

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



October 14, 2016

Mr. Leif A. Dormsjo Director District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Development of a traffic management plan concerning the Apollo project on the 600 block of H Street NE that minimizes the removal of available residential parking on  $7^{th}$  Street NE

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting <sup>1</sup> on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to seek DDOT review of the traffic management plan for the above referenced project and make revisions that will minimize the loss of residential parking on 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE. More specifically, the current plans under review remove all residential parking spots and leave only two metered parking spots along 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE from H Street NE to the alley entrance for the property.

We believe a further review of this plan is necessary because 1) the assumptions built into the current model are based on a narrower street than the one that exists today, post widening of the street by the developer, and 2) the developer has indicated a willingness to create a sharper turning radius for truck traffic and a wider curb apron in an effort to preserve parking spots while still accommodating truck traffic. We also ask that the no parking restrictions in place on 7<sup>th</sup> Street NE to accommodate trucks entering and exiting the property only be during the normal hours of loading and unloading currently designated for businesses along H Street NE.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this matter. We are very concerned about any proposals to remove street parking in our ANC, but particularly in areas adjacent to the H Street NE commercial corridor, where parking is already at a premium. Should you wish to discuss this matter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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