

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ANC3C Resolution 2022-026 On Offensive Actions by ANC 3C Re-elected Commissioners and Commissioners-Elect

Whereas, ANC commissioners are elected to represent constituents no matter their age, ethnicity, race, gender or income, on proposals before the DC government, and should respect and reflect various viewpoints in the community; and

Whereas, two current and re-elected ANC 3C commissioners posed with three commissioners-elect for a photo with three of them giving the finger, an obscene gesture, toward a poster displayed in a Cleveland Park store window and one of the commissioners-elect on November 8, 2022 tweeted the photo with the captain, "The ANC Majority has something to say - we're doing bike lanes. F' the ops"; and

Whereas, the location of the photo was on the Cleveland Park service road in front of a business store window that displayed a SaveConnecticutAvenue.org poster, which is sponsored by people who oppose the current DDOT bike lane proposal; and

Whereas, a screenshot of the tweet including the picture was posted on the Cleveland Park listserv on November 18, 2022 and was subsequently reported by several reporters and featured on an NBC news program; and

Whereas, the poster that was the focus of the picture and tweet involved a continuing controversial issue about the potential impact of installing bike lanes on businesses and residents that is a significant matter before ANC 3C and on which commissioners are involved; and

Whereas, this incident and its reporting undermine the credibility of ANC 3C and the work that many commissioners do to support and faithfully represent the community and its residents:

Be It Resolved that ANC 3C condemns the decision to take the photo and to post it on social media/tweet it to the public because it conflicts with a commissioner's responsibility to represent all SMD residents with respect and lack of bias;

Be It Further Resolved that ANC 3C strives to be transparent and professional in all its actions and it does not underestimate the harm that has been done by this incident to ANC 3C;

Be it Further Resolved that ANC 3C wants to reassure residents that commissioners are committed to continue to work to address concerns and issues even when a decision like installing bike lanes has been made; this continuing effort on the part of ANC commissioners is intended to produce the highest quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors; Be It Further Resolved that ANC 3C will strive to act professionally and respectfully in service to the community; and

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

Attested by

Beau Finley

Beau Finley Chair, on December 13, 2022

This resolution was approved by roll call vote on December 13, 2022, at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.