## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3B GLOVER PARK AND CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS



## ANC3B Minutes July 11, 2013 Public Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Brian Cohen. All ANC3B commissioners were present.

Chairman Brian Cohen presented the meeting agenda, which was approved by unanimous vote.

Lt. Neal, Metropolitan Police Department Second District, presented a police report and commented that the overall crime rate for Second District has shown a 36% decrease. Over the last 30 days there have been no homicides and no sexual assaults. Lt. Neal reported that the total number of violent crimes since the beginning of 2013in 2<sup>nd</sup> District is one. For the year to date, Lt. Neal offered the following statistics: Burglaries -14, Theft-15, Theft from Autos-14, Stolen Autos-2, Arson-0. He emphasized the importance of keeping doors locked at all times. He reported that they have apprehended a suspect in the vandalism that occurred to cars that were parked in Bellevue Terrace and Cathedral area.

Vera Ertem from the DC Urban Forestry Administration (UFA) provided information about the planting and removal of trees in Glover Park. She stated that during the period of October 2012 to April 2013, 100 new trees were planted in Glover Park and 5 trees were removed. Vera stated that the mission of the UFA is to manage and increase District street trees and to maintain healthy trees. She informed, when questioned, that an 8 foot clearance should exist for tree branches that overhang sidewalks and that residents could call 311 to report low hanging branches. She also explained that the new policy in the District was to mix up the species of trees on a street and to plant smaller, ornamental trees to accommodate overhead wires and small growth areas between the street and sidewalk. The District will avoid planting large canopy trees but will coordinate with PEPCO if the electric company changes to taller poles and higher power wires. She was informed by someone in attendance of curb and sidewalk damage that occurred when a tree stump was removed by contractors. Commissioner Cohen inquired about getting the ash tree adjacent to his property treated for borers. Vera stated that different sprays for insects infesting trees are used during different season and none are 100% effective. The DC Urban Forestry Administration (UFA) is a division of DDOT (http://ddot.dc.gov), 202-671-5133.

Paul Hoffman, DDOT, Civil Engineer, reported on the progress of the construction of the intersection of Tunlaw Road and 37<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated that the project was moving rapidly with crews working 9 AM to 7 PM. He anticipated a completion date of about three weeks from July 11, weather permitting. Mr. Hoffman and the ANC were made aware that north bound traffic on 37<sup>th</sup> street was using narrow neighborhood side streets to transit through Glover Park given that 37<sup>th</sup> Street north of Manor, was controlled during construction hours. There was a need expressed to have traffic control

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officers available to direct traffic during AM and PM rush hours and that signs informing motorists of the construction need to be farther south on 37<sup>th</sup> Street to alert northbound traffic.

Jackie Blumenthal, SMD 3B02 provided an update on the issues surrounding the re-opening of JP's club on Wisconsin avenue. Given that JP's would be placarded as of 12 July, which begins the formal 45 day feedback period for the community to provide comment about both JP's license renewal and its application for a substantial change. Commissioner Blumenthal presented two resolutions to be presented to ABRA. ANC3B Resolution on JP's Application for Substantial Change was read by Commissioner Blumenthal and discussed by all in attendance. In question is JP's intent to use three table tops on the second floor and two raised platforms within private alcoves on the first floor as stages for nude dancing. ANC3B opposes this change to JP's business model because it is not appropriate for the community in which the Licensee will operate for several reasons, which are elaborated on in the resolution (see www.anc3b.org). After discussion, ANC3B voted unanimously, 5-0, to approve this resolution to be presented to ABRA. Commissioner Blumenthal presented ANC3B Resolution Opposing JP's Nude Dancing Liquor License Renewal. In this resolution ANC3B questions whether the "licensee" is the true and actual owner of the establishment and the fitness for licensure, with regards to understanding and complying with the regulations that govern ABClicensed establishments. After discussion by all in attendance, ANC3B voted unanimously, 5-0 to approve this resolution.

## Open Discussion:

Mary Young, SMD 3B04, presented information in regards to a planned sewer renovation initiative that will affect the large sewer line that runs through Glover-Archbold Park. DC Water presented several alternatives at a recent public meeting about how this project maybe executed. There was concern by all about the environmental impact to the park. National Park Service, that administers the park area, stated that no plan by DC Water has been formally discussed or approved. ANC3B hopes to have a representative of DC Water at the September 2013 meeting to present information and answer questions about this sewer line renovation.

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

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

ANC3B – July/August Financial Report (Approved at September 2013 Meeting)

**Checking Account** 

Opening Balance: \$2806.08

Withdrawals: Check #1218-\$200.00 for Petty Cash Fund

**Deposits:** DC Gov. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Allotment of \$2930.71

Closing Balance: \$5537.19

No ANC3B meeting scheduled for August 2013. Next meeting was stated as being 12 September, 2013 at 7:00PM

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM and was approved by unanimous vote.