ANC 3/4G Public Meeting January 10, 2022 Chat Log

- 00:23:40 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Link to this meeting where you can find draft resolutions, 2022 meeting dates, etc. can be found here: https://anc3g.org/meetings/meeting-minutes/january-10-2022/
- 00:25:08 Michael Sriqui: Did I understand correctly that I am to submit written comments on issues and not to raise my hand in order to be called on?
- 00:25:10 Dee Smith-Ward 3 CM Cheh's office: Reminder, beginning today, Jan 10, Metrobus is running on a *Saturday Supplemental schedule* each weekday (Mon-Fri) due to growing Covid related absenteeism. Many routes run on a reduced frequency, others are not running. Learn more at http://wmata.com/servicechanges
- 00:33:35 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Job announcement for ANC 3/4G Executive Administrative Assistant. Please share and ask qualified individuals to send their resumes and cover letters to Commissioner Higgins, 3G02@anc.dc.gov: https://anc3g.org/agenda/anc-3-4g-seeking-executive-administrative-assistant-submit-resume-cover-letter-by-c-o-b-january-28-2022-to-commissioner-higgins-3g02anc-dc-gov/
- 00:39:49 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: FYI re: how to report lack of snow removal. The 311 online system has a request named "Snow Removal Complaints for Sidewalks" with a service level agreement of 2 days
- 00:40:18 Emir Gur-Ravantab (MOCRS): An exemption (for disability or senior citizens) will allow their property to be shoveled by the District Snow Team
- 00:40:25 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Sure, I'll address it first during my time
- 00:41:03 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Here's more on that online: https://servedc.galaxydigital.com/snow-team/
- 00:41:40 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: Repeating some information that Matthew provided already:
- 00:42:05 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: Snow Removal Volunteers for those who qualify for exceptions: https://servedc.galaxydigital.com/snow-team/

- 00:42:15 Emir Gur-Ravantab (MOCRS): https://dpw.dc.gov/service/sidewalk-shoveling-exemption#:~:text=The%20Sidewalk%20Shoveling%20Exemption%20Program,for%20t
- 00:42:18 Emir Gur-Ravantab (MOCRS): the deadline was 11/1/2021

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- 00:43:06 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: Vaccine Requirement for businesses + visitors https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaxdc
- 00:43:55 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: CLEAR Vaccine app https://www.clearme.com/vaccine-validation
- 00:44:09 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: VaxYes Vaccine App https://gogetdoc.com/vaxyes/vaxyes-digital-vaccine-verification-instructions
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- 00:44:20 Alex Krefetz, Chevy Chase Main Street: Snow shovel exemption: https://dpw.dc.gov/service/sidewalk-shoveling-exemption
- 00:48:58 Ross Eisenman: I spoke to a postman today. He said they have 8 mail deliverers to do 24 routes in our area, mainly due to covid. We have not gotten mail for almost a week. The nextdoor neighbors list serv is full of complaints citywide.
- 00:49:15 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Here is the link to the ANC 3/4G dedicated page on Maret/ECC including video and chat from CM Lewis George's listening session that Matt mentioned: https://anc3g.org/task_forces/maret-school-ecc-sports-field/
- 00:49:31 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Matthew Landrieu | 202-286-6311 | mlandrieu@dccouncil.us
- 00:50:12 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Read CM Lewis George's letter to USPS: https://janeeseward4.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Lewis-George-Letter-to-USPS-re-Delays-in-Mail-Service.pdf

