

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3A



Minutes of ANC 3A Public Meeting February 19, 2025

The meeting was held entirely virtually, by Zoom. There was no in-person option for participating.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Quorum Call: Four Commissioners were present: Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis (3A01), Gracemary Allen (3A02), Claire McCafferty (3A04), and Ann Mladinov (3A05). Commissioner Isaac Bowers (3A03) was not able to participate in the meeting. The Secretary confirmed that there was a quorum 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, 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.

Official Votes

The Chair made a motion to vote on each of the following administrative items. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 in favor:

- Designate location for keeping the ANC 3A checkbook and records at 3841 Newark Street NW # F456
- Approve expenditure of \$203.88 for a year of website development services from GoDaddy
- Approve expenditure of \$140 for business cards (estimated \$40 per Commissioner for 100 cards)
- Request a debit card for ANC 3A, if deemed appropriate after the Treasurer reviews the details
- Request an Employer Information Number (EIN) for ANC 3A to use on financial forms
- Approve McLean Gardens Ballroom as the location for ANC 3A public meetings through January 2026

Next Meeting

The Chair announced that the next ANC 3A public meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, at McLean Gardens Ballroom in hybrid format.

Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm.

FULL SUMMARY

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. The meeting was held in “virtual” format only.

The Chair asked for a roll call. Four Commissioners were present: Thaddeus Bradley-Lewis (3A01), Gracemary Allen (3A02), Claire McCafferty (3A04), and Ann Mladinov (3A05). Commissioner Isaac Bowers (3A03) called at the beginning of the meeting but his home was without power and he was not able to participate in the meeting. The Secretary confirmed that there was a quorum participating. (Three of the five Commissioners constitute a quorum.)

The Chair called for confirmation that the notice requirement had been met. 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 via the two methods the ANC had approved: the ANC 3A website and email including ANC 3A email list, local listservs and the Nextdoor Neighbors e-network. That met the notice requirement.

The Chair made a motion to vote on the proposed agenda. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 5-0 to approve the agenda.

MPD Community Report

Captain Haskis of MPD Second District reported on crime statistics in ANC 3A for the year to date. There had been no robberies, assaults with dangerous weapons, or burglaries, but one homicide at City Ridge. He reported that appeared to be a domestic incident with a known suspect and he expected MPD would be able to close that case. Captain Haskis reported 3 thefts from auto for the year to date compared to 4 last year in the same time period, 2 stolen vehicles compared to 5 last year, and 25 general thefts compared to 17 last year. The general thefts category includes retail thefts as well as package thefts. But he pointed to an encouraging trend, with thefts down in the previous 30 days from 14 in the previous month to only 6 in the most recent month. He said MPD had made good progress at the CVS on Newark Street, making a few arrests of individuals who had committed multiple thefts there, and he hoped the positive trend would continue. He said he was worried about thefts from auto which had been markedly up in the Spring Valley, Friendship Heights and Chevy Chase neighborhoods. He urged residents to relay to visitors not to leave items visible in their vehicles. Every day he hears of items worth thousands of dollars being taken from vehicles parked in the Second District. Commissioner Mladinov had asked him to report on recent carjackings. He reported there had been a photo of the suspect in the carjacking on Davis Place in the previous month and MPD was hoped to be able to apprehend him, but he did not have anything new to report on the carjacking on the 3000 block of Idaho Avenue on January 13, 2024.

DC Office of Planning Presentation on Plans for Zoning Changes to Carry Out Wisconsin Avenue Development Framework

Ron Barron, Maxine Brown-Roberts, and Joel Lawson of the DC Office of Planning (OP) provided an update on OP’s plans for preparing proposed zoning changes in the Wisconsin Avenue corridor from Friendship Heights to Rodman Street. After extended public preview and comment, OP adopted the Development Framework in February 2024, as a way of carrying out the new provisions of the amended Comprehensive Plan including the Future Lane Use Map adopted by the District in November 2021. Some of those changes affected properties on Wisconsin Avenue in Friendship Heights, Tenleytown, and south of Tenley Circle to City Ridge in ANC 3A. The Framework includes recommendations for planning and design of new structures as well as public space along the corridor. OP also made a presentation at the July 2024 ANC 3A meeting, when it planned to submit changes in the zoning code to the Zoning Commission in the fall to implement provisions of that framework. Mr. Barron said OP is currently hoping to put forward those proposed changes in spring 2025. He observed that zoning can help achieve planning goals directly, by what it allows, and also indirectly by encouraging certain uses. Design can also be affected through zoning that influences height, setbacks, and density, to allow for more light and air, open up public spaces, and create compatibility with adjoining use. OP invited comments and encouraged the ANC and residents to watch for updates and participate in the process.

