



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

April 25, 2019

Mr. Leon Anderson
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RE: The District Department of Transportation's Proposed High Crash Site Safety Improvements at the Intersection of Connecticut Avenue, R Street, and 20th Street NW and the Intersection of Connecticut Avenue, S Street, and Florida Avenue NW (NOI #19-31-TOA and NOI #19-32-TOA)

Dear Mr. Anderson:

At its regular meeting on April 10, 2019, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 9 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (9-0-0):

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) completed a high crash site review of the intersection of Connecticut Avenue, R Street, and 20th Street NW and the intersection of Connecticut Avenue, S Street, and Florida Avenue NW in June of 2017, intersections which are completely or largely within ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, these two intersections are located within a walkable commercial area with high pedestrian traffic,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports street design that clarifies traffic laws and prevents dangerous situations for drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians,

WHEREAS, DDOT issued Notice of Intent #19-31-TOA on February 22, 2019 to:

- Restrict the right-turn maneuver from the Connecticut Avenue tunnel lanes to northbound 20th Street NW through the installation of flexible delineator posts,
- Install through-arrow pavement markings in the left-most northbound lane on Connecticut Avenue and on 20th Street NW,
- Replace the existing "No Turns" signs at 20th Street and R Street NW with graphical turn restriction signs for left- and right-turn movements,

- Remove three metered parking spaces on the Connecticut Avenue NW service lanes to expand the existing Metrobus stop on the east side of the street, and

WHEREAS, DDOT issued Notice of Intent #19-32-TOA on February 22, 2019 to:

- Modify the existing left-turn only lane on westbound Florida Avenue at 21st Street NW to allow for both through and left-turn maneuvers,
- Modify the existing eastbound approach of S Street at Connecticut Avenue NW to allow for one left-turn only lane and one shared left-turn/through/right-turn lane,
- Install a “No Left Turn” sign for southbound Connecticut Avenue at S Street NW to accompany the existing time-based LED blank-out sign,
- Install through-arrow pavement markings in the right-most eastbound lane on Florida Avenue at Connecticut Avenue NW, and
- Install curb extensions with flexible delineator posts and ladder crosswalk markings for the existing crosswalk across S Street at Florida Avenue NW and move the existing pedestrian warning sign further upstream.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports a six-month pilot phase of the flexible delineator posts separating traffic from the Connecticut Avenue underpass from traffic going northbound on 20th Street at R Street NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT gather, study, and present traffic safety data to ANC 2B and the community before moving forward with long-term flexible delineator post installation and Connecticut Avenue NW streetscape improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B once again urges DDOT to expedite installation of new signage and refresh pavement markings at both intersections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages DDOT to remove the slip lane at the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and Florida Avenue NW as a medium-term solution.

Commissioners Matthew Sampson (2B01@anc.dc.gov) and Daniel Warwick (2B02@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,



Daniel Warwick
Chair