

Government of the District of Columbia

Department of Transportation



Traffic Safety Assessment Questionnaire

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The purpose of this Questionnaire is for DDOT to gather information about a safety concern in order to perform a Traffic Safety Assessment (TSA). The intent of the TSA process is to ask residents to identify traffic safety concerns, whether along a roadway segment or at an intersection, and focus on the definition of the safety concern(s) rather than on a proposed solution or mitigation measure. Based on the nature of the request, DDOT will determine the type of assessment necessary to investigate the extent of the traffic safety concern.

To begin a Traffic Safety Assessment, please fill out the information below and answer any questions to the best of your ability. If necessary, please attach additional pages. In addition, please attach a letter of support from your ANC Commissioner, Councilmember's Office, or representative from the Mayor's Office of Community Relations.

Once completed, please submit this form to DDOT via the address provided below, or you can email the form to traffic.safety@dc.gov.

District Department of Transportation
Customer Service Clearinghouse
55 M Street SE – 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20003

If you have any questions, please contact DDOT at 202-673-6813. Thank you.

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Questions	
<p>Location of requested investigation: Define geographic boundaries as clearly as possible (400 block of A Street NE, intersection of 1st Street & B Street NW, etc.)</p> <p>Is this location near an existing construction project? If yes, please provide the name and location of the project and any construction-related concerns.</p>	<p>Unit, 100 and 200 blocks of 17th Street NE with a particular focus on the following intersections:</p> <p>17th Street NE & C Street NE 17th Street NE & East Capitol</p>
<p>Safety concerns: Provide a detailed description of the problems observed in the area of investigation (vehicle crashes, speeding, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, unable to cross the street, hard to see cross-traffic, etc.)</p> <p>For intersection-related concerns, please include the type of intersection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 or 2-way STOP control ▪ All-way STOP control ▪ Traffic signal 	<p>17th Street NE from C street to East Capitol - very high speeds and weaving between two lanes of traffic with parked cars on both sides at high risk to pedestrians and damage to property. Personally had two vehicles side swiped with significant damage to the vehicles and side mirrors broken on 200 block of 17th Street NE.</p> <p>Particular concerns at the following intersections:</p> <p>17th Street NE & C street Extremely high number of crashes documented at this intersection due to high volume of traffic and speed of vehicles. Countless crashes document at 1701 C street (south east corner) in space that is unsafe for pedestrians because they would be killed. I tell children to stand on the inside of the street post to avoid being killed and have shown them skid marks on the sidewalk that would have done exactly this...</p> <p>Cars turning onto 17th Street westbound from C street at high speeds to cut across two lanes of outbound traffic and accelerating into two lanes of one way traffic on 17th. There are a high volume of pedestrians at this intersection going to two schools within a block of this corner (Eastern High School and Eliot-Hine Middle School).</p> <p>17th Street NE & East Capitol At East Capitol Street, 17th Street goes from two lanes into one lane. There is a left turn lane that ends at East Capitol a huge number of vehicles ignore the left turn only signage and rush to merge into the single lane of 17th Street on the south side of East Capitol or speed to jump the queue.</p>

<p>Days and time when safety concerns are the worst: Such as weekday AM peak, weekday PM peak, overnight, weekends, etc.</p>	<p>All hours. When traffic is low the speed and danger is increased but there is also aggressive driving during high traffic periods as well.</p>
<p>Are there existing traffic calming features on the block? This includes speed humps, rumble strips, etc.</p>	<p>No. Much improvements are needed and would suggest all possible measures be explored including reduction to a single lane as proposed in original 17th Street NE redesign from Benning to East Capitol.</p>
<p>Describe neighborhood uses: Such as residential area, retail area, school zone, recreation center, community center, etc.</p>	<p>Residential neighborhood with recreation areas, community center, library and two large schools in this 6 block stretch of 17th Street from E street to East Capitol</p>
<p>Describe multi-modal facilities: Are there sidewalks? Bike facilities or trails? Nearby Metrorail station or Metrobus stop(s)?</p>	<p>Sidewalks available. Bike lanes marked but not safe. Metro bus (D6) stop near 17th & C Street NE. Metro station two blocks from 17th & East Capitol.</p>
<p>Vehicle types: Is the concern about commuter traffic in cars? Is there a high volume of trucks, perhaps due to nearby construction? What about buses?</p>	<p>High volume of speeding cars.</p>
<p>Have you previously contacted DDOT about your concerns? Please include name(s) and department(s) if possible. If you have already contacted 311, please provide the service request number.</p>	<p>Yes. This has been of concern for 5+ years and no action has been taken to calm traffic and protect safe routes to schools. I've lost track of the 311 and comments provided as part of community feedback to DDOT at ANC6A and C Street Redesign meetings over the years.</p> <p>ANC6A included this segment as Priority Item #3 as part of its March 2019 Priority List: https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-request-for-Traffic-Safety-Investigations.pdf</p> <p>3. Unit-400 blocks of 17th St. NE. Speeding and conflict with pedestrians on school route. Suggested remedies include raised crosswalks at 17th St. and Constitution Ave./17th & C Sts., in</p>

addition to red light camera. Also consider implications of design differences between 17th St north versus south of East Capitol.

