



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

May 28, 2022

Mr. David Lipscomb  
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RE: District Department of Transportation's Notice of Intent for Bus Zone Expansion and Meter Removal at Farragut Square (NOI #22-111 TOA)

Dear Mr. Lipscomb,

At its regular meeting on May 11, 2022, 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):

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) issued NOI #22-111 TOA for bus zone expansion and meter removal at Farragut Square on March 23, 2022, with a public comment period closing on May 5, 2022,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports the intent of this NOI to facilitate easier Metrobus parking downtown at the convergence of several important bus lines,

WHEREAS, DDOT implemented the change within approximately two weeks and with no notification to ANC 2B or the public and when ANC 2B inquired as to what was going on the response was that "the work was completed but comments from the public would still be accepted until the closing date",

WHEREAS, the NOI presented no data, no study information, and no rationale for the change other than that "[Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority] asked",

WHEREAS, at ANC 2B's April 19, 2022 Mobility Committee meeting DDOT stated that this was the result of DDOT's signage team completing their work ahead of schedule and going ahead with posting the signs without consulting DDOT's curbside team. DDOT offered a perfunctory apology and promised to do better in the future. No explanation was offered as why the process was not adhered to,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has had many occasions where requests to DDOT languished for months or years, vanished with no resolution, or received no acknowledgment that they ever existed,

WHEREAS, DDOT's inability or unwillingness to maintain timely, accurate, and information-rich communication or abide by plans or promises to stakeholders harms its credibility and does not serve the best interests of the District of Columbia, and

WHEREAS, this consistent pattern of behavior by DDOT devalues, disrespects, and undermines the role and responsibility of ANC 2B and other ANCs across DC.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that buses parked along Farragut Square be required to comply with 20 DCMR § 900, the District's anti-idling regulation, in order to protect air quality and the pedestrian experience in the area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT evaluates and reports about whether the spaces must be dedicated for bus use 24/7 or if they can be exclusive for buses during specific daytime hours, then relinquished during other times, nights, or weekends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT conducts whatever reviews and undertakes whatever policy and cultural changes are necessary to end disconnects, dysfunction, and "radio silence" that frustrates stakeholders and delays projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that this resolution be included as part of the DC Council's oversight metrics of DDOT in order to determine if durable improvements to its operations and culture are in fact being made.

Commissioners Jeffrey Rueckgauer ([2B02@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B02@anc.dc.gov)) and Matthew Holden ([2B08@anc.dc.gov](mailto: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". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Matthew Holden  
Chair