

## Government of the District of Columbia ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3/4G

Chevy Chase, Barnaby Woods, Hawthorne
5601 Connecticut Avenue N.W. P.O. Box 6252 Washington, D.C. 20015
3G@anc.dc.gov http://www.anc3g.org YouTube: ANC3G Office: 202.363.5803

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

3/4G-01 - Lisa R. Gore, Secretary 3/4G-02 - John Higgins, Treasurer
3/4G-03 - Randy Speck, Chair 3/4G-04 - Michael Zeldin 3/4G-05 - Connie K. N. Chang
3/4G-06 - Peter Gosselin 3/4G-07 - Chris Fromboluti, Vice-Chair

Minutes
ANC 3/4G Public Meeting
February 8, 2021
Zoom Meeting, 7:00-9:00 pm
Meeting Link

### 00:00:00 Introductions, Announcement of Meeting Procedures, and Adoption of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Commissioner Randy Speck, Chair (3/4G-03), presiding. Also present were Commissioners Lisa R. Gore (3/4G-01), John K. Higgins (3/4G-02), Michael Zeldin (3/4G-04), Connie K.N. Chang (3/4G-05), Peter Gosselin (3/4G-06), and Chris Fromboluti (3/4G-07). The meeting was held virtually via Zoom, and Chair Speck provided an overview of the virtual meeting procedures. Chair Speck declared a quorum (seven Commissioners present).

#### 00:04:48 Adoption of Agenda

Chair Speck moved to approve the agenda, as amended, with the deletion of the discussion and presentation on Surveillance Transparency and Accountability. The motion was passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain). This item will be placed on the agenda for discussion at the ANC's regular public meeting on March 8, 2021.

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

#### Chair Speck

- 00:05:42 The Commission provided an update to the proposed reallocation of Lafayette's pre-K program. On February 3, 2021, Commissioners Gore and Chang toured the Episcopal Center for Children (ECC) to determine if the space was potentially feasible for Lafayette's use. Commissioners Gore and Chang reported that although the building would need improvements, it would be an ideal location to provide an extension of the Lafayette campus. On February 4, 2021, Deputy Mayor of Education Paul Kihn wrote the Commission committing to explore space options for the campus. The ANC responded requesting a meeting to begin discussions with the ECC to determine how its facilities could meet the Lafayette community's short and long term school needs. The ANC will keep the community informed.
- AARP is offering DC residents assistance with their Federal and DC tax returns. For assistance email <u>aide.help@gmail.com</u>.

#### Commissioner Chang

00:08:42 Commissioner Chang reported that she and Commissioner Gosselin attended the first meeting of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) held on February 5, 2021 for the District Office of Planning (OP) Chevy Chase Small Area Plan. Commissioner Chang highlighted the Small Area Plan process and the process for CAC meetings as well as OP organized meetings going forward. The project website is <a href="https://publicinput.com/P456653">https://publicinput.com/P456653</a> where residents are encouraged to sign up for announcements and fill out the survey requesting input.

#### Commissioner Gosselin

 00:13:00 Commissioner Gosselin discussed the Chevy Chase small area plan process and encouraged the public to give input about what they hope for the community and the planning process.

#### **Commissioner Gore**

00:15:03 Commissioner Gore called for residents to join the ANC's standing committee on racial and social equity. The ANC is accepting nominations through March 21, 2021 (45 day nomination period). Interested residents should email Commissioner Gore at 3G01@anc.dc.gov and Chair Randy Speck at 3G03@anc.dc.gov.

#### **Community Announcements**

00:17:29 Laura Phinizy notified the ANC that she had learned the street lighting RFP had not gone to the Council and that the Council would likely hold a hearing on the public/private partnership aspect of the RFP and not on the underlying color/temperature decisions DDOT is making. She wrote Councilmember Cheh to alert her to the ANC resolution and hoped she would give the resolution great weight and include the topics discussed in the resolution at the hearing. Commissioner Fromboluti indicated

he would follow up with Cheh's office. Chair Speck indicated we could also raise this issue at DDOT's oversight hearing.

 00:20:48 Emir Gur-Ravantab, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, on COVID vaccination efforts and changes in unemployment compensation benefits.

### 00:26:57 Discussion & vote on public space permit application at 3600 Rittenhouse St, NW

As background, the Public Space committee has to approve any construction involving public space. Public space extends beyond the street curb and often includes 12'-15' of private space. The ANC is asked to provide its views on any public space permit application within the ANC's boundaries. David Landsman (CAS Engineering) and David White (property owner) provided an overview of the project and answered Commissioner and community questions. Commissioner Chang moved that the Commission advise the Public Space Committee that it does not object to the application. After a second, the Commission approved the motion by a vote of 7 (Yes), 0 (No), and 0 (Abstain).

### 00:38:29 DC Department of Transportation presentations on Oregon Avenue reconstruction and Chestnut St sidewalk project & ANC discussion

DDOT provided the community an update on the Oregon Avenue Reconstruction and Chestnut Street Sidewalk projects. Jam Kendrick, Project Manager, TB&A, and Samer Alhawamdeh, Project Manager, Infrastructure Project Management Division, DDOT, provided an overview of each project and responded to Commissioner and community questions.

# 01:27:55 New Chevy Chase Main Street Program -- Introduction of program manager Alex Krefetz and presentation of program's small grant application to the ANC

Alex Krefetz and Brianne Dormbush provided an overview of Chevy Chase Main Street. The Main Street program is primarily funded by the DC Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD). District Bridges, which will manage the Chevy Chase Main Street contract, is still in the process of formulating the grant schedule to help area businesses, but anticipates announcing the grant application on February 18, 2021. The deadline for businesses to submit grant applications is March 24, 2021. District Bridges requested a \$2,000 grant from the ANC. Chair Speck provided an explanation on the grant voting process and will research the feasibility of this request.

01:48:07 Discussion and votes on ANC testimony at DC Council oversight hearings for Office of Office of ANCs (OANC), Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) and Department of Energy and the Environment DOEE)

Commissioner Gosselin moved the approval of the written testimony for the DSLBD. The motion was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).

Commissioner Speck moved the adoption of the written testimony for the OANC. The motion was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).

Commissioner Speck moved the approval of the written testimony for the DOEE. The motion was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).

#### 01:58:25 Routine Commission Business

**Meeting Minutes:** 

None.

Checks:

None.

#### Possible Items for February 22, 2021, Meeting:

Discussion and possible vote on the Episcopal Center for Children's application for Historic Landmark designation; DDOT update on Connecticut Avenue reversible lanes operation and safety study; Discussion and possible vote on the Chevy Chase Main Street grant application; Presentation on the Mayor's Budget process; Discussion and possible vote on oversight testimony for the Office of Chief Technology Officer, DDOT, and MPD; Presentation by Erkin Ozberk, Project Manager, Office of Planning, on the Chevy Chase Small Area Plan.

02:21:23 Adjourn (9:22 p.m.).

Randy Speck, Chair

Lisa R. Gore, Secretary