

	<p>ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</p> <p><i>CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS • CLEVELAND PARK</i> <i>MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE HEIGHTS</i> <i>McLEAN GARDENS • WOODLEY PARK</i></p>
<p><i>Single Member District Commissioners</i> 01-Lee Brian Reba * 02-Gwendolyn Bole * 03-David Valdez 04-Arthur Barkmann* 05-Margaret Siegel * 06-Carl Roller 07- Victor Silveira * 08-Catherine May * 09-Nancy MacWood</p>	<p>P.O. Box 4966 Washington, DC 20008 Website http://www.anc3c.org Email all@anc3c.org</p>

Draft MINUTES
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C
December 15, 2015 Public Meeting
McLean Gardens Ballroom, 3811 Porter Street, NW
7:30PM

I. Establishment of Quorum:

At 7:31PM the Vice-Chair, Commissioner May, acknowledged that with seven commissioners present, there was a quorum and called the meeting to order. Also present were Commissioners David Valdez, Victor Silveira, Gwen Bole, Margaret Siegel, Nancy MacWood, and Arthur Barkmann. Commissioner Lee Brian Reba arrived at 7:50pm.

II. Verification of Notice (Listserve: CP,WP, MAHCA, CAH, MG, OG, QH, Ward3DC, and NWC, Twitter):

Commissioner May verified that notice was given on the ANC3C website, local community Listservs, Twitter, and in the Northwest Current newspaper.

III. Announcements – none

IV. Community Forum:

1. Members from the DC Department of Behavioral Health provided a quick overview of their free services, including for mental health and substance abuse, and distributed brochures.
2. Residents commented on the constant bus traffic on Woodley Road and asked ANC3C to consider a resolution requesting a change in traffic patterns.
3. A representative from the Mayor’s Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OAPIA) provided an overview of their mission and distributed brochures.
4. A member of the Georgetown Heights condo board thanked Commissioner May for her work with the community on the Savoy Hotel applications and issues with the St. Luke’s shelter for people who are homeless. He noted both issues were at a good point.
5. Commissioner Ann Mladinov, ANC3B, offered thanks to ANC3C for working together on many issues bordering both ANCs, as well as providing guidance on local and broader community issues, such as Pepco, Air Traffic noise, Zoning Code rewrites, and traffic calming issues.

V. Agenda

Commissioner Siegel moved removal of 3008 Ordway Street NW from Consent Calendar and addition to Commissioner Business. Motion passed by voice vote. Commissioner May moved approval of the amended

agenda. Motion passed by voice vote.

- I. Establishment of Quorum
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- III. Approval of Agenda
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- VI. Consent Calendar
 - 1. Consideration of a DDOT Public Space application for a sign at [3001 Wisconsin Avenue, NW](#) (St Albans Parish)
 - 2. Consideration of an HPRB application for revisions of a rear addition to [3008 Ordway Street NW](#)
- VII. Commission Business
 - 1. Consideration of an HPRB application for a rear addition to [3618 Ordway Street NW](#)
 - 2. Consideration of a resolution regarding the air traffic noise in ANC 3C08 following the rerouting of the air traffic patterns, increase in flights and expansion of hours at Washington Reagan National Airport.
 - 3. Consideration of an HPRB resolution regarding construction of DCPL Cleveland Park Branch Library.
- VIII. ANC Coordination Issues
 - 1. Mayor's Meeting:
 - 2. Council
 - 3. ANCs
- IX. Officer's Reports/Committee Reports, Administration Issues, SMD Reports
 - 1. Secretary's Report: Approval of Minutes from the November 16, 2015 meeting
 - 2. Treasurer's Report:
 - 3. Administrative Issues:
 - 4. SMD Reports:
- X. Adjournment

VI. Consent Calendar

Consideration of a DDOT Public Space application for a sign at [3001 Wisconsin Avenue, NW](#) (St Albans Parish):

Commissioner Siegel moved approval of consent calendar. Motion passed by voice vote.

ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-050 Regarding DDOT Public Space Application (#117944) for a Sign in Public Space for [3001 Wisconsin Avenue, NW](#) (St. Albans Parish)

Whereas Saint Albans Parish, the owners of [3001 Wisconsin Avenue NW](#) have applied for a Public Space permit (117944) to place a sign in public space, and

Whereas the sign will be less than 20 sq. feet on each side, and

Whereas the distance between the inside of the curb and the building is extremely abbreviated and it is not possible to place the sign behind the building restriction line, and

Whereas the sign will not be illuminated and is in keeping with the design of other signs on the Close,

Be it therefore resolved that ANC3C does not object to the placement of the sign in Public Space, and

Be it further Resolved that the Chair, The Commissioner of ANC3C08, or their designee is authorized to represent the Commission on this issue.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

VII. Commission Business

1. Consideration of an HPRB application for a rear addition to [3618 Ordway Street NW](#):

Commissioner MacWood introduced the application and the owner provided an overview. Commissioner MacWood read and moved a resolution on this matter. Motion was approved by voice vote.

ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-046 Regarding HPRB Application for Concept Approval for Rear Addition to 3618 Ordway Street NW

Whereas the owner of 3618 Ordway Street, a contributing property in the Cleveland Park Historic District, has filed with HRPB for concept approval of an increase in height and change in pitch of the roof, a rear roof dormer, and small 2-story addition; and

Whereas the US Interior Department guidelines on historic preservation that are used by the DC Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) do not support changes to the front façade of contributing houses unless such alterations represent a return to the original condition of the structure; and

Whereas the proposal to increase the roof height by approximately 16 inches and to change the roof pitch is requested to correct ice dams:

Be It Resolved that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC) has no objection to the small rear addition or the rear dormer proposals;

Be It Further Resolved that the ANC does not support a change in the roof design unless it can be shown to the HPRB that internal damage cannot be avoided without this alteration; the ANC is not qualified to make this determination;

Be It Resolved that the Chair and ANC 3C09 commissioner are authorized to represent the ANC on this matter.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

- 2. Consideration of a resolution regarding the air traffic noise in ANC 3C08 following the rerouting of the air traffic patterns, increase in flights and expansion of hours at Washington Reagan National Airport.**

Commissioner May provided an overview on this matter. After a discussion, Commissioner May moved to call the question on this matter. Motion passed by voice vote. Commissioner May read and moved a resolution on the issue. Motion passed by voice vote.

ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-045
Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Air Traffic Noise in ANC 3C
Following the Rerouting of the Air Traffic Patterns, Increase in Flights, and
Expansion of Hours at Washington Reagan National Airport.

Resolved, ANC3C supports the efforts of the Woodland Normanstone Neighborhood Association and the Massachusetts Avenue Citizens Association and other residents of ANC3C affected by the increase in air traffic noise, to achieve relief from significant adverse impacts resulting from the current airplane arrival and departure routes and operating hours at Reagan National Airport.

Be it further resolved, that ANC3C recognizes and supports the efforts of the 15 citizens associations and university groups and requests review of the final decisions of the Federal Aviation Administration to permanently implement certain flight arrival and departure routes at Ronal Reagan National Airport without proper notification and opportunity for comment.

Be it further Resolved that the Chair of ANC3C, the Commissioner for ANC3C08 or their designee is authorized to represent the Commission on this issue.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

3. Consideration of an HPRB resolution regarding construction of DCPL Cleveland Park Branch Library:

Commissioner MacWood provided an overview on this application. Commissioner MacWood read and moved a resolution on this matter. DCPL contact will be put on the website. Motion passed by voice vote.

**ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-047
Regarding HPRB Application for Construction of new DCPL Cleveland Park
Branch Library at 3310 Connecticut Avenue, NW**

Whereas the District of Columbia Public Library (DCPL) has filed with the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) a proposal to replace the Cleveland Park Library with a new branch library building; and

Whereas the Cleveland Park Library is a non-contributing building on Connecticut Avenue in the Cleveland Park Historic District and is also within the Cleveland Park Neighborhood Commercial Overlay District; and

Whereas there are several unique features of the Cleveland Park Historic District, including

- a full range of architectural styles popular from 1894 to 1941, the period of significance;
- large trees defining the streetscape that is often hilly and curvy and that was earlier described as rural in character and is more recently described as a village; and
- a planned commercial area centered on a broad boulevard with wide sidewalks and low scale buildings with restrained facades; and

Whereas the commercial overlay supports the planned development and historic scale of the commercial area by limiting heights of buildings to 40 feet and building mass to no more than 100% of the lot square footage, which allows the cohesiveness of a small commercial center to be maintained; and

Whereas the intent of mapping the Cleveland Park commercial area on Connecticut Avenue with both historic designation and an overlay that restricts the development envelope and promotes neighborhood serving commercial establishments was to link the low scale residential neighborhood with a low scale commercial area; and

Whereas the 1916 fire station was the first support service built on Connecticut Avenue and its structure embodied a domestic architecture (colonial revival) at a domestic scale that utilized “monumental materials” (the stone base) and elaborate ornamentation to provide a civic presence while establishing the future scale of the commercial area; and

Whereas the Cleveland Park Connecticut Avenue commercial area was designated in a 1920 zoning ordinance that established four small commercial precincts of no more than three blocks each on Connecticut Avenue north of Rock Creek Park, which was intended to foster a unique relationship between the residential neighborhood and the commercial area that would serve it; and

