

**WPCA Executive Meeting – Meeting Minutes**  
**November 11, 2025**

**Committee Members Present:**

Warren Gorlick  
John Goodman  
Leah De Hoet  
Glenn Marcus  
Linda Raphael  
Courtney Tolbert  
Stephanie Zobay

1. Establish quorum/confirm everyone can hear/see
2. Introductory items:
  - a. Approval of agenda – Agenda approved, with the modification of adding a proposed cannabis retailing and restaurant operation as an additional topic.
  - b. Approval of minutes – Minutes were approved.
3. Financial stuff
  - a. Treasurer's Report will be amended.
  - b. DC tax exempt certificate – Stephanie is monitoring, but the WPCA does not yet have the exemption.
4. Main Street – Robert Meins and John reported that the Main Street grant was not awarded to the Woodley Park Business Foundation. While the awardee has not been announced, Robert noted the possibility that WPBF may be able to work with the awardee.
5. Cannabis Retailer – John reported that a cannabis retailer hopes to move into the space currently occupied by Petit Monde on the east side of Connecticut Avenue, and raised the possibility that the WPCA might take a formal position on this application when it comes before the Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis Commission. John noted that it was a large space. Robert Meins noted that the proposal to combine a restaurant/smoking lounge with a dispensary would not be permissible. It was also noted that the dispensary was just over 1,000 feet from Aidan Montessori, so that while it is not *per se* illegal, there may still be some avenues to pursue given the close proximity to a pre-school. ANC Chair Janell Pagats and ANC 3C01 Sam Littauer said the ANC may take up the issue at their next meeting. John said he would put the information out about the proposed cannabis retailer in his next newsletter.
6. Holiday Party – Stephanie asked if Lillie's should be the venue. Some Members voiced support, others asked for more information. It was agreed to host the Holiday Party on December 14 at Lillie's, and Stephanie will confirm that date with the restaurant venue. Stephanie will also reach out to Lillie's about the possible logistics and any additional cost if the party starts an hour early, at 4pm, to accommodate children.

**Motion:** Warren made a Motion to charge \$10 per person in advance, and \$35 if they fail to RSVP. The Motion passed, 3 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 passing.

7. Woodley Park Day review – online survey, financials, T-shirts, IRS letters – Deferred.
8. Fall meeting – ANC 3C02 Prinzo has reached out to CM Pinto about a possible date to appear before the WPCA. The event may be either on November 19, or the first week in December.

9. HPRB applications – Aidan, 2733 Woodley Pl – John noted that there are two HPRB applications. John stated the 2733 application is to raise the roof. A WPCA member, Judy Shapiro, raised concerns about the Woodley Place application, and stated that all the neighbors facing the alley of the applicants oppose the proposal. It is unclear when the HPRB hearing will be. The Aidan application to the BZA is for a variance, which John said is hard to get; there is also an HPRB application, which, logically, should be deferred until after the variance issue is decided. ANC Chair Pagats reported that the ANC will take up this issue.
10. MPD 2D dinner report – It was reported that the event was a great success, and all had a good time.
11. Outreach – Deferred.
12. Website – Deferred.
13. ANC updates – Deferred.
14. Good of the order – Deferred.
15. Adjourn – The Meeting adjourned at 9pm. The next Board meeting will be held on December 9.