



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C
GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Single Member District Commissioners

01-Lee Brian Reba * 02-Gwendolyn Bole * 03-Jessica Wasserman
04-Beau Finley * 05-Emma Hersh * 06-Angela Bradbery
07- Maureen Boucher Kinlan * 08-Malia Brink * 09-Nancy MacWood

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Minutes
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C
May 21, 2018 Public Meeting
Maret School, 3000 Cathedral Avenue, NW
7:30PM

Establishment of Quorum:

The Chair, Commissioner MacWood, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and announced that there was a quorum. Commissioner Bole was absent.

Verification of Notice:

The Administrator confirmed that notice of the meeting had been sent to eight local community listservs, apartment listserv moderators, published in the Northwest Current Newspaper, was on the ANC3C website and Twitter.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner MacWood moved approval of the amended agenda. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Announcements:

Commissioner MacWood said that the Cleveland Park Library will open June 15th with a Grand Opening.

Jamaal Jordan, Public Affairs Manager from Pepco, introduced Juliani Carvallio who will be the ANC 3C ambassador.

A representative from the Mayor's Office said that Mayor Bowser awarded Communi-Kidz in Ward 3 at UDC 54 new seats for childcare and Deanwood Rec was offered 72 seats.

A representative from the Mayor's Office also reported that a city count of homeless people showed a decrease in homelessness for families, but an increase in homeless individuals.

There is a ground breaking for Walter Reed homes at 11am on May 25th.

The beginning of outdoor city pool season kicks off at 6pm on Friday May 25th.

Jacqueline Brooks from the Department of Public Works (DPW) is in charge of handling solid waste issues at 2600 Connecticut Avenue and can help as needed with other DPW-related issues.

Community Forum:

Nancee Lyons from DPW said that Salon Macomb has expressed an interest in a mural. They have just selected an artist. The previous 2603 Connecticut Ave NW mural got tagged and they will go forward with getting it fixed with a new mural in June.

Consent Calendar:

Commissioner MacWood moved approval of the Consent Calendar. Motion was approved by voice vote for ABRA Renewals for Papa Liquors, 3703 Macomb Street, NW; Cathedral Liquors, 3000 Connecticut Ave, NW; Historic Preservation Review Board application (HPA #18-366) for a small rear addition, new side porches, widening of rear portion of driveway, and replacement windows and trims to match existing for 3512 Lowell Street, NW; and Public Space application (#300791) for a sign for Sikh Gurdwara on 3801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW.

Commission Business:

- 1. *Presentation by Grif Johnson from Quiet Clean DC on Leaf Blower legislation introduced by CM Mary Cheh that would restrict certain types of leaf blowers***
Only gas leaf blowers would be affected. The plan is to phase them out by 2022. The bill is with the Council at the Committee of the Whole. The ANC will consider a resolution in the future before the hearing.
- 2. *Presentation by Jackie Stanley from DC Department of Parks and Recreation on plans for Ward 3 Pool at Hearst Park and updates on previous requests for information from ANC 3C***
See <https://dgs.dc.gov/page/hearst-park-and-pool-improvement-project> for updates.
Commissioner Hersh requested a traffic study done during peak times.
- 3. *Consideration of a Historic Preservation Review Board application (HPA #18-129) for partial demolition of original roof and a rear 3-story addition for 3415 Porter Street, NW***
Commissioner Hersh read and moved a resolution on the application. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment A.
- 4. *Consideration of Historic Preservation Review Board Application (HPA #17-10) for Historic Landmark designation of lobby and entrance gates of Wardman Tower for 2600/2660 Woodley Road, NW***
Commissioner MacWood read and moved a resolution on the application. Commissioners Wasserman and Brink made friendly amendments. Commissioner MacWood accepted friendly amendments. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment B.
- 5. *Consideration of a Board of Zoning Adjustment Application (BZA #19788) for the Embassy of Norway at 2710 34th Street, NW regarding addition to and renovation of existing Chancery Building***
Commissioner Brink read and moved a resolution on the application. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment C.
- 6. *Consideration of a Historic Preservation Review Board application (HPA #17-495) for 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, NW regarding revised concept, building and landscaper alterations and additions***
Commissioner Bradbery read and moved a resolution on the application. Commissioner Bradbery amended the resolution. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment D.

