



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6E
455 Massachusetts Ave., NW #147, Washington, DC 20001

January 11, 2024

Mr. Will Handsfield
Traffic Engineering and Safety Division
District Department of Transportation
250 M St. SE
Washington, DC 20003

RE: Resolution in Support of New Jersey Avenue NW Protected Bike Lane (NOI issuance pending)

Dear Mr. Handsfield:

On January 9, 2024, at a duly noticed and regularly scheduled meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E (“ANC 6E” or “Commission”) conducted virtually via videoconference and with a quorum of 9 out of 9 Commissioners and the public present, ANC 6E approved the following resolution by a vote of 9 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions:

WHEREAS, the Duties and Responsibilities of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission Act of 1975 grants ANC 6E the responsibility to advise the Council of the District of Columbia, the Mayor, and each executive agency and all independent agencies, boards, and commissions of the government of the District of Columbia with respect to all matters of District government policy, including decisions regarding planning, streets, recreation, social services programs, education, health, safety, and sanitation which affect the ANC 6E area;

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2023, Will Handsfield presented the proposed construction of protected bike lanes from 400 to 799 New Jersey Avenue NW (between D and H streets NW) to ANC 6E;

WHEREAS, the 400-799 blocks of New Jersey Avenue NW are located within the jurisdictional boundaries of ANC 6E in Single Member Districts 6E07 and 6E08;

WHEREAS, the proposed design would extend the existing New Jersey Avenue NW protected bike lanes between Rhode Island Avenue NW and H Street NW by an additional 0.4 miles from H St to D St. NW, facilitating safer biking into the East End, Georgetown Law School, the Senate and Capitol, area businesses and other establishments;

WHEREAS, the proposed design would increase open public space by creating a plaza on First Street NW between F Street NW and New Jersey Avenue NW, while eliminating existing traffic risks to bicyclists, scooter riders, pedestrians, and motorists;

WHEREAS, the proposed design would make First Street NW one way southbound from F Street NW to E Street NW and provide motor vehicle access to First Street NW from New Jersey Avenue at F Street NW with an intersection redesign;

WHEREAS, protected bike lanes increase the safety of cyclists and others that utilize the bike lanes, such as electric scooter users;

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WHEREAS, safe alternative transportation options support the District's Vision Zero and sustainability goals by reducing the need for private automobile use;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 6E supports the proposed installation of protected bicycle lanes on the 400-799 blocks of New Jersey Avenue NW, the proposed creation of a plaza on First Street NW north of F Street NW, and the proposed change of First Street NW to one-way southbound traffic from F to E streets NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 6E encourages DDOT to analyze whether G Street NW should be closed to motor vehicles between New Jersey Avenue NW and Massachusetts Avenue NW and include its conclusions in the proposed project.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "Christopher A. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris Hart,

Chair