



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3E

TENLEYTOWN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY PARK FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS
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ANC 3E RESOLUTION

Resolution on the Proposed Amendment to the DC Municipal Regulations Concerning the Establishment of Dog Exercise Areas

WHEREAS the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has published in the DC Register proposed amendments to Chapter 7 of Title 19 (Amusements, Parks and Recreation) (June 2001) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations concerning the establishment of Dog Exercise Areas (DEA) under DC Code § 8-1808.01; and

WHEREAS fenced DEAs allow greater safety for children, dog owners, and non-dog owners as well as provide needed exercise for dogs and build community relationships among dog owners; and

WHEREAS the proposed rules contain restrictions that would preclude any DEAs from being established in the District:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC3E finds that the draft rules do not reflect and are contrary to the intent of the authorizing legislation and would have the effect of frustrating, rather than furthering, the goal of creating dog parks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3E urges DPR or whichever agency is charged with coordinating the implementation of these rules to reconsider these rules; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3E requests that the rules and regulations be developed in a manner consistent with the purpose of the law – to provide for the establishment of DEAs – and should be drafted with input from community members, including those who will be using and maintaining the parks and those who will be affected by them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3E requests that these revised regulations be published for public comment no later than September 1, 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3E requests that the comment period be extended an additional 30 business days after the final DPR public briefings on the draft regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this ANC reserves the right to revise and extend its comments on the proposed regulations within any comment deadline as extended by DPR.

This resolution was approved unanimously by a vote of 5-0 on April 5, 2007 at a public meeting of ANC 3E at which a quorum was present.

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Commissioner, ANC3E-03
For ANC3E