7. Consideration of a resolution to call on the Department of For-Hire Vehicles to release Porter Street, NW taxi stand spaces

Commissioner Bradbery read and moved a resolution on the release of Porter Street taxi stand. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment E.

8. Consideration of a resolution requesting DDOT to study weekend residential parking on Ordway Street, NW in 3C04

Commissioner Finley read and moved a resolution on a DDOT study. Commissioner Boucher made friendly amendments. Commissioner Finley accepted friendly amendments. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment F.

9. Consideration of a resolution requesting that DDOT evaluate the reversible rush hour lanes on Connecticut Avenue, NW

Commissioner Hersh and Finley read and moved a resolution on the reversible rush hour lanes. Commissioner Reba made friendly amendments. Commissioner Hersh accepted friendly amendments. Commissioner Brink called the question. Motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment G.

Other:

Commissioner Hersh gave an update on the progress of the new ANC3C website.

Commissioner Brink moved adoption of the April 18, 2018 minutes. Motion was approved by voice vote.

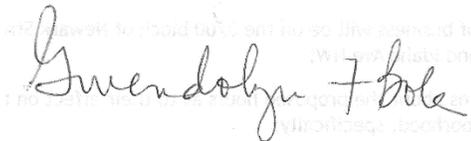
Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Brink moved adoption of 2018 Q2 report for January through March. Motion was approved by voice vote.

SMD reports: Agreement not to report due to late hour.

Adjournment:

Commissioner MacWood moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 10:13pm.

Attested by



Gwendolyn Bole, Secretary, on June 18, 2018

These minutes were approved by a voice vote on June 18, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment A:

**ANC3C Resolution 2018-014
Resolution Regarding a Historic Preservation Review Board Application (HPA 18-129) for Concept Review for 3415 Porter Street NW**

WHEREAS, the owners of 3415 Porter Street NW, a contributing structure in the Cleveland Park Historic District, have applied to HPRB for concept level review for a rear addition and roof alteration; and

WHEREAS, the original house, built in 1920, is a frame and siding-clad house; and

WHEREAS, the proposal includes a three-story addition and roof alteration at the rear of the building; and

WHEREAS, construction would involve removing the existing rear of the house (not original to the house), rebuilding the first two floors, and adding a third floor; and

WHEREAS, demolition of the existing rear of the house includes removal of a room that is presently indented and subordinate to the core of the house;

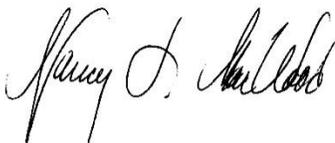
WHEREAS, the proposed rear addition will extend beyond the existing footprint of the back room, by approximately 14 feet in depth, and will fully align in width with the main body of the house;

WHEREAS, the existing garage, currently separate from the house and at the rear of the property, would be moved to connect with the rear of the house as a new level with a deck on top of the garage; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that while ANC 3C does not oppose an addition to the rear of the house, ANC 3C urges that the homeowners and architect revise plans such that the new structure is subordinate to and distinct from the main house, including maintaining the indentation of the existing structure;

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair, Commissioner for ANC3C05, or their designees are authorized to represent the Commission regarding this resolution.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment B:

**ANC3C Resolution 2018-015
Regarding a Historic Preservation Review Board Application (HLA #17-10) To
Amend Wardman Park Annex Landmark Designation,
2600/2660 Woodley Road NW**

WHEREAS, the Woodley Park Community Association has applied to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) to amend the historic landmark designation of the Wardman Park Annex (aka Wardman Tower) to include the lobby and the brick gates; and