- 00:50:47 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Read CM Lewis George's letter to DPW re: snow removal and leaf collection: https://janeeseward4.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Lewis-George-Letter-re-Delayed-Leaf-Collection-1.pdf
- 00:51:36 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Here's an overview of the CM's Safe Routes to School Expansion legislation: https://3d7u451llb482vg7eo2t27v9-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Safe-Routes-to-School-Act-Graphic-3.png
- 00:52:14 Matthew | Ward 4 Council Office: Lastly, here's where you can learn more/RSVP for our community listening tour: https://janeeseward4.com/listen/
- 00:56:32 Harolyn Blackwell: If you I have questions after this meeting concerning any of the items discussed this evening, to whom can I send the questions, please? Thank you.
- 00:59:43 jill macneice: Will the info in the chat be available to observers after this zoom is over?
- 01:00:26 Randy Speck: Yes. On the ANC's website.
- 01:00:29 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Harolyn, if you have any questions, you can feel free to contact any of us: see this link for our email addresses ... https://anc3g.org/commission-as-a-whole/
- 01:02:05 jill macneice: Please share this website with viewers: friends-of-the-field.webflow.jo
- 01:13:06 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: As I announced, OP's Design Workshop scheduled for Jan 22 has changed from in-person to virtual. Here is more info: https://anc3g.org/agenda/the-districts-office-of-planning-has-announced-that-it-will-hold-a-chevy-chase-small-area-plan-community-workshop-on-january-22-2022-10-am-to-12-pm-at-deal-middle-school-to-sign-up-go-to/
- 01:14:21 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: The above is related to the Office of Planning's Small Area Plan work. The Commission launched an Information Exchange Series in late September to help inform our community on topics related to the SAP. You can find the six sessions here: https://anc3g.org/task_forces/small-area-plan/anc-3-4g-fall-2021-info-exchange-series/.
- 01:14:56 Harolyn Blackwell: Thank you, Connie.

- 01:15:34 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Please mark your calendars for Thursday, January 20th starting at 7 pm for another Commission hosted info exchange session with the Office of Attorney General's Land Use Section. More details will be announced soon and can be found on our website: anc3g.org.
- 01:22:43 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: All panelists, please rename yourself. Go to the three dots on the right corner of your photo and rename yourself with your organization. Thank you.
- 01:25:45 Lee Schoenecker: As a professional urban planner and as a long-ago ANC member and Chair, I honestly believe that the job that ANC 3-4G did was outstanding. However, I have to disagree with the thrust of what is being proposed by the Maret School at the Episcopal site. Specific and often complex urban planning decisions should usually take into account the resultant activities 10-20 and more years from now. The typical resident of Ingelside is 75-85 years of age; the typical grade school, high school activities of Maret fall into the 10 to 18 years of age group. The resultant activities of these two different age groups are substantially if not dramatically different.
- 01:26:02 Lauren Howard: I am a long-time resident of this ANC and the parents of a former Maret student. Out of respect for the limited time to speak tonight, I will not ask to make oral remarks. But I do want to urge the ANC to support the Maret-Episcopal Children's Center's proposed athletic fields. Thank you for your consideration.
- 01:27:41 DC Velasco: Could you provide the link to the Friends of the Field website?
- 01:29:00 Michael Lund: Walking on the field last week, I noticed all the houses on Rittenhouse and Utah adjacent to the field have garages in their backyards. So the new Maret field would not block those residents 'view of the field much more than the view is already blocked by their garages. (And only their view through their back windows on the first floors).

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- 01:29:13 laura hardy: We live in the neighborhood and are incredibly supportive of the Maret-ECC proposal. It is a win-win project for both organizations, and as Maret parents, we are confident that Maret will be a good neighbor, as it has been for so many years in Woodley Park. Thank you for your consideration. We appreciate this forum in which all voices get an opportunity to be heard.
- 01:31:27 Brian Eriksen: Nancy is stating that all neighbors bordering are part of Friends of the Field but that's simply not true.
- 01:31:43 David Patton FoF: All on 28th, Brian.

- 01:33:34 Paul Fisher: I believe she said all of her neighbors on 28th street
- 01:34:46 Kara Kochan: We live in the neighborhood and are in full support of the Maret/ECC partnership. We believe Maret has been transparent and willing to work with the community. We look forward to seeing the ECC return and Maret students and youth organizations utilize this field space.
- 01:35:31 DC Velasco: Bravo Nan!
- 01:36:12 Joel Velasco: Well said Nan.
- 01:36:21 Sara Imershein: We are residents since 1985. We support the ECC Maret Field plan the community will benefit. Maret is a caring community partner.
- 01:36:31 Kara Kochan: We live in the neighborhood and are in full support of the Maret/ECC partnership. We believe Maret has been fully transparent and willing to work with the community. We look forward to seeing the ECC return and Maret students and youth organizations utilize this field space. We encourage the ANC to put their full support behind this project.
- 01:36:51 Michael Lund: Walking on the field last week, I noticed all the houses on Rittenhouse and Utah adjacent to the field have garages in their backyards. So the new Maret field would not block those residents 'view of the field much more than the view is already blocked by their garages. (And only their view through their back windows on the first floors).

