

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3A



### ANC 3A Public Meeting Minutes February 17, 2026

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

The meeting was held in hybrid format—virtual and in-person at the McLean Gardens Ballroom, 3811 Porter Street NW.

Roll Call: Four Commissioners were present: Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis (3A01), Gracemary Allen (3A02), Isaac Bowers (3A03), and Ann Mladinov (3A05). Commissioner Claire McCafferty (3A04) was not able to participate.

Quorum: The Secretary confirmed that a quorum was participating. (Three of the five Commissioners constitute a quorum.)

Verification of Notice: The Secretary confirmed that notice of the meeting and a copy of the proposed agenda had been shared 7 days in advance of the meeting as required, using the two methods previously approved by the Commission: the ANC 3A website and email including ANC 3A email list, local listservs and Nextdoor Neighbors e-network, which met the notice requirement.

Approval of Agenda: The Chair made a motion to vote on the proposed meeting agenda. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

The main items on the agenda were the MPD Second District report about public safety and crime in the ANC 3A area, and a discussion with newly appointed Councilmember-at-Large Doni Crawford about budget and policy priorities for the ANC, in preparation for Council review of the Mayor's proposed budget for the District in Fiscal Year 2027, hearings and vote on the budget.

#### Official Actions:

There were no resolutions adopted at this meeting.

#### Adjournment

The Chair made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The Commission voted 4-0 to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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**FULL SUMMARY**

The meeting was held in hybrid format--virtual by Zoom and in-person at the McLean Gardens Ballroom, 3811 Porter Street NW.

Chair Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

The Chair called for a roll call. Commissioners Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis (ANC3A01), Gracemary Allen (ANC3A02), Isaac Bowers (ANC3A03), and Ann Lane Mladinov (ANC3A05) were present. Commissioner Claire McCafferty (ANC3A04) was not able to participate. The Secretary confirmed there was a quorum for the meeting. (Three of the five Commissioners constitute a quorum.)

The Secretary confirmed that notice of the meeting and the proposed agenda had been shared 7 days in advance of the meeting as required, using the two methods previously approved by the Commission: the ANC 3A website and email including ANC 3A email list, local listservs and Nextdoor Neighbors e-network, which met the notice requirement.

The Chair presented the proposed agenda. The Chair made a motion to vote on the proposed meeting agenda. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

**MPD Police Report**

Lt. Paul Johnson of PSA 204 provided a report on crimes and public safety issues in ANC 3A in the previous 30 days. He said there had been 8 total crimes reported in ANC 3A during that period, including no reports of violent crimes but 1 theft from auto on Quebec Street, 5 general thefts such as retail thefts, and 2 burglaries, one involving a Play Station stolen at 4200 Massachusetts and one on Westover Place where the door was smashed to gain entry.

Lt. Johnson thanked Commissioner Bowers and other residents for reporting the individuals trying to break into vehicles on Quebec Street. Lt. Johnson noted that the videos from security cameras were very helpful in providing a description of suspects. The security systems have motion sensors that detect movement and can sound an alert inside the house. Commissioner Bowers had found that in the reported incident on Quebec Street, the Ring camera was working but the homeowners had the sound turned off. Lt. Johnson advised that residents keep security cameras on 24 hours a day, and install them inside and outside the house. He said if residents can get video to MPD close to real time, that can help officers get to the neighborhood and potentially apprehend suspects when they are still nearby.

Lt. Johnson also reported on the homicide in Glover Park, which is also in his Police Service Area 204. Local resident Rayven Edwards had been shot by the father of her 3-year old son at her apartment on the 4100 block of W Street NW where she lived with her three children, and her 10-year old daughter had been injured in the arm by a gun shot. The suspect had fled in a vehicle but was subsequently located in Southeast Washington, where he had apparently shot himself. Lt. Johnson said MPD is working with the surviving family. Commissioner Mladinov thanked the MPD for their support for the family and community and reported that relatives had established a GoFundMe campaign to assist the three children.

Lt. Johnson also mentioned a series of robberies the morning of the meeting, not in ANC 3A but in surrounding areas. The incidents involved four suspects wearing ski masks and armed with a gun, driving a white Honda Civic (DC tag JF0393), starting at 3700 Calvert Street at 5 am, moving on to Lowell Street in Wesley Heights, from there to Yuma Street near Tenleytown, carjacked a vehicle (which had an air tag and was recovered). Later another robbery was reported in the Fourth District using the same vehicle as the other incidents, this time on Georgia Avenue near the Montgomery County line. MPD had shared the information all over the District, but the case was still active.

