

June 8, 2021

Everett Lott Interim Director District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

RE: Resolution Requesting that Intersection Improvements Planned for in the S Street NW Revitalization Project be Implemented as Tactical Interventions in the Mayor's Vision Zero Summer Safety Campaign

Dear Interim Director Lott:

On June 1, 2021, at a duly noticed and regularly scheduled meeting of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E ("ANC 6E" or "Commission") conducted virtually via videoconference and with a quorum of 7 out of 7 Commissioners and the public present, ANC 6E approved the following resolution by a vote of 7 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions:

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Multimodal Long-Range Transportation Plan ("moveDC") vision calls for safer and more vibrant streets and neighborhoods and a transportation system that accommodates the travel needs of all residents, workers, and visitors regardless of age or ability;

WHEREAS, Mayor Muriel Bowser, DDOT, and the Council of the District of Columbia ("Council") have committed to the principle of Vision Zero with the objective of eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the District by 2024 through the more effective use of data, education, enforcement, and engineering;

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2021, Mayor Muriel Bowser and DDOT announced the Vision Zero Summer Safety Campaign, which will reallocate \$5 million to rapidly deploy safety improvements for pedestrians and cyclists at dozens of locations across the District, including the installation of curb extensions, medians, and other enhancements to reduce aggressive speeding;¹

WHEREAS, the S Street NW Revitalization Project is a DDOT capital project designed to calm traffic, improve pedestrian safety, and enhance multimodal mobility on S Street NW between 7th Street NW and Florida Avenue NW and on 6th Street NW between Rhode Island Avenue NW and S Street NW;

¹<u>https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-invests-10-million-address-safety-concerns-dc%E2%80%99s-roads</u>

WHEREAS, the S Street NW Revitalization Project 65% design includes traffic safety improvements for each of the intersections within the project corridor. These improvements include:

- Installation of curb extensions at each intersection within the project corridor that will reduce pedestrian crossing distances and slow vehicles entering the intersections;
- Conversion of the intersection of S Street and 5th Street NW to an all-way stop; and
- Addition of high-visibility crosswalks at all intersections within the project corridor;

WHEREAS, the S Street NW Revitalization Project is not slated for funding until Fiscal Year 2026. Consequently, the intersection improvements recommended to address identified traffic safety issues are still years away from being implemented as part of this capital project;

WHEREAS, many of the intersection improvements recommended in the S Street NW Revitalization Project can be rapidly implemented using flexpost curb extensions, high-visibility crosswalk paint, and four-way stop signs at the intersection of S Street NW and 5th Street NW;

WHEREAS, ANC 6E has twice passed resolutions requesting that the intersection improvements included in the S Street NW Revitalization Project be implemented as short-term, tactical interventions prior to construction of the capital project. ANC 6E has not yet received a response, despite the first resolution having been submitted over 18 months ago (SR 20-00126861):²

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 6E requests that DDOT use the plans for the S Street NW Revitalization Project as a design template and warrants to install rapidly implementable intersection improvements throughout the project corridor;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6E requests that the following intersections and tactical safety improvements be included in the Vision Zero Summer Safety Campaign:

Intersection	Tactical Safety Improvements
S Street NW and 7th Street NW	Flexpost curb extensions across S Street NW on the east and west legs of the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on each leg of the intersection.
S Street NW and	Flexpost curb extensions across S Street NW on the west leg of

² ANC Resolution #1: RE: Support for Traffic Calming and Streetscape Improvements for the 400 and 500 Blocks of S Street NW and the 1700 Block of 6th Street NW between Rhode Island Avenue NW and S Street NW, 8 December 2019. Available:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/12d Ba2M1qfhpmezRUz LjwhnDwetPXcn/view?usp=sharing
ANC Resolution #2: RE: Resolution Supporting the S Street NW Revitalization 30% Plans with Specific Recommendations for Plan Improvement, 8 November 2020. Available:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1P7U9ixZDa8bWCcC090FWeVuht3L94TKa/view?usp=sharing.

Wiltberger Street NW	the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on the north and west legs of the intersection.
S Street NW and 6th Street NW	Flexpost curb extensions across S Street NW and 6th Street NW on the north, east, south, and west legs of the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on each leg of the intersection.
S Street NW and 5th Street NW	Flexpost curb extensions across S Street NW and 5th Street NW on the north, east, south, and west legs of the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on each leg of the intersection.
S Street NW and New Jersey Avenue NW	Flexpost curb extensions across S Street NW on the west leg of the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on each leg of the intersection.
6th Street NW and Rhode Island Avenue NW	Flexpost curb extensions across 6th Street NW on the north leg of the intersection. High visibility crosswalks on each leg of the intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6E requests that as part of the Vision Zero Summer Safety Campaign, DDOT convert the intersection of S Street NW and 5th Street NW to an all-way stop, consistent with the capital plans in the S Street NW Revitalization Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6E requests that DDOT consult with ANC 6E on the design and implementation of the intersection improvements at these locations.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION,

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Nigro

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Chair

CC: Andrew DeFrank, Ward 6 Community Engagement Specialist, DDOT Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember