

## ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6E

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## **ANC 6E Commissioners**

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May 20, 2018

Mr. Jeff Marootian Director District of Columbia Department of Transportation 55 M Street, SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: ALLEYWAY OF THE 400 BLOCK OF M STREET

Dear Director Marootian,

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E conducted a public meeting on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at the Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Library, 1630 7th Street, NW, to consider the Department of Transportation's Notice of Intent to close the M Street entrance to the alley between 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW and 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW and M Street NW and New York Avenue NW.

At the Commission's meeting, duly noticed and with this case listed in the notice, with a quorum present (four out of seven Commissioners required to be in attendance to achieve a quorum), ANC 6E voted unanimously (6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstention) to **not support** the closure of the M Street alley entrance. In addition, the Commission requests that the Mayor, Council and DDOT issue a study to begin addressing the larger safety and traffic concerns within the corridor.

ANC 6E, with support from DDOT, held an informational meeting on April 24, 2018 to provide residents with information regarding a previous traffic study that was conducted due to safety concerns the community had raised. It became clear at the meeting that the community did not support DDOT's proposal to close the M Street entrance. More so, the community came to the agreement that the traffic symptoms surrounding the alley are a by-product of a much larger problem, which is the design and operation of the New York Avenue entrance to 395 and its surrounding corridor.

To address safety concerns in the short-term, the community requested increased enforcement, additional signage and posted stop signs in the alley. To begin addressing the larger issue at hand, the community requests that Mayor Bowser, Councilmember Allen and DDOT begin working together to issue a traffic calming and safety study surrounding the New York Avenue/395 corridor.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander T. Marriott

*Chair* ANC 6E

cc:

Muriel Bowser, Mayor of the District of Columbia Council of the District of Columbia