DC Office of Planning Presentation on Plans to Propose Text Amendments to RA-1 Zoning

Shepard Beamon of OP made a presentation on possible changes to zoning standards in RA-1 zones. He noted that ANC3s and the Zoning Commission had asked OP to look into this after several cases where the current standards seemed to be causing uncertainty for the DC Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) about the standards it should use in deciding cases in RA-1, and obstacles to property uses that are part of the intent for RA-1 zones. In January OP held 3 briefings for ANC Commissioners District-wide on potential changes to adjust and clarify how the BZA reviews proposed development in the RA-1 zone. The presentation to ANC 3A was part of OP's preliminary outreach. In ANC 3A, he said RA-1 zoning covers McLean Gardens, the Nebraska Avenue Complex, several blocks with large apartments south of Massachusetts Avenue, and properties on the east side of Wisconsin Avenue. RA-1 provides for low to moderate density residential use: detached and semi-detached homes, row houses, flats, and low-rise apartments. Mr. Beamon outlined some of the changes being considered, including to make row houses and small apartment buildings (4 units or less) a "matter of right" use in RA-1, along with any expansion that adds 4 units or 50% or less of the existing structure, whichever is less. Currently a Special Exception is required with opportunities for hearings, comments and protests on anything other than detached or semi-detached homes in an RA-1 zone. He also said it was considering changing side yard requirements in RA-1. In addition, he suggested adding new elements to the required applications for a Special Exception to clarify the BZA's authority to review design features such as building materials, placement of windows and doors, screening, grading, and landscaping that can affect the effects on adjoining properties. OP said it was hoping to submit proposed zoning changes to the Zoning Commission in March, with the hope they could be scheduled for public review and comments later in the year. OP also invited comments or questions before OP completes its proposal. For more information, see:

<https://planning.dc.gov/RA-1zoning>

Community Announcements

Tyler Williams representing DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) reported on traffic safety investigations (TSIs) and other DDOT programs of interest. The Chair asked about DDOT's TSI 2.0 program, which has gotten a lot of attention and criticism in the area since it was launched at the beginning of 2023. There had been a high volume of requests for safety investigations and safety improvements, but not a lot of progress. He asked if she had any sense that DDOT was considering changes in the process, other than the one quarter pause in the fall to try to catch up with the backlog. Ms. Williams said DDOT did not currently have any substantive plans for changes. She said that DDOT is trying to make sure it knows how to make conditions safer and will be piloting evaluations in a few specific projects, but it would be 3 years before DDOT would be looking at site-specific results.

In the TSI 2.0 process, every quarter DDOT selects a total of 200 requests or bundles of requests for a Traffic Safety Investigation that have been submitted via the DC 311 system, with a minimum of 10 requests per ward. For its selection criteria, DDOT uses 6 factors to evaluate the TSI requests, including number of deaths or injuries, and proximity to schools. DDOT staff then investigate those cases and determines what to do to address the safety concerns. Ms. Williams said those 10 are the top priority projects for the ward.

The Chair noted that ANC 3A had seen some projects chosen for investigation that seemed like mistakes. A few were closed without any action and it was not clear to the community why they were selected. The DDOT liaison did not know why they had been selected either. He suggested that the cases selected need to be strong since so few are chosen, and that seems like an opportunity for improvement.

The Chair also asked if there were any new Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) cameras or HAWK devices planned for the ANC 3A area. Ms. Williams said both could be requested using the 311 system if that is of interest, but some are recommended by DDOT proactively based on crash data. She also emphasized that in the TSI system, DDOT doesn't want people to ask for a particular solution such as a HAWK, because it is important for the agency to address problems holistically, and if someone requests a HAWK, DDOT will still do a holistic evaluation.