Whereas this planning and zoning feature remains unique in Washington, DC, and is especially noteworthy in Cleveland Park because the commercial area has maintained its scale, cohesiveness, and character; and

Whereas the Cleveland Park commercial district is an intact assemblage of primarily brick and stone, one- and two-story commercial buildings constructed primarily in the 1920’s and 30’s; and

Whereas the east side of the commercial area displays a linear strip of small and varied shops and the west side features the Art Deco commercial design style popular in the 1930’s and the influence of the ground breaking Park and Shop, the first shopping center in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas the rhythm of the commercial blocks is characterized by late teens and early 1920’s red or yellow brick 4-5 story apartment buildings with horizontal banding anchoring the corners of a few of the local cross streets with mostly single story buildings lining Connecticut Avenue in between the taller, but restrained structures; and

Whereas the civic buildings (fire house and post office) and the apartment buildings are organized with a symmetrical central mass that complements the smaller commercial structures and seamlessly joins the commercial area to the residential neighborhood; and

Whereas “the scale, materials and decorative details, and the rhythm created by tall and short, projecting and receding, and the general overall appearance and feel of the streetscape combine to make this a very human and appealing place in which to do one’s shopping. It is conducive to the community spirit which is so much a part of Cleveland Park and it is compatible with the residential architecture;”¹ and

Whereas there is an interrelatedness and interdependence between the residential and commercial that distinguishes the Cleveland Park Historic District; and

Whereas DCPL has premised its design proposal for the Cleveland Park Library on a commitment that it would uniquely represent Cleveland Park and no other part of the city:

Be It Resolved that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC) has no objection to the demolition of the current library since it is a non-contributing building to the Cleveland Park Historic District;

Be It Resolved that the ANC urges the HPRB to include in its approach to this challenge and opportunity to construct a new building in a prominent location in the Cleveland Park Historic District - indeed perhaps the most prominent since it was the site of the lodge that marked the entrance to Cleveland Park in the 1890’s - three goals: maintaining the established scale, using materials to announce a civic

¹ U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, National Register of Historic Places, Cleveland Park Historic District, Washington, D.C., Section No. 8, Page 40

use in a basically domestic building form, and creating a warm and welcoming exterior that will announce the cozy, functional and safe interior that residents have requested;

Be It Resolved that the ANC finds that the architect has strived to accomplish these goals but that further refinement of the design and reconsideration of the building organization to better emphasize design concepts featured in the historic district would improve the proposal, including

- a central organizing theme for the front façade that places the greatest height on Connecticut Avenue and that steps down the side sections fronting on Macomb and Newark Streets;
- a reconsideration of the sum of parts theme on Macomb and Newark Streets in favor of a more cohesive design;
- reducing the size of the 42 foot by 32 foot curtain wall structure on Macomb Street that will only have a view of the side of an apartment building and its service driveway, and reducing the taller curtain wall structure on Newark Street that will present as the tallest component of the building given the upward slope of Newark Street and which will have a view of a surface parking lot; and
- choosing one material as a predominant and coalescing statement for the structure and adopting a complementary material for detail and decorative features;

Be It Further Resolved that the ANC finds that there are practical and safety concerns arising from the design that we urge the HPRB to address, including

- the proposed Macomb Street and Newark Street balconies that may not be functional on a daily basis or safe and, if not, should be removed from the design with the option of dedicating that square footage to program;
- the location and size of the loading dock driveway that appears on the site plan to be as narrow as the existing driveway but would be squeezed into the lot line adjoining a residential property. It may not allow access for trucks as the current loading driveway is not accessible - pulling the proposed structure farther from the house would allow the driveway to function better and would provide more comfortable open space buffer between commercial and residential property; and
- the location and design of the children's garden which is accessible only from the children's section (residents have noted this bright and inviting area has been moved to the darkest part of the library), but would presumably be open to adults who would have to walk through the children's section to access it; the ANC questions the advisability of the circulation pattern and the design that features wide steps and low seating walls, and urges the HPRB to ask DCPL to reevaluate the children's garden concept and consider an outdoor space that would be used by all library patrons;

Be It Resolved that the ANC appreciates the inclusion in the revised plans of three of the four memorial plaques and urges that the remaining bench and plaque be incorporated into the landscaping plan, as well as the children's section glass panel etchings be used as features in the children's section;

Be It Resolved that the ANC would like the opportunity to review any significant changes in the design recommended by the HPRB or Commission of Fine Arts and that the Chair and Commissioner representing ANC 3C09 are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

4. Consideration of an HPRB application for revisions of a rear addition to [3008 Ordway St NW](#):
Commissioner Siegel read and moved a resolution on this issue. Motion passed by voice vote.

ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-048
Regarding HPRB Application for Permit Review for Rear Addition to 3008
Ordway Street, NW

WHEREAS the owners of a residence at 3008 Ordway Street NW, a contributing house within the Cleveland Park Historic District, have filed for permit review at the DC Historic Preservation Review Board (“HPRB”) to build a one story rear addition;

AND WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Committee of ANC3C has reviewed the plans and the owners and adjoining neighbors have developed an agreement governing the size and other aspects of the proposed addition;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C has no objection to the proposal for an addition of 14’ or 15’; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner representing ANC3C05 are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

5. Consideration of an BZA application for revisions of a rear addition to [3008 Ordway Street NW](#):

Commissioner Siegel read and moved a resolution on this matter. Motion passed by voice vote.

ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-049
Regarding BZA Application for Special Exception for Rear Addition to 3008
Ordway Street, NW

WHEREAS the owners of a residence at 3008 Ordway Street NW, a contributing house within the Cleveland Park Historic District, have filed for a special exception to build a one story rear addition because it is semi-detached house in an R-1-B zone that requires two 8 foot side yards and as semi-detached two non-conforming side yards;

AND WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Committee of ANC3C has reviewed the plans and the owners reached an agreement with adjoining neighbors as to the size and other aspects of the addition, including ensuring the addition does not exceed lot occupancy requirements;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C has no objection to the proposal for relief from the side yard requirement, based on the plans submitted to the BZA.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner representing ANC3C05 are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by



Catherine May

Vice-Chair, on December 15, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on December 15, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners was present.

VIII. ANC Coordination Issues

1. Mayor's Representative - Mike Matthews, Ward 3 Liaison from Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, shared he was doing a walk through in SMD07, at 3pm on Thursday December 17 to review signage issues. He also noted that DC was behind on leaf collection. Concerns can be emailed to him at Michael.matthews@dc.gov
2. ANCs - Commissioner MacWood noted that Councilmember Bonds is holding a roundtable on the definition of Great Weight of ANCs. Commissioner MacWood has offered to testify and asked if other Commissioners wanted to endorse the testimony. She further explained that a resolution was not necessary as it will be an informational meeting so CM Bonds can determine whether to introduce legislation on this matter and what should be included.
Commissioner Siegel will meet with Adam Thope, ANC3F, on the Sidwell Friends project, as impacting ANC3C.

IX. Officer's Reports/Committee Reports, Administration Issues, SMD Reports

1. Secretary's Report: Approval of Minutes from the November 16, 2015 meeting;

Commissioner May moved approval of the minutes. Motion passed by voice vote.

Commissioner Bole noted that the final scanning for digitization has been done and all those documents have been shredded. She will work with Doug Ward to get it indexed and on the website.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Siegel encouraged all Commissioners to look at the auditors report on what expenditures ANCs choose.

3. Administrative Issues:

Commissioner May opened the discussion regarding receiving e-notification by BZA and DCOZ. Discussion centered on notice to commissioners, failures of email, and availability of relevant materials on government websites.

Commissioner May moved to continue with paper notification to ANC3C office and SMD commissioners. Motion passed by voice vote.

4. SMD Reports:

01: Commissioner Reba noted he had attended WPCA meeting on change in Zoo hours, noting that the change is for safety measures. He also noted that the annual Rock and Roll Marathon is gearing up for 2016, with same route.

02: Commissioner Bole announced a January 13, 2016 meeting regarding architectural landscaping for the Wardman Tower renovation project.

04: Commissioner Barkmann noted Yes! Organic Market is in process of obtaining ABRA license application.

05: Commissioner Siegel is working with the Mayor's office to secure funds allocated to business district. She also noted that Age-Friendly DC is evaluating how to make the city more ADA accessible.

08: Commissioner May noted that the Savoy Hotel is applying for special exception with BZA. She also commented that the party house at Edmunds and Wisconsin is still in business and DCRA has been notified. She is following up on the residential property on 34th St. NW - it is not owned by diplomatic persons. She is still working on the large number of applications for Embassy fences on Massachusetts Avenue.

09: Commissioner MacWood said she is following up with DCRA and the issue of 3515 Woodley Rd. (demolished house) WIS has postponed it's plans to go before HPRB

X. Adjournment

Commissioner Bole moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 9:19pm.

The next meeting of ANC3C is scheduled for Tuesday January 19, 2016, at 7:30pm in the MPD2D Community Room located at 3320 Idaho Avenue NW. Please check anc3c.org for any updates.