



**Report of the ANC6B Transportation Committee Meeting
December 5, 2018**

Commissioners present: Nick Burger, Kirsten Oldenburg (chairing), Daniel Ridge, Jerry Sroufe and Kelly Waud

Resident Members present: Floyd Brown (6B01), John Manley (6B04), Corey Holman (6B06), Carol Grissom (6B08)

Others: Commissioners-Elect Steve Holtzman (6B05) and Brian Ready (6B03) and Pat Taylor and Joe Sandor

Discussion on Mayor Bowser's Vision Zero Proposals & CM Allen's "Vision Zero Enhancement Amendment Act of 2018"¹

Commissioner Oldenburg had invited Chris Laskowski, CM Allen's Legislative Director, to attend the meeting to talk about the proposed bill. He was not available because of the Brickie Awards event this evening. However, he said in an email:

"The Council Period ends in December, and no action will be taken on the bill by then. CM Allen will likely reintroduce some version of this next year, so I'd like to get input from constituents about what the next version should look like. We'll think about a good venue for that. This bill was meant to codify some of the changes that Mayor Bowser proposed during her Vision Zero week announcements. What we've seen in the past on Vision Zero has been promises to act that get studied and studied and studied without any action."

There was a short discussion about the bill including general support for "20 is Plenty" but concerned about the revised No Right Turn provision which may be confusing to vehicle operators and not be easily enforced.

Among the Mayor's Proposed New Vision Zero Initiatives is one to provide all way stops at all "local/local" Intersections. RM/Commissioner-Elect Holman presented data he has compiled on local/local 6B intersections without traffic signals or all-way stops. Among them are 4 intersections with only two way stops at present.

After some discussion, Commissioner-Elect Holman moved, seconded by Commission Sroufe, that the Committee recommend that the ANC request DDOT to install four-way stops that the following intersections: 5th Street SE & D Street SE, 10th Street SE & South Carolina Avenue

¹ B22-1038

SE, 12th Street SE & G Street SE, and 14th Street SE & South Carolina Avenue SE. The motion was supported by a vote of 9-0-0 and was placed on the Consent Agenda.

The draft letter to DDOT and 6B intersection list are on pages 4 and 5, below.

Compilation of a 6B List of Bike Rack Needs

Given new regulations proposed by DDOT, hundreds of dockless bicycles may arrive in DC in early 2019. These bicycles are required to have “locking mechanism that locks to a fixed object separate from the vehicle”² and many areas of ANC 6B may be lacking bike racks to accommodate them. Commissioner Oldenburg suggested that each Commissioner compile a list of locations in their SMD that would be appropriate for the addition of individual bike racks.

Questions arose as to where these racks should be installed, including sidewalk vs roadway and whether they should be clustered in retail areas or widely distributed throughout. Commissioner Oldenburg said she would ask DDOT’s Aaron Goldbeck to clarify and provide advice. Meeting participants check out the bike rack situation in their SMD’s over the next month so the Committee can further discuss bike racks at the January 9, 2019 meeting.

In an 12/6 email, Aaron Goldbeck said: That sounds like a great plan. We install bike racks in the “street furniture zone” which is the area between the curb and the pedestrian travel area of the sidewalk. This is the same space where tree boxes, sign posts, parking meters, and trashcans tend to be found. We can’t install in the tree boxes themselves as we would damage tree root systems. At this time we only have the equipment and manpower to install racks on concrete surfaces. Installing racks on brick surfaces or in grass requires special equipment that takes more than one person to operate. At this time we only have one person detailed for bike rack installation. I’m working on getting a second person detailed, so please share locations on brick or in grass and we will get to them eventually. Retail areas tend to need racks more, but any place that tends to have bikes locked to signs or railings should be considered. I look forward to getting your list!

Inappropriate Commuter Routes

Pat Taylor, resident, presented information about how the Waze app has turned C Street SE between 12th Street and 17th Street into a commuter route. She presented links to news articles about attempts to fight back and asked the Committee for advice on how to eliminate this routing from the system and to prevent future routings through residential neighborhoods. Ms Taylor suggested that DC needed a separate traffic control unit within MPD to enforce traffic regulations.

After some discussion, members were unable to suggest viable options to stop Waze from creating neighborhood cut throughs other than urban tactical actions such as setting up block parties on these routes.

² <https://dcregs.dc.gov/Common/NoticeDetail.aspx?NoticeId=N0074553>

Updates

Commissioner Oldenburg provided the following information.

