

### ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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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

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# MINUTES Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C March 16, 2015 Public Meeting MPD2D Community Room, 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW 7:30PM

#### I. Establishment of Quorum:

At 7:30pm, Commissioner Roller acknowledged that, with seven Commissioners present, a quorum had been established and called to order the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C's (ANC3C) regular meeting on March 16, 2015. The meeting took place in the Community Room of MPD2D, 3320 Idaho Avenue NW. Other Commissioners present were Victor Silveira, Nancy MacWood, Tom Anstrom, Lee Brian Reba, Margaret Siegel, and Gwen Bole. Catherine May arrived at 7:33pm. 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 listservs, Twitter, and in the Northwest Current newspaper.

#### III. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Roller moved that all items on the agenda's Consent Calendar be moved off consent and added to Commission Business. Motion was approved by voice vote. Commissioner Roller moved to approve the following agenda.

- I. Establishment of Quorum
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- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Announcements
- V. Community Forum
- VI. Consent Calendar
- VII. Commission Business
  - 1. Discussion with Smithsonian National Zoo and Director Kelly on new security measures to be implemented.
  - 2. HPRB Application for installation of fence at 2939 Newark St. NW
  - 3. DDOT Public Space Application (#106852) for driveway repair/replace and installation of a fence over 42" at 3339 Massachusetts Ave. NW
  - 4. Consideration of an ABRA stipulated license during the pendency of the placarding period pursuant to 23 DCMR 200 for Barcelona Restaurant at Cathedral Commons No Objection to
  - 5. HPRB application to construct an open board fence replicating the Rosedale Conservancy fence at 3470 Ordway Street NW
  - 6. No Objection to HPRB application to construct a fence on the Rosedale historic farmhouse property, located at 3501 Newark Street NW
  - 7. No Objection to Application for new Retailer Class "C" ABRA license (#0979570) for Raku at Cathedral Commons LLC (Petition Date March 30/ Hearing April 13).

VIII. ANC Coordination Issues

- 1. Mayor's Meeting:
- Council
   ANCs
- IX. Officer's Reports/Committee Reports, Administration Issues, SMD Reports
  - 1. Secretary's Report: Approval of Minutes from the January 20, 2015 and February 17, 2015 Meetings
  - 2. Treasurer's Report:
  - 3. Administrative Issues:
  - 4. IT Committee Report:
    - a. Nomination and confirmation of IT Committee for 2015.
  - 5. SMD Reports
- X. Adjournment

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

#### IV. Announcements:

- 1. Commissioner MacWood announced that a design-build team had been chosen with regard to the Cleveland Park branch of the District of Columbia Public Library and this design would be announced in the near future.
- 2. Mike Matthews, Office of the Mayor, Ward 3 Outreach Liaison introduced himself and provide his contact information: 202-341-7706, Michael.matthews@dc.gov. He also note there would be a Community Cleanup Day Saturday, March 21, 2015 at the University of the District of Columbia.
- 3. Eli Hoffman, Community Liaison for District of Columbia Public Schools for Wards 2 and 3 introduced himself and provided contact information: Elias.hoffman@dc.gov, 202-441-4692.
- ٧. Community Forum: nothing forthcoming
- VI. Consent Calendar: nothing forthcoming
- VII. Commission Business
- 1. Discussion with Smithsonian National Zoo and Director Kelly on new security measures to be implemented.

Commissioner Reba thanked Director Kelly and his Team for coming this evening and for being good stewards in Woodley Park. Director Kelly introduced Chief Wilson, who leads the Zoo police force, and Lt. Taylor.

Access controls, including bag checks, and increased police enforcement at the zoo and surrounding communities will be instituted starting with spring break, the highest attendance days. This will be published on social media.

