



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

November 15, 2020

Mr. Wayne Wilson  
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RE: Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project

Dear Mr. Wilson:

At its regular meeting on November 12, 2020, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-0):

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B appreciates the opportunity to comment on the 65% design plans for the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project following a presentation of the design by the project team at the ANC’s October 2020 meeting. ANC 2B continues to be excited by the streetscape and deck-over project and reaffirms our enthusiastic support of the project.

ANC 2B appreciates that the project team has responded to community input on the project from previous public meetings and is supportive of the re-inclusion of protected bike lanes along the streetscape.

ANC 2B requests the following adjustments or continued considerations to the streetscape portion of the project:

- Reduce road lane widths to the minimum permissible for an arterial in order to support expanded sidewalk space along the corridor,
- Consider a design which fully separates protected bike lanes from bus loading zones, such as through the utilization of floating bus stops at key locations,
- Consider opportunities for expanded sidewalks and sidewalk cafes in areas along the corridor through the reallocation of some metered parking, and
- Continue allocating appropriate space for loading zones.

ANC 2B requests the following adjustments or continued considerations to the deck-over portion of the project:

- Continue working closely with the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID) to ensure their future place management of the deck-over is set up for success with provisions for utilities and other services in order to support their vision for the plaza,
- Ensure adequate programmable space is available for large events on the plaza,
- Continue exploring creative ways for the exhaust hole to be less damaging to the plaza's aesthetic, and
- Consider shading elements which take up less plaza ground space than currently proposed such as canopy poles.

ANC 2B also urges the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to continue studying potential traffic impacts of the deck-over portion of the project on 19th Street NW as well as potential safety implications of curbsless streets.

Commissioners Daniel Warwick ([2B02@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B02@anc.dc.gov)) and Randy Downs ([2B05@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B05@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,



Daniel Warwick  
Chair