

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

March 20, 2019

Ms. Megan Kanagy Transportation Planner District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003 megan.kanagy@dc.gov

RE: The District Department of Transportation's Proposed H Street and I Street NW Summer 2019 Bus Lanes Pilot Project

Dear Ms. Kanagy:

At its regular meeting on March 13, 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, ANC 2B is located in one of the densest portions of the District and has very high transit ridership among residents, workers, and visitors, but faces major roadway congestion during peak hours,

WHEREAS, during the summer of 2019, Metrorail's Blue and Yellow Lines will be closed south of National Airport station due to a major rebuilding project and riders are being encouraged to use alternative bus services to travel into the central business district,

WHEREAS, bus lanes are a more effective use of our roadway space by allowing loaded buses to bypass stopped car traffic, reducing costs to transit agencies by reducing run time and making transit more attractive to users, and

WHEREAS, right turns will be allowed from the bus lane on approach to an intersection or driveway, and may present conflicts between turning vehicles stopped for pedestrians and through buses.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the implementation of the H Street and I Street NW summer 2019 bus lanes pilot project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages the District Department of Transportation to further study how signage, markings, signal phasing, and traffic control personnel can be used to reduce the conflict between turning motorists and pedestrians while balancing the need for the through movement of buses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages the District Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Police Department to adequately enforce the bus lanes to prevent drivers from abusing the lanes and slowing transit users.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages the District Department of Transportation to share with the public the resulting data and analysis related to this pilot project following the conclusion of the project, along with recommendations for next steps.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>2B05@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Daniel Warwick (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

Daniel Warwick

Chair