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- 01:36:59 Nancy Voisin: Brian all of the neighbors whose properties are contiguous with the ECC field.
- 01:37:24 thomasmartella: We have lived in the neighborhood for over 30 years, and have enjoyed the presence and activities associated with schools and playing fields nearby Lafayette School, Lafayette-Pointer Park, and St. John's College H.S. Not only do they provide access for so many kids and their families to, in short, get outside; they also provide a sense of life for me and my neighbors, who love seeing our community present and active. We also understand how the proposed plan will benefit the Episcopal school a great advantage. Finally, access will be for more than Maret, which expands its investment. This proposed plan makes sense financially, enhances healthy living, and improves on a wonderful neighborhood asset. We couldn't be more supportive.

- 01:39:08 Brian Eriksen: Nancy speaking of Nebraska touching and not the Rittenhouse properties is ridiculous.
- 01:39:39 Michael McCaughan: I have shared my support for this project in writing with Chairman Speck and did not want to extend the meeting further by speaking today. I do want to emphasize my experience with Maret both as a parent at the school and previously as a neighbor (I used to live in Woodley Park). I can testify strongly from both perspectives that Maret is a very good neighbor. I have great sympathy for community members who are understandably wary of the project, but please be assured that the school will make the new field an asset to the community for years to come.
- 01:39:46 Brian Eriksen: The Rittenhouse neighbors are actually closer to the field itself (the main soccer / football field).
- 01:40:01 Joel Velasco: Good point Brian.
- 01:40:11 Brian Eriksen: And _many_ Rittenhouse neighbors are in favor of the project.
- 01:40:53 Ross Eisenman: As a former Maret parent who lives in the neighborhood, I hope the ANC will sort out some of the comments made tonight. There was a lot of discussion about hours of use by Maret at CM George's listening session. Maret cutback the hours of operation in response to neighbor concerns. Maret also committed to provide a three dimensional digital model by the end of month.
- 01:40:59 Paul Fisher: There are houses on Nebraska that are on the field side of Nebraska
- 01:41:07 Adrienne Jules (Sophie and Ian): Yes, well said, Nan Gibson. Thank you. Adrienne Jules, 33rd Block of Rittenhouse, Lafayette Parent
- 01:41:08 Paul Fisher: They touch the field
- 01:42:02 Greg Poe: Also the illustration of the proect on the Maret web site specifically states: "Project illustration is conceptual and does not represent final site design details" so its qualified nature is plainly evident.
- 01:42:36 Lisa Brown: Excellent point Greg.
- 01:44:16 Crystal Wright: Brian Erickson thinks all the projects inconveniences should be dumped and moved to the Nebraska Avenue side of the field because the tranquility and property values of our homes don't matter. I live on Nebraska and my

home sits directly across the street from the field and Maret keeps moving elements of the project onto the Nebraska side. My home matters too.

01:44:17 Joe: That is true, I believe what the neighbors in close proximity would appreciate is greater specificity re the design. For a project with this level of potential impact that shouldn't be an onerous task.

01:44:19 Michael Lund: and please look above at the point about the effect on the adjacent houses' views

01:45:01 Michael Lund: There seems to be little change on their existing view of the field

01:45:19 Brian Eriksen: I have a big shed (2822 Rittenhouse) but still I have a very open view of the field today. At least half of the Rittenhouse properties have views like ours.

01:45:33 Crystal Wright: When would residents receive a break from the noise and use of the field! When?!??

