

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



November 13, 2015

Mr. Leif A. Dormsjo Director, District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Proposed installation of bicycle lanes on Eleventh (11th) Street NE and Thirteenth (13th) Street NE around Lincoln Park

Dear Director Dormsjo:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted 6-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a plan put forward by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to install bicycle lanes on Eleventh (11th) Street NE and Thirteenth (13th) Street NE around Lincoln Park.

The Commission and residents alike have appreciated the Department's efforts to make Capitol Hill more bike-friendly. However, there are still few options for bikers wishing to travel north-south through our neighborhood. We believe the creation of these dedicated lanes around the park and believe that they will will go a long way toward improving safety and reducing confusion on highly-trafficked streets. ANC6A also appreciates DDOT's acknowledgment of concerns regarding its plan for the 100 block of Eleventh (11th) Street and is supportive of changes to the proposed plan that would create a dedicated bicycle lane in lieu of a contraflow lane on this block. We encourage the Department to continue to pursue making Capitol Hill more bike-friendly, so as to promote a broader array of safe transportation options for the residents of our community.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, who is the cochair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember, DC Council Kirsten Oldenburg, Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B