ANC 3A constituent David White asked Lt. Johnson about police activity around his building at 39<sup>th</sup> Street and Cathedral Avenue on Friday, February 12. Lt. Johnson said he would research that.

### **Report from Local Organizations**

Santiago Mendoza from Ward 3 Councilmember Frumin's office shared several updates:

- After Congress took action to limit the District's ability to waive local application of new income tax provisions in recent federal legislation, District residents were left uncertain about what rules they should follow in completing their DC income tax returns for tax year 2025. Mr. Mendoza said the Council was waiting for advice from Council Chair Phil Mendelson and would share more information when available.
- CM Frumin's office had been briefed by DC Water earlier in the day of the ANC meeting about sewage spills into the Potomac River from the large pipe called the "Potomac Interceptor" located across the District boundary in suburban Maryland. The Council was holding an oversight hearing about DC Water on March 2 and would continue to gather information to share publicly about the sewage leak.
- Snow removal and missed trash pick-ups had both been concerns for residents since the snow and ice at the end of January. CM Frumin's office had identified some areas that still hadn't gotten trash and recycling service and was keeping up with the DC Department of Public Works (DPW) each day. He also recommended that residents submit 311 requests if they were not getting trash or recycling picked up, so there would be a case number that could be tracked by the individuals or the Councilmember's office.
- CM Frumin's office has heard a lot of constituent concerns about DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) response to 311 requests for Traffic Safety Investigations (TSIs). The Councilmember's office has a quarterly meeting with DDOT about constituent services. Mr. Mendoza recommended that residents with problems related to traffic safety issues and TSIs that are not being addressed by DDOT should email him at [smendoza@dccouncil.us](mailto:smendoza@dccouncil.us)

The Chair shared an update from Owen Cox of the Mayor's Office of Community Relations, including the plans for the Mayor's budget engagement forums about DC budget priorities for FY2027:

- Telephone forum for seniors the next day, February 18
- In-person forum for all residents on Saturday, February 21, from 11:30 am-1 pm at Barry Farms
- In-person forum for all residents on Thursday, February 26, from 5:30-7 pm at Union Market Dock5

### **Introduction of new DC Councilmember At-Large Doni Crawford**

The Chair introduced new Councilmember Doni Crawford, who was appointed by Council Chair Phil Mendelson to fill the seat of At-Large Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie until a special election could be held in June. She served on the staff of the Council Committee on Business and Economic Development, Chaired by CM McDuffie until he resigned in January to run for Mayor. CM Crawford had been in touch with all the ANCs in the District to identify what they would prioritize in the FY2027 District budget, as she prepared for Council review of the Mayor's proposed budget when it is released in April.

### **Discussion of Priorities for ANC 3A in District Budget for Fiscal Year 2027**

While CM Crawford was attending the meeting and looking for perspectives on budget priorities for the coming year, the Chair asked the Commissioners to share their priority issues and concerns for the FY2027 budget.

He started by noting that the ANC has heard from many constituents about traffic safety issues and frustration with lack of response from DDOT to requests made by the ANC and residents for traffic safety improvements. ANC Commissioners and residents had been greatly frustrated with the small number of requests that DDOT has chosen to investigate in its TSI 2.0 system, when the requests deal with issues of life and death. The Chair underlined that the ANC is at the confluence of two major arterials, Wisconsin Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue, that serve high volumes of vehicle traffic and also large number of pedestrians, including children going to public and private schools as well as pre-K programs. The

number of 311 requests has been consistently high in ANC 3A but the number of cases DDOT has selected for investigation has dropped off significantly, along with the number of traffic safety improvements DDOT has chosen to make. The Chair highlighted the Reno Road/34<sup>th</sup> Street corridor which had been the subject of an ANC 3A resolution in January, after two children had been struck trying to cross the street. He also noted that McLean Gardens has seen increasing traffic, with families from surrounding areas in the District and Montgomery County cutting through the neighborhood to get students to and from Sidwell Friends. Several ANC 3A Commissioners see cut-through traffic on local streets going to and from other private and public schools in and around the Commission area. The Chair emphasized that many of the streets were not designed for high volume vehicle traffic or for all the people who are walking in the neighborhood. With the development at City Ridge, which opens to McLean Gardens via the back entrance on 39<sup>th</sup> Street, there is even more traffic on local streets, some of it delivery drivers going 40 mph. The Chair noted that even if the neighborhood has a strong relationship with the stores such as Wegman's, the turnover among delivery drivers is so high, it is difficult to reach them and affect their driving patterns.

