

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

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RE: Proposal for the Conversion of Streetlights to LED Lighting in ANC 2B's "Club Central" District

Dear Interim Director Marootian, Chief Technology Officer Vemulapalli, and Director Gabriel:

At its regular meeting on September 13, 2017, 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 (7-0-1):

WHEREAS, ANC 2B began to work on and address nightlife management when, in April 2010, the ANC passed the Club Central Resolution to mitigate the effects of the concentration of late-night activity in the area south of Dupont Circle,

WHEREAS, hospitality is the number two industry in the District of Columbia, responsible for nearly 60,000 jobs and \$2.8 billion in revenue,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle area and the Central Business District are home to more than 100 licensed hotels, restaurants, and nightlife venues that are the drivers of that economic engine,

WHEREAS, the nighttime economy is growing ever larger and more complex, requiring a multi-agency governmental approach to matters including health, waste collection, transportation, law enforcement, and public safety,

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation, the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, and the Office of Public-Private Partnerships are in the process of a request for qualifications for the replacement of streetlights as part of the Smart City Initiative,

WHEREAS, the proposed LED lights last four times longer than traditional bulbs, require fewer repairs, and provide more consistent light so that neighborhoods are well lit and safer.

WHEREAS, the proposed LED lights, with Smart City technology, could include free broadband WiFi and sensors to measure traffic and environmental data,

WHEREAS, lighting is very important to our neighborhood, especially in our mixed-use corridors and entertainment areas such as the section of Connecticut Avenue NW south of Dupont Circle, and

WHEREAS, the Golden Triangle BID and the Metropolitan Police Department's Club Action Team officers have encouraged the installation of improved lighting in the Club Central district in ANC 2B and have provided a list of areas that have been identified for conversion to LED lighting:

Pole # and Location

- 1. N/A 1800 Block of M Street NW Next to 1813 M Street NW and to the side of Daily Grill by their last window
- 2. 23731 1800 Block of M Street NW In front of USPS Post Office at 1800 M Street NW
- 3. 23726 1800 Block of M Street NW In front of 1837 M Street NW (Chipotle)
- 4. 24739 1800 Block of Jefferson Place NW On the side of Shake Shack (1216 18th Street NW) on Jefferson Place NW
- 5. 23733 1900 Block of M Street NW Between McDonald's and Pizza Hut (1990 M Street NW)
- 6. 24525 1300 Block of 19th Street NW Next to Dupont Circle Metrorail Station South Entrance (In front of Panera Bread)
- 7. 24526 1300 Block of 19th Street NW Across from Dupont Circle Metrorail Station South Entrance (On the side of 21 Dupont Circle)
- 8. 23810 1100 Block of 19th Street NW In front of Rumors Restaurant on 19th Street (1900 M Street NW)
- 9. 23802 1800 Block of N Street NW Across the street from 1800 N Street NW

- 10. 23808 At the intersection of 19th Street NW and M Street NW (Northeast corner Near Chipotle)
- 11. 23809 At the intersection of 19th Street NW and M Street NW (Southwest corner in front of the 1900 M Street NW building)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports a priority conversion of streetlights in the Club Central district to improved LED dynamic lighting, not exceeding 3,000K and using dark sky technology, as an important tactic in fostering a safe and vibrant neighborhood nightlife.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>randy.downs@dupontcircleanc.net</u>), Scott Davies (<u>2B09@anc.dc.gov</u>), and Nicole Mann (<u>nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole Mann Chair