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<p>Single Member District Commissioners 01- vacant; 02- Gloria Day; 03-Stephanie Zobay 04-Avram Fechter; 05-Bruce Beckner; 06-Trudy Reeves 07- Richard Rothblum; 08-Catherine May; 09-Nancy MacWood</p>	<p align="right">2737 DEVONSHIRE PLACE, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20008 Telephone: 202/232-2232 • Fax: 202/232-0667 Website http://www.anc3c.org</p>

**Minutes
 Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C
 September 17, 2007 Public Meeting
 Second District Police Station
 7:30PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER: Commission Chair Nancy MacWood called to order Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC3C's) regular monthly meeting for September 17, 2007 at 7:35 p.m. The meeting was held in the community room at the Second District Police Station, 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008.

II. VERIFICATION OF NOTICE: Chair MacWood verified that the proper notice was published on the website and the Northwest Current.

III. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: At 7:38, Chair MacWood acknowledged that a quorum (5 of 9 commissioners) had been established. Other commissioners present included Trudy Reeves, Stephanie Zobay, Bruce Beckner, Catherine May and Gloria Day. *(Note: Commissioners Rothblum and Fechter arrived after the meeting had been called to order.)*

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chair MacWood moved for approval of the following agenda:

- I. Establishment of Quorum**
- II. Verification of Notice**
- III. Approval of Agenda**
- IV. Announcements**
- V. Officer's Reports**
- VI. Consent Calendar**
 - a. HPRB application at 3307 Newark St.
 - b. HPRB application at 3401 Woodley Rd.
- VII. Discussion with Commander Andrew Solberg** about the inclusion of an additional police service area formerly in 3D into 2D. The ANC is interested to know how resources will be allocated and how potential impacts will be evaluated and addressed.
- VIII. Community Forum**
- IX. Commission Business**
 - a. Consideration of HRPB application at 2924 Newark Street for approval to re-grade the front yard

- b. Consideration of HPRB application at 3420 34th Street for concept approval to build a 3 story rear addition
- c. Consideration of HPRB application at 3610 Quebec Street for approval to construct a retaining wall in public space and to erect open, 42 in high fence around perimeter of property but setback from the street
- d. Consideration of ABRA tavern license at 3238 Wisconsin
- X. **SMD and/or Committee Reports**
- XI. **Adjournment**

Discussion with Inspector Solberg was postponed to October meeting. Commission business B and C were switched.

NOTE: Commissioner Rothblum arrived at 7:37.

The revised agenda was approved by a unanimous voice vote of 6-0.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. ANC3b is having meeting on police redistricting on Thursday.
- 2. Rescue squad is having meeting
- 3. ANC3c's Commissioner Black has resigned. No candidates have come forward to take her seat. Will be republished on Sept 28 and petitions will be available October 1, deadline for applications will be about 3 weeks later.

NOTE: Commissioner Fechter arrived at 7:43.

VI. Officer's Reports

- 1. Commissioner Zobay moved to approve June minutes, seconded by Commissioner Day. **Approved by unanimous voice vote of 8-0.**
- 2. Commissioner Zobay moved to approve the July minutes, seconded by Commissioner Day. **Approved by unanimous voice vote of 7-0. Chair MacWood abstained because she was not at the meeting.**

VII. Consent Calendar

- a. **HPRB application at 3307 Newark St**

Commissioner Beckner moved a resolution to support the application, seconded by Commissioner Fechter. **The resolution was approved by a unanimous voice vote of 8-0.**

- b. **HPRB application at 3401 Woodley Road**

Chair MacWood moved a resolution in support of the application, seconded by Commissioner May. **The resolution was approved by a unanimous voice vote of 8-0.**

X. Community Forum -

- 1. Plantings in public space—a community member raised the issue of planting in public space. Any planting within 32 ft of a sidewalk are supposed to be approved,

but the arborist in the area has not been enforcing the law. He agreed to send the commissioners more information on the law.

XII. SMD/Committee reports

1. SMD - 04 -Commissioner Fechter - A service road in Cleveland Park is temporarily closed. Many residents in his SMD are concerned that there's a high concentration of empty business space in Cleveland Park. He suggested that the ANC conduct a market analysis of the area to figure out why there is a problem. Currently, the office of planning has offered to look into the amount of rent being asked. The Community Association is doing fact gathering and is working with the landlords to get businesses in the area. There is some speculation that the landlords are trying to hold out for a restaurant or other high-rent business. The Commission decided to come back to the issue, after talking with the community and working with the office of planning.

