



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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

May 29, 2020

Mr. Evian Patterson
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RE: Election Day One-Hour Free Parking

Dear Mr. Patterson,

At its regular meeting on May 20, 2020, 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 Goldin and seconded by Commissioner Harnett, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ANC 2A is committed to safe voting, with maximum participation for all residents of the District of Columbia,

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19, the number of same-day in-person voting centers has been dramatically reduced from 144 to 20 centers citywide,

WHEREAS, the two voting centers established in Ward 2 sit at the far boundaries of the Ward, and neither these nor any other centers are in walking distance for the majority of the residents of the Ward, and

WHEREAS, the use of Metrorail or Metrobus to access the polls at these locations may not be possible or wise, given the need to ensure safe social distancing, the need to protect frontline workers, and the significantly reduced service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 2A requests that the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) designates the block(s) surrounding all open voting centers citywide as 1 hour only free parking on all in-person voting election days (excluding early voting days) during the 2020 calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A encourages all residents who are able to, to request mail-in ballots for all upcoming 2020 elections, as recommended by the DC Board of Elections.

Commissioners Nicole Goldin (2A06@anc.dc.gov) and James Harnett (2A08@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.



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ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Jeff Marootian, Director, DDOT
Kenny Marable, Community Engagement Specialist, DDOT
Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6
Alice Miller, Executive Director, DC Board of Elections