<u>Minutes</u>
ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 7:00 pm
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Public Meeting – All are welcome

Community comment welcome; may be limited to two minutes to provide opportunity for all to speak. Community comment time will be opened after each New Business item.

I. Call meeting to order.

II. Introductions & Announcements.
Commissioners Present: Stephen Kolb (6A07), Amber Gove (6A04), Commissioner-Elect Scott Burger (6A01)
Committee Members Present: Chair Patrick Bloomstine (6A01), Jeff Fletcher (6A07), Mark Sussman (6A04)
Commissioner Karen Wirt, Chair of ANC 6C
DC Office of Planning: Emma Estes and Vincent Ubiera
Capitol Hill Cluster Schools: Jayme Johnson

III. Old Business
a. Torti Gallas H Street Study. DC's Office of Planning (OP) along with the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development has picked architecture firm Torti Gallas to conduct a land use and market study for the corridor. Emma Estes and Vincent Ubiera joined the committee from DC's Office of Planning to present about the study and discuss it with the community.
    i. The H Street Land Use and Market Study will involve H Street from 3rd NE to 15th Streets NE and includes one block to the north and to the south of H Street along that corridor. The city last conducted a study of this corridor in 2004.
    ii. The study will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will involve research and analysis including gathering community input. This will include an open house on March 7, 2026 at Union Market. Phase one will result in a high-level report to be shared with the community.
    iii. In phase two, OP will develop a plan and hold additional community engagements before releasing a final study in September 2026.
    iv. One of the main objectives of this project is to design more people-centered public spaces on the corridor. That will also include assessing existing conditions and opportunities of public space and pedestrian space, creating actionable recommendations that can help address community feedback. OP will also coordinate with DDOT where appropriate.
    v. Chair Bloomstine stated that public spaces that are friendly to humans are incongruous with a highway like the current version of H Street running through the neighborhood. Remedies to this issue would include wider sidewalks, slower cars, safe and frequent public transit

vi. Committee member Sussman highlighted that ANC 6A wrote a letter to DDOT that 25 H Streer NE businesses signed on to asking DDOT for a safer H Street including bus and streetcar only lanes, wider sidewalks, and pickup/dropoff zones along the corridor. That letter was written five years ago. DDOT put together a project to install those things before pulling back on most parts of it. There are some bus platforms, and we are supposed to get some mid-block crossings at the double blocks of the corridor. He also asked for the overall report to include a study of how people are travelling to H Street businesses.
vii. Commissioner Gove asked for more information on the scope of the project. Could OP elaborate on the types of outreach they will do during the course of the study? She also asked if they will be collecting data on pedestrians, cyclists, drivers, and transit users along G, H, and Eye Streets.
viii. Additionally, Commissioner Gove asked how OP will use the study recommendations and whether they will be shared with other DC agencies and how will they use the study recommendations.
ix. Ms. Estes stated the study will start with an in-depth market assessment looking at the existing ground floor retail and housing conditions. It will also look at the barriers businesses face and some of the reasons for vacancies along the corridor. OP will also inventory the existing public space along the corridor. Ms. Estes noted that Commissioner Gove's point about data on how people get to H Street was a good one.
x. Ms. Estes also stated that the study team will look to do more pop-up outreach during events on H street. They also planned to put out additional surveys when appropriate.
xi. Finally, Ms. Estes stated the study will create an implementation plan to accompany its recommendations. She also stated the plan could influence the Council, agencies, and what goes into the city budget.
xii. Commissioner-elect Burger asked about the constraints of the study and if there are any parts of the corridor considered out of bounds for the land use and market study (i.e., changes to traffic patterns, modifications to bus stops, changes to the zoning map, etc.). He also stated that the H Street farmers market would be a good place to gather community feedback about H Street.
xiii. Ms. Estes stated the OP team planned to visit the H Street farmers market. She stated that the OP study would be primarily focused on building and public space, meaning the area from the buildings to the curb. But she noted that they would still be considering other tangential issues like transit flow, even though that is primarily DDOT's area to study.
xiv. Committee member Sussman and Chair Bloomstine suggested that the study should consider whether the sidewalk can be expanded into some of the parking areas along the corridor similar to the Georgetown M Street sidewalk extensions. This would help with the goal of increasing foot traffic along the corridor.
xv. Committee member Sussman also asked OP to reconsider deploying a throne semi-permanent restroom at 8th and H Streets to provide better services to those spending time on H Street.

