

Government of the District of Columbia

Department of Transportation



August 13, 2019

Commissioner Karen Wirt
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6C
P.O. Box 77876
Washington, DC 20013-7787

Re: Notification for Switching the Protected Bike Lane on the 300 block of M Street, NE from the North to the South Side of the Roadway

Notice# 19-212-PSD

Dear Chairperson Wirt,

Pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000” D.C. LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent to modify traffic and /or parking requirements. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following in your jurisdiction:

Switching the Protected Bike Lane on the 300 block of M Street, NE from the North to the South Side of the Roadway

In 2016, DDOT extended the two-way cycle track on M Street NE east from Delaware Avenue NE to 4th Street NE. At 3rd Street, the cycle track crosses to the north side of the road to connect to another cycle track on 4th Street that begins north of M Street. At the time, DDOT believed the 3rd Street crossing was the best connection to northbound 4th Street. However, observations and user feedback have confirmed that the existing configuration is not intuitive and creates an unexpected maneuver for roadway users. Placing the cycle track on the south side of the road is more intuitive and creates consistency along the corridor. Additionally, the south side configuration has the added benefit of placing the bike crossing at the 4th Street traffic signal. This provides a seamless connection to the southbound bike lane on 4th Street, which is the predominant bike movement.

DDOT intends to transfer the cycle track to the south side of the roadway before October 31, 2019.

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing, not later than thirty (30) business days, excluding weekends and holidays, after the date of this notice, with the District

Department of Transportation. Comments should be submitted by post mail to Mike Goodno, DDOT/ PPSA, 55 M Street, S.E., 5th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20003, or by email to mike.goodno@dc.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-671-0681 or mike.goodno@dc.gov.

Sincerely,



Mike Goodno,
Bicycle Program Specialist

Cc: Hon. Charles Allen, DC Councilmember, Ward 6
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