- PA Avenue Street Lighting Project: According to a phone conversation with Naomi Klein, the revised drawings have been completed with the addition of traffic signals but DDOT seems to be considering turning the project into a Streetscape one that would involve further planning and, thus, delays.
- Southeast Boulevard & Barney Circle Draft EA: According to Jonathan Rogers, the EA is still stuck in FHWA. DDOT has responded to earlier FHWA questions but Jonathan thinks FHWA is currently focused on the Virginia Avenue Tunnel vibration controversy.
- DDOT Sidewalk Repairs: Commissioner Oldenburg intends to put together a session on this topic in early 2019.

DRAFT LETTER TO DDOT ON INTERSECTIONS

Jeffery Marootian, Director
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street SE
Washington DC 20003

VIA email: jeff.marootian@dc.gov

RE: Request for All-Way Stops at 6B Intersections

Dear Director Marootian,

At its regularly scheduled, properly noticed, meeting on December 11, 2018, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B (ANC 6B) voted x-x-x to request DDOT install all-way stops at the following intersections:

- 5th Street SE & D Street SE
- 10th Street SE & South Carolina Avenue SE
- 12th Street SE & G Street SE
- 14th Street SE & South Carolina Avenue SE

On October 23, 2018, you presented to the DC Council an update on the Mayor's 2015 Vision Zero Initiative. Among the presentation were various projects and initiatives to help the District reach the goal of zero traffic fatalities. One of those initiatives was "Implementing All Way Stops at all Local/Local Intersections." ANC 6B agrees that all-way stops will add predictability and increase safety for all users of these intersections.

To immediately address this issue, ANC 6B cataloged all of the intersections within its Commission boundary, grouped by FHWA functional classification and existing traffic control (see attachment). The four intersections listed above satisfy the Mayor's criteria of local/local and non-all-way stops, and the Commission requests installation of an all-way stop control.

There are 16 other intersections in ANC 6B that would also meet the Mayor's criteria; however, these intersections are not four-way intersections. ANC 6B has not yet taken a position on any changes to the traffic control at these intersections.

Please contact Commissioner Kirsten Oldenburg, ANC 6B's Transportation Committee Chair at 202-546-8542 or 6B04@anc.dc.gov if you have any questions about this request or need further information.

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Cc: Mayor Bowser
Lee Goodall
Naomi Klein

6B Table: Local/Local Intersection in ANC 6B without traffic signals or all-way stops

crashes_109ft	SMD	Local/Local	Name	Control
6	6B02	TRUE	5TH STREET SE & D STREET SE	Two-Way
1	6B04	TRUE	10TH STREET SE & SOUTH CAROLINA AVENUE SE	Two-Way
9	6B04	TRUE	12TH STREET SE & G STREET SE	Two-Way
4	6B08	TRUE	14TH STREET SE & SOUTH CAROLINA AVENUE SE	Two-Way

crashes_109ft	SMD	Local/Local	Name	Control
1	6B01	TRUE	3RD STREET SE & A STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
6	6B01	TRUE	3RD STREET SE & G STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
0	6B01	TRUE	IVY STREET SE & CANAL STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
1	6B02	TRUE	5TH STREET SE & SEWARD SQUARE SE (South)	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
8	6B02	TRUE	7TH STREET SE & D STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
19	6B03	TRUE	5TH STREET SE & E STREET SE (North)	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
1	6B06	TRUE	12TH STREET SE & N STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
3	6B03	TRUE	5TH STREET SE & E STREET SE (South)	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection
29	6B03	TRUE	7TH STREET SE & I STREET SE	Two-Way/Three-Way Intersection

crashes_109ft	SMD	Local/Local	Name	Control
0	6B08	TRUE	13TH STREET SE & WALTER STREET SE	One-Way Ending
2	6B07	TRUE	14TH STREET SE & IVES PLACE SE (South)	One-Way Ending
4	6B06	TRUE	15TH STREET SE & IVES PLACE SE	One-Way Ending
0	6B10	TRUE	18TH STREET SE & BAY STREET SE	One-Way Ending
1	6B01	TRUE	2ND STREET SE & DUDDINGTON PLACE SE	One-Way Ending

crashes_109ft	SMD	Local/Local	Name	Control
35	6B04	FALSE	11TH STREET SE & K STREET SE	One-Way Starting
3	6B08	TRUE	12TH STREET SE & WALTER STREET SE	One-Way Starting
1	6B07	TRUE	14TH STREET SE & IVES PLACE SE (North)	One-Way Starting
0	6B10	TRUE	18TH STREET SE & BAY STREET SE	One-Way Starting
1	6B10	TRUE	18TH STREET SE & BURKE STREET SE	One-Way Starting
1	6B01	TRUE	1ST STREET SE & DUDDINGTON PLACE SE	One-Way Starting

