

	ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA <i>CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS • CLEVELAND PARK •</i> <i>MASSACHUSETTS AVE. HEIGHTS</i> <i>MCLEAN GARDENS • WOODLEY PARK</i>
Single Member District Commissioners 01-Lee Brian Reba; 02- Gloria Day; 03-Stephanie Zobay 04-vacant; 05-Bruce Beckner; 06-Trudy Reeves 07- Richard Rothblum; 08-Catherine May; 09-Nancy MacWood	4025 Brandywine Street, NW Washington, DC 20016-1843 P: (202) 657-5725 F: (515) 474-8595 Website http://www.anc3c.org

Minutes
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C
February 19, 2008 Public Meeting
Second District Police Station
7:30PM

I. CALL TO ORDER: Commission Chair Nancy MacWood called to order Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC3C's) regular monthly meeting for February 19, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the community room at the Second District Police Station, 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008.

II. VERIFICATION OF NOTICE: Chair MacWood verified that the proper notice was published on website, list serves and in the Northwest Current.

III. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: At 7:31, Chair MacWood acknowledged that a quorum (5 of 8 commissioners) had been established. Other commissioners present included Lee Brian Reba, Gloria Day, Stephanie Zobay, and Catherine May. (NOTE: Commissioners Trudy Reeves and Richard Rothblum came after the meeting had been called to order.)

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chair MacWood moved for approval of the following agenda:

- I. Announcements**
 - a. Announcement to amend by laws to change the number of required annual public meetings from 12 to 10, and to increase the amount of expenditures not requiring pre-approval from \$50 to \$200.
- II. Presentation of a DDOT Visitor Parking Pass Pilot proposed for Ward 3**
- III. Community Forum**
- IV. Commission Business**
 - a. Consideration of landscape plan for front of existing parking garage on Wisconsin Avenue submitted by Sidwell Friends School to the Board of Zoning Adjustment
 - b. Consideration of public space permit application filed by British Embassy to install an eight foot open, iron picket security fence bordering property facing Observatory Circle
 - c. Consideration of concept approval for application submitted to HPRB for a revised plan for new front roof dormers and 4-story rear addition to 3403 Rodman Street

- d. Consideration of concept approval for application submitted to HPRB for an alteration to garage and front entry at 3104 33rd Street
 - e. Consideration of application for substantial change in Retailer's C liquor license filed by Café Deluxe Restaurant, 3228-3230 Wisconsin Avenue. Change would include expanding indoor seating to accommodate 200 patrons rather than the current 120 patrons. It would also allow liquor service to 22 additional sidewalk café seats, which would increase the seating from 32 to 54
 - f. Consideration of amending by-laws to add an education committee to standing ANC 3C committees as announced at the January 2008 public meeting
- V. **Officer's Reports**
- a. Secretary's Report: Approval of January Minutes
 - b. Treasurer's Report: Approval of 1st Quarter Treasurer's Report
- VI. **Committee and SMD Reports**
- VII. **Adjournment**

The agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote of 5-0.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Presentation by WASA contractors on Lead Service replacement program
- b. Announcement of ANC Office move, new address, fax and phone.
- c. Announcement to amend by laws to change the number of required annual public meetings from 12 to 10, and to increase the amount of expenditures not requiring pre-approval from \$50 to \$200.

VI. Presentation of a DDOT Visitor Parking Pass Pilot proposed for Ward 3

NOTE: Commissioners Reeves and Rothblum arrived at 7:35.

Alice Kelly and Fran Harris from DDOT were present at the meeting to answer questions about the visitor parking pass. Details had been discussed on the community list serv, so the commission did not hear a presentation. Commissioners raised concerns about how this plan would affect the current parking problems and vehicle registration avoidance. Alternative eligibility programs were suggested, including allowing only those who already have registered vehicles to be eligible to receive a pass, charging a higher fee for the pass, and/or creating more bureaucracy as a barrier for access. Others suggested improvements to the plan as proposed, such as printing resident's address on the pass, and allowing visitors to park only within a certain block radius of the resident.

15-20 area residents attended the meeting to speak to the issue. Most of their concerns were related to their current parking problems and how this program would help or acerbate these issues: those who were close to the metro and business centers were worried that this program would further impinge on their parking availability, and those who were far from the metro were in favor of allowing workers to park freely while at their houses.

DDOT representatives reiterated that this program would not be a method for fixing current residential parking problems. They are currently piloting the visitor parking

pass in Ward 4, and will assess the success of the program by curbside occupancy. DDOT promised to send the assessment criteria to the ANC and the list serv. The process for moving forward will be: continuing to talk to ANCs, looking at RPP data, and working with ward planner before they come back and meet again with ANC. Upon the commission's request, Kelly thought a working group was possible.

