

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



**ANC3B Public Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, December 13, 2018**

Chairman Brian Turmail (3B05) opened the meeting at 7:00 pm. Other Commissioners in attendance were Ann Mladinov (3B01), Jackie Blumenthal (3B02), Melissa Lane (3B03), and Mary Young (3B04), which constituted a quorum. (Three of the five Commissioners make a quorum.)

Chairman Turmail made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and the Commissioners voted 5-0 to adopt the agenda as presented.

**Police Report**

Lt. Ralph Neal of MPD Second District and Public Service Area 204 (including ANC3B) reported on crime in the area for the previous 30 days. The report showed no violent crimes in the ANC during that time but the ANC3B area had 3 stolen vehicles, 3 thefts from a vehicle, and 13 other thefts in the 30-day period.

**Update on DC Department of Public Works (DPW) programs**

Celeste Duffie, DPW Community Relations Specialist, spoke about DPW's plans for fall leaf collection, snowplowing, pick-ups of holiday trees and greens, and other DPW programs. She noted that leaf collections may overlap with snowplowing, and will also overlap with pick-ups of holiday trees and greens, but residents should not place their holiday trees by the street with fall leaves. Residents should place their holiday trees where their recycling is picked up, and city crews will get those trees during succeeding weeks, though not necessarily on the same timetable as recycling pick-ups. She said because of heavy rains in recent weeks, leaf collections were delayed in Ward 3 and DPW was still catching up. Several residents complimented the thorough job crews had done in clearing leaves from their streets. Ms. Duffie reported the first leaf collection of the season had been completed in ANC3B but one resident mentioned multiple blocks in Glover Park had not yet had a leaf pick-up this year. Ms. Duffie took the addresses and committed to get crews to any blocks that were missed. DPW scheduled a second round of leaf collections in the area the week of January 14-19, weather permitting.

Commissioner Young asked if DPW could help do anything about getting leaves cleared from the sidewalks along Cathedral Avenue through Glover-Archbold Park, which is National Park Service property but NPS does not clear the sidewalks. Ms. Duffie said she would look into that.

**Discussion with Ward 3 Councilmember Mary Cheh**

The Councilmember attended the meeting to share updates with ANC3B residents. She spoke about her own initiatives in the 2018 legislative session, and also addressed specific issues raised by the Commissioners and members of the audience. She highlighted particularly the Clean Energy DC bill that she introduced in July to strengthen the city's commitment to reducing use of carbon-based fuels, improve energy efficiency in buildings in the District, increase reliance on renewable fuels, and provide assistance to residents including low-income households to get the benefits of efficiency

improvements and avoid heavy cost burdens. CM Cheh mentioned that several amendments had been added since the bill was first drafted, including new goals for electric vehicles for buses, truck fleets, and automobiles in the District. She said the Council was expecting to take a second vote on the bill on December 19 and she expected it to pass.

CM Cheh also spoke about the challenges of small cell technology to accommodate 5G communications in the city, which ANC3B had discussed at several recent meetings. She indicated that the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) would continue to gather more information on the technical and design options and their effects on the visual environment, and she and her Committee on Transportation and the Environment would monitor the modified guidelines DDOT is developing and formulate any overall guidance that appeared to be necessary from the Council to protect the interest of residents and neighborhoods.

Other topics included dealing with homelessness in the community and the city's plans for providing hypothermia shelters during cold emergencies. She encouraged residents to contact the emergency line if a homeless individual needs transportation to a hypothermia shelter and the city will provide free van service. ANC3B has supported a recent meetings. She also spoke about the local initiatives to spur business development in the Wisconsin Avenue commercial area in Glover Park, and said she would support a Main Street program in Glover Park if the community decides to apply.

After her remarks, the Commissioners and residents were invited to ask questions.

### **Open Forum**

Stephen Marencic of the DC Office of People's Counsel (OPC) distributed information from OPC about third party energy suppliers (gas and electric) that residents can select as alternatives to Pepco or Washington Gas. The materials cover how the process works, what to look for, expected costs, and protections available if customers encounter a problem with rates and services after signing a contract with a third party. He invited residents to be in touch with him with any questions at 202-727-3071 or [smarencic@opc-dc.gov](mailto:smarencic@opc-dc.gov). No additional questions or comments were offered.

### **Administrative Matters**

Commissioner Mladinov presented the minutes of the Commission's November meeting and made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 5-0 to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Mary Young presented the monthly financial report for November:

#### **November 2018 Financial Report**

**OPENING BALANCE: \$11,338.14**

**Income: \$2,930.71 DC Allotment- Q4-FY18**

**Total Income: \$2,930.71**

**Outgoing: \$2,500.00 Check #1297 Grant to Hardy PTO for library books and materials**

**Total Outgoing \$2,500.00**

**CLOSING BALANCE: \$11,768.85**

Chairman Turmail made a motion to vote on the financial report. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 5-0 to approve the report as presented.

Chairman Turmail announced that the next ANC3B meeting will be Thursday, January 3.

Chairman Turmail made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 5-0 to approve.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.