

Sunday March 9

Woodley Park News

Connecticut Ave rezoning. The Office of Planning has started to consider what changes to WP Connecticut Ave zoning to propose to the Zoning Commission. They will meet with WPCA "to introduce the OP team, summarize where we are, how we propose to move forward and to hear any issues that are of particular interest to" us on Tuesday March 11 at 7:30 [via Zoom](#).

As background, the 2021 amendments to the DC Comprehensive Plan call for greater height and density along the WP and CP stretches of Connecticut Ave. The next step was OP's drafting of [development guidelines](#), which was completed in Sept 2023. The guidelines contemplate a building rising to 90 feet above the CVS at Connecticut and Calvert and to 105 feet on the west side of the avenue (see page 23). (Any specific development proposals would be subject to HPRB review.)

OP will also consider whether to recommend any changes to the existing limit on the number of restaurants in WP. That restriction was originally adopted to ensure that restaurants would not crowd out other neighbor-serving businesses in this relatively small commercial district.

Comp Plan Rewrite. Although it was amended as recently as 2021, DC is starting the process of rewriting its Comprehensive Plan. As a first step, it is inviting residents to visit [DC2050.com](https://dc2050.com) to take a the Vision Survey and to RSVP to participate in upcoming public meetings.

Last year, CM Nadeau introduced a bill to significantly change DC's historic preservation law. She has now introduced a modified version. [B26-0008](#) would allow a property owner in a historic district to build out to the maximum density allowed by zoning rules without regard to historic compatibility.

As previously reported, NPS is considering whether to end the rush hour reversible lanes on Rock Creek Parkway. It has now released a [Transportation Impact Assessment](#) of such a change. One neighborhood group believes that the change "[threatens downtown revival](#)." You can sign-up to receive updates from NPS [here](#).

WMATA has announced that it will implement its [BetterBus](#) plan and change all route names on June 29.

Tuesday Talk. Ever wonder what has happened to local news coverage? The next talk might provide some answers and features City Cast DC CEO David Plotz to discuss his journey in founding this podcast for local news. Tuesday March 11, 7 pm at the CP Library. Seating is limited, so [register](#) early.

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