WHEREAS, Caroline Hickman, an architectural historian and granddaughter of the architect of Wardman Tower, Mihran Mesrobian, is the author of the application; and

WHEREAS, the lobby is part of Wardman Park Hotel, as are the brick gates;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property, has no objection to landmark designation of the four brick gates, but does have concerns about designating the entire lobby as historic; and

WHEREAS, the application sets out how the features meet the criteria for landmark designation;

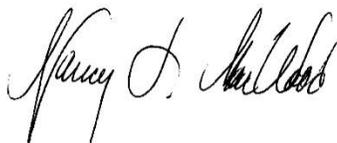
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC3C finds that the application satisfies the criteria for landmark designation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3C has no objection to HPRB granting this application;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if granted, ANC3C finds this landmark designation should not require prior approval by HPRB for routine, in-kind maintenance, as defined by HPRB;

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair, the Commissioner for ANC3C02 or their designees are authorized to represent the Commission regarding this Resolution.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment C:

ANC3C Resolution 2018-016
Regarding an Application of the Royal Norwegian Embassy to Renovate and Expand a Chancery located at 2720 34th Street, NW

WHEREAS, the Royal Norwegian Embassy has applied to Foreign Mission Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA Application No. 19788) on behalf of Statsbygg, the Norwegian government agency which owns the property, to renovate and expand the Norwegian Chancery located at 2720 34th Street NW; and

WHEREAS, the proposal relates to the renovation of the chancery building and includes the enclosing and expanding a covered loggia along 34th Street NW between the Ambassadorial Residence and Chancery to create additional social space (i.e. the “garden room”); renovating and slightly

expanding the entrance of the Chancery to allow for street-level access; creating new window openings; adding an elevator; constructing of a new addition on the north side elevation to create an open space and stairway; and creating of additional parking spaces in the alley;

WHEREAS, officials from the Royal Norwegian Embassy and the architects have met repeatedly with the adjacent neighbors to present the project and hear any concerns; and

WHEREAS, neighbors are supportive of the Chancery, but raised concerns regarding the use of space adjacent to the alley for parking and concurrent accessibility of the alley and garages by nearby residents; light pollution from office windows in evenings; and containment and maintenance of trash area to discourage vermin;

WHEREAS the applicant has revised its plans in response to feedback from Residents to relocate parking spaces originally proposed as parallel parking spaces to be pull-in spaces and minimize parallel parking in the alley to one compact spot, to move trash further from the garden and enclose the trash receptacles to reduce vermin issues, and to install sensor lights to ensure unoccupied spaces do not remain lit;

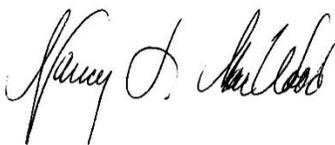
WHEREAS, Statsbygg has also provided a letter of agreement with regard to solutions proposed to address the neighbors' concerns; and

WHEREAS, this letter of agreement is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C supports the Royal Norwegian Embassy's application to expand and renovate the Chancery (Application No. 19788);

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner for ANC3C08 or their designees are authorized to represent the Commission in this matter.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment D:

ANC3C Resolution 2018-017

Regarding a Revised Design Concept of NASH-Roadside 3900 Wisconsin, LLC to be Presented to the Historic Preservation Review Board for the Redevelopment of 3900 Wisconsin Avenue NW

WHEREAS, NASH-Roadside 3900 Wisconsin, LLC is redeveloping an approximately 9.7-acre site that now serves as the headquarters for Fannie Mae at 3900 Wisconsin Avenue NW;

WHEREAS, NASH-Roadside plans to develop the property with approximately 700 residential units, 34,488 square feet of general retail, just under 86,000 square feet of grocery space, approximately 6,500 square feet of restaurant space to be operated by the grocer, a 650-seat movie theater, 34,056 square feet of office space, 37,566 square feet of fitness club space, 34,056 square feet of cultural/arts space and an approximately 1,400- space, three-level, below-grade parking garage. NASH-Roadside also plans either a 140-room hotel or 68 additional units of housing;