For ATEs, the Chair asked if DDOT publishes a list of active devices. Ms. Williams said DDOT doesn't list them but has a dashboard showing the ATEs. The Chair asked if DDOT could notify the public when and where a new ATE is being installed. She said that could be done.

The Chair also asked about several local cases that had been the subject of discussion with DDOT:

- 3700 Massachusetts Avenue where a case had been launched under the TSI 2.0 program

Ms. Williams said that the case was in active data collection. DDOT wanted to assess how many vehicles were exceeding the speed limit, and the speed data had just come in. She observed that if improvements are recommended, DDOT can install signs over the winter, but something like pedestrian refuges, striping, or curb bump-outs can only be done in the warmer seasons.

- Wisconsin Avenue and Fulton Street, where ANC 3A and residents had asked for parking spaces on the north side of Fulton to be removed to create more space on the street and avoid back-ups and safety issues when vehicles are entering Fulton west of Wisconsin and there is not enough room on the street for a westbound vehicle and an eastbound vehicle to pass each other safely. Commissioner Mladinov explained that she and residents had asked DDOT to remove parking on the north side of the street when the traffic signal at Wisconsin Avenue and Fulton Street was first installed, in the first years of COVID-19. DDOT said it would have had to issue a separate NOI but it would continue to evaluate experience with the new signal and residents could submit a 311 request. That request was caught in the queue when TSI 2.0 was introduced. In the mean time, DDOT installed a micromobility corral on the south side of Fulton opposite the parking spaces proposed to be removed, which has caused a further tightening of the space available for vehicles driving on that block. Ms. Williams offered that the micromobility corral may have been installed there to mitigate the safety problem, but the Chair pointed out that the request for the micromobility corral had been totally separate from the TSI requests and had no relation to mitigating the back-ups and safety hazards residents had observed on that block. Commissioner Mladinov commented that with the original 311 submission and later requests from constituents for a Traffic Safety Investigation, by last year the number of TSI requests had grown to 8 or 10 at that location, but the site was never selected for investigation, and now only one 311 request shows on the TSI Dashboard. Ms. Williams said that only 20% of the 200 TSIs selected each quarter are on arterials and Wisconsin Avenue is an arterial so that is hurting the chances for that request to be chosen for investigation. DDOT chooses 80% of the cases from smaller streets, which are more practical for a TSI. Commissioner Mladinov noted that the removal of parking spaces is on a narrow residential street, not an arterial.

Ms. Williams asked if the parking spot where vehicles are stopping illegally is within the 25-foot zone, measured from the intersection. No one had mentioned illegal parking, but some delivery trucks do stop illegally in the curbside lane of Fulton at the corner of Wisconsin, which is encouraged by allowing parking on that side of the street. Ms. Williams found on a map that the parking spots in question are beyond the 25-foot zone. The Commissioners noted that if the recommended parking spaces were removed, there could be less tendency for delivery vehicles to stop illegally at the corner, because it would be a driving lane and traffic would be moving on that side of the street. Ms. Williams said she would look into the situation.

- 39th Street in McLean Gardens, where a traffic study had been in process. Ms. Williams said that DDOT got the traffic study results the previous week and would be reviewing them.

- Reduced speed limits on Nebraska, Wisconsin, and Massachusetts Avenues in ANC 3A

The ANC had supported DDOT's proposals to change the speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph on those streets. The Chair asked when DDOT was planning to have all the signs changed. Ms. Williams said the changes had all been approved and she thought the signs had already been installed, but the Chair and several other meeting participants said they were still seeing 30 mph signs in some locations. Ms. Williams said she would check on that. The Chair observed that the ATE at Ward Circle had seemed quite effective and he wondered if the speed standards on the ATE would be reset to match the new speed limit. Ms. Williams said the ATEs are automatically recalibrated when the speed limit changes,

- New TSIs selected in ANC 3A for the Second Quarter of FY2025 (the current quarter) including three at 37th and Upton Street and three at Macomb and Wisconsin. The Chair asked if Ms. Williams could identify what issues were raised at those locations, since none were shown on the TSI 2.0 Dashboard. Ms. Williams said they were all in the traffic safety category, either traffic speed or other safety issue, and data collection would begin in the next week.

