

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION – 3B  
GLOVER PARK AND CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS



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*Charles L. Howe, 3B02, Secretary*  
*Horace Kreitzman, 3B04*

**ANC-3B Minutes**  
**September 14, 2006**

A quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. Commissioner Gordon asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, a motion to accept the agenda was passed.

**Commissioners present**

**3B01 – Tamela Gordon**  
**3B02 – Charles L. Howe**  
**3B03 – Melissa J. Lane**  
**3B04 – Horace Kreitzman**  
**3B05 – Amy Bowman**

**2<sup>nd</sup> DISTRICT POLICE REPORT:**

Officer David Baker gave the police report. Overall, crime is down 20 percent for the month compared to the same period last year. There have been some burglaries but a suspect is now in custody.

For the traffic report, a number of citations were issued for speeding on New Mexico Avenue. The worst offender was clocked at 72 mph and was on a cell phone at the same time. Officers MacElwee and Baker are in charge of deploying the Smart Machine (monitors and displays speed of cars at specific locations) at various spots throughout the neighborhood. If there are specific spots that citizens would like to have the machine deployed, make requests to Officer Baker.

Officer Baker was asked about the “massage parlors” that continue to operate in the neighborhood. He said one was shut down briefly after a raid by the FBI but that the business has re-opened. Part of the problem is that building owners cannot be held liable for the businesses operated in their buildings and enforcement concerning “massage parlors” falls under the jurisdiction of the D.C. Department of Health. A citizen asked that a representative from the District Attorney’s office be invited to the next meeting to explain what actions can be taken to remove these operations from the neighborhood.

Commissioner Howe asked about the new job responsibilities of officers based on Chief Ramsey’s new policy. Officer Baker said that their titles have been changed to “Crime Patrol Officers” but that traffic control is still part of their responsibilities.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Pedestrian Crossing at Wisconsin Avenue and Fulton Street.** Jeff Jennings from DDOT gave an update on the intersection. He said the intersection continues to be dangerous because it is not a light-controlled intersection and traffic does not always yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk. DDOT speculates that the main reason that pedestrians are crossing there rather than going a block in either direction to a light-controlled intersection is to get to the northbound metro bus stop on that block. DDOT proposes to remove the bus stop in an effort to minimize pedestrian crossing at the intersection. Commissioner Howe objected to the DDOT plan, saying that most of those who cross at that location are not going to the bus stop and therefore eliminating the bus stop will not make that intersection any less dangerous.

Commissioners asked that Mr. Jennings come back to the next ANC 3B meeting with actual counts on the pedestrian traffic pattern and a more detailed analysis of the problem. In the meantime, a motion was made to table the vote on eliminating the bus stop until the counts were done. The motion was seconded and passed 4-1. Commissioner Howe opposed the motion.

Commissioner Gordon asked Mr. Jennings to report on why the AM rush hour restriction signs have not been removed from the westbound side of Tunlaw Road even though DDOT rescinded those restrictions months ago. Mr. Jennings will check on the status of the sign removal.

**Update from DPR on Stoddert Recreation Center.**

Ms. Stanley gave an update on new Stoddert Recreation Center. She first apologized that the Commissioners e-mail addresses had not been added to the monthly update e-mailing list but that they were now added and ANC 3B will be receiving them from now on.

Ms. Stanley introduced Christopher Gay from VHB. His company has been hired by DPR to do the traffic and parking study for the area around the school and recreation center. They will be doing traffic and parking counts in the near future and Mr. Gay asked for an input from the community on the study. Suggestions including a) taking counts on Saturdays to cover the Stoddert Soccer parking and traffic patterns, b) count both public and private parking spaces, c) compare to parking and traffic statistics at other recreation centers in the city, d) expand the study boundaries to at least one block past the immediate two square block area (currently bounded by Calvert St., 39<sup>th</sup> St., Davis Place, and 41<sup>st</sup> St.), and e) add the major intersections (e.g., Calvert and Tunlaw) where traffic enters and exits the neighborhood.

Ms. Stanley and her staff gave an update on the negotiations between D.C. Public Schools and DPR. Currently they are focusing on facilities requirements. The next step will be focusing on construction issues. DCPS will take lead in coordinating with Stoddert faculty and staff, the PTA, etc.

Ms. Stanley said that the project is currently at the 30 percent design development stage so some changes can still be made. They are hoping to complete the 30 percent stage by mid-October. The next phase will be to complete the 60 percent design development stage.

Commissioners Bowman and Gordon chastised DPR staff for meeting with representatives from the Friends of Glover Park (FOGP) and Commissioner Lane on September 6<sup>th</sup> without their prior knowledge. Ms. Stanley responded that the meeting was called by FoGP and they were not responsible for the invitations. Commissioners Bowman and Gordon said that ANC 3B should be informed whenever there is a meeting with community members about the center. Kathleen Fiorillo from FoGP pointed out that this problem pointed out the need for establishing the community coordination group that was proposed several months ago.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

[None.]

**OPEN FORUM:**

[None.]

**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**Treasurer's Report.** Commissioner Bowman gave the treasurer's report. There were no expenditures in the previous month and the account balance was \$27,424.28. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

**Minutes for July 2006.** A motion was made to table approval of the minutes until the next meeting.

**Third Quarter Report for FY 2006.** Commissioner Bowman presented the report. The beginning balance for the quarter was \$22,878.29. With the D.C. allotment plus bank, post office, and ANC Security Fund charges, the ending balance for the quarter was \$25,081.36. The report was approved by unanimous vote.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Gordon asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was presented, seconded, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 pm.