2. Transportation committee - Chair MacWood had raised the idea of holding a special transportation committee meeting on restrictive residential parking, which is a special designation from DDOT to restrict parking within a ward for neighborhood use. She has had several constituent emails regarding the issue. There was a mayor's task force on the issue and some recommendations were submitted, but nothing has been done. Commissioner May offered 3 suggestions: holding a special meeting, devoting a portion of the ANC meeting, or accepting written suggestions. The Commissioners decided to postpone making a decision till the end of the meeting or over email.

XII. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- a. Consideration of HRPB application at 2924 Newark Street for approval to re-grade the front yard

Jennifer Anderson, owner, presented her plan to re-grade the front yard of her duplex. Neighbors to the left have approved, the house to the right is vacant, and a lot of neighbors in the apartment building across the street have approved of her plans. ARC has approved. She wants to take out a low wall and railroad ties to flatten the grade and move wall to the property line. Chair MacWood has done a site visit and has seen many other grade changes that are more drastic. She suggested that the coping wall be retained (arced wall that is common throughout the historic district).

Chair MacWood read and moved a resolution in support of the application.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 8-0 as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes
Commissioner Beckner - yes
Commissioner Fechter - yes
Commissioner May - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

c. Consideration of HPRB application at 3610 Quebec for a retaining wall and a 42 inch fence

Luis Boza, owner, presented a proposal to build a retaining wall and a fence that would enclose the perimeter of the side yard. The fence would be covered with hedges. The house faces some tennis courts, not houses. The existing retaining wall on Idaho would be landscaped and stucco-ed to match the proposed retaining wall on Quebec Street. Commissioner Beckner read and moved a resolution in support of the application, Commissioner Reeves seconded. Commissioner Reeves offered a friendly amendment to remove the suggestion to paint the fence another color besides black, which Commissioner Beckner accepted. Chair MacWood raised concerns about the hedges being in public space, outside of the fence, but decided to hold her comments until the public space application came before the commission.

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 8-0 as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes
Commissioner Beckner - yes
Commissioner Fechter - yes
Commissioner May - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

d. Consideration of HPRB application at 3420 34th Street

Erik Bue, owner, and Ziad Elias Demain, architect, presented plans to replace the old porch and to build a 64 square foot addition to the back. They collected signatures of support from neighbors. All the adjacent neighbors and those on 34th Place have seen the plans and approve them. The front elevation will not be changed, and part of the addition will be visible from the street.

The only major concern that Chair MacWood raised was the roofline. She asked that the roof be reduced in height. Chair MacWood read and moved a resolution approving the application with concerns about the roof, seconded by Commissioner Beckner. She changed the language to ask that the roof be lower than the existing roof rather than reduced to the height of the existing dormer.

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 8-0 as follows:

Commissioner Day - yes
Commissioner Beckner - yes
Commissioner Fechter - yes
Commissioner May - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

e. Consideration of ABRA tavern license for a new establishment at 3238 Wisconsin

Owner, Joe Englert, presented plans for a new wine bar at the former Zebra lounge. He expected it to be a place for adults, with 48 enclosed and 48 unenclosed seats, and a patio with 32 seats. He was open to drafting a voluntary agreement regarding any noise, safety or nuisance issues. He will be asking people on the website and promotions to take public transportation, walk or bike.

A neighbor raised concerns with the hours of business. Requested hours are Sunday-Thursday, 4 pm-2 am; Friday and Saturday 11 am-3 pm. Commissioner Rothblum said that few people in his SMD objected to the late hours, but some were in favor of the late hours. Chair MacWood had received one complaint. Commissioner Reeves sent a notice to the McLean Gardens listserv and she got several emails in support. Both Cactus Cantina and Café Deluxe, nearby restaurants, close earlier.

Chair MacWood suggested taking no action and drafting a voluntary agreement. The commission will consider the application at the October public meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Beckner moved to adjourn, Commissioner Day seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm.

The next meeting of ANC 3C will be Monday, October 15 at 7:30 PM in the Community Room of the Second District Police.