01:47:02 Judith Bailey: As a resident of the neighborhood, I strongly support the proposal as in the best interests of the wider community -- ECC restarts its mission, Maret gets needed fields, and other diverse community youth groups get some use of the fields. Maret seems willing to adapt as much as possible to mitigate any negative impacts on the adjacent neighbors. It's just not realistic that the fields remain open and largely unused as they have most recently.

01:52:54 Holly Mead: I'm a Maret parent and former neighbor of Maret School (having moved to Chevy Chase, DC from Woodley Park) and strongly support the proposal. Maret has a long history of being a good neighbor and community partner in Woodley Park. It has developed longstanding relationships and partnerships with a multitude of neighbors and community organizations in DC, including Horizons of Greater Washington. The ECC and ANC 3-4 would benefit greatly from their presence in the neighborhood. As their neighbor in Woodely Park, I welcomed the presence of children participating in joyous activity including sports. Maret has worked in good faith to inform the neighbors of its plans and continues to engage them in the proposal and make sure their concerns are being addressed. They are working to ensure their footprint is not overwhelming or intrusive. It would be a shame to interfere with this partnership and open up the possibility for housing development or other uses that may not be as respectful or deferential.

01:54:14 Judith Bailey: I should note also that my children went to Maret in the 1990s and, back then, I watched Maret administration deal with the neighbors to its

- own property openly and transparently. I expect that same openness to continue with the neighbors to the ECC fields.
- 01:55:40 Michael Lund: I do not think I can act as a panelist because my audio to you does not work (I've tried everything)
- 01:58:11 Joel Velasco: Thank you Peter! For a second I thought you were in our neighborhood. But glad you enjoy Maret as much as my family does.
- 02:00:20 Jon Axelrod: From Jon Axelrod: I agree with Peter Hakim that it would be great for neighbors to use the Field without sneaking on. But Maret's current plan does not allow time for neighborhood children and adults to use the Field.
- 02:00:41 rebeccamaydak: Can anyone inform me if the Maret School shares a property line with private residences?
- 02:00:55 Dana Tignor: Thank you, Peter Hakim!! Powerful testimony.
- 02:01:06 Tammy Horn: We are longtime residents of this neighborhood and live about one block from the ECC. We are fully supportive of the ECC-Maret partnership. As Maret parents, we are confident that Maret will be a conscientious neighbor and community partner. We support this project not only as current Maret parents but as long-term residents of this neighborhood.
- 02:01:38 Hope Palmer:Rebecca- I am a Maret Alum and the answer is yes.
- 02:01:42 M: For those that do not live close to the ECC Field please also understand that this neighborhood also deals with noise, parking and traffic from St. John's HS events as well as rush hour traffic that cuts through the neighborhood. This project will compound the noise and traffic.
- 02:01:53 Alison Brooks: I speak from first hand experience when I say that they are doing a great job. My son is a true Maret success story, his values being compromised not only from the teachings of his parents but of the community values he curated during his time within the Maret community. Education and sports can be life changing, and being part of the Maret community my family was able to experience that first hand. My son had the opportunity to graduate from Maret with lifelong friendships and attend college for free because of the sports programming that Maret has developed. Just imagine, how much more they could do and how many more students they could help with increased resources. Supporting this project could afford them that opportunity.

