



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
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June 16, 2025

Director Sharon Kershbaum
District Department of Transportation

Via email

Re: NOI 25-115-TSA concerning the 800-900 Blocks of West Virginia Ave NE

Dear Director Kershbaum:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on June 12, 2025, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 5-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter in support of DDOT's traffic calming plans for the 800 and 900 blocks of West Virginia Ave NE and to suggest certain modifications to the plans as discussed at the May 19, 2025 ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting.

This committee supports DDOT's plan to convert West Virginia Ave NE into a one-way northeast bound car travel lane on these blocks while adding a protected bicycle lane on the inside of a car parking lane. The committee also agrees with the plan to add a contra-flow southwest-bound bike lane which will also aid in narrowing the car travel lane and slow down traffic speeds. The committee further supports DDOT's data driven decision for the one direction of the car lane to be northeast-bound. Members of the ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee have found that some of the worst speeding in the neighborhood comes from southwest-bound drivers turning left onto 9th Street NE and speeding south bound.

Members of the committee noted that the new signal, while helpful to the traffic queuing problem, should include a lead pedestrian interval to ensure safe crossing at what will be an awkward intersection to navigate. While the driveways on the north side will prevent some street narrowing, DDOT should consider increasing the height of the raised crosswalk at 9th Street intersection to further slow down speeding. In addition, DDOT should consider making the markings between the car lane and the southbound bike lane wider to create a larger buffer where driveways prevent actual barriers. At the parts of the road where there are not driveways (the southwest and northeast ends), DDOT should consider adding tactically placed flexposts to make clear to drivers that there is a bicycle travel lane next to the north curb.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of ANC 6A. Chair Wethington can be contacted at 6A05@anc.dc.gov. ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair Patrick Bloomstine can be contacted at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Dave Wethington
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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