

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



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Assistant Chief of Police Patrick Burke MPD - Homeland Security Bureau 300 Indiana Avenue, NW, Room 5050 Washington, DC 20001

Sent via email

Assistant Chief of Police Burke,

The purpose of this letter is to urge the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) to install a permanent speed-camera to enforce the 25 MPH speed limit in the east- and west-bound vehicular traffic lanes along C Street, NE, in the vicinity of the existing mobile speed-camera at the corner of C and 18th Streets, NE.

ANC 6A commends the MPD for installing and operating a mobile speed-camera at C and 18th St, NE since December 1, 2007, following a request from Rosedale Citizens Alliance. From initial deployment to June 10, 2009, the mobile speed camera, which operates only for limited periods of time, has issued 13,246 west-bound vehicular speeding violations¹. This high number of speeding citations issued during an 18 month period provides, in our view, additional justification for installing a permanent speed camera at this location.

Furthermore, since C Street, NE (from 21st to 16th Streets) is strictly a residential-zone, within the Eliot-Hines JHS school-zone and each weekday nearly 18,000 west-bound vehicles use C Street, NE², ANC 6A believes a full-time speed-limit enforcement camera is warranted. This letter represents the consensus of the community and data provided by MPD and DDOT, and we hope the MPD will give serious and expeditious consideration to this request.

Please let us know how we can be of further assistance and determine the next steps as we collaborate to enhance and enforce compliance with traffic and public safety laws to increase safety in our neighborhoods. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Commissioner Kelvin J. Robinson by telephone (202.744.0379) or by e-mail (kelvin.robinson@anc6a08.com).

On behalf of the Commission,

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Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Tommy Wells

Mr. Forest Hayes, Executive Office of the Mayor

Data provided by Sergeant Mark Robinson, MPD TS&SEB.

² Data extracted from DDOT Volume Report, 1 Day Study, 07/16/08 west-bound C Street, NE, Vehicular Lanes, DDOT Traffic Services Administration