- 02:02:33 Joel Velasco: Yes, Maret shares property with many residents on Cathedral, Garfield and at least one alley that I can think of.
- 02:04:47 Beth Donovan (she/her): I live near the field on Rittenhouse Street and had children attend Lafayette, Deal, Wilson, and Maret. I strongly support the Maret proposal. Indeed, the fields will benefit the Maret community but the field shortage for all DC children is real. Also, the Episcopal School needs the revenue to serve a very underserved population. That land WILL be used. I can't think of a better way for the Episcopal School to accomplish it's goals. The Maret plan will serve many children, maintain green space and brings a good neighbor to our community.
- 02:05:27 David Patton FoF: Commissioner Gore, Bruce Sherman is meant to have a position as a resource panelist.
- 02:05:30 Michele Wolin: I go to a farmers' market at Maret on Saturdays. It does not seem to me to share much property with neighbors, at least not like it would be here.
- 02:07:48 Michael Lund: Yes, Many of the objections can be answered by Trey of Maret
- 02:09:57 dbulger: hundreds of spectators coming to games in our neighborhood??????
- 02:10:26 Brandonnewlands: One time every other year they play Sidwell. That's it.
- 02:11:38 Jon Axelrod: From Jon Axelrod: Does Maret assume that there will be no spectators at non-rivalry games?
- 02:12:57 Holly Mead: Having lived in Woodley Park for 15 plus years and within a couple of blocks of Maret, I can say that Maret's campus borders a number of residents properties and faces the residents across the street on Cathedral Ave.
- 02:13:10 Alison Brooks: Speaking from experience, there are far less people at the nonrivalry games.
- 02:13:25 philipbranton1: We live in a rapidly heating world. We should be focused on the larger picture: keeping open space open and not encouraging our youth to drive everyplace. I suspect there are underutilized fields in the DMV that Maret could lease without developing open green space.
- 02:14:40 David Patton FoF: Commissioner Gore, I'm meant to be a standing panelist as a resource for Friends of the Field.

- 02:15:09 Hope Palmer:I agree with Alison and can second that as an alum. far, far less.
- 02:15:40 Lesley Albanese: My family and I live near the proposed field. We support the Maret and ECC partnership and feel it would enhance the neighborhood.
- 02:15:48 Michael Sriqui: Comm'rs... I would like to offer very brief comments on behalf of DC Soccer Club. Is it appropriate to use the raise hand in order to be recognized?
- 02:16:20 thomasmartella: Excellent comments Adam!
- 02:17:06 Ann Sutherland: Maret intends to rent the fields to outside groups. How can Maret accurately predict how many participants/spectators would be onsite for these non-Maret events?
- 02:17:49 Randy Speck: We will try to fit in additional people who want to speak after all those who signed up in advance.
- 02:18:35 David Patton FoF: Commissioner Gore, Bruce Sherman and I are both intended to remain as resource panelists.
- 02:19:09 Kyle Haley: Well said, Claudia.
- 02:22:06 Michael Lund: Again:
- 02:23:55 M: What Maret is proposing is a Sports Complex not an "field for children to play on" or an area that supports the surrounding neighborhood, environment and wildlife.
- 02:24:32 Elizabeth Andersen: Thank you for this very informative discussion of an important question for our neighborhood. I've lived in the neighborhood for over 20 years and had 3 children attend both DCPS neighborhood schools and Maret (though they will no longer be at Maret by the time any field would be completed). I know well how our neighborhood needs sporting fields and applaud Maret for its openness to making the field available to the public. I also know well the professionalism of the Maret administration and am confident they will be responsible stewards of this property and thoughtful neighbors to all of us. How wonderful that we have an option for the use of this land that so well suits the family-oriented nature of our neighborhood and will enable the ECC to resume its operations. It's a win-win-win. I strongly support the proposed project.

- 02:25:38 Linda Ertz: As a resident, within walking distance on 26th St NW, I am supportive of a fully utilized field that allows the ECC to fully realize their mission and a field for diverse community youth sports. I do not have children at Maret, but I do have children who have played in multiple community sport programs and understand the value of what those programs bring to both the neighborhood and families who live there. I do hope we can come to a point where we see the mutual benefit.
- 02:25:52 Michael Lund: Again: Walking on the field last week, I noticed all the houses on Rittenhouse and Utah adjacent to the field have garages in their backyards. So the new Maret field would not block those residents 'view of the field much more than the view is already blocked by their garages. (And only their view through their back windows on the first floors).

