

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



August 16, 2004

Dan Tangherlini, Director District Department of Transportation Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center 2000 14th Street NW, 6th Floor Washington, DC 20009

Re: H Street NE Corridor Transportation Study

Dear Mr. Tangherlini:

By a unanimous vote of the Commission on August 12, 2004, we recommend adoption of the recommendations of the H Street NE Corridor Transportation and Streetscape Study.

We believe that adoption of streetscape and infrastructure improvements described in the study will support the efforts of residents, local organizations, and the District government to revitalize the H Street NE Corridor. We are pleased by the focus on creating a transit and pedestrian-friendly corridor with adequate parking for businesses and residents.

In particular, we note our support of the following major improvements on H Street, NE:

- Addition of traffic signals at the intersections of H Street NE with 5th Street and Florida Avenue to improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow.
- Removal of the Maryland Avenue leg and the Benning road spur through the Starburst intersection to allow the creation of a pedestrian plaza to serve as an eastern Gateway to the corridor and multi-purpose civic space.
- Removal of morning and evening rush hour parking restrictions to allow the bulbouts/streetcar stops and increase retail opportunities.

We commend the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) for its on-going planning efforts for improvements on H Street NE. Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

On behalf of the Commission,

Nseph Fengler, Chair

cc: Councilmember Sharon Ambrose
Mr. Andrew Altman, Director, Office of Planning
Rachel MacCleery, Ward 6 Transportation Planner