



District of Columbia Government  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
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Director Terry Bellamy  
District Department of Transportation  
55 M Street, SE, Suite 400  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Director Bellamy,

Advisory Neighborhood Committee (ANC) 6A requests that the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) quickly install "Do Not Enter" signs on each side of 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NE at its northern intersection with Maryland Avenue. We also request a "No Left Turn" sign on the eastbound side and "No Right Turn" on the westbound side of Maryland Avenue at 14<sup>th</sup> Street. This letter was authorized by a unanimous vote of the ANC at its April publicly announced meeting with a quorum present.

A request has been made to DDOT for signs, but we were informed that there might be a delay well into the fall. For reasons of safety for our residents, we need faster action. Since the opening of the Shell gas station at the northeast corner of this intersection, numerous cars have been observed turning the wrong way onto 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NE to enter the gas station. Just last week, two cars actually collided into one another. The signage clearly is not sufficient to ensure drivers understand that 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE is one way.

As you know, ANC 6A has vigorously opposed the siting of the Shell gas station at this corner - safety concerns have been foremost in our minds. Traffic entering, queuing, and exiting the station increase the chances of vehicular and pedestrian collisions. Now that the station has been open, it is essential that DDOT prioritize this corner and add large, visible Do Not Enter signs. Again, one sign should be affixed to each side of 14<sup>th</sup> Street at the north side of the intersection where it meets Maryland Avenue. Also, a left turn traffic arrow and/or a No Right Turn sign on Maryland for westbound traffic would also help emphasize the one way nature of 14<sup>th</sup> Street and should be considered.

Commissioners Andrew Hysell and Omar Mahmud are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A in this matter.

On behalf of the Commission,

Sincerely,

David Holmes  
Chair