

**MINUTES
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3F
NORTH CLEVELAND PARK, FOREST HILLS & TENLEYTOWN
PUBLIC MEETING**

Wisconsin Avenue Baptist Church
3920 Alton Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20016
Monday, February 9, 2004

1. CALL TO ORDER [7:30 pm]

Chair Perry called the meeting to order and, finding Commissioners Kessler, Maudlin, Bardin, and Dennis to be present, declared a quorum. Commissioner Wiss arrived.

2. AGENDA [7:31 pm]

The proposed agenda, attached with brief reports, was approved on motion of Chair Perry, seconded by Commissioner Wiss, 6-0-0.

3. MINUTES [7:32 pm]

Minutes of the January 12, 2004, public meeting were approved 6-0-0, on motion of Commissioner Bardin, seconded by Commissioner Maudlin.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS [7:33 pm]

A. Announcements by Commissioners:

Commissioner Maudlin announced that the proposed regulations for the Urban Forestry Act of 2002, were published in the D.C. Register on February 6, 2004, for a 30-day comment period. The proposed regulations have been posted on the ANC web site, www.anc3f.org.

Commissioner Bardin invited the community to a presentation by Bill Beck of the Urban Forestry Administration about construction techniques to preserve mature trees at noon on February 10, 2004, at the Reeves Center, 2000 – 14th Street, N.W.

Commissioner Wiss announced that the Ward 3 Neighborhood Citizens Summit will be held at the Metropolitan Memorial United Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Avenue, N.W. at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, February 11, 2004.

Commissioner Wiss also announced that the D.C. Office of Planning will be holding a public hearing on the Upper Wisconsin Avenue Strategic Framework Plan on February 17, 2004, at 7:00 pm at St. Columba's Church. Anyone wishing to testify should let Cindy Petkac of OP know by Friday, February 13.

Commissioner Perry announced that Hillwood Museum is recruiting volunteers in a number of capacities for the museum and greenhouse. Bill Johnson, Hillwood's volunteer coordinator, will hold a meeting on Saturday, February 14, 2004, for those interested. The meeting will be at 11:00 am in the social room of the Van Ness East

Building, 2939 Van Ness Street, N.W. For more information, call Mr. Johnson at 686-5000.

B. Announcements by members of the community:

Dick Potter, 3003 Van Ness Street, N.W., announced that the return envelope included with the D.C. tax forms this year requires more postage than regular first class mail because of its large size.

5. OPEN FORUM [7:39 pm]

No one raised any issues during open forum.

6. MPD SECOND DISTRICT REPORT [7:40 pm]

No representative from the Second District attended to give the police report.

7. PUBLIC SPACE APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A NEW DRIVEWAY WITH PARKING PAD AT 2805 CHESTERFIELD PLACE, N.W. [7:41 pm]

Commissioner Maudlin informed the Commission that he had sent a letter to all immediate neighbors informing them of the application, which he believed to be straightforward, but that he had received no responses. Travis Price, the owner of the property, introduced himself and made himself available to answer questions.

When no questions were raised, a motion not to object to the application (Maudlin/Bardin) was approved 6-0-0.

8. SIDEWALK ON THE EAST SIDE OF RENO ROAD BETWEEN YUMA AND APPLETON STREETS, N.W. [7:43 pm]

Amy Vincent of 3647 Alton Place, N.W., presented a petition signed by 48 residents representing 36 households in the 3600 blocks of Alton Place, Albemarle, Appleton, and Yuma Streets, and the single house in this area fronting on Reno Road. The petition includes signatures of owners of all four homes abutting this stretch of Reno Road. The petition was generated because of the difficulty residents have experienced trying to walk and push baby strollers along busy Reno Road to the traffic light at Albemarle Street.

The Commission approved Resolution 04-06 (Kessler/Bardin) 6-0-0 after friendly amendments were accepted: Maudlin (strike the final resolution clause concerning restriping crosswalks with luminescent paint); Perry (add ""representing 36 homes" after "48 signatures" in the sixth "whereas" clause); and Wiss (add to the resolution clause "taking special care to protect street trees" in constructing the new sidewalk).

The Commission deferred to a later meeting whether to request a "walk/don't walk" signal at the traffic light at Reno Road and Albemarle Street and whether crosswalks should be remarked with luminescent paint.

9. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION RE: DRAFT UPPER WISCONSIN AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK PLAN [7:59 pm]

Commissioner Wiss reported on a meeting just held between Mayor Anthony Williams and members of the community about the Upper Wisconsin Avenue Corridor Study. Mayor Williams stated that the process to develop the plan should strive toward

reaching a consensus, which he does not equate with unanimity, but noted that he is committed to transit-oriented development and smart growth. Andrew Altman, Director of the Office of Planning, said he would not commit to proceeding with the plan only after approval by the affected ANC's, but instead would consider the needs of the city as a whole.

Commissioner Wiss then introduced a resolution asking for additional revisions to the Draft Plan beyond those requested in Resolution 04-04, which was approved by the ANC in January 2004: (1) to add Tenley Circle, the Wisconsin Avenue Baptist Church, and other properties zoned R-1B around Tenley Circle to the Growth Restriction Area; (2) to reduce proposed building heights along Wisconsin Avenue between Chesapeake and Ellicott Streets to protect views of Virginia from Fort Reno; (3) to consider whether to develop a zoning overlay to protect sightlines of Civil War sites from Fort Reno; and (4) to request that OP delay resubmitting a revised Draft Plan to the community in order to conduct full, independent analyses of the impact of potential development on the area's infrastructure and to refrain from sending a plan to the D.C. Council until a consensus has been reached. Barbara Simons of 5025 Linnean Avenue, Henry Guyot of 4108 – 38th Street, and George Clark of 4525 – 28th Street commented and asked questions.

The ANC approved Resolution 04-07 (Wiss/Perry) 6-0-0 with two friendly explanatory amendments moved by Commissioner Bardin.

10. UPDATE ON TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR UPTON STREET BETWEEN RENO ROAD AND WISCONSIN AVENUE [8:23 pm]

Commissioner Kessler reported that the resolution requesting traffic calming devices and additional study has been submitted to DDOT. Funding is available to start some of the requested work in the spring.

11. UPDATE ON ANC PROTEST OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CVS AT 5011 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N.W. [8:24 pm]

Commissioner Maudlin reported that ABRA sent the ANC a letter on January 23, 2004, stating that because the ABC Board had accepted the licensee's explanation for failure to appear at the January 7, 2004, roll call hearing, the application had been reinstated. A new roll call hearing, at which the ANC must appear, is scheduled for March 10. If both the protestor (ANC) and applicant are present, the ABC Board will schedule a hearing on the application for a later date. The designation of Commissioners Bernardi, Maudlin, and Kessler to represent the ANC in this matter (December 15, 2003, ANC meeting) remains in force.

12. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2004 [8:27 pm]

Commissioner Kessler presented the report for January and informed the Commission that because paperwork to participate in the ANC Security Fund had been filed, the Commission would be able to write checks in February.

13. QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF FY 2004 [8:30 pm]

The ANC approved the quarterly report (Kessler/Dennis) 6-0-0.

14. RESOLUTION REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF MONIES TO THE ANC SAVINGS ACCOUNT [8:34 pm]

The ANC approved Resolution 04-08 to transfer \$10,000 from the ANC checking account to the savings account (Kessler/Dennis) with a friendly amendment by Commissioner Perry, 6-0-0.

15. UPGRADE OF ANC INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER [8:40 pm]

On motion of Commissioner Bardin, seconded by Commissioner Dennis, the ANC authorized the chair and treasurer to spend up to \$200 to subscribe to Juno Platinum service, 6-0-0.

16. ADJOURNMENT [8:43 pm]

The meeting adjourned. The next regular monthly ANC meeting will be at the Capital Memorial Church, 3150 Chesapeake Street, N.W., on Monday, March 15, 2004, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Cathy Wiss

Cathy Wiss, Secretary

Attachments:

Agenda with brief reports

Doc 04-01 Public Space Application -- 2805 Chesterfield Place, N.W.

Res 04-06 Application for Sidewalks on Reno Road with Petition

Res 04-07 Supplemental Resolution on Wisconsin Avenue Plan

Res 04-08 Transfer of ANC Funds to Savings Account

Treasurer's Report for January 2004

Quarterly Report for First Quarter of FY 2004