

MINUTES
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3F
NORTH CLEVELAND PARK/FOREST HILLS
PUBLIC MEETING
Capital Memorial Church
3150 Chesapeake Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008
October 15, 2001

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bardin called the meeting to order at 7:37pm. Commissioners Kogan, Perry, Maudlin, Mitchell, and Wiss were present.

With six commissioners present, Chair Bardin declared a quorum. He said that Commissioner Oglesby had advised him that it is necessary for her to resign as ANC commissioner.

2. AGENDA

The meeting agenda was adopted by consensus. (See attached agenda)

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the September 10, 2001 meeting were approved by a motion by Commissioner Perry, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. 6-0-0

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/OPEN FORUM

A. Commissioner Wiss reported that the Tree and Slope Protection Overlay Committee had held an organizational meeting on October 4, and decided to focus on the area between Linnean Avenue and Rock Creek Park. The Committee had a field trip on October 13, to the Palisades area to observe a tree and slope overlay district that has been established and to talk with residents of that area. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 22, at 7:30pm. Commissioner Wiss invited anyone interested in serving on the Committee to contact her.

B. Commissioner Kogan reported that Mr. Richard Abbott of the Tree Committee is working with The Casey Trees Foundation to mark locations where new trees are needed. He said volunteers are needed to help with the marking and that the Committee will meet in early November.

C. Commissioner Perry, reporting for herself and Commissioner Wiss, members of the Ward 3 Traffic Task Force, asked anyone with traffic, street, or sidewalk issues or new signs AND sign

replacement to contact her so they can be added to the Ward 3 list.

D. Ms. Jody Smolik of Neighbors for Livable Streets (NULS) on behalf of the residents of Upton, Van Ness and Tilden Streets and Connecticut Avenue thanked the ANC for supporting opposition before the BZA to the proposed expansion of the Edmund Burke School. The BZA voted 4 to 0 on September 25, not to approve the expansion.

E. Commissioner Bardin commended Commissioner Mitchell for his work in drafting the report of the Ward 3 Redistricting Committee to the DC Council which included the recommendations of the six Ward 3 ANCs.

F. Mr. Marvin Tievsky, president of the Friendship-Tenley Town Citizens Association, thanked the ANC for supporting, in the Ward 3 Redistricting Report, a separate SMD for the Tenley Town area on the east side of Wisconsin Avenue.

G. Dr. Barbara Kogan, secretary of the Forest Hills Citizens Association, presented a report on the results of health inspections during the past three years (1998-2001) of the four major grocery stores patronized by ANC3F and FHCA shoppers.

H. Mr. Alan Yu, 3600 block of Alton Place Street, requested assistance from the ANC in solving traffic problems near the Sheridan School. He complained of speeding on Alton street and traffic problems caused by parent dropping off and picking up children at the school. Commissioner Wiss said she would followup with Mr. Yu on the problems.

I. A representative of the Capitol Memorial Church announced that on November 11, 2001 the Church would have its annual Health Fair where various health tests will be available and information on health issues.

5. REPORT OF SECOND DISTRICT, METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
No one from the Second District was present.

6. FANNIE MAE - EMPLOYEE PARKING, NEW STATUARY AND LANDSCAPING FOR 4250 CONNECTICUT AVENUE

Mr. Robert Bozarth, Vice President of Fannie Mae reported that there are 550 employees at 4250 Connecticut Avenue which has parking facility for 250 vehicles. In addition, Fannie Mae has contracted for 150 spaces at 4301 Connecticut Avenue and is trying to contract for 75 spaces at 4215 Connecticut Avenue. This would give them a parking space for 86 percent

of their employees. He said that with the free parking program most employees drive to work and few have taken advantage of the Metro subsidy program. He added that they are looking at valet parking as a way to increase the number of vehicles that can be parked at their facilities. Fannie Mae has a contractor studying the parking problems and is working with Metro to make the "kiss and ride" area available to the public.

Mr. Bozarth also reported that reconstruction work in front of 4250 Connecticut Avenue is almost completed and that the greenery would be replaced this winter or during the spring.

Ms. Karen Stiensan reported that the new statuary at 4250 Connecticut Avenue is being constructed and should be installed in about eighteen months.

Residents complained about the lack of parking near the Van Ness Metro and suggested that Fannie Mae review the free parking policy and that employees should pay for parking.

Mr. Bozarth said that after their parking contractor completes the report he would come back and share it with the ANC.

Commissioners Perry and Wiss said they would like to meet with the contractor before the report is completed.

Commissioner Perry asked Fannie Mae to assist in having a traffic study of the Van Ness Connecticut area moved up on DPW's list.

7. ADVISORY ACTION ITEMS

A. Appeal to BZA of Administrative Decision regarding 2944 Chesapeake Street.

Commissioner Maudlin offered a resolution to supplement Res 01-19 approved on September 10 supporting the appeal. The supplemental resolution addressed the height issues of the construction at 2944 Chesapeake Street. Commissioner Maudlin moved and Commissioner Kogan seconded the resolution. The resolution was approved. 6-0-0 (see attached Res 01-21)

B. Application to Historic Preservation Review Board for Concept Approval of Restoration and Addition at 4500 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W. (former Sears Building)

Mr. Richard Lake and Mr. Armond Spikell of Madison Retail presented concept plans for the restoration of the Sear building and the addition of a four story residential structure on top of the building. Mr. Louis Slade, traffic consultant, presented information on the traffic impacts that may result from the proposed development.

Commissioner Wiss pointed out that the building is not in the ANC3F area but that the planed redevelopment would affect residents of ANC3F. Commissioner Wiss offered a resolution of

"no objection" to the proposal that will be presented by the owners to the HPRB. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Maudlin and approved. 6-0-0 (see attached Res 01-22)

C. Application to Commission of Fine Arts for concept approval of a proposed house at 2807 Chesterfield Place, N.W.

Mr. Travis Price, architect of the proposed house at 2807 Chesterfield Place, presented drawings and a model of the house. Mr. Price said that in preparing the plans he had talked with the CFA staff and watershed officials regarding potential environmental impacts.

Mr. Peter Halle, neighbor of the proposed house, recommended that the house be set further back from the street and that additional parking be provided.

Commissioner Maudlin moved and Commissioner Perry seconded a motion recommending that CFA approval include additional parking, saving the trees and shrinking the house. The motion was approved. 6-0-0

D. JPDS-NC Raze Permit Application Pending at the Historic Preservation Review Board

DCRA referred the JPDS-NC raze permit application to the HPRB and JPDS-NC had requested that it be removed from the HPRB agenda. In as much as the item was still on HPRB's agenda Commissioner Maudlin offered a resolution requesting HPRB not to approve the application. Commissioner Perry seconded the motion and it was approved. 5-1-0 (Commissioner Mitchell voting no) (see attached Res 01-23)

8. TREASURERS REPORTS

A. Commissioner Mitchell presented a report of financial activities during September which was accepted. (See attached report)

B. Commissioner Mitchell offered ANC3F's fourth quarter report to the DC Auditor for the period, July-September 2001. Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Wiss seconded approval of the report which was adopted. 6-0-0 (see attached report)

C. Commissioner Mitchell offered a resolution providing for continuing expenditures, at current levels, until the FY 2002 allotment, and ANC3F's FY 2002 budget are approved. Commissioner Maudlin seconded the motion which was approved. 6-0-0 (see attached Res 01-24)

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:42pm. The next regular meeting of ANC3F is 7:30pm on Monday, November 19, 2001 at the Capital Memorial Church.

Respectfully,

Robert V. Maudlin
Secretary, ANC3F