xvi. Commissioner Gove asked OP to coordinate with DDOT on their study of their corridor to ensure communication about plans. Ms. Estes confirmed that they will discuss it with DDOT.

xvii. Commissioner-elect Burger pointed out that H Street has a very convoluted zoning map which can make building difficult in certain parts of the corridor. He asked if zoning changes will be considered to encourage development particularly on the eastern end of the corridor. Ms. Estes said that they would be considered and that those changes are also being considered in the DC 2050 master plan.

xviii. Commissioner Gove made a motion to send a letter to OP referencing the ANC 6A prior letters re the corridor, as well as recommendations the TPS Committee has for the study. Additionally, the letter would ask OP to reflect on the 2004 H Street study and what did and did not work from those recommendations. Committee member Sussman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. New Business

a. Capitol Hill Classic. Jayme Johnson from the Parent Teacher Association at Capitol Hill Cluster Schools joined the committee to discuss the plans for the Capitol Hill Classic.

i. This will be the 45th Capitol Hill Classic charity run. It is a fundraiser for the CHCS but also they see it as an iconic event to bring the neighborhood together.

ii. There will be a 10k, 3k, and 1k fun run.

iii. The start/finish area will be around Stanton Park for all three. The 10k will run mostly down the length of East Capitol to the RFK site and then back down the same route.

iv. The route and road closures are available on their web site: https://www.capitolhillclassic.com/. Road closures will begin at 5:30am on May 17, 2026.

v. Chair Bloomstine made a motion to send a letter of support for the Capitol Hill Classic to Clint Osborne at HSEMA. Commissioner Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed with four yes and one abstention.

b. TSI #289592- SR #23-00112259 | Installation of Raised Crosswalk at Intersection Constitution Avenue NE and 15th Street NE.

i. DDOT provided notice that they plan to install a raised crosswalk on the north side of the 15th Street and Constitution Avenue NE intersection. This does not require a NOI as it is vertical traffic calming and does not alter traffic patterns.

ii. Committee member Sussman asked the chair to inquire about arts in the right-of-way and a potential stop sign at this intersection. He also asked if there was the possibility of sidewalk repair in front of Capitol Candy Jar at this intersection.

iii. Commissioner Gove asked the chair to express thanks on behalf of ANC 6A for this traffic safety improvement.

V. Additional community comment (time permitting).

a. N/A

VI. Adjourned meeting.

8th St NE Bus Stop Changes

Notice of Intent Presentation

ANC 6C
February 12, 2026

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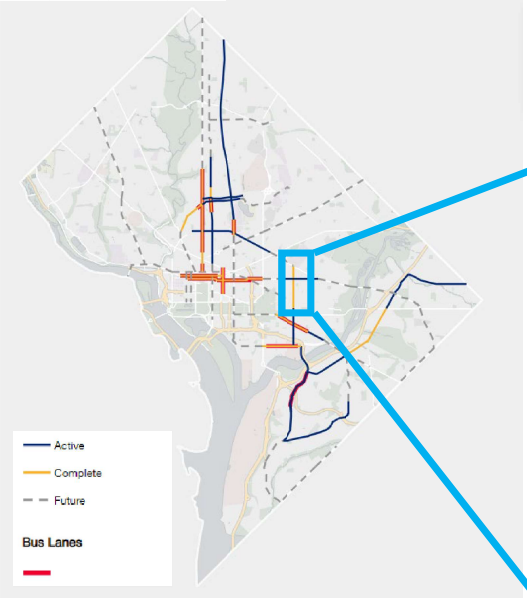
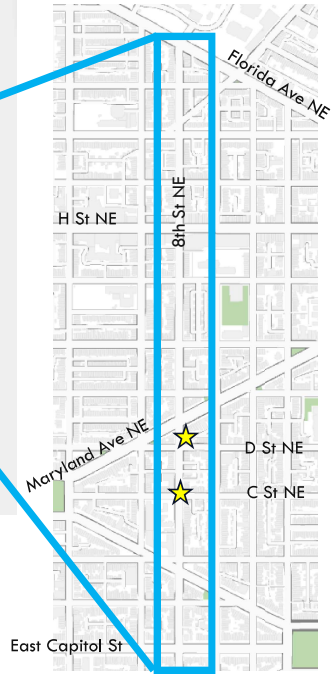
Background

