

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

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Minutes
ANC 3/4G Public Meeting
January 25, 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 7:02 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 (six Commissioners present). (Commissioner Zeldin joined shortly after the start of the meeting.)

### 00:04:43 Adoption of Agenda

Chair Speck moved to approve the agenda, as amended, with the deletion of the discussion and possible vote on public space permit application (Tracking # 365069) at 3600 Rittenhouse Street, NW for a driveway, paving, lead-walk with steps, retaining wall and landscaping. The motion was seconded and passed: 6 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain). This item will be placed on the agenda for discussion at the ANC's regular public meeting on February 8, 2021.

### 00:05:54 Commissioner Announcements

### Chair Speck

- Chair Speck provided the community an update on the COVID-19 vaccination process, acknowledgment that seniors have been having issues obtaining appointments, and information on the ANC's compilation of COVID-19 vaccination resources on its website (ANC3G.org).
- Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) is hosting a series of virtual meetings by Ward to discuss community recreational needs of different neighborhoods. The Ward 3 meeting is scheduled on February 2, 2021, from 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m., and the Ward 4 meeting will be held on February 4, 2021, from 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Chair Speck stressed the importance of providing DPR feedback on community needs. Registration links and more information can be found on the DPR website <a href="ready2playdc.com">ready2playdc.com</a>.
- Council oversight hearings are scheduled for February and March and provide an opportunity for Commissioners and residents to tell the Council how various agencies have performed. The ANC anticipates testifying at upcoming hearings.
- The Commission is continuing to pursue solutions to the proposal to relocate Lafayette Elementary Schools's pre-K program. The ANC received a response from DCPS Chancellor Ferebee on its resolution and although no decision has been made, the ANC continues to try to influence the conversation.

### Commissioner Gore

 A community meeting is tentatively scheduled with Councilmember Lewis-George on Friday, January 29, 2021, to discuss the Chestnut Street Sidewalk project. Community members residing in Single Member District 3/4G-01 and interested in attended the meeting should email Commissioner Gore at <u>3G01@anc.dc.gov</u>.

### 00:15:35 Community Announcements

- George Orwells, resident off of Connecticut Avenue, N.W., discussed his concerns with gentle density and the lack of impact assessments on changes to the Comprehensive Plan.
- Emir Gur-Ravantab, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services Community Relations and Services (MOCRS), Ward 3, provided an update on the city's COVID vaccination campaign and upcoming town hall.

### 00:23:39 Discussion and possible vote on the reports and recommendations from the Task Force on Racism

Chair Speck provided an overview on how the Task Force on Racism's recommendations were formulated and the process the task force implemented to develop its reports and recommendations from the Community, Housing, and Education and Mental Health working groups. The discussion and subsequent vote on the Community working group's recommendations included the following:

### **Community Working Group (Recommendations 1-6)**

- 00:30:35 Commissioner Gore motion to establish an ANC standing committee on racial and social equity, and discussion and vote. The motion, as amended, was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).
- 00:50:00 Commissioner Gore motion to develop a racial response network, and discussion and vote. The motion, as amended, was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).
- 01:15:05 Commissioner Gore motion to create a website to share information and resources on racial equity issues, and discussion and vote. The motion was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).
- 01:16:10 Commissioner Gore motion to foster partnerships with other organizations, and discussion and vote. The motion was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).
- 01:31:15 Commissioner Gore motion to propose community survey questions, and discussion and vote. The motion, as amended, was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).
- 01:33:30 Commissioner Gore motion on dedicating Community Center space for racial equity issues and activities, and discussion. After prolonged discussion, Chair Specked moved to table the discussion. The motion to table was seconded and passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain). Discussion on this recommendation and the remaining task force recommendations will take place on February 4, 2021, at a special meeting of the Commission.

### 01:58:25 Routine Commission Business

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Commissioner Speck moved to adopt minutes from the January 11, 2021, regular meeting and the January 14, 2021, special meeting. The motion passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).

#### Checks:

Commissioner Speck moved to approve one check for Verizon (two months of service) in the amount of \$306.04. The motion passed: 7 (Yes), 0 (No), 0 (Abstain).

### Possible Items for February 8, 2021, Meeting:

Discussion with DDOT about the Oregon Avenue Rehabilitation and Chestnut Street Sidewalk projects; Public Space permit presentation; and presentation on Chevy Chase Main Street.

### **O2:08:34 Adjourn** (9:10 p.m.).

Randy Speck Chair

Lisa R. Gore, Secretary

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