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- 02:28:24 Adrienne Jules (Sophie and Ian): Thank you, Jenny, Adam and Cheryl. I very much appreciate your comments.
- 02:28:33 Michael Lund: Another consideration is whether an alternative to Maret's plan for what would happen to the field would be even more intrusive and less in the community's control.
- 02:29:36 Ann Sutherland: To Michel Lund's point, this is precisely the reason why a 3-D model is necessary in order to show elevations/potential views/obstructions from various angles. It's impossible to assess the impact of a development of this magnitude without an accurate 3-D model.
- 02:29:51 Tom Quinn: Sorry I'm late has Maret agreed to renounce their Jeleff lease so Jeleff can be used by Hardy MS?
- 02:34:09 Hope Palmer: Very good point Michael. I think there is a false perception that there are two choices: the ECC field stays as it is or the Maret project happens. That is not the case. Someone is going to build something on this piece of land and as a neighbor, I am grateful that Maret's plan means it would stay an outdoor green space for children.
- 02:34:35 Paul Fisher FoF: It won't be green, unless they paint the turf green
- 02:35:23 Tom Quinn: That's an exclusive field use that doesn't provide a broader community benefit and hence is one the ANC should reject.

- 02:35:41 Brian Eriksen: Michael Lund, you keep characterizing Rittenhouse views as having garages on their property and you're incorrect in that characterization. Please stop generalizing.
- 02:36:28 Michael Lund: Pretty much every house.
- 02:36:43 Brian Eriksen: two houses in both directions from mine do _not_ have that.
- 02:38:29 Lisa Brown: I thought we were limited to 2 minutes each.
- 02:38:36 Brian Eriksen: I just checked google maps and its not pretty much every house. It's 7 out of 14. Check your facts. I used Google Earth.
- 02:40:47 Peter Zamora: As owners/residents of a home on 29th street, near ECC, we are strongly supportive of the ECC-Maret proposal. It is critically important that the district and our neighborhood support children and families. Because there are few athletic fields closeby for children to play sports, the proposal would provide an important resource for the physical and mental health of families in the community. The field is unusable presently and this proposal would finally give our community access to this open space. Thank you.
- 02:44:39 Michael Lund: Hi Brian. That's four among 10-15 houses. I counted them when I was there. I'm including Utah houses. I google earthed them too, but trees obscure that whole picture. I will recheck all that tho. Thanks
- 02:46:43 Jon Axelrod: From Jon Axelrod: Garages may block the view of the Field from ground level, but not from our houses. And the trees will be removed in Maret's plan.
- 02:48:12 Jay Ingram: In the interest of time, I am going to yield my time allocated for verbal remarks and I refer the ANC to my letter from early December to Randy and John.
- 02:48:15 M: Michael L you are welcome to come to my house that backs up to the park and see the beautiful view I have of the park that includes the ability to witness various wildlife on a regular basis including eagles, hawks, owls and a very interesting turkey vulture that frequents the tops of the trees.
- 02:50:13 Michael Lund: I agree a #-D model is needed.More blockage from your
- 02:50:59 dbulger: why is it taking so long for a 3-D model?

- 02:52:14 Adrienne Jules (Sophie and Ian): Thank you, Lionel and Will.
- 02:53:06 Michael Sriqui: Indeed, expanding uses beyond Maret should be front-and-center for the ANC, but that is not a reason to oppose the entire project.
- 02:53:18 Brian Eriksen: Jane do you have data that supports the "unprecedented" characterization? I've played on so many fields across town, some in residential neighborhoods like ours.
- 02:53:37 Ben Hunt: Appreciated hearing from Lionel and William
- 02:55:10 Thierry Rosenheck: I'm thierry rosenheck not seeing myself in the screen
- 02:55:39 Brian Eriksen: Has anyone ever been over to Shepherd Elementary? I've seen that field used all day long on Saturdays at least, and that's right in among a bunch of homes... slightly smaller site.
- 02:57:17 Joel Velasco: As someone who is still waiting to have a chance to speak, could we enforce the 2 min limit?
- 02:57:58 Paul Fisher FoF: Shepherd has no continuous homes, and only about 6 across from an alley. Also on all sides, but one, there is a very large buffer, so the field does not go to the street. Completely different
- 02:58:06 Paul Fisher FoF: contiguous
- 02:59:39 Brian Eriksen: I don't understand that characterization at all. There's houses on both ends. And the homes are just across the street, like Nebraska is to the proposed site (and, in fact, for the Nebraska residents, there's the street and the parking lot that separates the homes from the fields.
- 03:00:10 Paul Fisher FoF: Across the street. I'd copy in the picture, but zoom won't let me. I'll show you another time
- 03:01:04 Jenny Backus: One helpful piece of data for the ANC's consideration around traffic would be the number of local families who have children who play DC Soccer and Cap City baseball or sports at local elementary schools who might use the field. families that would be potentially walking or biking to games
- 03:02:19 Adrienne Jules (Sophie and Ian): Adrienne and Claudy Jules, 33rd Block of Rittenhouse, Lafayette Parents. We fully support the development of the unused land in question for use by Maret students and children in the broader DC community.

