

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C

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Single Member District Commissioners 01-Lee Brian Reba * 02-Jason Fink * 03-Jimmy Dubois 04-Beau Finley * 05-Emma Hersh * 06-Angela Bradbery 07- Maureen Boucher Kinlan* 08-Vicki Gersten*09-Nancy MacWood P.O. Box 4966 Washington, DC 20008 Website http://www.anc3c.org Email all@anc3c.org

Minutes Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C September 16, 2019 Public Meeting Cleveland Park Library, 3310 Connecticut Avenue, NW 7:00 PM

Establishment of Quorum:

The Chair, Commissioner MacWood, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and announced that there was a quorum. Commissioners Bradbery, Gersten, Reba, and Fink were absent.

Verification of Notice:

The Chair confirmed that notice of the meeting had been sent to eight local community listservs and apartment listserv moderators and posted on the ANC3C website and Twitter.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner MacWood moved approval of the agenda. The agenda was adopted by voice vote.

Announcements:

None

Community Forum:

None

Consent Calendar:

Commissioner Finley made a motion to approve the consent calendar which included the Resolution regarding proposed Pedestrian Safety Upgrades in the McLean Gardens Neighborhood. The motion was approved by voice vote. Commissioner Bradbery arrived at the meeting.

Commission Business:

- 1. Presentation by Gerard Brown, Program Manager Rodent and Vector Control DDOH on Rodent Infestation
 - Commissioner Gersten arrived at the meeting.

- Gerard Brown presented information regarding rodent and vector control policies and practices and responded to questions from the Commission and residents. His contact information is <u>Gerard.brown@dc.gov</u> and 202-535-2636. Inspector Brooks-Garrett from DPW can help as well. Her contact information is 202-427-0213 and <u>Jacqueline.Brooks-Garrett@dc.gov</u>.
- Commissioner Fink arrived at the meeting.
- Commissioner MacWood said that Commissioner Reba is not here and is in between surgeries and wanted to send his regrets.
- Commissioner Hersh left the meeting.
- Commissioner Dubois moved to reconsider the Consent Agenda resolution. The motion was approved by voice vote. Commissioner Bradbery moved an amended version of the consent agenda. The motion was approved by a voice vote. See Attachment A.

2. Consideration of Historic Preservation Review Board application for a 3 1/2 foot side addition at 3403 Lowell Street NW

Commissioner MacWood read and moved the resolution. The motion was approved by voice vote. See Attachment B.

Other Business:

- 1. Commissioner MacWood moved adoption of the July 15, 2019 minutes. The motion was approved by voice vote.
- 2. SMD Reports:
 - 1. Commissioner Fink said that the elementary schools have started back.
 - 2. Commissioner Boucher said that the 15 MPH sign was bent on 39th and Massachusetts. It has been removed, but needs to be replaced. She asked Rich Harrington for help in fixing it.
 - 3. Commissioner Finley said that the Cleveland Park Main Street Grant has been applied for and we'll hear soon on if its approved. The Ward 3 Democrats are doing a book drive for the Short-Term Family Housing Shelter and it will be available until November 1st.
 - 4. Commissioner MacWood said that John Eaton Elementary School is closed and kids have moved to their swing space at UDC. All reports are that the space is working out very well and parents are pleased. Construction of the new school will not begin until the end of the year. Separately, there has been a lot of construction in her SMD and the issues were worked out with the contractors. Furthermore, a number of the blocks in her SMD are dark because people are not living in some of those homes. , She has asked the DC Arborist to consider pruning the trees to help people see when they are walking.
 - 5. Commissioner Dubois said that the road repaying is completed and temporary parking signs have been removed.
 - 6. Commissioner Bradbery said she has been working with DDOT on pedestrian safety measures and there will be more soon. She provided updates on the two construction projects in her SMD: the Ward 3 Short Term Homeless Shelter is scheduled to be completed by December 31st, with residents moving in beginning March 2020; and Roadside development's work at 3900 Wisconsin Ave is ongoing and she is working to get noisy dump trucks off the road.
 - 7. Commissioner Gersten said that 3C08 has also been doing paving and speedbump work with DDOT and has also been dealing with theft issues.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Boucher moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Attested by

Vary J. Mullad

Nancy MacWood, Chair, on October 21, 2019

These minutes were approved by a voice vote on October 21, 2019 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

ANC3C Resolution 2019-Consent Regarding Pedestrian Safety Recommendations Made by the D.C. Department of Transportation's Regarding McLean Gardens

WHEREAS, the Accessibility and Inclusion Coordinator of the D.C. Department of Transportation (DDOT) and the Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff conducted a site visit on Aug. 2, 2019, to McLean Gardens in response to a resident's concerns about curb ramps being blocked by cars;

WHEREAS, DDOT representatives determined that the curb ramps were outdated and out of compliance with current ADA requirements and potentially dangerous;