WHEREAS, on Nov. 16, 2017, the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) granted historic landmark designation to the main building at 3900 Wisconsin Avenue, formerly the headquarters of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, and approved NASH-Roadside's conceptual design within a boundary around the historic building;

WHEREAS, NASH-Roadside has added details to that design, incorporating comments from the HPRB and ANC, and is seeking HPRB approval for the revised design;

WHEREAS, in the revised design, four new dormers have been added at the far south and north to match existing dormers; doors have been added to the back of the building to create access to the courtyards; and multiple metal grille vents have been added for ventilation;

WHEREAS, in the revised design, a new pavilion with a landscaped roof to be built to the south of the historic building is no longer attached to that building, is set back farther from Wisconsin Avenue NW and has been reduced in scale, with reductions to the ground floor area and height;

WHEREAS, in the revised design, two new buildings to be constructed behind the historic structure are simplified in design, and by removing bay projections, the space between them - which provides a view of the back of the historic building - has been enlarged from 45 feet to 50 feet to reduce the massing of buildings behind the historic building;

WHEREAS, the front lawn area has been revised to include a portion of the circular drive that previously had been eliminated;

WHEREAS, the Applicant's revised concept includes more details about landscaping and fountains, as well as building materials;

WHEREAS, NASH-Roadside proposes incorporating floor-to-ceiling glass in the two new buildings to be built directly behind the historic building, which could pose a hazard to birds;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ANC3C:

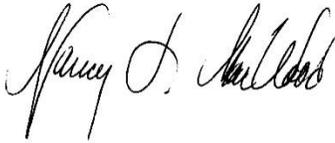
Supports NASH-Roadside's revised concept design for the portion of the property surrounding the main building and its two wings;

Urges the HPRB to require NASH-Roadside to use a material in the two new buildings that will deter birds from flying into the buildings;

Urges the HPRB to ensure that ANC3C is involved in reviewing and commenting on any revisions to the design;

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner for ANC3C06 or their designees are authorized to represent the Commission in this matter.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment E:

**ANC3C Resolution 2018-018
Regarding a Taxi Stand at 3800-3802 Porter Street NW**

WHEREAS, six or seven parking spaces at 3800 and 3802 Porter Street NW have been reserved for at least a decade for taxi cabs;

WHEREAS, the spaces are reserved for cabs at all times, prohibiting anyone else from using them;

WHEREAS, for years, nearby residents have observed that taxis use the taxi stand rarely, if at all;

WHEREAS, the taxi stand is not listed on the Department of For-Hire Vehicles' website list of taxi cab stands, nor is it indicated on a map of existing taxi stands;

WHEREAS, most of the taxi stands listed on the Department of For-Hire Vehicles' website are near hotels and major tourist areas;

WHEREAS, parking is extremely tight in the McLean Gardens-Vaughan Place neighborhood, particularly at night;

WHEREAS, if the spaces were no longer reserved for cabs, the spaces made available would help alleviate the parking problem in the neighborhood;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the ANC3C:

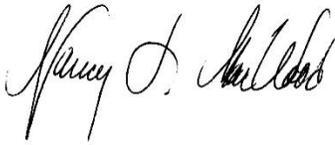
Finds that the taxi stand at 3800-3802 Porter Street NW is no longer an active taxi stand;

Recognizes that parking is difficult to find in the McLean Gardens-Vaughan Place neighborhood, particularly at night;

Calls on the Department of For-Hire Vehicles to release the spaces reserved for taxis in front of 3800 Porter Street NW and 3802 Porter Street NW back to the community immediately.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner for ANC3C06 or their designees are authorized to represent the Commission in this matter.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

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Attachment F:

ANC3C Resolution 2018-019
Request for a Study of Ordway Street Parking Conditions

WHEREAS, parking in the vicinity of the Cleveland Park business district remains scarce during weekends;