Shantise Wynn Brown of Ward 3 Councilmember Matt Frumin's office announced that the next Workday in the Ward with the Councilmember would be on February 27 at Open City in Woodley Park. Representatives of MPD, DDOT, and the Departments of Buildings, Behavioral Health, and Licensing and Consumer Protection would also be participating. She also said that CM Frumin would be holding performance oversight hearings before the Human Services Committee that he chairs, covering the Office of Cable TV, the Department of Human Services, and the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

Owen Brown of the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) announced that the Mayor would be holding Budget Engagement Forums about the District's FY2026 budget, including the Phone-in forum for seniors on February 24 and two in-person forums at the Rosedale Recreation Center on February 27 and at the Kennedy Recreation Center on March 1.

Commissioner Updates

- On February 18, DDOT issued Notifications of Intent (NOIs) related to where bus stops are proposed to be located on the Metrobus routes in WMATA's Better Bus network, scheduled to launch by July 1, 2025. While WMATA is responsible for planning and operating the service, some of the bus routing and bus stops require adjustments to traffic patterns and/or parking. In ANC 3A, there is one proposed new bus stop on 39th Street NW just south of Klinge Place, which takes up 3 on-street parking spaces. For information and a map of the bus stop, see: (<https://ddotwiki.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/NI/overview>) The Chair said the ANC would take up the case at the March meeting and vote on a position. Comments on those changes are due to DDOT on April 1 by emailing ddot@dc.gov with subject line "ANC 3A NOI# 25-27-CPD (WMATA Better Bus)" For information on WMATA's Better Bus Program, see: <https://www.wmata.com/initiatives/plans/Better-Bus/index.cfm>
- The Chair spoke about the relocation of the bus stop on Wisconsin Avenue at Porter Street, which came up at the January ANC 3A meeting. Now instead of being next to the Washington Ballet the bus stop is tight in front of the entrance to the Crestview Condominiums. The Chair said he had been working with community stakeholders, the Mayor's office, and DDOT, but had not yet received an adequate update from DDOT and got disappointing response from WMATA. He said he was working to get an on-site meeting with the agency officials to address residents' concerns.
- Increases in Pepco bills had also come up at the January ANC 3A meeting. Commissioner Mladinov had checked and said there had not been any PSC decision or other approved increases that would have led to a doubling of residential electric rates, but a) increasing fuel prices had led to an increase of 8% in Pepco's standard electric rates starting last summer; b) the Public Service Commission (PSC) had approved a new "pilot" multi-year rate increase for Pepco that went into effect in January including an estimated 8% increase; c) the many days of cold weather had meant that heating systems were more heavily used leading to far more kilowatt hours to cover in Pepco bills, and d) Pepco charges a much higher rate per kilowatt hour over the base level so the higher use kicked some people into a much higher cost bracket. That caused many customers' bills to more than double this winter.
- Washington Gas is continuing to push to replace Phase 3 of "Project PIPES" rejected by the DC PSC with a newly named "District Safe" which is being reviewed by the DC PSC in Formal Case 1179. Seven Councilmembers including Ward 3 Councilmember Matt Frumin signed a letter to the PSC opposing WGL's proposal and asking for WGL plans to address more effectively DC clean energy and climate change goals. Public comments can be submitted on the Washington Gas proposal to the PSC under the case name "FC1179" emailed to: psc-commissionsecretary@dc.gov

- DC Council Performance Oversight Hearings on District agencies were continuing through March 7. See: <https://dccouncil.gov/2024-2025-performance-oversight-fy-2026-budget-schedules/>
- The Mayor's proposed FY 2026 budget is due to the Council on April 2. Council budget hearings are scheduled for April 7-May 1. See: <https://www.dccouncilbudget.com/schedules>
- WMATA is reviewing its proposed FY 2026 budget which includes: No fare changes; increased Metrorail service on the Red Line at peak times, and increased MetroAccess hours to match the Metrorail. Comments were due February 10. Metrobus service changes were already approved by the Board in November 2024 as part of the 2025 Better Bus Network Redesign.
- The DC Office of Planning announced that in March it will launch the process to develop an update of the DC Comprehensive Plan, with opportunities for the public to participate to be announced.

Open Forum

There were no additional comments.

Administrative Matters

1. January Minutes: Commissioner Mladinov had prepared minutes of the January 19 ANC 3A public 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.