03:07:14 Michael Lund: But what effects would alternative uses have?

03:09:36 Karen Zuckerstein: Randy, do you expect to complete the agenda after the Maret/ECC discussion?

03:11:07 Michele Wolin: Losing so many trees will affect stormwater runoff,

too.

03:11:31 dbulger: Good questions Lisa

03:14:10 Ann Sutherland: There may not be stormwater management on the site now, but there are also 5 acres of grass and trees presently as opposed to 5 acres of artificial turf and a paved parking lot which is what is proposed. The water runoff problem on both Nebraska and 28th Street is serious and gets worse every year. Tremendous amount of water which seeps into our basements and flows down Nebraska at a frightening clip.

03:15:04 Eric Pourciau: For more than 30-years, I have lived on Oliver Street parallel to the proposed field. I want to urge the ANC to support the Maret athletic fields. The parent of a Maret grad (2009) who greatly benefitted from all that Maret offers both Athletically and Academically with their always first-class operations. My six-years of experience with Maret tells me this project will be completed at the highest level and will be an important benefit for ECC and the neighborhood.

03:15:14 Josh Dunning: Please make the traffic plan available to everyone in addition to the Friends of the Field. Thanks.

03:15:49 Randy Speck: It will be on the ANC's website.

03:16:13 Josh Dunning: Thanks

03:17:14 Henry Smith: My name is Henry Smith and I am a resident of ANC 3/4G-01 on 31st Place, not far from the proposed field. I am also an alum of Maret who graduated in 2001. Now, more than 20 years later it is disheartening to hear that Maret is still dealing with many of the same difficulties securing field space that existed when I was a student-athlete there. It is also disheartening to hear opposition from my neighbors for a project that truly seems like a win for Maret, which will be able to address its field space shortage more permanently, a win for ECC, which will be able to operate again and serve an underserved population of the city, as well as win for the neighborhood and the city, which lacks adequate field space. I am also a father of a five-year-old daughter who loves to play soccer. As younger residents of the ANC, a constituent group that seems underrepresented on these panels, who will benefit from these fields much longer than others, we strongly support this project. Thank you for your consideration.

03:20:46 Katie Kennelly: We are neighbors just down the street on Utah for the past twenty-two years. We fully support the partnership of ECC and Maret. This new partnership will save the ECC, preserve green space and provide extra field space. Our four children, who now range from elementary (DCPS) to college age have played field sports since they were little. One thing extremely clear is the lack of fields across DC, let alone our own neighborhood. Supporting the Maret/ECC partnership will help alleviate this problem and keep the ever dwindling green space in our city. Katie Kennelly, Utah Ave

03:21:34 Dana Tignor: I support and applaud the Maret fields project at ECC. Maret and Marjo Talbott have a long-standing, proven record of being a good neighbor and friend throughout the city. It is understandable that there are concerns and interest, but disheartening to hear harsh and undue demands from would-be obstructors to a project that would offer such wide benefit to the larger community. In my nearly 30 year history with Maret as a student, alum, faculty member and parent, I know the school to walk its talk as a conscientious, civically responsible, and friendly school community that Chevy Chase would be wise to welcome.

And I am truly struggling to imagine an alternative development of this property that would sustain ECC and be more agreeable to opposing neighbors.

