

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

**MINUTES**  
**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C**  
**February 17, 2015 Public Meeting**  
**MPD2D Community Room, 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW**  
**7:30PM**

I. Establishment of Quorum:

At 7:31pm, Commissioner Roller acknowledged that, with Commissioners present, a quorum had been established and called to order the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C's (ANC3C) regular meeting on February 17, 2015. The meeting took place in the Community Room of MPD2D, 3320 Idaho Avenue NW. Other Commissioners present were David Valdez, Victor Silveira, Nancy MacWood, and Gwen Bole. Lee Brian Reba arrived at 7:57pm. Commissioner Roller noted that the meeting was being recorded.

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

Commissioner Roller verified that notice was given on the ANC3C website, local community list serves, Twitter, and the Northwest Current newspaper.

III. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Silveira moved approval of the following agenda:

<p>I. Establishment of Quorum  II. Verification of Notice (Listserves: CP,WP, MAHCA, CAH, MG, OG, QH, Ward3DC, and NWC, Twitter)  III. Approval of Agenda  IV. Announcements  V. Community Forum  VI. Consent Calendar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorization of ANC3C Representation at ANC Oversight Hearings</li> <li>• Consideration of the proposed route for the 2015 Rock and Roll DC Marathon Series</li> <li>• DDOT Public Space Application (#104105) for stairs with handrail and landing, and trash enclosure wall for 2601 30th Street, NW</li> <li>• DDOT Valet Staging Zone Renewal Application for 3309-3311 Connecticut Avenue NW</li> </ul> <p>VII. Commission</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. DDOT Public Space Construction Permit, Application #102250, for six freestanding directional signs and two building identity signs at 3401 38th Street NW</li> <li>2. Consideration of Zoned Parking along 39th St NW and Idaho Ave NW</li> </ol> <p>VIII. ANC Coordination Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mayor's Meeting:</li> <li>2. Council</li> <li>3. ANCs</li> </ol>
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- IX. Officer's Reports/Committee Reports, Administration Issues, SMD Reports
1. Secretary's Report: Approval of Minutes from the January 20, 2015 Meeting
  2. Treasurer's Report: Approval of 2015 Budget
  3. SMD Reports
  4. Administrative Issues:
  5. IT Committee Report:
    - a. Nomination and confirmation of IT Committee for 2015.
    - b. Historical document database update
    - c. Proposal for new ANC3C ListServe
- X. Adjournment

Upon hearing no objections, the agenda was approved by voice vote.

IV. Announcements:

Commissioner Roller noted the attendance of Tom Anstrom, newly appointed Commissioner for SMD3C04. As he had not yet been sworn in, he is not eligible to vote on Commission matters. Commissioner Reba noted Kaya Henderson and Muriel Bowser will be speaking at University of District of Columbia on Thursday at 10am.

V. Community Forum: nothing forthcoming

VI. Consent Calendar:

Commissioner MacWood moved approval/no objection of the following items on Consent Calendar:

- Approval: Authorization of ANC3C Representation at ANC Oversight Hearings approve testimony
- No Objection: Consideration of the proposed route for the 2015 Rock and Roll DC Marathon Series
- No Objection: DDOT Public Space Application (#104105) for stairs with handrail and landing, and trash enclosure wall for 2601 30th Street, NW
- No Objection: DDOT Valet Staging Zone Renewal Application for 3309-3311 Connecticut Avenue NW

The motion was approved by voice vote.

## **ANC3C RESOLUTION No. 2015 - 006**

### **Regarding the 2015 Rock n Roll DC Marathon and Care First Half Marathon Series**

WHEREAS, the Competitor Group, Inc. filed an application with the Mayor's Special Events Task Group Division for the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series - slated for Saturday March 14, 2015;

WHEREAS, the mission of the Mayor's Special Events Task Group Division is to provide outstanding support of the city's public safety planning efforts for events requiring interagency coordination and to provide the highest quality interagency reviews and assessments of the operational, public safety and logistical components of proposals for special events;

WHEREAS, the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series participant range is 20K; District of Columbia resident participation is 23%; and spectator range is between 17K and 20K;

WHEREAS, the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series has a direct economic impact on the District of Columbia totaling more than 18.3M;

WHEREAS, the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series "turn by turn" route includes two blocks within Woodley Park, hence - streets within 3C01 and 3C02 are impacted as follows:

1. Runners enter Woodley Park via Rock Creek Park at Connecticut Avenue and 24t
2. Runners turn East onto Calvert Street, NW towards Connecticut Avenue, NW
3. Runners cross Connecticut Avenue, NW towards the Duke Ellington Bridge
4. Runners pass Woodley Place, NW onto the Duke Ellington Bridge towards Adam Morgan

WHEREAS, the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series will have little to no impact in Woodley Park;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC3C has no objection with the 2015 Rock n Roll Marathon Series and supports the two block route through Woodley Park; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair, Commissioner for 3C01, and/or their designee(s) are authorized to represent ANC3C on this matter.

