



October 21, 2024

Delivered electronically

- Chairman Phil Mendelson
- Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie, At-Large, and Chair Pro Tempore
- Councilmember Anita Bonds, At-Large
- Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr., At-Large, and Chairperson of the Committee on Housing
- Councilmember Christina Henderson, At-Large, and Chairperson of the Committee on Health
- Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau, Ward 1
- Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Ward 2
- Councilmember Matthew Frumin, Ward 3
- Councilmember Janeese Lewis George, Ward 4, and Chairperson of the Committee on Facilities and Family Services
- Councilmember Zachary Parker, Ward 5
- Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6
- Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Ward 7
- Councilmember Trayon White, Sr., Ward 8

Re: Call for joint roundtable oversight hearing to discuss tenant safety issues

Dear Chairman Mendelson and members of the Council of the District of Columbia:

ANCs 3C, 3F, and 3/4G request that the council committees on Housing, Health, and Facilities and Family Service hold a joint roundtable oversight hearing to discuss the tenant safety issues in apartment buildings along Connecticut Avenue.

Recently, there have been two child fatalities in the space of a week - one in ANC3C and one in ANC3F, and the impact, particularly on the Murch community whose kindergarteners lost a classmate, is profound. Our ANCs have been hearing from constituents that there are not available social services for those who are requesting them.

Council is responsible for oversight of agencies that are responsible for providing care and services to those in need. ANC3C, ANC3F, and ANC3/4G are requesting the committees that oversee the relevant agencies to call an oversight hearing. This is the productive and official route to addressing any issues with these agencies. Oversight hearings allow public witnesses and government witnesses to testify and a record and report is produced.

Thank you, once again, for your consideration. We request the courtesy of your timely reply, which may be directed to Commissioners Janell Pagats (3C03@anc.dc.gov), Courtney Carlson (3F06@anc.dc.gov), and Lisa Gore (3G01@anc.dc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Chair ANC 3C*

Courtney Carlson
Chair ANC 3F**

Lisa Gore
Chair ANC 3/4G***

* This letter was approved by ANC 3C by voice vote on October 21, 2024, at a regularly scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.

** This letter was approved by a majority of ANC 3F via email on October 21, 2024.

*** This letter was approved by ANC 3/4G by voice vote on October 21, 2024, at a regularly scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3/4G at which a quorum (a minimum of 4 of 7 commissioners) was present.