Commissioner Allen said that residents living near 38<sup>th</sup> and Macomb Street had also submitted petitions for DDOT to make traffic safety improvements and had not gotten any action.

The Commissioners explained that in previous years before DDOT introduced its current prioritization system, DDOT followed a first come-first serve system and was getting so many 311 requests for traffic safety improvements that the agency was overwhelmed. Ward 3 residents had been submitting a particularly large number of 311 requests for speed humps, crosswalks, and other traffic safety improvements. To deal with the overload, DDOT introduced "TSI 2.0," based on a point system to rank requests and then a formula for selecting cases across the wards, with a certain percentage on arterials and lower volume streets, and a minimum of 10 TSI cases each quarter in each ward. The Chair said that Ward 3 typically has about 15 TSIs each quarter, and some of them cover multiple 311 requests if they involve the same blocks. But the backlog of 311 requests that have not been addressed remains high.

CM Crawford asked if there wasn't sufficient funding to cover the number of traffic safety requests. The Chair said it appeared that in adopting the TSI 2.0 system, DDOT had wanted to reduce spending. In addition, the funds that were collected from Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) were going into the General Fund, so that revenue was not available to make streets safer, which has undermined the credibility of the ATE program.

The Chair emphasized that ANC 3A is a walkable area, with access to a lot of amenities that residents could easily reach by walking, but people don't feel comfortable walking if it's not safe.

CM Crawford said she is on the Council's Committee on Transportation and the Environment and she would take up those concerns with DDOT and try to get a sense of what is happening. She asked the ANC to send her questions and concerns and she would share them with DDOT.

Commissioner Mladinov said that the ideal would be for DDOT to take a more strategic approach. The current TSI 2.0 system does not seem well geared to addressing true priorities. The Commissioners understand the importance of equity; all wards need and want and should be seeing traffic safety improvements. Some parts of the District have significantly more traffic fatalities and that merits attention. Ward 3 had accounted for a large share of TSI requests. But as the Chair cited, residents in all areas of the city have been frustrated by the TSI 2.0 system, even where the equity focus should have been a benefit, because a lot of the TSI investigations that DDOT selects do not make sense, from a priority perspective. The TSI 2.0 system is in its fourth year and DDOT has not changed the structure or explained or evaluated the outcomes, in spite of the concerns of ANC 3A and many other ANCs.

Commissioner Bowers highlighted the issues on the Reno Road and 34<sup>th</sup> Street corridor that was the subject of an ANC 3A resolution in January, where a child crossing with the traffic signal had been struck by a driver making an illegal right turn on red. He also noted another issue related to the Mayor's report on congestion pricing, which he would like to see applied not just to the downtown area. He said congestion pricing in New York City had a huge impact and he would like to see the District make progress in that direction.

He also urged that the Council maintain the PKEEP program, which provides funding for District parents to send their pre-K children to private programs where there is no pre-K provided by DCPS, as is the case in Ward 3. That is a very important issue for families who want to stay in the District but need to have access to pre-K programs for their children. The ANC had adopted a resolution in the previous year and CM Frumin successfully supported maintaining it for FY2026, but it needs to be fully supported every year. The Chair agreed that it is important not to make it too difficult and too costly for people to continue to live in the District.

