



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

April 2, 2019

Ms. Megan Kanagy
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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 20, 2019, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With seven of eight commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (7-0-0), after a motion made by Commissioner Kennedy and seconded by Commissioner Epstein, to adopt the following resolution:

ANC 2A supports the proposed pilot concept for bus lanes on H Street and I Street NW, including the section that extends one half-block into the Commission area on the 2000 block of I Street NW.

The Commission encourages the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to be sensitive to the curbside space needs of the Hotel Lombardy, the Arts Club of Washington, and other entities on that block; and conduct any advance outreach that might be necessary in order to establish an accommodation with them on conditions that will satisfy their needs while still enabling a successful pilot for bus users.

ANC 2A also encourages DDOT to use this opportunity to evaluate the feasibility of piloting curb bus lanes on 18th Street and 19th Street NW south of K Street NW in the morning and afternoon rush hour time frames, respectively. A large number of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and suburban bus lines use these corridors on routes that travel to or from Virginia. To the extent that bus-only lanes encourage bus ridership by facilitating more reliable and faster commute times for users, thereby reducing single-occupant automobile use, their implementation should be prioritized – especially in context as an alternative to Metrorail Blue and Yellow Line service that will cease south of National Airport during the summer months for a maintenance project.

Commissioners Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov), Jeri Epstein (2A06@anc.dc.gov), and William Kennedy Smith (2A04@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.



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ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

William Kennedy Smith, MD
Chairperson

CC: Haley Peckett, Transportation Planner, DDOT
Brant Miller, Program Analyst, DDOT
Steve Strauss, Deputy Associate Director, Transit Delivery Division, DDOT
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