

MINUTES JUNE 27, 1977

The regular meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C was held on June 27, 1977 at the Second District Police Station. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson McGrath at 8:06.

The roll was called and the following Commissioners were found to be present: Ms. McGrath, Ms. Coram, Ms. Haugen, Col. Van Way, Mr. Williams, Mr. Grinnell, and Mr. Krucoff. Mr. Smith came to the meeting late. Mr. Pitts was ill.

Posting of notice of the meeting at two locations in each Single Member District was verified.

Minutes of the April meeting were distributed.

Ms. McGrath recommended that the Commission hire an administrative secretary in September. The question will be discussed at future meetings.

Ms. McGrath announced two meetings for June 28. At 8:00 AM the Coalition for Self Determination will hold a rally. At 11:00AM the Citywide Housing Coalition will hold a press conference relating to rent control.

Ms. McGrath made a motion that said: Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C supports full voting representation in Congress for the District of Columbia; the Commission will send a representative to the Coalition for Self Determination rally.

The motion was seconded. All Commissioners present voted infavor of the motion, except Col. Van Way. Ms. McGrath will attend the rally and will draft a letter stating our position.

Ms. McGrath reported that the Commission has been requested to name one of its members or to recommend a citizen for the Citizens Commission for Nonresident taxes and a Doubled Federal Payment. There were no volunteers. The Commission will seek someone from the Commission area to recommend. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

It was agreed that Mr. Grinnell will compile information on the new Rent Control Bill and will send such information to all Commissioners before the July meeting, so that the Commission may take a position.

The first committee report was Planning and Zoning. The Tenley Citizens Advisory group which is working on a Sectional Development Plan for that area has written to ask for the Commission's assistance in obtaining studies from the Municipal Planning Office and the Department of Transportation which they must have in order to complete their plan. It was decided that Mr. Allen would investigate this problem and draft a letter for Commission approval. Mr. Allen presented a letter to Ben Gilbert of the Municipal Planning Office asking to meet with him to discuss planning progress for our Commission area. Ms. McGrath stated that the primary focus of such a letter should be the revision on the SDP regulations. She also emphasized that the letter should be sent from the Commission and not the 9 citizens groups who have requested the SDP. It was agreed that the letter would request the SDP for our area and would also express the Commission's willingness to work on streamlining the SDP procedures.

Two revisions of the Zoning Regulations were referred to the Committee. The Committee's position paper on the Foreign Missions and International Agencies element of the Comprehensive Plan was presented and discussed. The position was discussed and several changes were recommended. Ms. McGrath will include these changes in her testimony before the National Capital Planning Commission.

Mr. Allen announced that the application of Mr. Hudai Yavellar for a variance which would permit him to develop the Northwest corner of 38th and Macomb Sts. to a greater density was denied by the Board of Zoning Adjustments, because Mr. Yavellar did not appear at his hearing. Yavellar has been invited to present his plans at a Commission meeting, but he has declined.

The next committee report was Human Resources. Ms. Haugen reported. She stated that the Group Health Association's application to build a new hospital may again become an issue. She reported that a Ward 3 InterANC committee on human resources is meeting. She reported on progress concerning the State Plan for the Aging.

In relation to Transportation, Mr. Williams reported that a possible solution had been found for the Fulton/Garfield Sts. problem. Several stop signs will be reversed in order to slow down and discourage through traffic.

He made a motion with the following elements:

- a. The Commission supports the proposed change in stop signs on Fulton and Garfield Sts.
- b. The Commission that car counts be made before and after the change in order to assess the success of the change
- c. The Commission recommends that some other solution be sought if this change does not prove successful

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. McGrath reported that there is a problem with the road surface on 33rd Place near Rowland Place.

There was no housing committee report.

The environment committee report consisted of a request for more suggestions of alleys that could be toured to investigate conditions there.

The next report was from the Education, Recreation and Agriculture Committee. Mr. Smith announced that in the Fall he will circulate a letter to citizens groups seeking their opinion on the rules for the Newark St. Park.

Ms. Coram discussed the request from the Hearst Day Camp for funds to support their program. She proposed a motion that would commit the Commission to contributing \$300--the cost of the salary for one counsellor for all four sessions. The motion carried with Col. Van Way voting in opposition. Mr. Jack Belcher reported that a group of tennis players at Hearst had held a tournament to raise funds for a practice wall. They raised \$500. They have an estimate of \$1150 to build the wall. Mr. Smith will work with Mr. Belcher on this.

Mr. Smith also reported on problems that have been created by the Uptown Theater's decision to schedule midnight shows of "Star Wars." A letter objecting to such shows and detailing citizens complaints was presented. The Commission amended and approved the text of the letter.

Mr. Smith also reported on the "regionalization" plans of the libraries. It was decided that the Commission would invite the director of the libraries to attend the July meeting. A resolution was passed unanimously.

Mr. Smith then spoke of the attempts to create a tot lot at Guy Mason Center. The Commission voted to authorize expenditure of up to \$1000 for the tot lot. Mrs. Ruth Crone will serve as chairperson of the Guy Mason Tot Lot Committee. The Commission also authorized expenditure of up to \$500 for improvement of the Guy Mason Recreation Center. The resolution on the subject was approved unanimously.

A letter to Dr. Rumsey, Director of the Department of Recreation, requesting information on department expenditures and on the trust fund was approved.

Mr. Williams requested that all Commissioners submit materials for the newsletter.

Col. Van Way reported that the Commission has \$2833 in its checking account and \$13,777 in its savings account. A payment of \$5344 is expected by July 10. He also reported that a quarterly report is being prepared. The quarterly report will be approved in July.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,


Katherine Coram
Recording Secretary.