

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

April 22, 2022

Mr. Wayne Wilson Project Manager District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003 wayne.wilson@dc.gov

RE: District Department of Transportation's 90% Design Plans for the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project

Dear Mr. Wilson,

At its regular meeting on April 13, 2022, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 7 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0):

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is approaching the final design milestone of the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project,

WHEREAS, since ANC 2B began formally engaging in the deck-over park's design process in 2011, the stakeholders have requested an easily adaptable open space that can be configured by them on-demand for a broad range of programming and activity needs,

WHEREAS, the February 2022 design for the plaza (deck-over park) includes four large planters with built-in seating at the north (Q Street NW) end, and

WHEREAS, the planters occupy considerable space and cannot be relocated without the use of a crane, thus imposing significant limitations on the occupancy and programming of the space and contradicting the requirements and expectations of the stakeholders.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT eliminates the planters from the design.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that, aside from perimeter safety elements, DDOT provides a finished vacant space that satisfies the requirements to be readily adaptable and flexible for a broad range of programming and activity needs.

Commissioners Jeffrey Rueckgauer (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Matthew Holden (<u>2B08@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

Matthew Holden

Chair