

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3C

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ANC 3C Resolution 2024-001 Regarding a Request for Composting Services for Multi-family Residential Buildings

WHEREAS, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC 3C or Commission) recognizes that local government must address climate change and protect and restore the natural environment through public action at the neighborhood level;

WHEREAS, addressing climate change and protecting and restoring the natural environment are top policy priorities of the administration of Mayor Muriel Bowser as evidenced in the District of Columbia's plan to be carbon neutral by 2045¹;

WHEREAS, the District's carbon neutrality plan explicitly calls for the inclusion of composting, noting "With the right mix of policies, the city can divert almost 90% of all waste from ending up in a landfill or an incinerator."²:

WHEREAS, approximately 30% of the District's housing units are single-family whereas approximately 70% of the District's housing units are multi-family units³;

WHEREAS, multi-family units offer a condensed opportunity to more efficiently meet the stated goal of diverting 90% of waste from ending up in a landfill or an incinerator;

WHEREAS, the District has already commenced a curbside composting piloting program aimed as single-family residences⁴;

WHEREAS, ANC 3C acknowledges being located in an affluent area of the District of Columbia that has a significant portion of multi-family units that include individuals who have enthusiastically expressed a desire to be included in city-wide composting;

WHEREAS, ANC3C renews its call in <u>ANC3C Resolution 2022-024 Regarding DPW Zero Waste Plan</u> for the waste collection services of the District Department of Public Works be expanded to

https://ggwash.org/view/71576/heres-how-much-of-dcs-housing-consists-of-single-family-homes

¹ https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/034104405ef9462f8e02a49f2bd84fd9

² Page 6 of https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/034104405ef9462f8e02a49f2bd84fd9

⁴ https://zerowaste.dc.gov/curbsidecomposting

multi-family buildings, in this case, given the unsuccessful efforts of residents of multi-family buildings in ANC3C to convince their building management companies to offer composting services;

WHEREAS, in <u>ANC3C Resolution 2022-024 Regarding DPW Zero Waste Plan</u>, ANC3C reviewed the District Department of Public Works' revisions to the Zero Waste DC Plan Draft Framework and provided the feedback on the specific language and provisions in the current Draft Framework;

WHEREAS, ANC3C continues to appreciate the addition in the <u>revised Zero Waste Draft Framework</u> that all existing multi-family residential properties must be retrofitted by 2032 to include sufficient space for the separation of recyclable and compostable materials;

WHEREAS, ANC3C supports the goal of the District Department of Public Works, shared during the ANC3C Environmental Justice Committee meeting of June 2023, to increase the number of year-round food waste drop-off points in the District by two each year, this would still not be enough to meet the demand for composting access among residents of multi-family buildings;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C is requesting the District of Columbia expedite the implementation of a city-wide composting pilot program for residents of multi-family residential buildings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3C continues to call on the District Department of Public Works to consider and incorporate the <u>Commission's previous feedback</u> into the Zero Waste DC Plan Draft Framework including composting services for multi-family buildings;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C calls on the Mayor and the DC Council to fully fund efforts to achieve the goals in the Zero Waste DC Plan Draft Framework including composting services for multi-family buildings and the DC Council exercise robust oversight of the District Department of Public Works and to other agencies to ensure implementation of the Zero Waste DC Plan Draft Framework's goals;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission designates the Chair and the Commissioner for 3C04 to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this Resolution.

Attested by

Janell Pagats

Chair, on January 17, 2024

This resolution was approved by voice vote on January 17, 2024, at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.