Attested by



**Carl Roller**

Chair, on February 17 2015

*This resolution was approved by a unanimous voice vote, on February 17, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.*

**D.C. Council Committee on Housing and Community Development  
Performance Oversight Hearing on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions  
February 12, 2015  
Testimony Submitted by Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (“ANC”) appreciates the opportunity to share with Chairman Bonds and members of the Housing and Community Development Committee our concerns with current systems to safeguard ANC management of public funds.

As background, ANCs receive a quarterly monetary allotment based on the population served by the ANC and Council decisions on the annual budget for ANCs. ANCs are tightly regulated in how commissions can spend the allotments. Each expenditure must be approved as a line item in the ANC’s annual budget and must be accounted for with receipts and cancelled checks. An accounting to the Auditor’s Office of expenditures is required four times per year and approval of the quarterly report triggers dispersal of the next allotment.

ANC 3C has rigorously complied with the DC Auditor’s requirements regarding the use of the allotment and reporting of expenditures. Within the past 10 years, the Auditor has required that a standard reporting form be used by ANCs and we have successfully adjusted our budget structure and reporting to follow the Auditor’s format.

Over the past year, the process has become less predictable and reliable. The quarterly report format has become more complicated, including requirements for duplication of information. The Auditor’s Office has more than once acknowledged receipt of electronically-filed reports and then notified the ANC that they have no record of the report being filed and that penalties would be assessed against our ANC for missing filing deadlines. In some cases we have been told that online filing is not sufficient and that hard copy reports must be mailed even though the online filing was intended to replace the mailed filing. On other occasions we have been penalized for filing incomplete reports because documentation that was not

required had not been submitted. In one instance after many email exchanges and a lengthy meeting, we learned that the Auditor's Office expected additional documentation that had not been part of the official reporting requirement.

It is very important that volunteer commissioners who agree to serve as treasurer of an ANC and thus, commit to handling financial management of an ANC have straightforward and reasonable duties. The goal of the Auditor's Office should be to ensure that public funds are not misspent and that ANCs have the capacity to follow the law and the rules established to protect the public trust. It should not be the goal of the Auditor's Office to trick ANCs or to establish rules expecting that ANCs will violate the law. There should never be a situation in which an ANC's allotment is reduced because of administrative glitches in the Auditor's Office with systems or because someone has decided that more is better when it comes to documentation.

With regard to the latter, ANC 3C recommends that an office lease does not need to be filed with each quarterly report. A single submission should suffice. New check signing signature cards signed in person at the bank should not be required when authorized officers remain the same authorized officers in a new calendar year and the bank holding the ANC funds remains the same. The sophistication of the Auditor's Office in monitoring ANCs should improve rather than recede into simplistic, make work requirements. In addition, processing and approval of quarterly reports should be efficient and notification to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer that disbursements can be sent to an ANC should follow a deadline. Too often this process is drawn out with no timeline provided.

In the past, the Auditor's Office has been nimble in responding to questions and the annual training for new ANC treasurers and chairs has been invaluable. However, the recent unpredictability of ANC public fund management and reporting requirements suggests that these annual training sessions be offered more often and accommodate more easily the schedules of volunteer commissioners. It is not enough to be trained once and be confident that the systems will not change materially. We urge that the Council explore with the Auditor's Office a return to a more reasonable and efficient reporting format and a reliable mechanism for implementing the systems organized to assist ANCs with compliance.

ANC 3C would also like to suggest that the Council consider providing budget resources to support the online communication systems created by ANCs to inform constituents. Most ANCs have a domain name, a web site, and databases to store documents. It may be more efficient and cost effective to assign the responsibility and funding these online services to the Office of ANCs. System wide agreements for web domains, web hosting, and database hosting could reside with that office while each ANC retains the flexibility to customize the common resources to their individual needs.

