



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
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May 11, 2015

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

Re: Traffic at intersection of 15th Street NE and A Street NE

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on April 9, 2015, our Commission voted 7-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) examine the intersection of 15th Street NE and A Street NE for improvements designed to enhance pedestrian, bicyclist and driver safety.

This intersection causes confusion for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers because people do not realize it is a two-way stop when they approach the intersection (the vast majority of intersections in the vicinity of this location are regulated by all-way stop signs). The exception at this location creates confusion because drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians approaching the intersection along A Street NE expect drivers on 15th Street NE to stop, assuming it to be an all-way stop intersection. While motorists on 15th Street NE stop at times assuming there to be a stop sign at this location. ANC6A04 Commissioner Matt Levy reported a horrific accident at this location earlier this year.

Based on the testimony of ANC6A residents, the Commission requests DDOT conduct an examination of this intersection and implement solutions to resolve safety concerns, including possible conversion of the current two-way stop to an all-way stop, restriping of lanes, realigning of bike lanes, a sign saying that cross-traffic does not stop, and any other safety improvements that DDOT deems appropriate. By way of this letter, we are also following up on a resident's 311 request for an assessment of a four way stop at this location (Ticket #1500030992).

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. I can be reached at PhilANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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