There were also several questions about energy and utility issues, particularly those issues have now been assigned to the Council Committee on Transportation and the Environment, which will include CM Crawford. Utility bills have been rising sharply and numerous bills to address utility issues are now before the Council. The Chair also spoke about energy issues, including the Building Energy Performance Standards (BEPS) designed to encourage commercial buildings in the District to improve the efficiency and environmental performance of their energy consumption. He noted that regardless of what building owners do with BEPS, we are all going to have to pay utility bills and this is a time to ask questions and find solutions. Commissioner Mladinov highlighted the fact that two members of the DC Public Service Commission (PSC) were coming to the end of their terms and their votes have been the deciding factor in allowing higher increases in utility rates, as well as approving other major policy decisions that go against the recommendations of the Office of People's Counsel and consumer and environment advocates. She strongly recommended that the Council not vote for reappointment of those Commissioners. The Chair emphasized that these issues are interlocked, and the Council needs to look carefully at the energy future. It's easier to make changes when you have funding. But with PROJECTpipes and other major utility investments, unwise spending is going to drive people out of the District, especially those without high incomes. The District has some funding programs to assist with energy costs, but they are not sufficient. When the budget is tight, no one is likely to be happy, but the District must not forget the least among us.

CM Crawford set out some of her priorities, including energy issues; health and social services which were the subject of her recent meeting with the Mayor; affordable housing, expanded home ownership/HPAP, and chances for generating intergenerational wealth; quality schools as well as literacy programs for adults and help for students in middle and high school who need help with reading; and revenue growth, in the face of reductions the District had experienced in federal funding after COVID-19 era programs ended. She asked for people to contact her with concerns and priorities at [dcrawford@dccouncil.gov](mailto:dcrawford@dccouncil.gov)

### **Commissioner Updates**

Commissioner Mladinov reported that CM Frumin has submitted an excellent letter to the Zoning Commission about ZC 25-13, the proposal by the Office of Planning to rezone upper Wisconsin Avenue. He is advising that the Zoning Commission wait for the additional data requested from OP and provide for additional public review and comments after the OP shares the data.

Commissioner Allen reported on the water main break on Massachusetts Avenue south of Ward Circle, which had cut off water service to many residents.

The Chair commented that after the recent snowstorm, the District had not done a good job of enforcing emergency routes, and numerous vehicles were on parked on main arterials including Massachusetts Avenue,

so travel was limited to one lane in each direction for several weeks. Commissioner Bowers recommended that the District clear emergency routes before snow starts. He also reported that snow had finally been cleared from alleys in his neighborhood, with the help of “Bobcats,” but snow from the alley was still piled in the street.

Commissioner Mladinov reported that WMATA was proposing to maintain area bus services in the budget for FY2027, beginning July 1. She said WMATA had proposed some increases in bus frequency, including on the route linking Georgetown University to Howard University/LeDroit Park, which seemed to be a sign that WMATA could make future improvements in bus service where demand increases. Constituent Jim Linde commented that during the snow and ice, drivers on D96 and C85 routes through Glover Park and Cathedral Heights were not able to follow the regular route and a driver on the C61 route wouldn’t open the back door

The Chair reported that on March 21 from 1-3 pm the DC Board of Elections would be holding a full simulation of Ranked Choice Voting, at the McLean Gardens Ballroom. He encouraged everyone to participate and share the invitation so people would be aware of how the new voting system works before the District’s June Primary Election.

### **Open Forum**

There were no additional comments.

### **Administrative Matters**

1. January Meeting Minutes: The Secretary had prepared and circulated draft minutes of the January meeting. The Chair made a motion to vote on the minutes, the motion was seconded, and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve the minutes as presented, with the proviso that the Secretary would be allowed to make technical corrections in the minutes as needed.

2. Monthly Financial Report: The Treasurer read the January financial report:

#### **ANC 3A January Financial Report**

Opening Balance (January 1):	\$ 36,642.92
• Income:	None
• Outgoing	None
Cash Withdrawals:	None
Expenditures:	None
Bank Fees:	None
Ending Balance (January 31):	\$36,642.92

3. Renewing the ANC 3A website development contract

The Chair made a motion to renew contract with GoDaddy for website development for the ANC 3A website [www.anc3a.org](http://www.anc3a.org) for another 12 months at a cost of \$203.88. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve.

The Chair announced that the next ANC 3A public meeting would be March 17, 2026.

The Chair made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. The Commission voted 4-0 to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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These minutes were approved by the Commission by a vote of 5 - 0 at its duly noticed public meeting on March 17, 2026, at which a quorum was present. (Three of the five Commissioners constitute a quorum.)

Attested by Commissioner Ann Lane Mladinov, Secretary, ANC 3A 3/30/26

*Ann Lane Mladinov*