

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 30 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 March 20, 2017 Public Meeting MPD2D Community Room, 3320 Idaho Avenue NW 7:30PM

I. Establishment of Quorum:

The Chair, Commissioner MacWood, called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and announced that there was a quorum. Six of the other nine Commissioners were present. Commissioner Reba arrived at 7:48pm. Commissioner Wasserman was absent

II. <u>Verification of Notice (</u>List serves: CP, WP, CAH, MG, OG, QH, Ward3DC, and NWC, Twitter, and on the ANC3C website)

The Chair confirmed that notice of the meeting had been sent to local community listservs, noted on Twitter, published in the Northwest Current Newspaper and was on the ANC3C website.

III. Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner MacWood moved to approve the agenda. Motion passed by voice vote.

IV. Announcements:

Phil Thomas, MOCRS, announced the Mayor's State of the District address will be held on March 30, 2017, 6pm, Theater of the Arts at University of the District of Columbia.

V. <u>Community Forum</u>: Members of the public are invited to ask questions and raise concerns about issues that are not otherwise on the agenda.

No items brought to the Commission.

VI. Consent Calendar: no items.

VII. Commission Business:

Presentation regarding the proposed Pepco rate increase.
 Marc Battle, Vice President, Pepco Region, District of Columbia presented information regarding the

application for the rate increase filed with the DC Public Service Commission (PSC). Pepco filed a request to increase rates June 2016. This was the first increase request since the merger. They are requesting \$76 million with a \$3.84 per residential customer impact. They maintain that the rate increase is necessary due to \$660 million investment in improvements. Fewer and shorter power outages noted as a result. Standards were implemented thru 2020 and Pepco has met and exceeded these standards.

Pepco application includes request to distribute \$25.6 million in funds set aside as part of the Pepco/Exelon merger to offset rate increase for residential customers. The PSC decided to determine how that allocation gets shared among commercial, residential, and government during the rate increase case. March 2019 would be target date for any increase if full amount of the set-aside funds is allocated to residential. If the distribution rates are increased and the set aside is approved for residential customers, the new charge would be assessed and then a credit would be applied to the residential bill

Regarding electrical bills, Pepco provides only distribution services so it keeps only the distribution charge, which is approximately 20% of the total bill. (The balance of the bill is for actual electrical services and is regulated by the federal government.) The increase would reflect a 4% increase of the total bill, but actually a 17% increase in Pepco's distribution portion.

Laurence Daniels, Director of Litigation, Office of the People's Counsel ("OPC"), and the statutory representative for consumers for utilities in the District spoke. OPC thinks the amount Pepco is requesting is excessive, and that \$25 million is reasonable for capital improvements, salary adjustments, etc. He noted four areas that the increase is related to:

- A. Amount of profit Pepco is seeking 9.4% to shareholders. Pepco wants to increase this to 10.6%. 8.9% profit margin is what OPC is recommending. This reduction is due to the fact that Interest rates are low and Pepco's credit rating has improved.
- B. Reliability: recover project costs for a test year... 6mo before filing and 6mo after. Recovery of costs must be related to projects found to be used and useful during test year. Pepco is seeking recovery for projects outside this window.
- C. Executive perks: OPC feels that Pepco management got a great return with the merger. Bonus compensation is not necessary at this time.
- D. Accounting costs: OPC believes that Pepco should only get \$25.8 million rate increase. OPC also agrees with Pepco that residential consumers should get full set aside amount.

A Community Hearing has been scheduled for April 12, 2017, 6pm, PSC: 1325 G Street NW, Suite 800; Commissioner Hearing Room. Anyone can come up and give their views and how rates impact them individually. The Record will be kept open until April 25, 2017 for written comments.