***Attested by***



***Carl Roller***  
***Chair, on February 17 2015***

***This testimony was approved by a unanimous vote, on February 17, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.***

VII. Commission Business:

1. DDOT Public Space Construction Permit, Application #102250, for six freestanding directional signs and two building identity signs at 3401 38th Street NW:

Following a presentation by the Applicant, input from the community and discussion, Commissioner Roller read and moved a resolution opposing the Application. Commissioner MacWood proposed a friendly amendment, which was accepted. The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 6-0 as follows:

Bole - yes	Roller - yes
MacWood - yes	Siegel - absent
May - absent	Silveira - yes
Reba - yes	Valdez - yes

**ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-008  
Regarding DDOT Public Space Permit (Application # 102250)  
for additional signage at 3401 38<sup>th</sup> Street NW**

WHEREAS, Vaughan Place at McLean Gardens (“The Applicant”) has applied for a Public Space Permit, DDOT Tracking Number 102250 (“The Application”);

WHEREAS, the Application describes the work to be performed in Public Space as:

1. Installation of six new directional signs, with the text “LEASING” and a directional arrow above “VAUGHAN PLACE AT McLEAN GARDENS”, with one to be placed at the intersection of Porter and 38<sup>th</sup> Street NW, two at the north entrance to the Applicant’s parking lot on 38<sup>th</sup> Street NW, one at the intersection of Newark and 38<sup>th</sup> Street NW, one at the intersection of Newark Street NW and Idaho Avenue NW, and one at the intersection of Idaho Avenue NW and Wisconsin Avenue NW (**Sign Type C** on pages 12-14 and 16 of the Construction Documents dated Jan. 12, 2015);
2. Installation of two new property signs, with the text “VAUGHAN PLACE AT McLEAN GARDENS”, to be placed at the south entrance to the Applicant’s property on 38<sup>th</sup> St NW (**Sign Type D** on pages 15 and 17-19 of the Construction Documents dated Jan. 12, 2015);
3. Installation of two directional signs, with the text “LEASING” and a directional arrow, onto the end pillars of an existing stonework wall at either side of Porter Street NW where it intersects with Wisconsin Ave NW (**Sign Type B** on pages 6-7 and 9-11 of the Construction Documents dated Jan. 12, 2015);

WHEREAS, the Application also describes work to be performed within the Applicant’s property line, specifically alterations and additions to existing signage on an existing stonework wall that borders Wisconsin Avenue NW (**Sign Type A** on pages 5-8 of the Construction Documents dated Jan. 12, 2015);

WHEREAS, ANC3C understands that Sign Type A is not within the scope of review by the Public Space Committee as it is within the Applicant’s property line;

WHEREAS, ANC3C has been informed that many members of the community have expressed strong concerns and objections concerning the changes contemplated the Application and the potential damage they could cause to the existing stonework wall, and that more than 175 residents have signed a petition to that effect;

WHEREAS, the existing stonework wall:

- a) dates back to the Friendship Estate, which was built in 1898;
- b) has many features that date back to 1898, such as a lion's head fountain and horse trough;
- c) was part of the Defense Home Corporation's design of the community in 1942 when many of the current buildings were developed as housing for wartime defense workers; and,
- d) the name "McLean Gardens" (as represented in the existing plaques on the stonework wall) was incorporated in the plans of the Defense Home Corporation's architect.

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to the existing stonework wall would substantially change the character and style of an historic gateway into the neighborhood;

WHEREAS, members of the community and representatives of a neighboring homeowners association (the McLean Gardens Homeowners Association located at 3811 Porter Street NW) have met with the Applicant and reached an agreement in principle, which has not yet been ratified, and the terms of that agreement are:

- a) the homeowners association would support the Applicant's request for the six new directional signs (Sign Type C, including the proposed "Leasing" language) and the two new property signs (Sign Type D);
- b) the Applicant would refrain from making any changes to the existing stonework wall (Sign Types A and B); and,
- c) members of the community and the Applicant would work together in nominating the existing stonework wall for designation as an historic object;

WHEREAS, ANC3C recognizes the efforts by the Applicant to engage with the community and supports the continuing efforts to reach a compromise, but notes that an agreement has not been ratified as of this Resolution's consideration:

