

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3A



ANC 3A Public Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 7:00 - 9:00 pm

This month the meeting will be “virtual only” – There will not be an in-person option.

(The ANC will NOT be at the McLean Gardens Ballroom, 3811 Porter Street NW.)

To participate, please use Zoom link: <https://tinyurl.com/ANC3AMar2026Meeting>

See the end of the agenda for further instructions.

MPD Community Report

Reports from Local Organizations

Mayor’s Office

Ward 3 Councilmember Frumin’s Office

American University

Presentation by Sidwell Friends on Application to BZA for Modification without Hearing

As part of its construction and reconfiguration of the campus at 3825 Wisconsin Avenue to accommodate a new Upper School at 3720 Upton Street, Sidwell Friends is requesting a limited change in its plans approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) in Order No. 17703-C. The change would defer construction of a new Middle School Pick Up and Drop Off area until after construction at the Lower School has been completed. Current regulations provide for a Modification without Hearing if the details of the proposal are clear and straightforward and do not require a full hearing for the public and the BZA to understand. Sidwell Friends is seeking ANC support for the Modification without Hearing.

Presentation of Liquor License Application for New Restaurant Planned at 3228 Wisconsin Avenue

Augie’s which has restaurants in Alexandria and Annapolis is hoping to open a new location in April in Cathedral Heights, at the site of Talea and before that Café Deluxe. Augie’s is seeking ANC support for a Retailer Class C liquor license including endorsements for a sidewalk café and live entertainment (ABRA-135310). It is also requesting ANC support for a stipulated license to allow full beverage service when the restaurant opens. The applicant will make a presentation on the plans and take questions. The ANC invites public comments. Protests are due to the ABC Board at abcalegal@dc.gov by April 27.

Plan for Discussion of Zoning Change to Allow “Gentle Density” Increase in All Residential Zones

Commissioner Bowers has proposed a discussion at a future ANC 3A meeting on proposals to change DC zoning to allow two-, three- or four-unit residences in areas currently zoned for single family residences (zone codes R-1-A, R-1-B, R-2 and R-3) as a “matter of right,” without public review or ANC comment. (The ANC will not consider a resolution on this subject at the ANC’s March public meeting.)

Commissioner Updates

- Ranked Choice Voting is being launched in DC’s 2026 Primary and General Elections for local offices. See the Board of Elections presentation about Ranked Choice Voting <https://youtu.be/Jf6VZgPtrRI>
Also see a sample ballot and use the interactive ballot app at <https://dcboe.org/rcv>
On Saturday, March 21, 1-3 pm, at McLean Gardens Ballroom, the Board of Elections will hold an interactive session for residents to try Ranked Choice Voting with simulated ballot and voting machines.
- DC Water has shared press releases on its repairs to the collapse of the Potomac Interceptor sewer pipe which led to a major spill. The utility and federal and local partners are continuing to monitor water quality in the Potomac River and assess effects on surrounding areas and inhabitants. For more information, see: <https://www.dewater.com/about-dc-water/media/potomac-interceptor-collapse>

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Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis

Gracemary Allen

Isaac Bowers

Claire McCafferty

Ann Lane Mladinov

- DCPS proposed reductions in some local public school funding for the next year, including for social emotional learning at Horace Mann Elementary. Most of the funding for that program has now been restored in the most recent proposal. Councilmember Frumin and the ANCs will continue monitoring the proposed District budget to see that adequate funds for local schools are maintained in FY 2027.
- DC Council Performance Oversight hearings ended March 6. The Council will begin hearings on the DC Budget for FY 2027 after the Mayor releases her proposed budget in early April.
- At a February 27 oversight hearing on the DC Public Service Commission(PSC), the DC Council heard concerns about recent PSC decisions on utility rate increases, Washington Gas proposals to extend its PROJECTpipes program for expanded replacement of DC gas lines (just renewed), and the Mayor's renomination of current PSC Commissioners Thompson and Trabue for a new term. Multiple public witnesses testified against the reappointment. OPC was also part of the hearing. OPC has raised concerns about utility rates and PSC decisions that have not taken into account significant issues affecting consumer interests as well as environmental and energy goals. OPC had appealed the PSC's decision approving Pepco multiyear rate increases, and in early March the DC court overturned that PSC decision on the basis that the PSC had not held evidentiary hearings.
NOTE: OPC will participate in the ANC 3A public meeting on April 21 to discuss PSC issues as well as recent Pepco power outages and concerns about how Pepco handled power restoration after the outages.
- WMATA has announced that beginning in fall 2026 the discounted U-Pass for university students will be available to part-time as well as full-time students in 4-year colleges, community colleges, and graduate school. Students should check with their college or university for more information.

Community Announcements

Meeting participants are invited to share information about events, programs or services affecting the community (no more than 2 minutes per speaker or item).

Open Forum

Community members can share comments on issues including items not on the agenda.

Administrative Matters

- Approve February minutes
- Read February financial report

Next Meeting: April 21, 2026

If you have questions or comments, please contact 3A@anc.dc.gov or call or text 202-594-8631.

For more information on the Commission, please visit www.anc3a.org

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