### **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3A** 



ANC 3A Public Meeting Agenda Tuesday, October 21, 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/ANC3AOct2025Meeting

# **MPD Community Report**

Presentation on new request for a Grant to support a project proposed by the Friends of Hearst Park DC allows a public purpose organization to receive ANC grants to pay costs for a proposed project that would benefit the community, particularly the people who live and work in a Commission area. The 501(c)3 organization "Friends of Hearst Park" has applied for a grant from ANC 3A to pay for work needed to preserve the health of heritage oaks trees that line the lower field and the walkway at Hearst Park. The trees have been suffering from drainage issues and other challenges. The Friends of Hearst Park has proposed a project to do "vertical mulching" (aerating and replenishing the soil around the base of the trees) to maximize their chances to survive. The total request was \$5,000 and the work would occur in late calendar year 2025. The ANC will take questions and comments and discuss the proposed grant at the meeting, and then hold a vote on the grant at the November meeting, after reviewing all public comments. Comments can be emailed to the ANC at 3A@anc.dc.gov or shared with individual Commissioners.

NOTE: The second scheduled grant presentation has been postponed to ANC 3A's December meeting. For the 75<sup>th</sup> 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 Preservation League submitted an application to the Office of ANCs (OANC) for ANC grant funds to support the study, and early in the summer OANC issued a letter confirming that the study would be a legal use of ANC grant funds. The grant request is going to all 7 ANCs that have within their boundaries some or part of DC's 5 historic districts. The Cleveland Park Historic District is partly within ANC 3A and partly within ANC 3C. The Preservation League proposes to conduct field research such as interviews in the communities in the late fall. The requested grant would be \$2,500. The ANC invites comments on the proposed grant and plans to discuss the proposal at the time of the presentation. Comments can be emailed to the ANC at 3A@anc.dc.gov or shared with individual Commissioners.

OP presentation on proposed zoning text amendment ZC 25-13 to implement the Wisconsin Avenue Development Guidelines covering the corridor from Friendship Heights to Rodman Street NW The development guidelines were formulated by the DC Office of Planning (OP) in 2023-2024 after speaking to the affected ANCs and taking public comments. OP has now prepared draft zoning language to carry forward the guidelines, which will be considered by the Zoning Commission at a virtual hearing on December 11. The ANC invites public comments to 3A@anc.dc.gov and also to the Zoning Commission at zcsubmissions@dc.gov with the case number included.

**Proposed resolution to the DC Zoning Commission on text amendments ZC 25-11 and ZC 25-12** The Zoning Commission has scheduled a virtual hearing on October 27 at 4 pm on ZC 25-11 which proposes to increase the maximum "matter of right" size of a rear addition to a row home or semi-detached home in R and RF zones from the current 10 feet to a new maximum of 16 feet beyond the rear wall of the adjoining home(s), in order to facilitate construction of a Universal Bedroom (15 x 16 feet) to

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accommodate residents using wheelchairs. OP's final report dated October 17 now includes an adjustment in response to ANC comments: apply the 16-foot maximum only on the first floor, with a 12-foot maximum on the second and third floors, to focus on Universal Bedrooms which would usually be on the first floor and also maintain the right of neighbors to preserve light and air and privacy on their properties. The Zoning Commission has also scheduled a hearing on October 30 at 4 pm about ZC 25-12, the proposed "Omnibus" Text Amendment that includes two dozen provisions of DC zoning regulations including front additions and setbacks of garages. The ANC invites public comments at 3A@anc.dc.gov and will consider a resolution to submit to the Zoning Commission at the meeting. Public comments on these matters should also go directly to the Zoning Commission zcsubmissions@dc.gov with the case number included.

Presentation by Joseph Ogundeyi on ATME free mobile/web platform designed to enhance drivers' communication and convenience by allowing them to share updates with others using the app This presentation had to be postponed to the November meeting. ATME <a href="www.atmeapps.com">www.atmeapps.com</a> would facilitate sharing information about break-ins, thefts or other incidents anonymously using license plate numbers. The app is intended to promote community engagement and neighborhood safety, encourage better driving practices, and facilitate communication among neighbors about concerns related to transportation, parking and other shared interests.

## **Commissioner Updates**

- Zoning Commission Hearings and requests for comment on other proposed text amendments
  ZC 25-06 Alley Lots (November 13 Zoning Commission hearing and due date for public comments)
  ZC 25-08 RA-1 zone (November 6 Zoning Commission hearing and due date for public comments)
- American University application to the Zoning Commission for a "Modification without Hearing" to allow a reconfiguration of interior space in the existing Sports Center on the campus
- DC Department of Aging and Community Living (DACL) preliminary recommendations from study of Potential Sites for a Senior Wellness Center in Ward 3
- DC Department of Public Works Plans for Fall Leaf Collection beginning mid-November
- Friends of Bus Transit (FoBus) website and platform for public comments on new Metrobus services

#### **Community Announcements**

Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)

Ward 3 Councilmember Frumin's office

American University

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 September minutes Read September financial report Approve revised Financial Report for Third Quarter of FY 2025 Approve Financial Report for Fourth Quarter of FY 2025 Approve ANC 3A Budget for FY 2026

Next Meeting: November 18, 2025

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

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