan, seconded by Horn. • Motion is to send a letter of support for the Palisades 4th of July Parade. Letter passed unanimously 5-0-0.
01:30:41	HAWK Signal 4800 Block of Massachusetts Avenue (Duncan) • Moved by Duncan, seconded by Horn. • Motion to is to support the placement of a HAWK signal (pedestrian activated) on the 4800 block of Mass Ave. DDOT confirmed the signal would not be timed with existing lights. The ANC will be requesting the signal be timed with one of the lights and asked for an additional parking space if possible. Letter passed unanimously 5-0-0.
01:33:55	Bioretention Project Concerns (Elkins) • Moved by Elkins, seconded by Horn.

	The commission discussed concerns about DDOT's conversion of planned bioretention stormwater facilities into traffic calming devices without community consultation. Commissioner Duncan reported 3 installations were completed as bioretention while others became simple tree boxes that DDOT will mow, and the project was abandoned before completing all planned installations. The commission agreed to bring this issue to the Transportation Committee and requested a meeting with DDOT Director Kirshbaum to address their concerns about the environmental benefits, maintenance issues, and community impact of these changes.
	COMMISSION BUSSINESS
01:57:01	*Treasurer Report (Elkins) - Moved by Elkins, seconded by Szymkowicz. - There is over \$41,000 in the checking account and \$45,000 in savings. Last month's expenses were for the transcriber, administrator, and the Go Vocal contract. - Commissioners agreed to promote the grant application process on the list serves. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0.
02:02:55	Approval of April Minutes (Duncan) - Moved by Duncan, seconded by Horn. - Approved 5-0-0.
02:03:30	Notice of Next Meeting – June 3, 2026 Horn announced the next meeting will take place on June 3, 2026.
02:04:24	Notice of next meeting/Adjournment Horn adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:05 PM.