

3G01- Lisa Gore 3G02- Bruce Sherman, Treasurer 3G03- Carol Grunewald, Secretary 3G04- Laura Phinizy, Chair 3G05- Karrenthya Simmons 3G06- Peter Gosselin 3G07- Elizabeth Nagy, Vice-Chair		5601 Connecticut Ave NW P.O. Box 6252 Washington, D.C. 20015 3G@anc.dc.gov https://anc3g.org YouTube: ANC3G
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Government of the District of Columbia
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3/4G
Chevy Chase, Barnaby Woods, Hawthorne

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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G
Meeting Minutes - July 13, 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-05)
Commissioner Peter Gosselin (ANC 3/4G-06)
Commissioner Elizabeth Nagy (ANC 3/4G-07, Vice Chair)

Number of participants online: 51, including Commissioners

I. OPENING BUSINESS

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Phinizy noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Chair Phinizy moved to adopt the agenda with the following additions:

- A letter commending resident Terry Bullock for alerting the community to the District's tax-lien sale.

- Recognition of the passing of Gerard “Gerry” Kenealy, the longtime greeter at the Safeway on upper Connecticut Avenue.

The motion was seconded and approved unanimously (7-0-0).

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Secretary Grunewald moved to approve the June 22, 2026 minutes, with leave to make technical corrections. The motion was seconded.

Commissioner Gore moved to amend the minutes to identify by name each commissioner who spoke during commissioner announcements. The motion to amend was seconded.

Secretary Grunewald noted that the Commission had recently asked the Secretary to supply very bare-bones minutes to appease a commissioner who continually complained about not getting enough mentions. Secretary Grunewald has been complying with the commission’s request by reporting on commissioner and commission actions rather than naming commissioners except where absolutely necessary.

Chair Phinizy brought the motion to amend to a vote where it failed 3-4. In favor: Gore, Simmons, Gosselin. Opposed: Sherman, Sherman, Grunewald, Phinizy, Nagy.

The Chair brought the main motion to the floor, where it was approved in a vote of 5-1. In favor: Sherman, Grunewald, Phinizy, Gosselin, Nagy. Opposed: Gore. Commissioner Simmons did not respond to the call to vote.

D. RESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GOVERNMENT REPORTS:

- A resident announced plans for a volunteer cleanup of the Chevy Chase Community Center playground before “Art All Night” on September 12 and “Chevy Chase Day” on September 19.
- A resident announced a July 21 Better Bus presentation to ANC 3E and reported that the eastbound McKinley Street bus stop at Chevy Chase Parkway had been moved to McKinley Street and Nevada Avenue.

II. MAIN TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

A. LETTER OF COMMENDATION FOR RESIDENT TERRY BULLOCK:

Commissioner Sherman introduced a letter commending Terry Bullock for reviewing the District's tax-lien list, alerting residents to possible tax-payment errors, and helping affected homeowners resolve problems before the scheduled sale.

Chair Phinizy moved to read the proposed commendation into the record. The motion was seconded and was adopted in a vote of 6-0-0. Commissioner Simmons did not respond to the call to vote.

The letter was read into the record, and some other commissioners described homeowners who had been assisted because of Ms. Bullock's work.

Commissioner Sherman moved to approve the letter of commendation. The motion was seconded and was approved unanimously 7-0-0.

The letter is to be signed by the Chair.

B. CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF GERARD "GERRY" KENEALY:

Commissioner Gosselin moved that ANC 3/4G recognize the passing of Gerard "Gerry" Kenealy, the longtime and well-loved Safeway greeter, as a loss to the community, and extend condolences to his family and friends. The motion was seconded and was approved unanimously (7-0-0).

The Commission agreed that Commissioners Gosselin and Simmons would send the communication to Mr. Kenealy's family.

C. CHEVY CHASE MAIN STREET GRANT FOR "ART ALL NIGHT":

The Commission conducted its second review of Chevy Chase Main Street's \$2,000 grant application. Discussion included possible use of the former American City Diner site and the problematic scheduling of Art All Night on the second night of Rosh Hashanah. The organizers stated that the city selected the date and that programming would continue after dark to improve accessibility.

Commissioner Gosselin moved to approve a \$2,000 grant to Chevy Chase Main Street for Art All Night. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously, 7-0 -0.

The grantee was reminded to submit the required report documenting its use of the funds.