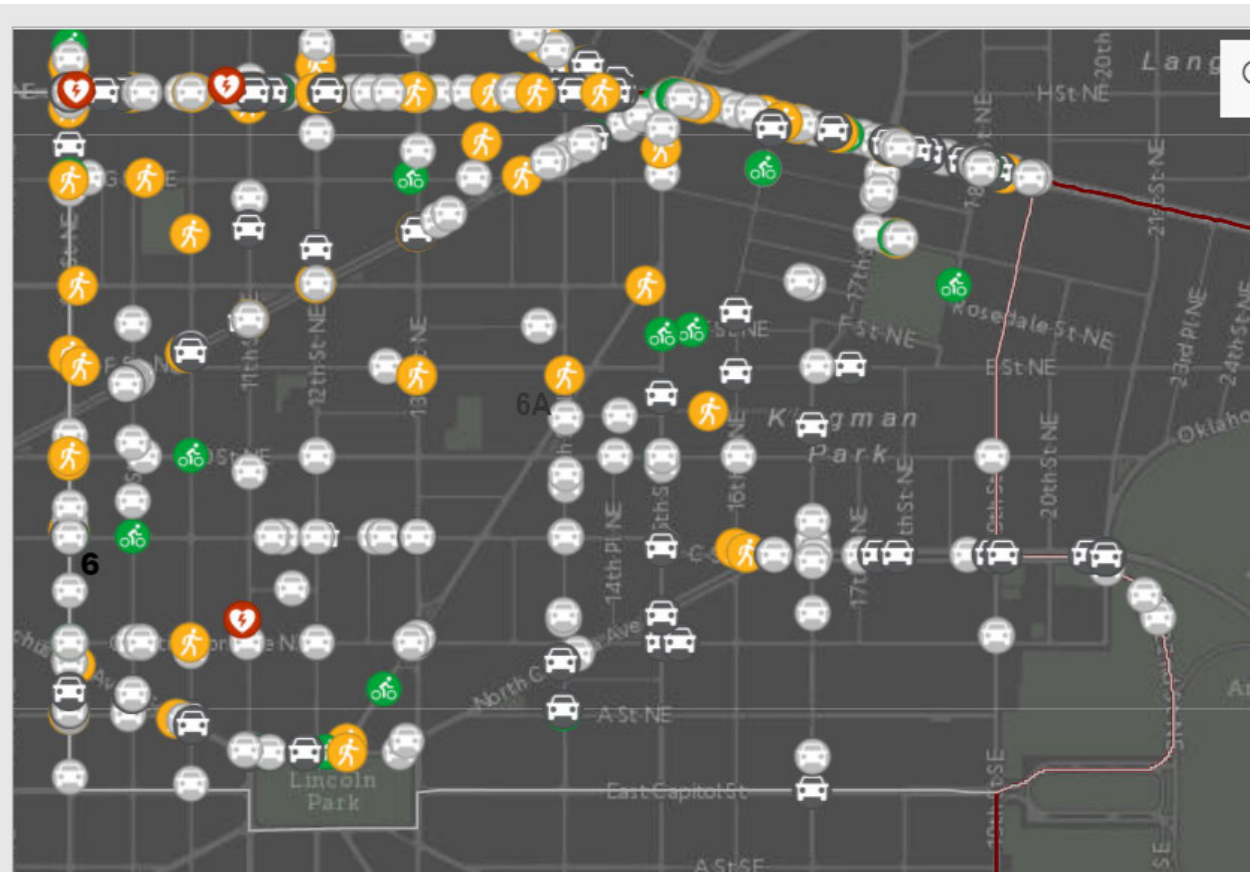
Any other information you would like to share?

20 by 22 bike plan indicates protected bike lane at this location. We welcome removing a lane of traffic to accommodate this as a traffic calming measure.

Additional comments from Commissioners:

Highly concerned about lack of safety measures and need for traffic calming efforts along 17th Street NE. Heat map with Vision Zero data shows injury crashes at Benning, Gales, E, C and East Capitol.

<https://dcgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/a2f1cca5159e4c6eae197895d2e08336>



Safe Route to School Measures (Eliot-Hine and Eastern at Constitution) and proximity to Rosedale Recreation Center (Gales) should prompt additional measures to reduce speeds in this corridor. Consider additional raised crosswalks and speed humps across 17th, as well as narrowing of roadway, including possibly removing a lane of traffic, similar to the treatment south of East Capitol, to reduce speeds. Consider reducing to one lane rather than two along the entire 17th St corridor.

Endorsed by Commissioners Alcorn (6A08) and Phillips-Gilbert (6A07) responsible for this area as well as Chair Amber Gove (ANC6A04).

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Date Received:

Service Request Number:

Letter of Support Attached?	YES / NO		
Name:		SMD/Ward:	
Contact Info:			