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By Electronic Mail

March XX, 2026

Rosemary Suggs-Evans
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RE: ANC 3C Comments Regarding Woodley Park Main Streets

Director Suggs-Evans,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 16, 2026 with a quorum present, a quorum being five commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3C voted X-X-X to submit these written comments on concerns about the Woodley Park Main Street (WPMS) program and the transition in program management that occurred over the past year.

Last Spring, Historic Dupont Circle Main Street (HDCMS), the organization managing the Woodley Park Main Street (WPMS) program, advised the community that it was withdrawing as WPMS manager. At that time, it told the community that it would transfer approximately \$20,000 to the new WPMS manager. This was because these funds had been raised within the Woodley Park community by Woodley Park residents and businesses, including through community events such as flea markets and other neighborhood fundraising activities.

Last October, DSLBD selected the Glover Park Alliance (GPA) to manage the Woodley Park Main Street program. It is our understanding, however, that even now, five months later, HDCMS has not transferred the funds. We are therefore writing to request an update on the transferring of these funds to the GPA to support the continued administration and programming of the WPMS corridor.

We appreciate the work of DSLBD and DMPED in supporting the Main Street programs across the District and ensuring a smooth transition for the Woodley Park corridor. Please feel free to reach out if the Commission can provide any additional information.

CC: The Honorable Wendell Felder, Ward 7 Member of the Council of the District of Columbia
Chair, Subcommittee on Small and Local Business
Kate Dean, Executive Director, Glover Park Alliance
Ann Blackwell, Executive Director, Historic Dupont Circle Main Street