D. CHEVY CHASE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GRANT FOR "CHEVY CHASE DAY":

The Commission conducted its first review of the Chevy Chase Community Association's application for a \$2,000 grant to help provide approximately 650 ice-cream servings during Chevy Chase Day.

No motion was made and no vote was taken. The application was expected to return for a vote at the next meeting.

E. PROPOSED EXPANSION OF INGLESIDE AT ROCK CREEK SENIOR RESIDENCE:

Commissioner Grunewald introduced representatives of Ingleside who presented plans for an approximately \$116 million proposed expansion involving 61 additional independent-living units: 59 in an addition connected to the Manor House, one in the Manor House, and one in a replacement building at 3024 Military Road. The principal structure would contain six residential levels above a three-level parking garage at the rear of the Ingleside campus along Broad Branch Road.

Discussion addressed the removal of approximately 240 trees; stormwater runoff and impervious surface; the building's height, massing, and appearance; traffic and transit; emergency access; affordable or workforce housing; construction mitigation; and the existing commitment not to develop the forested ravine (located in the eastern portion of the campus) through year 2035.

Commissioners requested consideration of a longer ravine moratorium, a design stepping down toward Broad Branch Road, additional maps and studies, and meaningful community review before filing.

Ingleside anticipated filing its medical campus plan application around September 15, 2026, followed by additional ANC presentations and a possible Zoning Commission hearing in late 2026 or early 2027.

No motion was made, no vote was taken, and the Commission adopted no position on the proposal.

F. PEPSCO RELIABILITY AND DC PLUG:

Chair Phinizy introduced representatives from Pepco who attributed repeated late-June and early-July interruptions to maintenance at the Van Ness Substation, temporary use of backup feeders, failures at PAC-cable splices, operational switching, extreme heat, storms, trees, and possible animal contact. Pepco expected to restore the neighborhood's normal feeder configuration by the end of July.

Commissioners and residents emphasized that short interruptions could damage or require resetting appliances, HVAC systems, medical-alert devices, and other equipment. Pepco agreed to provide available customer-count and outage-duration information.

Pepco reported that two PAC splices had been repaired, two animal guards required replacement, and three locations required accelerated tree trimming. Pepco also agreed to provide information about its emergency-notification program for medically vulnerable customers, liaison contacts for commissioners, and the presentation used at the meeting. Residents were encouraged to report outages to 877-737-2662.

DC PLUG stated that its construction work to “underground” portions of the electric grid had not caused the outages. Updates were provided concerning conduit, paving, lane closures, and restoration work on Nebraska Avenue, Nevada Avenue, 39th Street, and Livingston Street. Additional notice and coordination for work affecting Livingston Street traffic and parking was requested.

No motion was made and no vote was taken.

III. COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. TREASURER’S REPORT:

Treasurer Sherman reported one June transaction: a \$95 reimbursement deposit for the wire-transfer fee associated with the Go Vocal invoice. The June ending balance was \$57,173.41.

The Commission’s second-quarter FY 2026 financial report was approved, permitting the release of a fourth-quarter allotment of \$4,834.77. The anticipated FY 2027 allotment is \$19,339.08.

No motion was made and no vote was taken on the Treasurer’s report.

B. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

- There was a report on the Pinehurst Circle–Utah Avenue sidewalk project, possible pedestrian-safety improvements on 32nd Street, and a hanging communications wire near Western and Greenville.
- There was an announcement of a July 29 community Zoom meeting, from 7-8 pm, with a representative of Urban Forestry. Residents can bring their questions about city trees and other trees to the Zoom meeting by contacting Commissioner Sherman of SMD 02.
- There was a report on Lafayette Elementary School field maintenance, a park walkthrough, deteriorating school bricks, and enforcement of dog leash requirements.
- There was a report of damaged Verizon equipment and utility pole in an alley off Chevy Chase Parkway, complaints about traffic congestion near the post office due to the new Wheelhouse restaurant, and a July 28, at 2 pm, Chevy Chase Circle “Safety Summit” at Chevy Chase (Maryland) Village Hall.
- There was a report on a week-long Verizon outage in SMD 07 caused by animal damage, and persistent missed trash and recycling collections, including one seven-week lapse for one resident.

- There was a report that inspections at 5301 Connecticut Avenue, where pieces of the building's façade have recently fallen off, are continuing.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Phinizy moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved without objection.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


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Laura Phinizy

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