



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D

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Mr. Sam Zimbabwe
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RE: The District Department of Transportation's Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project

Dear Mr. Zimbabwe,

At its regular meeting on September 17, 2018, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D (“ANC 2D” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 2 of 2 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (2-0-0):

WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 17, 2018, ANC 2D, serving Sheridan-Kalorama, considered the resolution on “DDOT’s Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project,” as enacted by ANC 2B, serving Dupont Circle, on June 13, 2018,

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) held an initial stakeholders meeting in May of 2015 and held subsequent meetings in August of 2015, May and June of 2016, and March of 2018 to discuss the data from DDOT’s Curbside Management Study, the neighborhood-scale curbside planning approach, neighborhood priorities, and short- and long-term recommendations for ANC 2D and ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, additional stakeholder meetings were held with representatives from ANC 2D and ANC 2B with the following priorities being identified:

- Visitor Parking: Accommodate needed visitor parking through a controlled-access program,
- Commercial Parking: Manage commercial parking spillover onto residential streets while ensuring adequate parking for commercial access for patrons and deliveries,

- Enforcement: Enhance the consistency and timeliness of enforcement of parking rules and violations, and
- Signage: Clarify and simplify signage for parking spaces to avoid confusing and conflicting information.

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2018, ANC 2D Commissioners approved the “ANC 2D Curbside Management Resolution” at a duly-noticed public meeting by a vote of 2-0-0, which endorses principles that were further enumerated by a subsequent resolution from ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, within the scope of the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project, ANC 2D endorses the proposal that the project will implement a pedestrian- and vehicular- (including cars, trucks, buses, bicycles, scooters etc.) friendly traffic flow plan,

WHEREAS, Connecticut Avenue NW is one of two major arterial roads which are of vital importance to the northwest section of the District and Sheridan-Kalorama,

WHEREAS, ANC 2D generally supports the current design of the streetscape project, especially the portion from Florida Avenue NW to California Street NW as presented (landscaping, medium divides, enhanced No Left Turn signage at the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and California Street NW, benches/sitting areas, and pedestrian safety) at various ANC 2D public meetings, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2D requests that the provision for “bike lanes” as stated in ANC 2B’s resolution be given further study for the section of Connecticut Avenue NW from Florida Avenue to the Taft Bridge, which is highly congested during rush hours given that the street narrows as it approaches the bridge.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2D requests that the District Department of Transportation undertakes this project in a timely and transparent manner, keeping the residents informed of the progress of the project as well as any significant changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2D requests and expects to be included and involved in the continued design and execution processes for the project, specifically for the section from Florida Avenue NW to California Street NW.

Commissioners David Bender (2D01@anc.dc.gov) and Ellen Goldstein (2D02@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

David R Bender

David Bender
Chair