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<p>Single Member District Commissioners 01-Lee Brian Reba; 02- Gloria Day; 03-Stephanie Zobay 04-vacant; 05-Bruce Beckner; 06-Trudy Reeves 07- Richard Rothblum; 08-Catherine May; 09-Nancy MacWood</p>	<p align="right">4025 Brandywine Street, NW Washington, DC 20016-1843 Website http://www.anc3c.org</p>

Minutes
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C
April 21, 2008 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 April 21, 2008 at 7:30 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, list servs and in the Northwest Current.

III. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: At 7:35, Chair MacWood acknowledged that a quorum (5 of 8 commissioners) had been established. Other commissioners present included Bruce Beckner, Stephanie Zobay, Trudy Reeves and Lee Brian Reba. (NOTE: Commissioner Richard Rothblum came after the meeting had been called to order.)

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

- I. Announcements
 - a. Submission of \$750 grant application from the Second District Community Advisory Council for cost of awards presented to police officers at the annual appreciation dinner
- II. Officer's Reports
 - a. Secretary's Report: Approval of February and March minutes
 - b. Treasurer's Report: First Quarter Report
- III. Introduction of PSA 204 Lieutenant Ralph Neal and Acting MPD Commander Mark Carter
- IV. Community Forum
- V. Commission Business
 - a. Consideration of \$1000 grant application from John Eaton School for costs associated with the school play.
 - b. Consideration of HPRB Application at 2841 29th Street, NW (HPA #08-245) for a second story addition and alteration to the rear
 - c. Consideration of HPRB Application at 2710 Cathedral Avenue, NW (HPA #08-246) for demolition of garage and construction of larger garage
 - d. Consideration of BZA Application at Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation for National Cathedral School (BZA Case No. 17759) for a special exception to alter and add to the Middle School facilities, and an increase of enrollment to 585 and staff to 150 full time equivalent positions

- e. Consideration of resolution stating the position of ANC 3C on the McLean Bible Church's appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision that a church cannot locate in the Uptown Theatre pursuant to zoning restrictions
 - f. Consideration of a 5K run through ANC 3C neighborhoods organized by Oyster Elementary School as a fundraising event
- VI. Committee and SMD Reports

Consideration of a resolution commending Commander Solberg was added to the end of the agenda. **The agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote of 5-0.**

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Chair MacWood announced the vacancy of ANC3C-04, which has been advertised in the DC Register. Anyone in the SMD can apply; the deadline for applications is May 5; and a special election will be held at the June Meeting.
- b. Samantha Nolan presented a grant application for \$750 to support the Second District Community Advisory Council's awards for police officers Awards will be presented at the annual appreciation dinner, to be held at Marcianos on May 30. The total cost for the awards is \$1500, which is split between two ANCs. If any money is left over, it will be distributed equally between the two contributing ANCs.

Note: Commissioner Rothblum arrived at 7:42.

VI. Officer's Reports

- c. Secretary's Report: Commissioner Rothblum moved the February and March Minutes. Commissioner Reba seconded. **All approved by voice vote of 6-0.**
- d. Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Reeves reviewed the First Quarter Report. Commissioner Reeves moved the approval of the report, which was seconded by Commissioner Beckner. **All approved by voice vote of 6-0.**

VII. Introduction of PSA 204 Lieutenant Ralph Neal and Acting MPD Commander Mark Carter was postponed because they were not present.

VIII. Community Forum - No issues were raised at the community forum.

IX. Commission Business

- a. Consideration of \$1000 grant application from John Eaton School for costs associated with the school play.

Note: Commissioner Reeves left the meeting.

Chair MacWood introduced the grant and moved the resolution to approve the grant. Commissioner Reba seconded.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 5-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner - yes
 Commissioner MacWood - yes
 Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Rothblum - yes
 Commissioner Zobay - yes

- b. Consideration of an HPRB Application at 2841 29th Street, NW (HPA #08-245) for a second story addition and alteration to the rear

Chris Snowber, architect, presented the plans. The architect reported that the adjacent neighbors were notified and some of them attended a meeting with the architect on April 9. The plans were reviewed by ANC3C's Planning and Zoning committee. Neighbors were concerned about losing light and air, and the scale of the addition. Commissioners commented that the scale of the addition seemed larger than the scale of the existing rooms.

Note: Commissioner Reeves returned to the meeting.

Neighbor at 2843 29th Street, immediate neighbor, spoke to represent 17 neighbors who object to the rear treatment. They were concerned that the addition would be unprecedented in the neighborhood; inconsistent with the scale, proportion and feeling of the historic district; and would not comply with HPRB guidelines. In the houses on the block, the line of the back of the houses has been maintained (with exceptions, some of which were made before the neighborhood was designated historic).

Commissioner Zobay read the resolution approving the skylight, but requesting that the scale of the rear addition be reduced. Commissioner Reeves seconded. Commissioners discussed language to clarify the language of the depth of the addition. Commissioner Reba asked what would be a reasonable addition because there are existing rear additions in the neighborhood. Commissioner Zobay objected the large change in the addition, but didn't want to give strict rules.

Commissioner MacWood moved her amendment to modify the language of several Where As statements, seconded by Commissioner Rothblum. **The amendment was accepted by a unanimous voice vote, 6-0.**

Commissioner MacWood moved her amendment to edit the second resolve commenting on the depth of the addition, seconded by Commissioner Rothblum. **The amendment was accepted by a unanimous voice vote, 6-0.**

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

- c. Consideration of HPRB Application at 2710 Cathedral Avenue, NW (HPA #08-246) for demolition of garage and construction of larger garage

Jennifer Fowler, architect, and Matthew Voorhees, property owner, presented plans for a new garage that would incorporate two cars and a mezzanine for storage. The application was previewed at the ANC3C's HPRB committee. The architect reported that the neighbors both live out of the country and don't object to the application. The height would be increased by an additional 3 feet and the parapet by an additional 2 feet.