- 2. HPRB Application for installation of fence at 2939 Newark St. NW:
  - Commissioner Siegel provided an overview of the project and moved that ANC3C has no objection to the extension of the existing fence. Motion was approved by voice vote.
- 3. Consideration of an ABRA stipulated license during the pendency of the placarding period pursuant to 23 DCMR 200 for Barcelona Restaurant at Cathedral Commons:

Commissioner Silveira provided an overview of the application and moved that ANC3C has no objection to the application. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Regarding ABRA Application for Barcelona Cathedral LLC, at 3336 Wisconsin Avenue, NW

WHEREAS Barcelona Cathedral LLC, located at 3336 Wisconsin Avenue NW, has applied to ABRA for a stipulated license:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC3C has no objection to providing a stipulated license to Barcelona at Cathedral Commons, provided it is for a limited period of 60 days. The ANC3C looks forward to review and consider the applicant's permanent liquor license following the regular process of the application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair, the Commissioner of ANC3C07 or their designee are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

Attested by

Carl Roller

Chair, on March 16, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on March 16, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANI 3C at which a guorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

4. DDOT Public Space Application (#106852) for driveway repair/replace and installation of a fence over 42" at 3339 Massachusetts Avenue NW:

Commissioner May introduced the application, which consists of installation of a perimeter fence The Public Space hearing is scheduled for April 23. Richard De Stwolinski, Director of Facilities, and Cary Kadlecek, attorney, outlined the scope of the project. Commissioner May read and moved a resolution on this matter. Commissioner MacWood offered a friendly amendment which was accepted. Motion to approve the resolution requiring a Tree Protection Plan and State Department approval was approved by voice vote.

## ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-011 Regarding DDOT Public Space Application (#106852) to construct a fence in public space at 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

WHEREAS, the Vatican Embassy, located at 3339 Massachusetts Avenue NW, has applied to Public Space for a special exception (DDOT Tracking #106852, Review#240598) for the paving and repairing or replacing of driveways and the installation of a 6 foot metal picket perimeter fence in excess of 42" and sliding gates in public space abutting the sidewalks on Massachusetts Avenue and 34th Street NW; and

WHEREAS, the property is located within the Naval Observatory Tree and Slope Protection Overlay; and

WHEREAS, this property is considered to be a diplomatic property for the purposes of use and zoning; and

WHEREAS, the Vatican Embassy has not yet consulted with the State Department Offices for project review; and

WHEREAS, the property contains six mature, second row trees, on the historic Massachusetts Avenue, which would be directly affected by this project (one of which extends to the sidewalk and is directly in the proposed path of the fence) and whereas neither ANC3C nor Urban Forestry Administration (UFA) have had the opportunity to review any Tree Protection Plan (TPP); and

WHEREAS, the submitted drawings do not address the sight lines from traffic on Massachusetts Avenue and 34<sup>th</sup> Street NW, to ensure that there would not be obstruction to the line of vision of approaching traffic from either direction at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and 34<sup>th</sup> Street NW; and

WHEREAS, ANC3C was notified of this application on March 9, 2015 for the Public Apace Hearing scheduled on April 23, 2015:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that ANC3C requests that the Vatican Embassy file for formal approval of this project with the Department of State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3C encourages the Vatican Embassy to consult with UFA for approval of a TPP for the six mature trees affected by the construction and located within the Naval Observatory Tree and Slope Protection Overlay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that absent State Department review and a TPP ANC3C does not support the application and requests that the Vatican Embassy return to the ANC3C's April 20, 2015 meeting, following State Department approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3C urges the Vatican Embassy to step back the proposed fence from the sidewalk edge to ensure a more comfortable public area for pedestrians; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair, the Commissioner of ANC3C08 or their designee are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

Attested by

Carl Roller

Chair, on March 16, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on March 16, 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. HPRB application to construct an open board fence replicating the Rosedale Conservancy fence at 3470 Ordway Street NW:

See next agenda item

6. HPRB application to construct a fence on the Rosedale historic farmhouse property, located at 3501 Newark Street NW:

Commissioner MacWood noted that this is a joint application between the two adjoining properties (3470 Ordway Street and 3501 Newark Street), resulting in a single application before HPRB. New construction at the Ordway Street residence would replicate current fence of the historic farmhouse. Commissioner MacWood moved that ANC3C has no objection to this joint application. Motion was approved by voice vote.

## ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-012 Regarding HPRB Application to construct a fence on the historic Rosedale Property, located at 3501 Newark Street, NW

WHEREAS the owners of abutting properties at 3501 Newark Street, NW and 3470 Ordway Street, NW have jointly applied for an HPRB application to install a fence on the historic Rosedale property:

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C finds that relationship of the historic open quality of the Rosedale farmhouse, 3501 Newark St., to the Rosedale conservancy lawn would be better protected with no fences separating the farmhouse front yard from the conservancy land, and that the same principle applies to the relationship of the property to the east of the farmhouse, 3470 Ordway St.; and

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C acknowledges that there is a privacy and safety issue resulting from the use of conservancy land by people and dogs and thus, ANC 3C will not object to an open picket 42" fence behind the crest of the hill in front of the farmhouse or to a 42" open board fence behind the crest of the hill at 3470 Ordway St.;

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C urges the HPRB to give significant weight to the views of the Rosedale Conservancy on the fence application since the conservancy's mission is to preserve and protect the Rosedale lawns and view sheds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair, the ANC3C-09 Commissioner, or their designee are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

Attested by

Carl Roller

Chair, on March 16, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on March 16, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

7. Application for new Retailer Class "C" ABRA license (#0979570) for Raku at Cathedral Commons LLC (Petition Date March 30/ Hearing April 13):

Commissioner Silveira moved that ANC3C have no objection to this application. Motions was approved by voice vote.

VIII. ANC Coordination Issues

1. Mayor's Meeting: State of the District Address on March 31, 6-8pm at Lincoln Theater.

2. Council: CM Cheh's office was asked to follow up on Crowd Control and MPD2D at the Zoo for Easter Monday, and to follow up with DDOT regarding removal of the No Left Turn sign at the intersection of Wisconsin Avenue and Calvert St.

NOTE: Motion by Commissioner MacWood for reconsideration of the resolution for 3339 Massachusetts Avenue NW. Motion was approved by voice vote. Two friendly amendments were offered and accepted. Motion to approve amended resolution was approved by voice vote.

3. ANCs: nothing forthcoming

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

1. Secretary's Report: Approval of Minutes from the January 20, 2015 and February 17, 2015 Meetings:

Commissioner Anstrom moved approval of both sets of minutes. Motion was approved by voice vote.

#### 2. Treasurer's Report:

Commissioner Roller noted that he had attended the meeting regarding the new Quarterly Repor procedures.

#### 3. Administrative Issues:

No update on laptop maintenance.

#### 4. IT Committee Report:

Commissioner Silveira nominated the following Co-Chairs for the Information Technology Committee for 2015: Commissioners Anstrom and Bole. Motion was approved by voice vote.

#### 5. SMD Reports:

- 01: Rock 'n Roll marathon was successful. Alley potholes have been filled in the 2600 block of Connecticut Ave. An MPD patrol car is stationed in the evenings at Duke Ellington Bridge to monitor safety.
- 05: ABRA is holding a mediation with Coppi's on March 17 because an agreement has not been reached.
- 06: Vaughan Place Public Space Application has been formally withdrawn.
- 07: Regarding Hamilton Circle Commissioner Silveira has contacted ANC3B as Hamilton Circle is split between ANC3C and ANC3B. He has reached out to the Urban Forestry Administration as it is not clear whether DDOT Public Space has jurisdiction or Urban Forestry, Parks and Recreation.
- 08- Regarding the BZA application at St. Sophia's Church for Actin Academy school to be located on their property: Actin Academy has been advertising since October 2014 and only filed fo BZA approval on March 13. St. Sophia's had promised not to use the education building for a school, when the building and parking lot were built. It it to be used for church mission purposes only.

#### X. Adjournment:

Commissioner May moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was approved by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

The next meeting of ANC3C is scheduled for Monday, April 20 at 7:30pm in the Community Room of MPD 2D, 3320 Idaho Avenue NW. Please check anc3c.org for any updates.