WHEREAS, DDOT made recommendations to close the curb ramps and replace them with concrete that would allow wheelchair access to vehicles on a firm, stable and slip-resistant surface;

WHEREAS, DDOT also made recommendations to upgrade crosswalks at 39th and Porter Streets NW and at 39th and Rodman Streets NW, and install new crosswalks on 39th Street NW just south of Langley Court, across 39th Street NW just north of Porter Street NW and across Porter Street west of Plattsburg Court NW (see attachment for details);

WHEREAS, the ANC3C06 commissioner has solicited feedback on the recommendations (attached to this resolution) from the neighborhood and has found strong community support for the recommendations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 3C:

- (1) Supports the D.C. Department of Transportation's recommendations outlined in the attachment, which are to close outdated curb ramps on sidewalks in McLean Gardens and replace them with concrete that would allow wheelchair access to vehicles on a firm, stable and slip-resistant surface, as well as to upgrade crosswalks at 39th and Porter Streets NW and at 39th and Rodman Streets NW, and install new crosswalks on Langley Court across 39th Street NW, on Porter Street across 39th Street NW and across Porter Street at Plattsburg Court NW (see attachment for details);
- (2) Urges the DDOT to fund the recommended work in the FY2020 budget and implement the recommendations as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE Chair and/or their designee(s) are authorized to represent ANC 3C on this matter.

Attested by

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Nancy J. MacWood Chair, on September 16, 2019

This resolution was approved on the consent agenda on September 16, 2019 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.

1. Location: 3400 39th St.

Recommendation: Removal and replace with concrete (check with Urban Forestry about adjacent tree roots).

Reason: No connection across the street; no sidewalk on the other side. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals and no proper crossing.



2. Location: 3500 39th St.

Recommendation: Removal and replace with concrete (check with urban forestry about the adjacent tree).

Reason: No connection to other side of the street. It is not advisable to put in a mid-block crossing so close to the stop sign. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals and no proper crossing.



3. Location: Langley Court

Recommendation: 1) Removal and replace with concrete; 2) Build two curb ramps and mark & sign crosswalk at corner of Langley Circle (fit between phone pole and catch basin) Reason: No connection to the other side of the street. Curb ramp leads to a circle. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals and no proper crossing.





 Location: 3600 39th St. Recommendation: Removal and replace with concrete.



 Location: Corner of 39th St. & Porter St. NW Recommendation: Fix non-compliant curb ramp that crosses Porter St. NW Reason: Non-Compliant Ramp – diagonal ramp with no detectable warning signal. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals.



- Location: 3700 39th St. NW Recommendation: Remove and relocate to intersection; mark & sign the crosswalk; restrict parking 25ft. on both sides of ramp. Reason: No connection to the other side of the street
- Location: 39th and Rodman St. NW Recommendation: Repair ramp slope and install detectable warning signals for ADA compliance; mark with high visibility cross walk and pedestrian signal Reason: Current slope does not meet ADA compliance.





8. Location: 38th and Porter St. NW

Recommendation: Remove ramp and build new ramp towards Porter St. NW and build connecting ramp on opposite side of the street. Install high visibility marking and pedestrian signs; restrict parking 25ft. from crosswalk.

Reason: Better alignment & connectivity, shorter crossing distance, safer for pedestrians from vehicles. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals and no proper crossing.



9. Location: Mid-block Porter St. NW Recommendation: Remove all three ramps and replace with concrete (coordinate with Urban Forestry regarding adjacent tree roots) Reason: Mid-block crossing is not recommended at this location for pedestrian safety due to incline of street. The third ramp on Porter St. NW does not connect to opposite side of street. Ramp poses a safety concern for a blind/visually impaired pedestrian leading them into the street without detectable warning signals and no proper crossing.







ANC3C Resolution 2019-014 Regarding a Historic Preservation Review Board Application for Addition for 3403 Lowell Street NW

Whereas, the owners of a residence at 3403 Lowell Street, a contributing house in the Cleveland Park Historic District, have filed an application with the D.C. Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) to add a side addition and expand the width of the driveway; and

Whereas, the side addition is setback from the front façade and is compatible with the original architecture, window placements, and would maintain the required side yard allowance; and

Whereas, the current driveway is approximately 8 feet wide with retaining walls on both sides that restrict its use, and ANC 3C has supported other requests under these circumstances to widen driveways in the historic district; and

Whereas, the neighbor to the east and the rear neighbor have seen the plans and have not objected:

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C recommends approval of the application, including widening the driveway to no more than 12 feet in width as long as the retaining walls are reconstructed consistent with the current design;

Be It Further Resolved that the Chair and the commissioner for 3C09 are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by

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Nancy J. MacWood Chair, on September 16, 2019

This resolution was approved by a voice vote on September 16, 2019 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.