2. Monthly Financial Report: The Chair presented the ANC 3A January financial report:

ANC 3A January Financial Report

Opening Balance (January 1): \$27,632.26

- Income: None
- Cash Withdrawals: None
 - Expenditures: None
 - Bank Fees: None (Monthly Fee waived)

Ending Balance (January 31): \$27,632.26

3. Vote on location for keeping the ANC 3A checkbook

The ANC 3A checkbook with the complete checkbook log is currently at 3841 Newark Street NW #F456, the home address of the Chair. Treasurer Allen says she lives in an apartment and does not have an appropriate place for safekeeping of the checkbook, so she recommended keeping the checkbook where it is, and she will share further information if she gets different directions. The Chair made a motion to vote to approve maintaining the current location of the ANC checkbook. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve.

4. Vote on expenditure for another year of website development services from GoDaddy, which is also the provider of the ANC 3A domain name. The Chair made a motion to approve expenditure of \$203.88 for the website services to support the ANC 3A website for the next 12 months. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve.

5. Vote on expenditure for business cards for Commissioners

With three new Commissioners, the Chair proposed that the Commission pay to purchase business cards. He checked the purchase information in 2023 and suggested using the same local provider, Base Camp, which had charged \$31.80 per Commissioner for 100 cards each. He said he would share the previous designs used for ANC 3A business cards in 2023, and the Commissioners would all have a chance to review and approve the design of their cards. The Chair provided an estimate of \$40 for printing 100 business cards for each Commissioner interested in getting business cards. Commissioners Allen and McCafferty as well as Commissioner Mladinov asked to be part of the order. Commissioner Bowers would have to be asked about his interest after the meeting. The Chair made a motion to approve an

expenditure of \$160 to pay for obtaining new business cards for four Commissioners. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve.

6. Update on contract for community engagement software from Go Vocal

The Chair reported that after the contract was signed in January, Go Vocal had held an initial pre-kick-off meeting with the participating ANC's. Three ANC's in the area (ANC 3A, ANC 3/4G and ANC 4A) had agreed to enter contracts with Go Vocal for Citizen Engagement Software and Services for the coming year, and a fourth ANC (ANC 3D) would be entering a contract with Go Vocal in late spring, so the service is going forward with the required minimum of three ANC's at the price of \$2,000 per ANC, a substantial discount over the original quote.

The Chair explained that each participating ANC will be able to have an Administrative Leader and one or more Project Managers. The Chair had agreed to be the Administrative person for ANC 3A. Though the ANC has not yet identified what projects may be launched, there will be opportunities for multiple projects for each ANC during the year and multiple opportunities for residents to participate.

7. Update on request for funds to purchase a 360° camera for conducting hybrid meetings

The ANC had voted at the January meeting to apply to the Office of ANC's (OANC) for funds from the Technical Assistance Fund (TAF) to purchase a 360° camera to use in conducting hybrid meetings. The Chair reported that OANC had approved the request but unlike in prior years when OANC had made purchases directly using TAF funds, this time OANC had asked the ANC to make the purchase itself. The Chair had presented estimates of the cost to make the purchase using Amazon, and the Chair had established an Amazon business account for ANC 3A business, linked to the ANC 3A bank account, with certification as a non-profit. The website, however, was not allowing use of a checking account to make the purchase. The Chair had not been able to get past that obstacle with Amazon to that point, but he said he would keep trying, and he was also working on other options.

8. Vote to apply for a debit card for use by the ANC

After the difficulties with purchasing a 360° camera using the checking account and not having the option of using a debit or credit card, the Chair asked if it might make sense for the ANC to get a debit card to draw on the official checking account when purchases cannot be made with a check. Commissioner Mladinov mentioned that previous ANC 3A Treasurer Jeremy Del Moral had expressed a lot of concerns about the ANC having a debit card, which requires numerous additional steps for the Treasurer to account for ANC funds when a debit card is used. Commissioner Allen, as the new Treasurer, said she would like to explore more details before making any recommendations. The Chair made a motion to approve requesting a debit card associated with the ANC checking account at PNC Bank, if it is deemed appropriate after the Treasurer's review of the process. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve applying for an ANC 3A debit card if deemed appropriate.