WHEREAS, parking spaces on Ordway Street east of Connecticut Avenue are designated Residential Permit Parking only on weekdays;

WHEREAS, residents of Ordway Street find it difficult to park near their homes on weekends;

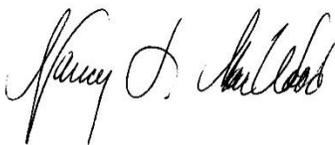
WHEREAS, residents of Ordway Street have expressed concern that visitors to the National Zoo use Ordway Street for overflow parking;

WHEREAS, residents of Ordway Street are concerned that Target, a large retail store expected to open adjacent to Ordway Street in 2019, will significantly increase demand for parking on Ordway Street;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C requests that DDOT study the weekend parking conditions on Ordway Street east of Connecticut Avenue in Cleveland Park to determine whether Residential Permit Parking should be extended to weekend days;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair and Commissioner for ANC 3C04 or their designees are authorized to speak on behalf of ANC 3C on this matter.

Attested by



Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

Attachment G:

ANC3C Resolution 2018-020
Request for a Comprehensive DDOT Study of Current Connecticut Avenue Traffic Patterns and Potential Changes

WHEREAS, while the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has produced studies of the Connecticut Avenue corridor in Van Ness (2003) and Cleveland Park (2013), DDOT has not comprehensively examined the entire corridor, nor has DDOT reviewed the costs and benefits associated with the reversible lanes policy; and

WHEREAS, ANC 3F and Van Ness Main Street, have called on DDOT to conduct research and analysis of changes that could be made to Connecticut Avenue, including the elimination of reversible lanes during rush hour, to increase walkability, safety, and parking; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners for ANC 3C04 and 3C05, in partnership with two constituents, released a survey during the summer of 2017; of the 437 Cleveland Park residents who responded, 71.4% expressed support for a study of the existing reversible lanes policy; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Park residents and business interests have voiced concerns related to pedestrian, cyclist, and vehicular safety, walkability, insufficient parking, environmental, and other “quality of life” issues that cannot be appropriately addressed by relying on outdated studies; and

WHEREAS, as of May 21, 2018, there has been no comprehensive study conducted of the Connecticut Avenue reversible lanes that considers the range of community interests involved, among them business access, cut-through traffic, safety on local streets, and volume and capacity on Wisconsin Avenue.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 3C requests that DDOT conduct a comprehensive study of current Connecticut Avenue traffic patterns that broadly evaluates the potential consequences of any changes in policy and also considers a wide range of potential improvements or changes that could be made, including but not limited to changing the rush hour reversible lanes policy, establishing dedicated bicycle lanes, and creating other dedicated lane options; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study should include research and analysis of pedestrian and other non-vehicle use and traffic patterns along Connecticut Avenue in the sections affected by the reversible lanes as well as the existing reversible lane signage and electric signal boxes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that overall goals of the study should be to enhance pedestrian, cyclist, and vehicular safety, walkability, the environment, and overall economic vitality of the affected neighborhoods, and make improvements to traffic management on Connecticut Avenue and surrounding streets; and

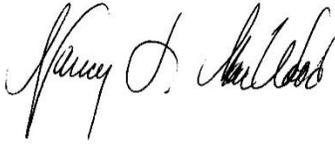
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study should include research and analysis from other city agencies such as the Department of Energy and the Environment, the Department of Public Works, and the Metropolitan Police Department regarding the environmental and safety impact of any recommended improvements or changes that could be made to Connecticut Avenue;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study include evaluation of possible alternatives including parking in the non-rush hour right lane, bicycle lanes and a bus rapid transit lane; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as DDOT considers the scope of its study, ANC 3C requests that it consult with all applicable interested community groups; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair and Commissioners for ANC 3C04, 3C05 or their designees are authorized to speak on behalf of ANC 3C on this matter.

Attested by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy J. MacWood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nancy J. MacWood
Chair, on May 21, 2018

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on May 21, 2018 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.