

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3F
MINUTES
PUBLIC MEETING
April 17, 2000

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bardin called the meeting to order at 7:45pm. Commissioners Kogan, Perry, Maudlin, Heinrich, and Fitzgerald were present. Six of the seven commissioners being present, Chair Bardin declared a quorum. Commissioner Mitchell arrived at 8:15pm.

2. AGENDA

Shanghai Garden's application for ABC license for an outdoor cafe was added to the agenda and the agenda was adopted. 6.0.0 (See attached agenda)

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the March 13, ANC3F meeting were approved.5.0.1 (Commissioner Fitzgerald, who was not present at the March meeting, abstained)

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Commissioner Heinrich announced a Clean Up Washington Bike Tour on April 22, in connection with Earth Day.

B. Commissioner Maudlin reported on exchange of letters between Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton and Mr. Robert Stanton, Director of the National Park Service, in which Mr. Stanton supported model forecasts of traffic levels in place of a test closing of Beach Drive. Ms. Norton concurred in Mr. Stanton's recommendation.

C. Dr. Michelle Cochran announced that the new equipment for the Forest Hills Playground has been ordered and that the Playground Committee is seeking volunteers to install the equipment in a "community build" on June 3 and 4.

D. Commissioner Bardin announced an Earth Day celebration that Mayor Williams will attend on April 19, at Eastern High School.

E. Commissioner Bardin announced the Annual Big Band Jazz Concert at 8:00pm May 1, at the UDC Auditorium.

F. Ms. Karen Jones announced that there will be a 1K/5K walkathon for The Hospice of Washington on May 21.

G. Commissioner Bardin announced that Commander Newsham of the Second District, MPD, will address the ANC meeting on May 15.

5. OPEN FORUM

Mr. Marvin Tievsky, Friendship-Tenleytown Citizens Association, asked the Commission to help in improving the landscaping on the north side of the Friendship Post Office. He suggested that letters be written to the Post Master asking that funds be made available, or that neighbors could meet to discuss the possibility of helping with this effort.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Fannie Mae building at 4250 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

Commissioner Perry introduced Mr. Richard Jackson, Vice President for Corporate Services, who presented Fannie Mae's plans for refurbishing the building at 4250 Connecticut Avenue. Mr. Jackson said the building would have offices for 600 employees and the ground floor on Connecticut Avenue would remain as retail space. He said there are only 140 parking spaces in the building and Fannie Mae would encourage use of public transportation, seek additional parking space and developing plans to use shuttle buses to move employees in and out of the site. Residents expressed concern about the traffic and parking problems in the area and asked to meet with representatives of Fannie Mae to discuss this problem.

B. Uptown Cathay Liquor License Renewal

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Heinrich seconded a motion that a letter be sent to the ABC Board stating no opposition to the issuance of a renewal of the liquor license for Uptown Cathay Restaurant, 5016 Connecticut Avenue upon signing a Voluntary Agreement. The motion passed 7.0.0.

C. Clover Market Liquor License Renewal

Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Perry seconded a motion that a letter be sent to the ABC Board stating no opposition to the reissuance of a liquor license for Clover Market, 5014 Connecticut Avenue. The motion passed 7.0.0.

D. Shanghai Garden Liquor License Renewal

Commissioner Perry moved and Commissioner Kogan seconded motion that a letter be sent to the ABC Board stating no opposition to reissuance of a liquor license and to the pending application for Shanghai Gardens to serve alcoholic beverages at its proposed

outdoor patio. The motion passed 7.0.0.

E. Presentation by Clark Realty Capital (for Tilden Gardens LLC) on 3883 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

Mr. Francis Coen of Clark Realty gave a presentation of the proposed building for 3883 Connecticut Avenue. He said the building would be nine stories, have 168 units and 173 parking spaces. Area residents raised questions as to the adequacy of the parking, traffic generation, inconvenience of the building process and environmental issues. Commissioner Perry said Clark Realty should obtain approval for their plans from the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) as they were using land that was under the jurisdiction of the HPRB. Mr. Coen said the project had applied for and secured all necessary approvals and the project did not fall under the HPRB guidelines. Residents asked how Clark plans to use the land adjacent to the proposed apartment building. Mr. Coen said the company did not plan to build on the property and that it would probably be sold for the development of six townhouses. Commissioner Perry asked Clark Realty to provide a copy of the environmental and traffic studies prepared for the proposed apartment building. Commissioner Fitzgerald told the audience the ANC would follow up on the proposed project. (Commissioner Bardin recused himself from the discussion and Vice Chair Fitzgerald presided.)

F. Presentation by Councilmember Harold Brazil on Changes in DC Sentencing Laws

Councilmember Brazil presented information on new provisions to be enacted by the City Council to implement changes mandated by the National Capital Revitalization and self-government Improvement Act of 1997 which will become effective August 5, 2000. He answered questions concerning the changes in the DC sentencing laws. (see attached Misc 00-1).

G. Exxon Station at Connecticut and Nebraska Avenues

Commissioner Bardin presented a draft document, titled "Neighborly Agreement" between Exxon Mobil Corporation, KM, Inc., Connecticut/Nebraska Avenues Neighbors Alliance, ANC3F and ANC3G concerning the Exxon station at 5030 Connecticut Avenue. Commissioner Mitchell proposed an amendment to section 20 which provides for a "Complaints Committee" providing that the two neighborhood representatives would be residents of the two ANCs who are selected by residents of the ANC within 200 feet of the Exxon station. The Amendment was approved. 6.1.0 Commissioner Maudlin dissenting. Commissioner Bardin moved and Commissioner Heinrich seconded approval of the document as amended with the understanding that minor changes could be made if approved by all seven

commissioners. The motion passed 6.0.1. Commissioner Perry abstaining. (see attached Doc 00-1)

7. FINANCIAL REPORT

Commissioner Kogan presented the Second Quarter Financial Report, the March Monthly Financial Report and the March Petty Cash Report for the approval of the Commission. The reports were approved, 7.0.0.

Commissioner Kogan reported that a telephone bill had been received for six months of service. Chair Bardin said he had discussed the bill with Bell Atlantic and received a reduction in the billed amount. It was agreed that the Treasurer would pay the reduced amount.

8. REPORT ON NEW COMPUTER

Commissioner Heinrich reported that he and ANC Administrator, Karen Ruffin had met with a representative of the computer distributor and that a new computer had been installed at the ANC office. He said the ANC would need to establish an Internet provider in order to use the e-mail capability. Chair Bardin asked Commissioner Heinrich and Ms. Ruffin to research providers of this service and the commission authorized the expenditure of one hundred dollars to secure the service. 6-0-1 Commissioner Perry abstaining.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:20pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7:30pm (new time), May 15, 2000.

Respectfully,

Robert V. Maudlin
Secretary ANC3F