Dana Tignor

03:23:48 jill macneice: I'd like to say a few things about plastic turf. Regardless of whether the infill is made from rubber crumb (recycled tires) or pine trees, the development will still call for 3.7 acres of plastic grass, on a plastic backing, with sand and plastic padding/drainage.

All plastic turf generates a lot of waste.

Including:

40,000 lbs of plastic carpet, which needs to be replaced every 8-10 years. It cannot be recycled.

Plus 400,000 lbs of infill. Even organic infill is polluting when stormwater flushes it into Rock Creek.

It's bad for kids.

Creates more injuries than grass. The NFL Players Association President recently advocated for switching from synthetic to natural grass because of injuries. Plastic dust and particles from the artificial turf can create micro pollution in the air and runoff.

Do we really want our kids playing on that stuff?

03:25:19 Ryan Palacheck: As a family in the neighborhood with three children who are actively involved with youth sports (though with no affiliation with Maret), we would be excited to see this type of facility nearby. We have appreciated the opportunity to use Maret's other facilities and are happy that they are utilized by the community more broadly. We hope that our the concerns raised by our neighbors can be addressed and that this project can move forward.

03:29:10 dbulger: we believe that this project will adversely reduce the future market value of our homes. we have reached out to well-regarded realtors in our neighborhood, who estimate that our home values will decline by 10% or more. we pay \$10,000 in DC property taxes while Maret and ECC are tax-exempt and pay \$0 in property taxes.

03:35:29	David Patton - FoF: Hi Willa - see you!		
03:47:20	Joel Velasco: I signed up to speak but haven't been placed on a panel —		
03:48:19	Michael Sriqui:	I would appreciate <1min	
03:48:26	Michael Sriqui:	I am not previously signed up	
03:55:35	vadim nikitine:	Thank	you Joel for wrapping this up so nicely.
03:56:03	Lionel Brown:	Well s	said, Joel, thank you!
03:56:44	Hope Palmer:Thank you, Joel!		
03:59:28 signed up and	Bocanegra / Rathbone: d woukd like to speak		This is Meredith Rathbone, not stephen. i
03:59:31	Bocanegra / Rathbo	ne:	please
03:59:40	Cheryl Wasserman:	Thank	you for your efforts on our behlf
03:59:47	Cheryl Wasserman: Democracy in action		

04:00:36 Rick Juneja: I was told I could speak, but given the hour I will just post my thoughts here. I am a resident of ANC 3G, a Maret parent and a Maret trustee and fully support the proposed ECC/Maret development. It's a win for ECC, a win for Maret, and a win for Washington DC and the local community. In a perfect world, we would not need more space, but we live in a space-constrained city, one that has more families staying here than ever before. All of our children need more athletic space, and I applaud

ECC and Maret leadership for finding such a creative solution, while also striving to accommodate as much of the direct neighbor concerns as it can. Maret has a proven track record of sharing its resources with the surrounding community and of being a respectful neighbor. It's a win-win-win.

04:09:36 Eric Pourciau: Maret spent the money to restore a poorly maintained Jelleff field and has every right to use those fields. They are great neighbors to the Jelleff community.

04:12:02 Tom Quinn: Hardy MS is 2 blocks from Jeleff and students are bussed to NE every day instead of walking to their fields. The ANC should stipulate its support on Maret reneging the lease on Jeleff - Jeleff is a DC owned field and Hardy MS should not be begging for table scraps from a wealthy private school using a public facility.

04:15:01 Brian Eriksen: Thank you commissioners!:)

04:15:23 Lionel Brown: Thank you commissioners for the forum!

04:15:37 Tom Quinn: This ANC/BZA process is the closest DC will get to a public hearing/airing on the questionable deal Maret has to use the Jeleff field at the expense of DC residents as the deal Maret signed was done in private over the vehement objections of the Hardy MS community.

04:15:40 DC Velasco: Yes, thank you so much

04:15:59 Connie K. N. Chang, ANC 3/4G-05: Thank you all for staying with us. Appreciate it.

04:17:19 Bruce Sherman, Friends of the Field: Friends of the Field are appreciative of the Commission's time and attention. We look forward to continuing the conversation. Thank you!