



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

December 14, 2021

Mr. Wasim Raja
Associate Director, Traffic Engineering and Signals Division
District Department of Transportation
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Washington, DC 20003
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RE: District Department of Transportation's Notice of Intent for the Closure of the Northeast Slip Lane at the Intersection of 16th Street, U Street, and New Hampshire Avenue NW (NOI #21-266-TESD)

Dear Mr. Raja:

At its regular meeting on December 8, 2021, 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) has issued Notice of Intent (NOI) #21-266-TESD to close the slip lane that allows drivers to turn north onto New Hampshire Avenue from U Street NW without entering the 16th Street, U Street, and New Hampshire Avenue NW intersection complex,

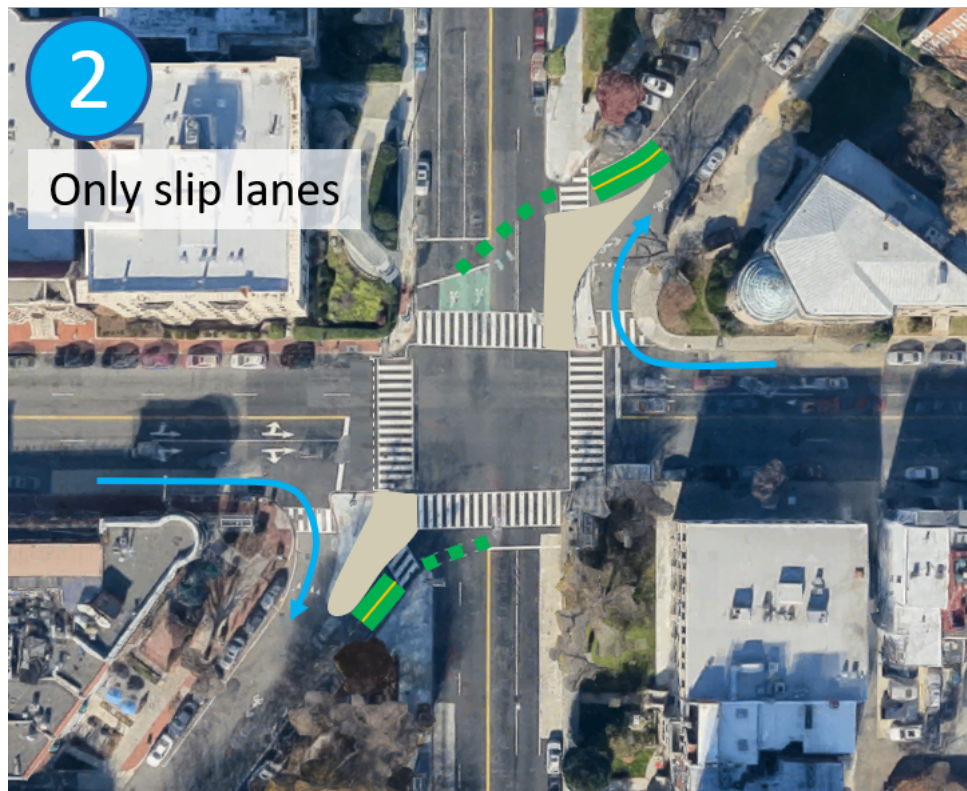
WHEREAS, ANC 2B passed a resolution in July 2021 asking DDOT to evaluate this intersection, and

WHEREAS, DDOT observed drivers using the slip lanes to travel north on 16th Street NW and avoid waiting at the traffic light, which involves crossing two unsignalized crosswalks, endangering pedestrians.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports NOI #21-266-TESD as a short-term solution to the dangerous misuse of the slip lane, noting that it will produce immediate safety benefits for pedestrians.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT conducts a comprehensive safety assessment and redesign of the entire intersection complex to eliminate dangers to pedestrians, personal mobility users, and vehicles. One such solution is below and would

eliminate both the dangerous slalom maneuver and reduce the speed of turns onto New Hampshire NW.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that another potential solution that could improve pedestrian safety includes a Barnes Dance intersection where all vehicular traffic stops to allow pedestrians to cross in all directions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT shares with the ANC and the community the data collected as part of the study for this NOI.

Commissioners Mo Pasternak (2B04@anc.dc.gov) and Matthew Holden (2B08@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Holden'.

Matthew Holden
Chair