9. Vote to obtain an Employee Identification Number (EIN)

The Office of ANC's (OANC) had directed ANC 3A to use the District of Columbia EIN to start the official checking account in 2023 and complete other required financial forms. The Chair reported that more recently, OANC staff had recommended that ANC 3A apply for its own EIN to use in future financial transactions. The Chair made a motion to take a vote to apply to obtain an EIN for ANC 3A. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve applying for an EIN.

10. Discussion and vote on future ANC 3A meeting location

The Chair summarized discussions with the venues that had been offered as sites for ANC public meetings or the rest of the year.

a. The MPD Second District Police Station had limited internet and WiFi service, and only one Ethernet cable which would limit capacity to hold hybrid meetings. It did not require special insurance coverage and there were no other legal or contractual blocks for the ANC to hold public meetings in the MPD Community Room. The Chair mentioned that there were some concerns about holding an ANC meeting in a police station, which is not necessarily a welcoming space for all members of the community.

b. The McLean Gardens Ballroom has a large space, ADA access, screens, microphones, and a 360° camera, and is centrally located in the ANC. The condo association board had held further discussions of the ANC's letter requesting terms for a new use agreement for 2025. The Chair had also shared with them the Certificate of Insurance from the District of Columbia, along with the other terms that were shared with all the potential meeting venues. The board had responded offering use of the ballroom at no cost for the ANC 3A public meetings through January 2026. The Chair noted that finding parking is not easy in that area, but most of the ANC 3A meetings had been there and had worked for participants

c. Sidwell Friends School had offered the ANC two possible spaces for monthly public meetings, including a conference room with projector, screen, adequate space for a camera for \$150/hour and another space in a double-size classroom with fewer amenities for \$100 per hour. Each meeting would probably require rental for 3 hours. Sidwell has adequate parking, substantial internet, WiFi, and Ethernet connections in both rooms they offered.

d. National Presbyterian Church on Nebraska Avenue at Van Ness Street NW had offered several spaces including the Garden Rooms (a new three-part space with one wall of windows, two large screens, flexible table and chair set-up, and modular partitions that could be opened or closed to meet different capacity needs, as well as two small meeting rooms 109 on the ground floor just inside the main door from the parking area, with capacity for about 35 seats (That room is where ANC 3A met for the first five monthly meetings in 2023, and is also sometimes used for small church services) and 209 on the second floor (similar size to 109 but without the altar and stained glass windows). All those rooms could be provided at the same price of \$1160 for 11 monthly meetings (about \$105 per month). The church has a large parking lot, internet, WiFi, and Ethernet. The Chair and Commissioner Bowers had toured that facility, and the manager was willing to provide a free test run for the ANC meeting in March. The Chair noted that the offer could allow the ANC to experience a different space which several Commissioners had not had a chance to visit. The ANC had also been careful not to accept free meeting space if no other groups in the community were given the same offer.

The Chair also said he had hoped to have a firm agreement on a meeting space for the year before March and he was hesitant to postpone the decision. Commissioner Mladinov asked if the National Presbyterian Church would be asking the ANC to provide security if a meeting was expected to have more than 25 participants. She recalled that several of the ANC 3A meetings in early 2023 had exceeded that number. The Chair said that had been discussed, but recent conversations had concluded that if the ANC invited a speaker such as the Mayor--which would surely draw more than 25 people--the Mayor's office would have its own security.

Commissioner Allen said the McLean Gardens Ballroom had the advantage of being free, and it is a nice room. Commissioner McCafferty agreed. She said the National Presbyterian Church would cost more than McLean Gardens Ballroom, and not having a decision until March also would be a drawback. Commissioner Mladinov said McLean Gardens Ballroom is centrally located in the ANC and she didn't see any drawbacks to continuing to use the ballroom for meetings, except that there can be difficulty finding parking.

The Chair made a motion to vote on holding monthly ANC 3A public meetings at the McLean Gardens Ballroom through January 2026. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 4-0 to approve.

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The Chair made a motion to vote on adjourning the meeting. The motion was seconded and the Commission voted 5-0 to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm.

The minutes were approved by the Commission by a vote of 5 - 0 at its duly noticed public meeting on March 18, 2025, at which a quorum was present. (Three of the five Commissioners constitute a quorum.)

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