Commissioner Zobay read her resolution to objecting to the mezzanine. Commissioner Beckner seconded.

The commission discussed the parapet, which has aesthetic purposes. Commissioner Zobay added language to allow the parapet.

Commissioner Reba asked that the language of the resolution be changed to state “mezzanine” and not second “story,” which have different meanings in the regulations. Chair MacWood argued that the garage be approved as proposed by the HPRB because the considerations the commission is discussing don’t relate to HPRB rules. The structure does not contribute to the historicity of the area.

Commissioner Zobay offered amendments to change the language to state “mezzanine” and allow for the parapet. Commissioner Reeves seconded. **All approved by voice vote, 7-0.**

Commissioner Rothblum asked that the commission be silent on this application as the neighbors have been silent and the application doesn’t seem to relate to HPRB rules.

The resolution as amended failed by a vote of 3-3 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner- yes
Commissioner MacWood - no
Commissioner Reba - no

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - no
Commissioner Zobay - yes

- d. Consideration of BZA Application at Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation for National Cathedral School (BZA Case No. 17759) for a special exception to alter and add to the Middle School facilities, and an increase of enrollment to 585 and staff to 150 full time equivalent positions

Kathleen Jameson from the National Cathedral School presented plans for middle school. Plans were presented to the Planning and Zoning committee two times. The school is already above the enrollment and staff limits of their current BZA license. Commissioner Beckner was concerned about the language about an enrollment “objective” vs. an enrollment “cap.”

Chair MacWood read the resolution. Commissioner Reba seconded.

Commissioner Beckner commented that rather than a clean hands policy, the ANC should focus on enforcement. Commissioner Beckner expressed doubts about the BZA's authority to enforce a "clean hands" policy and reject an application merely because of an applicant's past record of non-compliance. He suggested that, instead, the BZA be urged to take the applicant's past record into consideration when deciding upon what conditions should be attached to a grant of a new special exception. Commissioner Rothblum asked if the applicant would be amenable to a voluntary agreement. They said they would prefer a zoning agreement.

Commissioner Beckner offered language for an amendment regarding the enrollment caps and zoning enforcement.

Commissioners discussed parking plans and traffic flow on the campus. Commissioner Beckner discussed the traffic light at Wisconsin, which is timed to skip the left turn back on Wisconsin from the parking drop off. This is a disincentive to use Wisconsin.

Commissioner Rothblum moved the amendments, commissioner Reba seconded. **The amendments were approved by a unanimous voice vote, 6-0.**

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes
Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

Note: the Oyster Run was moved up in the agenda

- e. Consideration of a 5K run through ANC 3C neighborhoods organized by Oyster Elementary School as a fundraising event

Maria Elena Nawar presented plans for a race on Sunday, October 19, which will have about 300-400 runners/walkers. The applicant has met with Community Associations to discuss the plans and routes. Commissioner Zobay read the resolution approving the race. Commissioner Beckner seconded. Audience members asked that the apartment building be notified of the route and that the police are aware that the people in those apartment buildings are able to get out.

The resolution was approved by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner - yes	Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes	Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes	Commissioner Zobay - yes

- f. Consideration of resolution stating the position of ANC 3C on the McLean Bible Church's appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision that a church cannot locate in the Uptown Theatre pursuant to zoning restrictions

Commissioner Beckner read and moved the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Zobay. Commissioners raised questions about language in the resolution that stated that the church would not be contributing to the commercial district.

The church is seeking to use more than just the uptown theater and wants to acquire more space nearby. There are other movie theaters in the District that are also rented out by churches on Sundays.

Peter Espenschied offered text amendments. Commissioner Beckner removed the last two "Whereas" statements.

Audience member asked if the legal arguments should be made in the resolution. Commissioners argued that the attached brief would be given great weight. The church is arguing that the primary use of the theater would be a theater; the church service on Sunday is merely an ancillary use. Commissioner Beckner added language to add that the church requires a Certificate of Occupancy.

Commissioner Beckner read and moved the amendments, commissioner Rothblum seconded. **The amendments were approved by a unanimous voice vote, 6-0.**

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner- yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

g. Consideration of a resolution commending Commander Solberg

Commissioner Reeves read and moved a resolution commending Com. Solberg. Commissioner Beckner seconded.

Commissioner Reba offered clarifying language about how he joined PD2 and the position details. Commissioner Reba moved the amendments, seconded by Commissioner Reeves. **The amendments were approved by a unanimous voice vote, 6-0.**

The resolution was approved as amended by a vote of 6-0 as follows:

Commissioner Beckner- yes
Commissioner MacWood - yes
Commissioner Reba - yes

Commissioner Reeves - yes
Commissioner Rothblum - yes
Commissioner Zobay - yes

X. SMD/Committee Reports

- a. Commissioner Zobay - She got a call from Mr. Marcou, who said he had 70 boxes of paper and will call on May 16. She also announced she's moving to Cairo and will resign in August.
- b. Commissioner Reeves - Sidwell Friends School boards are up blocking the light from the parking facility on Wisconsin.
- c. Utilities report - Tomorrow, there will be a Federation of Citizen Associations meeting and Linda Argo is speaking. It will be held at 6:45 at Sumner School.
- d. Deborah Jane complained that DCMR is offline. She was told to call the office of the secretary of the district.

XI ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Reeves moved to adjourn, Commissioner Beckner seconded. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41 pm.

The next meeting of ANC 3C will be Monday, May 19, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the Community Room of the Second District Police.