VIII. Other Business:

- 1. <u>Secretary's Report</u>: Commissioner Bole moved approval of the February 21, 2017 minutes. Motion was approved by voice vote.
- 2. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Commissioner Brink announced that the Annual Security Fund acceptance came through and ANC3C received full quarterly allotment with no deductions from the Auditor's office.
- 3. <u>Administrative Issues:</u> Commissioner Finley is still investigating the purchase of a microphone and will report back.
- 4. SMD Reports:
 - 01: Commissioner Reba: there was a sign on SB Connecticut Ave noting no left turn onto Cathedral Avenue EB. It was erected by Park Services and has been corrected. On April 5 Commissioner Reba will be meeting with Director Kelly re: master plan and parking structure at the Zoo. At April meeting he will be presenting an HPRB application for 2607 Connecticut Ave. United Airlines Rock and Roll Marathon ran smoothly with no incidents. Phil Thomas (MOCRS) ran and completed the ½ marathon successfully.
 - 02: Commissioner Bole: has met with management team at Wardman Park Marriott Towers regarding the pathway that has been paved over and is not brick. She is going to meet with landscaper and find out the planting timing and what is left. JBG is selling Marriott campus she has been speaking with her contact at JBG. They have a buyer but the buyer has not yet put down earnest money.
 - 04: Commissioner Finley: went on a SMD community walk with DPW and Police and talked about trash pickup and the intersection at Porter and Quebec Streets. He will continue to follow up. He hosted "office hours" at Nanny O'Brien's -smaller crowd attended.

- 05: Commissioner Hersh: the timing of lights at Connecticut and Porter Streets is not enough for anyone with disability to cross safely before the light changes. She is working on an application on Ordway Street which has construction issues regarding timing of work, position of dumpsters, etc. She attended the Comprehensive Plan meeting last week. Amendments are due in 60 days. Two HPRB applications on Rodmans Street are forthcoming. She has been working with Cleveland Park Business Association and Cleveland Park Community Association regarding farmers market survey and feedback. They are reaching out to businesses and to entities who could manage this. The Uptown Tap House owner came to CPBA meeting. He says he is in process of putting together a Union market in the space, in stalls. Unpermitted outdoor seating area will be down in the next 4-6 weeks.
- 06: Commissioner Bradbery: Richard Lake, Roadside Dev, came to McLean Gardens to solicit community ideas and input into the Fannie Mae property. He is applying for Historic Landmark status. Regarding the Temporary Shelter, the City is considering options with parking during the garage construction. Hopefully they will have a plan soon and ANC3C can have a special meeting to seek community input.
- 07: Commissioner Boucher: Massachusetts and Macomb Street intersection is a traffic safety issue. Five SMDs converge at this cornier. She has received conflicting information regarding whether a traffic study has been done here. She will follow up.
- 08: Commissioner Brink: Holy Week is coming and she has met with staff at Cathedral Close regarding the big impact on April 14-16. The Hallow's Guild centennial will make Flower Mart bigger this year.
- 09: Commissioner MacWood: DDOT has agreed to undertake a traffic study regarding the intersection of Wisconsin and Idaho Avenues. They will be hiring a consultant. She has approached Rosedale Conservancy regarding use of the property during warm weather for story-time. Cleveland Park Library Children's librarian is excited about this idea. Monthly meetings with library construction team will begin this week and will be held on a monthly basis with reports published on ANC 3C website.

IX. Adjournment:

Commissioner Finley moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned.

The next public meeting of ANC3C is scheduled for Monday, April 17, 2017, at 7:30pm in the MPD2D Community Room, located at 3320 Idaho Avenue NW. Please check anc3c.org for any updates.

ABRA: Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration	DPW: Department of Public Works
DCOZ: District of Columbia Office of Zoning	HPRB: Historic Preservation Review Board
DCRA: Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs	MPD: Metropolitan Police Department
DDOT: District Department of Transportation	ZC: Zoning Commission

Attested by

Gwendolyn Bole, Secretary, on April 17, 2017

These minutes were approved by a voice vote on April 17, 2017 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.