ANC-3B Minutes
April 14, 2005

A quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. Commissioner Lane asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

Commissioners present
3B01 – Tamela Gordon
3B03 – Melissa J. Lane
3B04 – Horace Kreitzman
3B05 – Amy Bowman

OLD BUSINESS:
Rush Hour Restrictions on Tunlaw Rd. Between 37th and 39th Streets

Commissioner Bowman stated that she continued to work to get the tickets issued to residents expunged. She said that a number of people had submitted their information to her and that she had been in contact with the proper authorities at DDOT.

2nd DISTRICT POLICE REPORT

Officers Rock and Baker appeared to give the police report. From January to the end of March, overall crime had declined in PSA 204 by 34%. Officer Rock reported that DC Police would be making new shift selections in the immediate future. Since shift selections are made based on seniority, it is difficult to predict the staffing outcome for PSA 204 according to Rock.

Officer Rock reported that there had been a report of a white male approximately 5’8” grabbing females from behind and then running away near 40th St. and W St. No suspects have been apprehended.

Officer Baker presented a report of moving violations in the PSA which included 25 speeding tickets on the 2900 block of New Mexico Avenue and 17 on the 2700 block of Wisconsin Avenue. Average speeds of violators was just over 40 mph. He also suggested that a written report might be filed to consider putting in an enforcement camera or photo radar. Commissioner Bowman stated her concern and asked that before any such action be taken that DC Police bring the issue to the ANC for review.

NATIONAL PARK POLICE REPORT: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:
Presentation on Mayor Williams’ FY 2006 Budget. Dr. Payne, Director of the DC Department of Health made the presentation on the Mayor’s budget. He opened by informing the ANC that the city’s improved bond rating under mayor Williams’ leadership puts the city in good position to continue investing in economic development. He touted the success of development in downtown and stated that the Mayor wanted to turn his attention to those communities that had not been so fortunate in recent years. The theme that the mayor is putting forward to promote the budget is: “Lifting All Communities.” Dr. Payne highlighted budget initiatives aimed at affordable housing, education access, and improving employment opportunities. The budget also includes over 40 million for infrastructure improvements that extend into neighborhoods not previously target as well as alleys and sidewalks. The budget also includes increased funding for education, including $147 million to improve DCPS facilities.

Inclusionary Zoning Presentation. Roberta Hantgan, a member of Jews United for Justice made an opening presentation emphasizing the need for affordable housing in the District and arguing that the inclusionary zoning proposal that her group recommends will assist in the creation of affordable housing. She asked for ANC 3B’s support and for the ANC to pass the resolution in support of inclusionary zoning. Sheryl Court, a representative of the Washington Regional Network for Livable Communities stated that Montgomery County, Md. has successfully used inclusionary zoning laws to provide affordable housing for residents for 30 years. She stated the provision that they are proposing would require developers to set aside from 7-15% of units for affordable housing in developments with more than 10 units. The developers would then be compensated by being allowed to build additional units provided that zoning laws permit. The provision would be aimed at middle income people that are unlikely to be able to afford homes in the District at current prices. Ms. Court stated that the aim of the program is to provide housing opportunities for individuals to live within the communities in which they work, for instance teachers, firefighters and police officers.

Commissioner Lane read the Resolution on Inclusionary Zoning before ANC 3B and it was passed 4-0.

Resolution to Repair and Perform Maintenance of guy Mason Recreation Center. Commissioner Lane stated that because of continued flooding and Department of Parks and Recreation’s continued lack of attention to ongoing maintenance at Guy mason Recreation Center that the the current state of repair was unacceptable. She proposed a resolution urging DPR to perform much needed repairs at Guy Mason and to report back on the status of those repairs. The resolution passed 4-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Treasurer’s Report. Approved.

Approval of the March 2005 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Lane presented the March 2005 minutes for approval. They were approved by a vote of 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM.