#### GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3B GLOVER PARK AND CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS



# ANC3B Minutes March 14, 2013 Public Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM by Chairman Brian Cohen. Commissioner Mary Young, 3B04 was not in attendance. All other commissioners were present.

Chairman Brian Cohen presented the meeting agenda, which was amended to include a presentation by Juan Thompson of Serve DC and was approved by unanimous vote.

Sergeant Tolliver, Second District, Metropolitan Police Department, presented crime statistics from 2011 through 2013. He reported that overall, there has been a reduction in violent crimes as well as non-violent crimes; Robbery, 2011-305, 2012-253, Burglary, 2011-524, 2012-335, Theft from auto, 2011-1388, 2012-1379, Auto theft, 2011-209, 2012-152. He emphasized that for police emergencies, 911 should be called and not 311. He highlighted a recent case of a citizen filing a false police report and the severity of consequences for such an act. Sergeant Tolliver also responded, when asked, that a diplomat was cited for speeding through the neighborhood after several neighborhood complaints. During a previous ANC meeting, the report of a vehicle speeding regularly through the neighborhood was reported and the police promised to be vigilant on this matter.

Juan Thompson, Outreach Specialist, Serve DC – The Mayor's Office on Volunteerism, provided a comprehensive over-view of the many functions and services provided by Serve DC. He stated that Serve DC has three main functions: (1) National Service Administer, AmeriCorps funding to District-based nonprofits, (2) Emergency Preparedness, train and mobilize residents to respond to emergencies and (3) Volunteerism, promote opportunities to engage District residents, agencies and organizations in meaningful service projects. Additional information and opportunities with Serve DC can be found at www.serve.dc.gov or 202-727-7925.

Laurence Jones, Office of the People's Counsel (OPC) of the District of Columbia, provided information about the services and interventions performed by this independent agency of the District of Columbia. The legal professionals and consumer representatives at OPC advocate for the consumers of natural gas, electricity and telephone services. OPC acts as your attorney before the public service commission. The OPC has represented District residents in cases involving rate increases proposed by PEPCO, returning money to District gas consumers for over-earned profits achieved and a proposed rate increase by Washington Gas Light Company and Verizon, in regards to the reliability of copper versus fiber-optic transmission lines during power outages and the overall quality and reliability of their service. Additional information about OPC is available at <a href="https://www.opc-dc.gov">www.opc-dc.gov</a> or 202-727-3071.

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JOE FIORILLO JACKIE BLUMENTHAL CHARLES FULWOOD MARY C. YOUNG BRIAN A. COHEN

Paul Hoffman, DDOT, presented a follow-up report on the Glover Park Streetscape Project. Mr. Hoffman's report focused on the construction status being at 86% and the schedule to complete the project, post construction traffic monitoring, preliminary travel time and delays, and the intersection of the 37<sup>th</sup> Street and Tunlaw Road construction project for traffic realignment. In regards to the preliminary travel time and delays on Wisconsin Avenue, DDOT has identified longer delays with northbound traffic and in order to alleviate these delays is examining the current parking restrictions and illegal parking. DDOT is also looking at optimizing traffic signals, measuring traffic volume on 37<sup>th</sup> Street and Tunlaw Road, and evaluating crash and accident data for 2013. Mr. Hoffman also stated that the "notice to proceed" with the Tunlaw and 37<sup>th</sup> street intersection construction would be issued within a week and the project, once started, would last about four weeks. Mr. Hoffman stated that during construction northbound 37<sup>th</sup> Street traffic, including buses, would have to divert east on Whitehaven Parkway to proceed north through Glover Park on Wisconsin Avenue. Commissioner Brian Cohen highlighted that the disruptions due to construction at 37<sup>th</sup> street and Tunlaw and bus stops along the 37<sup>th</sup> street Glover Park corridor would be addressed directly to WMATA to ensure that they were aware of and taking actions to alleviate potential problems during construction.. The issue of re-landscaping the traffic triangle, located at Calvert and Wisconsin just east of The Carrillon House and repairs to the Glover Park sign were presented to Mr. Hoffman. Damage to this area was incurred during the Glover Park Streetscape construction and Mr. Hoffman stated that the area would be returned to its condition prior to construction.

Commissioner Jackie Blumenthal presented an ANC3B resolution supporting the installation of a bus shelter at the northwest corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Hall Place. There was positive discussion for this resolution and it was passed by unanimous vote. Chairman Brian Cohen stated that Mary Young, 3B04, although absent and unable to vote, asked to be on record as supporting this resolution.

Brian Cohen acknowledged the present of Michael Fabrikant, Ward 3 Liaison to the Mayor's office. He can be contacted at 202-297-6566 or <a href="Michael.fabrikant@dc.gov">Michael announced that the Mayor's Public Town Hall Meeting for Ward 3, would be held at the Alice Deal Middle School, April 30, 6:30-8:30 PM.</a>

During open forum Sophia Henry addressed the ANC3B resolution, previously approved, supporting the proposed re-write of the District zoning laws. Sophia was questioning the clause allowing accessible dwelling units within and on the grounds of existing single family homes. She voiced concerns about safety, tax assessment and the requirement to have an additional business license if such units are constructed or permitted. There was discussion about this issue by the ANC commissioners and those in attendance. It was clarified that the change to the zoning laws supported by the ANC resolution was supporting the draft December 2012 proposal, which has not yet been finalized by the Office of Planning or Office of Zoning.

Minutes of the February 2013 meeting were presented. Motion was made, seconded and approved by unanimous vote to accept the minutes of the February 2013, ANC3B Public Meeting.

February 2013 Financial Report was presented. Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the ANC3B February 2013 Financial Report provided below.

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## ANC3B – February 2013 Financial Report

(Approved at March 2013 Meeting)

### **Checking Account**

Opening Balance: \$7782.64

Withdrawals: \$2457.50 (Check #1208, \$2000.00, PTA Hardy Middle School; Check #1209, \$25.00 ANC Security Bonding; Check #1210, \$432.50, DLM Web Development & Training)

**Deposit:** \$2863.23 2013 1<sup>St</sup> Quarter Allotment

Closing Balance: \$8188.37

Next meeting was stated as being April 11, 2013 at 7:00PM

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8: 19 PM and was approved by unanimous vote.