



Government of the District of Columbia

## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6C

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May 15, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Marootian, Director  
D.C. Department of Transportation  
55 M Street S.E. Suite 400  
Washington DC 20003

Re: NOI # 20-64-PSD, installation of protected bicycle lanes on K Street between 7<sup>th</sup> Street N.W. and 1<sup>st</sup> Street N.E.

Dear Mr. Marootian:

On May 13, 2020, at a duly noticed Webex teleconference of the monthly meeting of ANC 6C, with a quorum of five out of six commissioners present and the public invited to attend, the above-mentioned matter came before us.

The commissioners voted unanimously, 5:0:0, to send you this letter. They were supportive of this effort when last updated in June 2018.

The commissioners focused their review of this Notice of Intent on how the proposed protected bike lanes will interact with (1) pick-up and drop-off at the existing and proposed nightclubs on the unit block of K Street N.E.; (2) the existing ad busy protected bike lane along 1<sup>st</sup> Street N.E.; and (3) bicyclists that are coming/going from the newly installed bike lanes that begin at the 200 block of K Street N.E.

The following recommendations were proposed:

- On the Unit block of K Street N.E.: Consider more thoughtfully how to include a pick-up/drop-off zone somewhere around mid-block of K Street N.E., preferably on the north side but the south side is also acceptable. DDOT could also look at potential modifications on the left turn lanes for North Capitol Street if needed to make room.
- At the intersection of the two protected bike lanes at K and 1<sup>st</sup> Street N.E.: Include a bike box at the northeast corner for bicyclists who are traveling on K Street N.E. and need to turn; and to include bollards around the bike boxes to ensure safety of bicyclists.
- On the 100 block of K Street N.E. (i.e., underneath the rail bridge): DDOT should move more quickly on developing alternatives to link this project with the newly installed lanes that begin on the 200 block of K Street N.E., particularly, reiterating the request for the outermost lanes/portals to be closed to cars and opened for people and bicyclists. If closing the southern portal, consider how

eastbound cars will make a right turn at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and maintain safety for bicyclists. The northern portal should be closed as the current transition for bicyclists going westbound at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street N.E. is dangerous.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of ANC 6C.

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On behalf of ANC 6C,



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ANC 6C chair