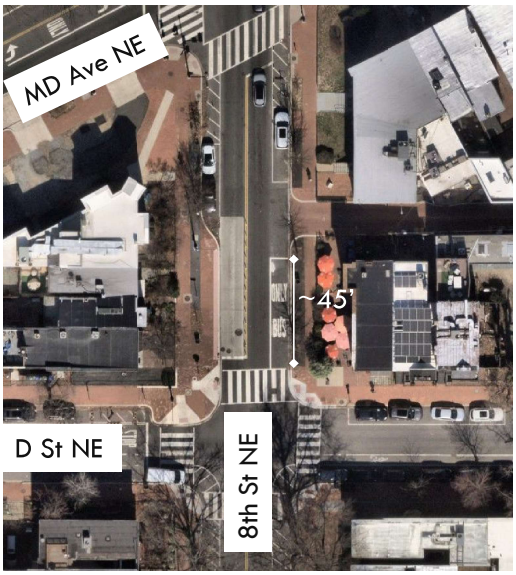
- 8th St NE Bus Priority Project Completed in 2023
  - Median run time within project bounds Oct 2022 – 2024
    - 7:43 > 6:07 = 20.8% Time savings
- WMATA Better Bus Network implemented in June 2025
  - New C53 route – highest ridership bus route in system (14,000+ daily riders)
  - Served by 60' articulated buses
  - 90 and 92 used 40' buses
- DDOT is proposing changes to stops on 8th St NE at C and D Streets NE ☆



Bus Priority Network and Projects



8th St and D St NE



C53 blocking crosswalk and intersection at 8th St and D St NE

Bus Stop Locations

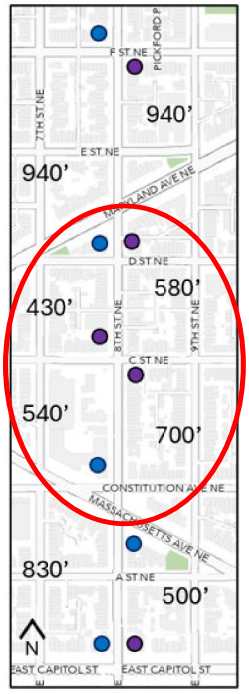
Stop Placement Principles

- Target bus stop spacing: 4-5 stops per mile per direction per WMATA and DDOT standards
  - 1,056' - 1,320' between each stop
- Bus stop pairs work best
- Near vs far side of intersections
  - Far side is often preferable

Current Conditions

- Stop Spacing from F St NE to East Cap (2800' distance): 5 stop pairs
- Bus stop bunching especially between MD Ave and Mass Ave
- Near side stops that could be moved to far side
- Bus stops with bulb outs (shown in blue) not feasible to move
- Avg weekday ridership at stops b/w Constitution and F St:
  - 36-59 boardings and 28-57 alightings (May '25)

