



District of Columbia Government  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
PO Box 15020  
Washington, DC 20003



December 11, 2022

Public Space Committee  
District Department of Transportation  
250 M Street SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Re: ANC 6A Opposition to Public Space Permit #406201, Chik-Fil-A Fence Height Increase

Dear Public Space Committee

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on December 8, 2022, our Commission voted 8-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the request of the Chik-Fil-A at 1401 Maryland Avenue NE to increase the height of their fence per Public Space Permit Application #406201. We also note that Chik-Fil-A's existing fence is already 42 inches tall, the DC Code does not allow fences taller than 42 inches in public space, and DDOT's Public Space Committee states that exceptions are only for high-security sites such as embassies. In addition, a taller fence would have a significant negative impact on sightlines and security around the intersections of 14th Street and Maryland Avenue NE as well as 14th Street and G Street NE. As background information, four ANC 6A Commissioners and five committee members engaged in a productive conversation with Chik-Fil-A representatives at our regularly scheduled and properly noticed ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting on November 21, 2022. This meeting established that landscaping is a better alternative to increasing the height of the fence. The Chik-Fil-A representatives agreed to explore this option.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at [6A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6A04@anc.dc.gov), Commissioner Dooling can be contacted at [6A06@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6A06@anc.dc.gov) and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at [brad.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:brad.greenfield@gmail.com).

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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