

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3A



ANC 3A Public Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 16, 2025 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Meeting will be both virtual and in-person (McLean Gardens Ballroom, 3811 Porter Street NW)

To participate remotely, please use Zoom link: <https://tinyurl.com/ANC3ADec2025Meeting>

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

Washington Ballet Request for 2-Year Extension for Renovation Project at 3515 Wisconsin Avenue

The Washington Ballet is asking the DC Bureau of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) to approve a 2-year extension of the approval for the planned renovation project at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Porter Street (BZA Order No. 20970), which was granted in the initial zoning case in 2023 and will expire on December 20, 2025. The extension will allow the applicant to have more time to conduct its capital fundraising campaign to support the project. The applicant will attend the meeting. ANC 3A will consider a resolution to support the requested extension (BZA Case 20970A) within the 30-day comment period.

Presentation by Acqua Bistecca of Application for Entertainment Endorsement at 10 Ridge Square

Acqua Bistecca is the newest restaurant at City Ridge, opening in September 2025 for meal and alcoholic beverage service. In early December it applied to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) for a Substantial Change to its liquor license (ABRA-132936) to add an Entertainment Endorsement that allows live entertainment, dancing by guests, and a cover charge indoors and in the Summer Garden, through the full hours the restaurant is allowed to operate (7 days a week, from 8 am through 2 am). The restaurant will make a presentation at the meeting and take questions. The plan could extend the ability for the establishment to have private parties or entertainment on weekends or holidays. Protest petitions are due to ABCA on January 26. Petitions and/or requests to appear at the hearing must be filed electronically to abca.legal@dc.gov on or before that date. A Roll Call Hearing is scheduled February 17. The ANC plans to vote on a position on the endorsement at the January ANC 3A public meeting. The applicant also has asked for ANC support for a stipulated license for the requested entertainment endorsement, to be in effect until a protest is deemed valid at the Roll Call Hearing or when no protests are filed and the licensee can roll the endorsement into their permanent license.

Discussion and Possible Vote on Legislation B26-0465 to change the method of filling vacant ANC seats

Councilmember Anita Bonds introduced the bill in November 2025 which would transfer responsibility of special elections for ANC Commissioners from the Office of ANCs to the DC Board of Elections, and add new provisions including: if more than one candidate registers to run for an open seat on the ANC, instead of having a vote of constituents in the Single Member District to fill a vacant seat, the other Commissioners on the ANC would select the new Commissioner themselves by vote at an ANC public meeting; and the other Commissioners could make the selection of a new Commissioner even if there is not a quorum at the public meeting at which the vote is taken. The bill would also clarify the date an ANC seat is officially considered open. The DC Council held a hearing on the proposed bill on December 5, and will accept comments through December 19. The ANC will consider a vote on comments to submit to the Council on the legislation.

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners (January 1, 2025-December 31, 2026) www.anc3a.org

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Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis

Gracemary Allen

Isaac Bowers

Claire McCafferty

Ann Lane Mladinov

DC Preservation League presentation on Proposed Grant for impact study of DC historic districts

This presentation has been postponed. For the 75th anniversary of the first historic district established in the city, in Georgetown in 1950, the DC Preservation League proposed to the DC Office of Planning (OP) that a study be conducted of the effects that historic preservation programs have had in the five historic districts in Washington, DC, with the thought that the study could provide input to OP's current project to rewrite the DC Comprehensive Plan ("DC 2050"). OP encouraged the Preservation League to conduct the study. The overall research has been concluded and OP is reviewing the initial report. The Preservation League had applied for ANC grant funds to cover expenses of conducting local interviews and analysis of the Cleveland Park historic district, which is partly within ANC 3A and partly within ANC 3C. The Preservation League had proposed to conduct field research in fall 2025 but that phase has been deferred. The ANC invites comments on the proposed grant to 3A@anc.dc.gov or to individual Commissioners.

Commissioner Updates

- Report on DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) Ward 3 Workshop for developing a Strategic Bikeways Plan, scheduled Wednesday, December 10, at the University of the District of Columbia <https://bikelanes.ddot.dc.gov/pages/strategicbikeplan>
- Update on grant for Friends of Hearst Park approved by ANC 3A in November
- DPR plans for capital improvements in ANC 3A - Newark Street tennis/pickleball courts
- Updates on recent Zoning Commission hearings affecting ANC 3A
- DPW first leaf collection in ANC 3A, second leaf collection and pick-up of holiday trees planned

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 November minutes

Read November financial report

Final ANC 3A 2025 Annual Report posted on website www.anc3a.org

Discuss plans for location of ANC 3A public meetings in 2026

Discuss renewal of GoVocal contract for community engagement software and plans for new year

Next Meeting: January 20, 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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