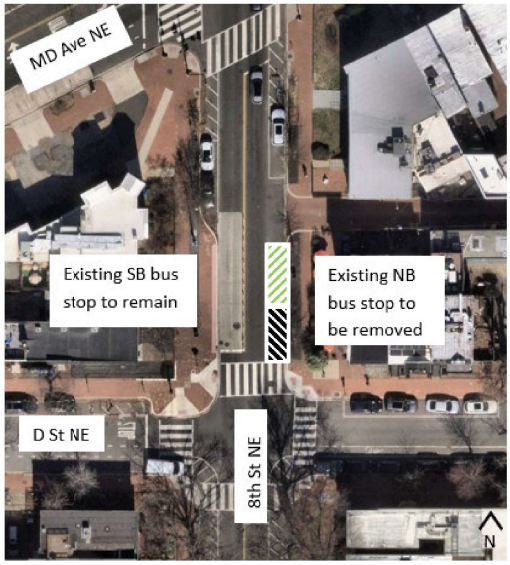
Existing Bus Stops with Spacing



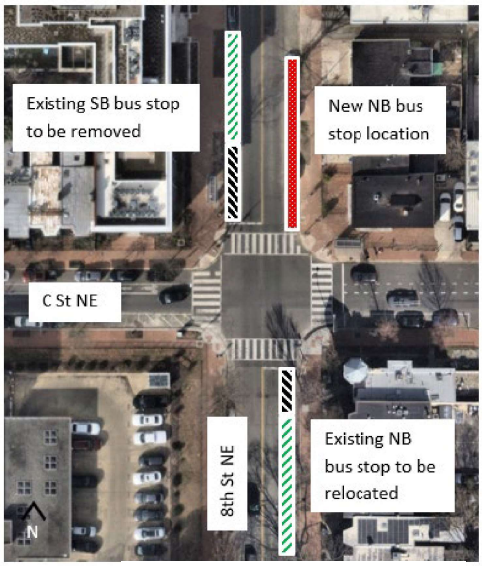
- Curbside stop
- Bulb-out stop

Proposed Bus Stop Changes

- 8th and D St NE (L)
  - Remove NB stop
  - Add 1 metered parking space
- 8th and C St NE (R)
  - Move NB bus stop to far side of intersection
    - Creates a pair with SB stop at D St NE
    - Future potential to add bus stop bulb out
  - Remove SB bus stop
  - Net addition of 3 Residential Permit Parking spaces



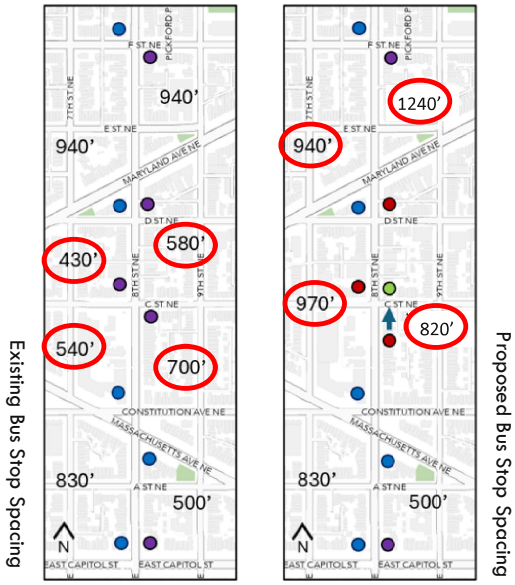
New Curbside Regulation
- Metered parking
- No parking anytime



New Curbside Regulation
- 2-hour parking except Zone 6
- No parking anytime
- Bus zone

Proposed Stop Spacing

- Addresses closest stop bunching to better meet DDOT and WMATA standards
- Stop Spacing from F St NE to East Capitol St (2800' total distance): 4 stop pairs instead of 5
- Upgrades near side stop (NB 8th St and C St NE) to far side



Bus Stops
- Existing curbside bus stop
- Existing bulb out bus stop
- New curbside bus stop
- Removed/relocated bus stop

Summary of Benefits

- Address safety issue at 8th and D St NE
- Improve bus stop operations at 8th and C NE
- Improve bus stop spacing to reduce delays
- Net addition of 4 parking spaces

Notice of Intent

- Notice of Intent (NOI) 26-06-CPD issued January 14, 2026
- Required notification on proposed traffic and parking modifications.
- Comments accepted through **February 27, 2026** (30 Business Days)
- New DDOT NOI Portal
  - https://ddot.dc.gov/service/notice-intent
- **Implementation: Spring 2026.**

Thank you!

