

**ANC 3E Meeting  
Minutes of July 10, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. Commissioners Amy McVey, Lucy Eldridge, Amy Hoang, and Chapman Todd were present .

ANC Business/Actions:

The Commission voted 4-0 to approve the request that the DCDOT Office of Mass Transit, WMATA and WMATA's DC Directors modify current N-6 operations to preclude the operation of small buses in the westbound direction prior to the 10:08 p.m. westbound trip.

The following check was issued and approved:

Check #1138 Verizon \$31.49

Announcements:

Chairperson McVey announced the resignation of Commissioner Helfant and that the discussion of and possible vote on realigning PSA 202 with ANC3E, and PSAs with ANCs citywide had been withdrawn from the July ANC 3E agenda due to a scheduling conflict. She also announced that she had contacted Mary Ann Floto, the Community Outreach Coordinator for Ward 3 about the proliferation of newspaper boxes in the area.

Commissioner Todd announced that the final meeting of the Friendship Heights Traffic Study would be held in late July or early September. The date will be listed in the North West Current.

Commissioner Hoang requested that anyone in need of sod replacement due to sidewalk repairs contact her with the location and the order number so that a complete list of the neighborhood repairs could be submitted to the Department of Public Works.

Open Forum:

Mr. Lowery announced that a yard sale would be held that weekend at 4301 Ellicot Street to raise funds for the Coalition to Stop Tenleytown Over-Development.

Mr. Scott announced that July 10 was the anniversary of the birthday of Vice President Dallas.

Mr. Randall, a resident of Cleveland Park, expressed concern about the size of the American University sign at Wisconsin and Van Ness, and the size of the flag at McDonalds. Commissioner McVey said that the American University site fell under the jurisdiction of ANC 3F, and the McDonald's building under ANC 3C, and that his concerns should be brought to their attention.

Presentation by 2<sup>nd</sup> District Police:

Lt. Aiello reported 39 criminal incidents in the neighborhood during the previous month of which six cases have been closed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> District police. The three robberies that had occurred during the month had been closed, as had one burglary out of six, and the only assault that had occurred during the month. A total of 11 thefts from autos had taken place during the same period, and Lt. Aiello advised residents not to leave items in parked cars.

Discussion with Phil Mendelson, Councilmember At-Large, on the “ Alcohol Beverage Control Board Affected ANC Amendment Act of 2003”

Councilmember Phil Mendelson discussed his recently introduced bill (#15-264), the intent of which is to ensure that affected ANCs are given notice, and great weight in matters before the ABC Board. Presently, some sections of the law refer to the “ANC in which the establishment is located” while other sections refer to the “affected ANC”. The new bill amends sections of the bill to require the ABC Board to provide to the office of each affected ANC a list of licenses due to expire and to entitle all affected ANCs to file a protest or otherwise comment. Councilmember Mendelson suggested it would be helpful if ANCs wrote a letter supporting the bill to Sharon Ambrose, Chairperson of the Council's Committee on Consumer and Regulatory Affairs.

Councilmember Mendelson also discussed concerns about the pay increase and benefit package offered to the Chief of Police, citing management issues, civil liberties and problems relating to recent 911 calls. He also offered his support to the community with regards to development in the area.

Chairperson McVey expressed concern about the halt in construction of the Tenley Firehouse. The Chairs of ANC 3E, 3F and 3/4G met with Fire Chief Adrian Thompson Thursday, July 3, 2003 to discuss the Firehouse renovation and other public safety issues. The contractor had informed the city that insurance problems had arisen after the historical designation of the building and he has since resigned from the project. The city is presently looking for another contractor so that renovation can continue. In the meantime, Engine 20, now located at Naval Security Station, may move out of the area because the trailer housing the engine crew is the property of the original contractor. Ann Renshaw, of ANC 3G, expressed concern about the reduction of fire and medical apparatus in the area and asked for the support of Councilmember Mendelson in ensuring that the renovation of the Tenlytown Firehouse move ahead quickly. Councilmember Mendelson agreed to support the position of the affected ANCs.

Discussion of and vote on the overcrowding on evening buses that travel the N-Line, specifically the area of Mass. Ave., AU Park and Wesley Heights.

Steve Posniak requested that ANC-3E support a resolution that the DCDOT Office of Mass Transit, WMATA and WMATA's DC Directors modify the current N-6 operations to preclude the operation of small buses in the westbound direction prior to the 10:08 pm westbound trip. Residents who travel on the Metrobus N-6 route from Farragut Square to Friendship Heights have complained both to ANC-3E and to WMATA about overcrowding, and standing room only conditions during the weekday evening trips

leaving Farragut at 8:35 p.m. and 9:37 p.m. The Commission voted 4-0 to support the resolution.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amy Hoang, Secretary