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**Resolution Forming a  
Zoning, Design, and Development  
Standing Committee  
October 24, 2022**

**BACKGROUND & RATIONALE:**

- 1) On June 27, 2022, ANC 3/4G voted unanimously to establish a Standing Committee on Zoning, Design and Development (ZDD) to advise the Commission on issues involving the community's built environment.
- 2) Among rationales for this step:
  - That more than half of Commission resolutions during the first 18 months of its current 2021-2022 term involved zoning, design or development;
  - That these issues will continue to command Commission attention with a variety of proposals already in the offing;
  - That to do justice to these proposals and others likely to come its way, the Commission needs to be informed about the latest national and global thinking on these issues, about quantitative evidence concerning the effectiveness of different approaches and about the tradeoffs and technicalities involved in various choices;

- That to be adequately informed, the Commission needs to tap the good sense and expertise of residents to research these matters and provide advice.

## **RESOLVED:**

- 3) ANC 3/4G establishes a Standing Committee on Zoning, Design, and Development (ZDD) under Article VI, Section 2 of its By-Laws
- 4) The Committee's mission is to study and advise the ANC in matters of zoning, design, development and public infrastructure in Chevy Chase to include:
  - Helping the Commission participate with the city in devising the rules for the special zoning district or zone for the upper Connecticut Avenue corridor that the ANC sought in its May 9, 2022 resolution concerning the Chevy Chase Small Area Plan (CCSAP);
  - Helping the Commission work with the DC Office of Planning and other city agencies to devise a "form-based code" for upper Connecticut Avenue that aims to ensure new development complements the existing built environment both along the Avenue and in adjacent residential areas;
  - Advising the Commission on how most effectively to pursue redevelopment of the Community Center-Library campus to ensure robust community participation, inclusion of mixed-income housing and a structure that complements and improves the Connecticut Avenue commercial core;
  - Advising the Commission on how most effectively to encourage affordable and workforce housing elsewhere in the community's core, with special reference to the CCSAP and the recommendations of the Housing Workgroup of ANC 3/4G's 2020-2021 Task Force on Racism;
  - Advising the Commission on the design and development aspects of changes in the community's transportation infrastructure, including roadways, bike/scooter lanes, public transportation system and sidewalks, with other aspects of infrastructure potentially handled by other advisors to the ANC;
  - Keeping abreast of design and development trends, policies and practices elsewhere that Commission might learn from as it seeks to preserve the community's many positive attributes and improve Chevy Chase
  - Finding ways to help the Commission ensure that Chevy Chase's growth is balanced between structure and infrastructure, larger development along

Connecticut Avenue and smaller structures in adjacent residential areas, change and continuity.

## **FURTHER RESOLVED:**

- 5) The ZDD Committee shall be advisory only to the Commission, shall not act on behalf of the Commission and shall not act independently or represent its recommendations or opinions as either Commission policy or its own without first having obtained formal Commission authorization.
- 6) The Commission shall not delegate official decision-making authority to the ZDD Committee.
- 7) Because the most challenging issues likely to face the ANC in the immediate future will involve the Connecticut Avenue corridor, the Commission appoints as joint ZDD Committee Chairs the Commissioners representing Single Member Districts 5 and 6 that include the corridor. The Commission reserves the right to revisit this decision as the issues facing the ANC change over time.
- 8) The Commission reaffirms all of the other provisions of its June 27, 2022 resolution calling for the establishment of the ZDD Committee.
- 9) In conformity with the June 27, 2022 resolution, the Commission incorporates by reference the procedural provisions on pages 5 and 6 of its January 25, 2021 resolution establishing its Standing Committee on Racial and Social Equity and any future updates of that resolution on which the Commission agrees.
- 10) The Commission appoints as members of the ZDD Committee the following:
  - Renee Turner-Inman
  - James W. Tilghman
  - Randy Speck
  - Connie K.N. Chang
  - Peter Gosselin
- 11) Committee members shall review Article VI, Section 4 of ANC 3/4's By-Laws in order to assure they understand that the Committee serves at the will of the Commission solely in an advisory capacity.
- 12) The Commission asks Committee members to meet at their earliest possible convenience to organize the panel

**APPROVED** at a regular public meeting notice of which was properly given, and at which a quorum of four (4) of seven (7) members was present on October 24, 2022, by a vote of **6** yes, **0** no, **0** abstentions.



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Lisa R. Gore, Chair



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Peter Gosselin, Secretary