BE IT RESOLVED, ANC3C objects to the Application as it proposes changes, some of which are substantial, to the streetscape of the community, and those changes are the subject of ongoing discussions between the Applicant and the community;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, ANC3C objects to the proposed Sign Type B as they would change and possibly cause permanent damages to the pillars, which are part of the stonework wall that marked a boundary of the original Friendship Estate, were preserved during the McLean Gardens development, and, as part of the stonework wall, are eligible for landmark consideration and there is community interest in filing for such a designation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commissioner representing SMD 3C06 and the Chair or their designees are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by



**Carl Roller**

Chair, on February 17 2015

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2. Consideration of Zoned Parking along 39th St NW and Idaho Ave NW:  
Commissioner Silveira provided an overview on this matter, which included long term parking from out of state and accumulation of trash. He then read and moved a resolution on this matter. Motion to support the resolution was passed by a voice vote.  
Commissioner MacWood commented on the separation of issues between DPW and DDOT. Commissioner Silveira moved to reconsider the resolution. Motion passed by voice vote. The resolution was then amended to make the language speak more clearly regarding DPW role. Motion to support the amended resolution was passed by voice vote.

**ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-009**  
**Regarding DDOT Consideration of Residential Parking Permit Zoning on 39<sup>th</sup>**  
**Street NW and Idaho Avenue NW**

WHEREAS, 39th St NW, between Massachusetts Avenue NW and Macomb Street NW, has a proper sidewalk and Residential Permit Parking (“RPP”) on the west side, but no sidewalk nor any parking restriction on the east side; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Avenue NW, between Massachusetts Avenue and Woodley Road NW, on its east side, has a segment of its road without any parking restrictions; and

WHEREAS, ANC3C-07 Commissioner was approached by the local residents, expressing concern regarding the lack of parking restrictions, and unusual level of trash and litter on the east side of said streets; and

WHEREAS, local residents expressed their support for future implementation of a proper RPP program on the east side of 39th Street NW, and the east segment of Idaho Avenue, without such RPP:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C requests DDOT to perform a parking analysis of the east side of 39th Street (between Massachusetts Avenue and Macomb Street) with the view of improving local parking conditions and within this framework, ANC 3C specifically requests DDOT to consider the implementation of proper RPP program. ANC also requests a similar analysis of the east side of Idaho (between Massachusetts Avenue and Woodley Road), implementing RPP parking there as well; and

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C requests DPW to assess the trash and littering in these areas and to consider periodic street cleaning as an option to address these problems; and

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ANC3C also requests the appropriate City Agencies (such as, but not limited to DDOT and DPW) to monitor the east side of 39th Street with the objective of finding ways to ameliorate the current pattern of excessive trash and litter, and requests the courtesy of a presentation to the ANC3C regarding their findings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair and the ANC3C-07 Commissioner are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

**Attested by**



**Carl Roller**  
Chair, on February 17 2015

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#### 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 January 20, 2015 Meeting: Commissioner Roller moved to table approval of the January minutes to March, as one issue was not clear. Motion carried by voice vote.
2. Treasurer's Report: Approval of 2015 Budget: Commissioner Reba moved approval of ANC3C's 2015 Budget. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. Administrative Issues: Commissioner Silveira requested the IT committee to take a look at the cost analysis regarding maintenance to the Administrator's laptop.
4. IT Committee Report:
  - a. Nomination and confirmation of IT Committee for 2015: Commissioner Silveira moved that this nomination be tabled until the March meeting in order to inform the new Commissioners of this committee.
  - b. Historical document database update: Commissioner Bole announced that the archive is up and running. There are two boxes remaining to be scanned and OCR'd. ANC3C allotted \$6000 and has spent \$4300. Google (search engine) does not crawl thru the documents. Doug Ward can make this change.
  - c. Proposal for new ANC3C ListServe: Commissioner Silveira proposed ANC3C to investigate implementing their own list serve. It will cost approximately \$500- \$1000. Motion to approve this amount carried by voice vote.
5. SMD Reports
  - 01: Commissioner Reba spoke with Director Kelly at National Zoo. The Zoo will implement bag checks at controlled entrances during high peak and seasonal events.
  - 09: Commissioner MacWood announced she will join the National Cathedral School construction liaison group. This is to start the final phase of a three phase construction project. Start date is June 8. She will also be on advisory committee for the District of Columbia Public Library planning committee, providing input regarding the reconstruction of the Cleveland Park branch library. The DCPL has sent out RFPs and received a response from nine architectural firms. This list has been narrowed to four and the first task of the advisory committee is to choose the architectural firm from that group.

#### X. Adjournment:

Commissioner Roller moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 9:42pm.