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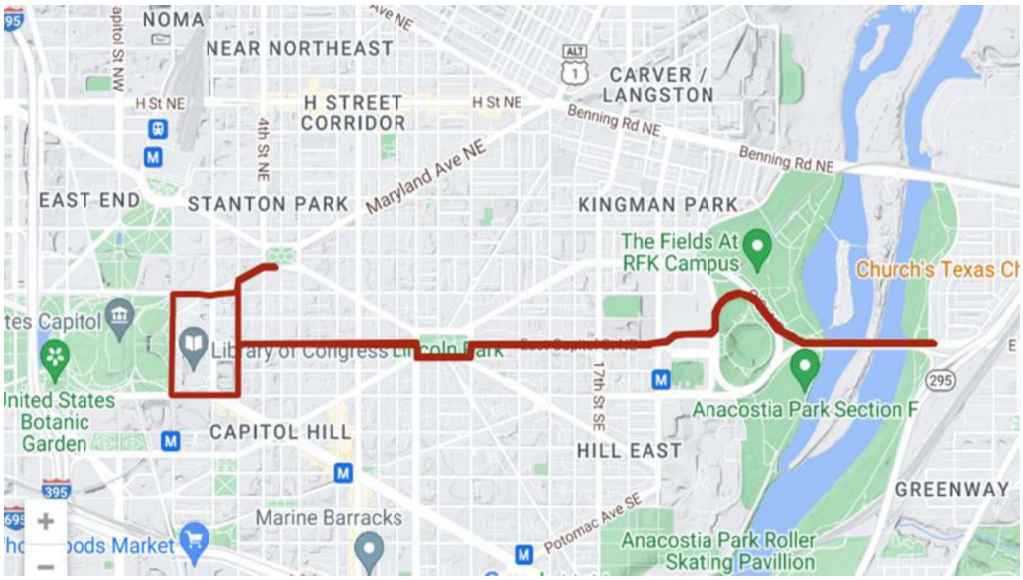
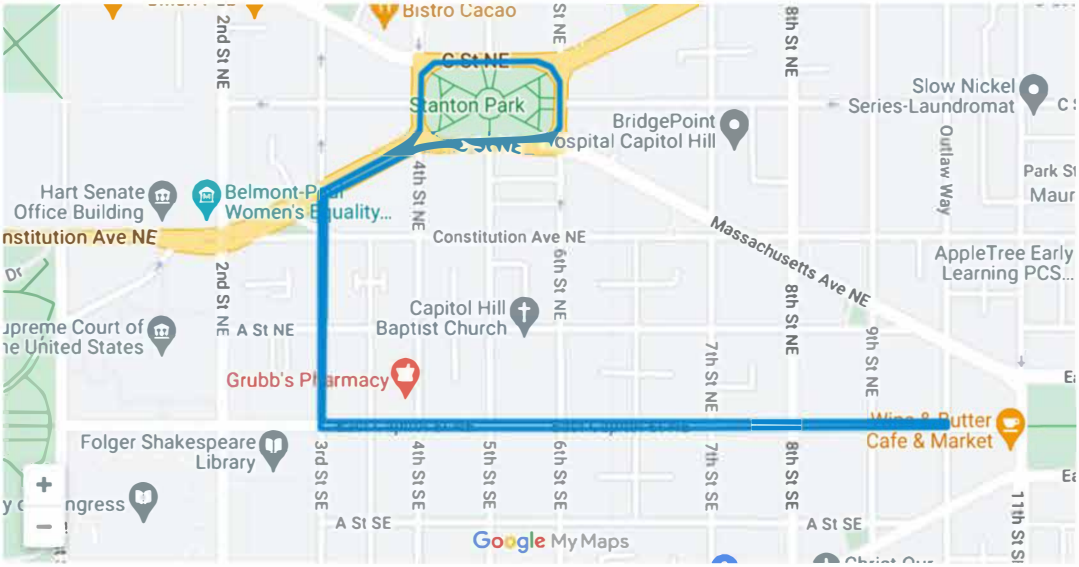
Building pride and community across Capitol Hill, in support of DCPS Capitol Hill Cluster Schools

Stuart Hobson Middle - Peabody Elementary - Watkins Elementary
Capitol Hill Cluster Schools Parent-Teacher Association

Capitol Hill Classic 10K 2026



Capitol Hill Classic 3K 2026



Capitol Hill Classic Fun Run 2026

Key Details of Note

www.capitolhillclassic.com

Attendance

- Estimated 7,500 (4,500 runners, 3,000 spectators)

Start/Finish

- Peabody School, 425 C Street NE and Stanton Park, 5th Street NE & C Street NE

Timings

- *Parking Enforcement Begins: 3:00am*
- *Event set-up:* 5:30 am
- *Races:* 10K 8:30 am, 3K 10:30 am, Fun Run 11:00 am
- *Event breakdown:* 12:00pm

Street closures (includes streets to be closed as well as closing and reopening times)

- *5:30am-noon*
- *Rolling closures (according to race times):* course as outlined

Special Note: Churches

ANC 6C

1. St. Joseph's Catholic Church
   313 2nd St NE, 20002 (6C)
2. Lutheran Church of the Reformation
   212 East Capitol St NE, 20003 (6C)
3. Faith Tabernacle United Holy Church
   300 A St NE, 20002 (6C)
4. Capitol Hill Baptist Church
   525 A St NE, 20002 (6C)

ANC 6B

5. St. Mark's Episcopal Church
   118 3rd St SE, 20002 (6B)
6. Capitol Hill Presbyterian
   201 Independence Ave SE, 20003 (6B)
7. William Penn House
   515 East Capitol St SE, 20003 (6B)
8. Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian RCC
   1357 East Capitol St SE, 20003 (6B)

ANC 6A

9. Lincoln Park United Methodist Church
   1301 North Carolina Ave NE, 20002 (6A)
10. Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
    1636 East Capitol St NE, 20003 (6A, parking in 6B)