

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



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Amy Bowman 3B05, Treasurer
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**ANC-3B Minutes
July 13th, 2006**

A quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 7:00 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
3B05 – Amy Bowman**

Commissioners absent

3B04 – Horace Kreitzman

2nd DISTRICT POLICE REPORT:

Lt. Kelvin Kusick gave the police report. Chief Ramsey has declared a Crime Emergency Alert which means the contract with officers is suspended for 20 days so that more officers can be deployed. After 20 days, the situation will be reviewed to see if it should be extended. The last Emergency Alert was declared in November 2005.

Crime in PSA 204 for June is down compared to the same time last year. In June, there were 72 crimes, 23 of which were assault and/or burglary. In terms of traffic statistics, Officer Baker issued 119 infractions in PSA 204 for June and made 10 traffic related arrests.

Commissioner Howe asked if the additional deployment would control the roving groups of students that are now going through the neighborhoods on Friday and Saturday nights. Also, Commissioner Howe would like 2nd District MPD officers to go by Grog and Tankard on a weekend night because there have been problems with patrons blocking the sidewalk. Finally, Commissioner Howe is concerned about five or six homeless people living in McVee Park. Lt. Kusick said he would have his officers address Commissioner Howe's issues.

Mr. Grossman asked about an incident at Good Guys. Commissioner Howe told him that he had talked to Ben Zaygena, owner of Good Guys. Two of the dancers got into a fight and as a result, Mr. Zaygena fired the one who started the altercation.

Lt. Kusick reminded everyone that August 1st is National Night Out Against Crime and that there would be a softball game and cookout at Guy Mason Recreation Center that was open to the public.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update from DPR on Stoddert Recreation Center and other DPR Issues, Roslyn Johnson, DPR Deputy Director. Jackie Stanley, Capital Projects/DPR, introduced representatives from Temple Group, the Marshall Group, and DPR Staff. Roslyn Johnson, DPR Deputy, filled in for Director Kimberly Flowers who was unable to attend.

Ms. Stanley gave an update on new Stoddert Recreation Center. They are in the design development stage, e.g., the major design phase, until November. This stage also includes the traffic study which will be conducted in September and October after school starts. Discussions with the school and the PTA will begin in September about how best to re-locate the children in on-site trailers during construction. Discussions and plans about programming will begin in December and last until project completion. After the design development phase, an RFP will be prepared and issued to hire a contractor for the construction phase.

Commissioners Gordon and Bowman complained that ANC 3B has not been kept in the loop enough and wants the problem remedied. Ms. Stanley and Ms. Johnson said that they would begin forwarding the same biweekly updates that go to Council to the anc3B e-mail address. Ms. Stanley also committed to present bimonthly updates at ANC 3B monthly meetings.

Commissioners Gordon and Bowman want ANC 3B to be involved in any discussions about adjusting the design. Hassan Ali, DPR, said there may be some issues with the parking garage and the trees as the design now stands and DPR would make changes and present them to the community at the public ANC 3B meeting.

Commissioners Gordon and Bowman asked about the specifics of the traffic study and details about the traffic study consultant. Ms. Stanley said she would have more information on that topic at the September ANC 3B meeting.

Commissioner Howe asked if any of the parking spaces would be used by the Stoddert teachers and whether or not a guard would be stationed in the garage. Ms. Stanley said that teachers would not likely be allowed to park in the garage and that negotiations to allow the Stoddert Principal to park in the garage were ongoing. She explained that the garage would be needed for DPR staff during school hours. However, the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the school had not been finalized. Per a parking lot guard, Ms. Johnson said DPR could not make such a commitment. Commissioner Gordon asked that DPR keep ANC 3B apprised to negotiations with DCPS.

For the construction phase, no decisions have been made about how to stage equipment. The goal, however, is to not use the athletic field as the staging area. Commissioners Gordon and Bowman asked that ANC 3B be included in the discussions of the staging issues when they were initiated.

Asked about DPR's "on-time" rate for final delivery of new centers, Ms. Johnson said that most projects were delivered with 30 to 60 days of the proposed schedule.

A member of the audience asked that the PTA, the Co-op, and other community groups be included when discussions began about how best to re-locate students during the construction phrase.

Guy Mason Recreation Center. Ms. Johnson and Ms. Stanley were asked about the status of the Guy Mason renovation project. Ms. Stanley said that this project was never a line-item in the DPR budget. In their budget call, DPR had originally requested \$10 million for the project with \$5 million of it allocated in FY 2007. The Guy Mason project, however, was not approved by the Mayor's office and it was therefore dropped from the budget. Ms. Stanley explained that money that was intended for Guy Mason renovations came from excess funds budgeted for the Stoddert Project. When the budget for the Stoddert Rec Center was increased largely due to the cost of design changes required for the co-location plan, the money set aside for Guy Mason was zeroed out.

Commissioner Gordon asked about the line item for Guy Mason on past budgets that had been presented to the community. Ms. Stanley explained that those were DPR internal budget documents that could be re-allocated by DPR. She explained that the Mayor's budget did not contain a direct funding source for Guy Mason. She said that DPR had created a line item for Guy Mason when there was extra money from the \$10 million allocated for Stoddert, however, once the budget estimate for Stoddert eclipsed that amount, they were forced to eliminate it.

Mr. Grossman, Chair of Friends of Guy Mason, said he had had discussions with K. Flowers who told him that there was substantial funding [around] DPR that could be targeted at the Guy Mason Center for short-term repairs. Ms. Stanley will try to find out more details on these funding sources from Ms. Flowers.

Commissioner Gordon asked that the status of the Guy Mason Recreation center be included in DPR's bimonthly update of the Stoddert center at ANC 3B meetings.

Update on Glover Park Retail Area Study, Melissa Bird, DC Office of Planning. A public meeting on the Glover Park Retail Study is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25th, from 7 pm to 9 pm at Guy Mason Recreation Center. A second public meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 2006. The purpose of the July meeting is to present results of the study to the community and discuss preliminary ideas for improving the Wisconsin Avenue commercial strip in terms of street-scaping, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

[None.]

OPEN FORUM:

Tia Gilbert, Ward 3 Neighborhood Coordinator, said that her office was working with neighbors to address dumping problems in the 2000 block of Tunlaw Road and the 3600 block of W Place.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Bowman gave the treasurer's report. There were no expenditures in the previous month and the account balance was \$22,754.93. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

Minutes for May and June 2006. The minutes for each month were presented. A motion to approve them was seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Gordon asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was presented, seconded, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.