VII. Community Forum - no issues raised

VIII. Commission Business

- a. Consideration of landscape plan for front of existing parking garage on Wisconsin Avenue submitted by Sidwell Friends School to the Board of Zoning Adjustment

Mike Saxenian presented revised plans for landscaping on Wisconsin Ave. Commissioners discussed the number of street trees, current evergreens and plant choices. Commissioner Reeves suggested that the landscape be reviewed after the plantings have been made. Commissioner Reeves read and introduced a resolution approving the landscape plans, seconded by Commissioner May.

Commissioner Zobay offered an amendment to review the success of the landscape, Chair MacWood offered a further amendment to condition approval based on agreement to review the plan and to make additional plantings if requested. She also asked that Sidwell agree to replace any trees that have failed for any reason. Commission asked that Sidwell return in the fall of 2009.

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 7-0 as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes	Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner May - yes	Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes	Commissioner Zobay - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes	

- d. Consideration of public space permit application filed by British Embassy to install an eight foot open, iron picket security fence bordering property facing Observatory Circle

Ken Doggett, architect, presented plans. Commissioner May read her resolution to approve the plans, seconded by Commissioner Reba.

(NOTE: Commissioner Reeves left the room)

The resolution was approved by a vote of 6-0, as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes	Commissioner Reba - yes
Commissioner May - yes	Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes	Commissioner Zobay - yes

- e. Consideration of concept approval for application submitted to HPRB for a revised plan for new front roof dormers and 4-story rear addition to 3403 Rodman Street

Owner presented revised plans based on feedback from the ANC at the January public meeting and neighbors. Based on suggestion from last meeting, he had hired arborist to identify where major root structures would be and submitted a report stating that if he avoided those roots, the tree wouldn't be damaged. He had distributed plans to adjacent neighbors and the ones across the street.

Neighbors from across the street disputed that the owner had distributed plans, but had seen the plans because Chair MacWood distributed them. They were concerned about the escarpment and the weight of the house on the hill. The hillside had already been washed out from under the house. The immediate neighbor continues to be concerned that the tree will fall on her house.

NOTE: Commissioner Reeves returned at 9:40

Chair MacWood read the resolution approving the front dormers, but not approving the addition because the size had not been reduced. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Zobay.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 6-0, 1 abstain as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes	Commissioner Reeves - abstain
Commissioner May - yes	Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes	Commissioner Zobay - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes	

Commissioners recommended that the owner meet with the neighbors.

- f. Consideration of concept approval for application submitted to HPRB for an alteration to garage and front entry at 3104 33rd Street

Rit Daily, architect, presented plans to alter 2 bay garage to 1 bay and add screened area; they will also extend the front entry portico, in keeping with the original design. Commissioners noted that they had not heard any objections from neighbors. Chair MacWood read a resolution approving the plans, seconded by Commissioner May.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 7-0, as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes	Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner May - yes	Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes	Commissioner Zobay - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes	

- g. Consideration of application for substantial change in Retailer's C liquor license filed by Café Deluxe Restaurant, 3228-3230 Wisconsin Avenue. Change would include expanding indoor seating to accommodate 200 patrons rather than the current 120 patrons. It would also allow liquor

service to 22 additional sidewalk café seats, which would increase the seating from 32 to 54

Restaurant is expanding to adjacent space, adding 80 seats and 22 seats outside. Application includes permission to drink outside, if public space permit is approved. Commissioners raised concerns about noise, but no neighbors objected.

Voluntary agreement negotiated by Commissioner Rothblum was presented along with suggested edits by the owner. The edits were not included in the voluntary agreement moved by Commissioner Rothblum, which was seconded by Commissioner Reba

The resolution was approved by a vote of 7-0, as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes
Commissioner May - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

- h. Consideration of amending rules to add an education committee to standing ANC 3C committees as announced at the January 2008 public meeting

Chair MacWood read her resolution to amend the rules, the resolution was seconded by Commissioner Day.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 7-0, as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes
Commissioner May - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

IX. Officer's Report

- a. **Secretary's Report:** Commissioner Rothblum moved the January minutes, seconded by Commissioner Reeves. **Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.** He also announced the new telephone number, fax number and address. Commissioners decided that the keys for the new office would be available for commissioners and the administrator only .
- b. **Treasurer's Report:** Commissioner Reeves reviewed the Q1 Treasurer's Report
 - a. Chair MacWood moved amendment to add an additional amount of money for the office move and carpentry services. Approved by voice vote.
 - b. Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the Q1 Report, seconded by Commissioner Day. **All approve by voice vote.**

X. SMD/Committee Reports

- a. Traffic Committee - Commissioners decided to combine the traffic committee meeting and the Planning & Zoning Committee meeting to discuss the visitor

parking pass issue. Glover Park Traffic Study is moving along. Cleveland Park report on parking issue has not been given to Chair MacWood.

- b. SMD3C06 - Vaughn Place signs still up, ignoring DCRA requirement that they be taken down.

XI ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Day moved to adjourn, Commissioner Zobay seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 pm.

The next meeting of ANC 3C will be Monday, March 17, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the Community Room of the Second District Police.