

Report of the ANC6B Transportation Committee Meeting January 4, 2023

Commissioners Present: Matt LaFortune (chairing), Frank Avery, Jerry Sroufe, David Sobelsohn, Frank D'Andrea, Kasie Durkit, Edward Ryder

Resident Members Present: Brian Kirrane (6B03), Stefan Katz (6B07)

Committee Updates

Commissioner LaFortune was appointed Chair Pro Tempore during the December ANC 6B Executive Committee meeting due to former Commissioner Oldenburg's retirement. He shared that the January committee meeting would focus on a priority setting discussion, with February's agenda including follow-ups on December meeting items (9th & I St. SE and 11th & D St. SE intersections), appointment of new Resident Members, and the election of a permanent committee Chair.

Barbara Flemming will send out an email to all Commissioners requesting names and bios for all new Resident Member nominations in February.

DDOT's Traffic Safety "Input" (TSI 2.0) Process

Commissioner LaFortune announced that, effective January 6, 2023, DDOT is launching TSI 2.0, the Traffic Safety Input Program as a program update to TSI 1.0 (Traffic Safety Investigation). This will include posting a list of first 200 priority locations selected from all open TSIs that were run through DDOT's prioritization model. The remaining TSIs not prioritized in the first round will be closed in the 311 system but remain available as 'input' in the DDOT TSI 2.0 system for future quarterly prioritization. TSI 2.0 will advance 800 locations every year. The Transportation Committee will develop a strategy for elevating major locations within ANC 6B that are not included in the prioritized list.

2023 Transportation Priorities

Commissioner Avery would like the committee to focus on opportunities to harden traffic safety infrastructure in school zones. ANC 6B resident Jeffrey Menzer suggested using recent legislation (i.e. the Safe Routes To School Act) to push for changes, particularly around 11th and 12th St. SE near Tyler Elementary. Resident Member Kirrane highlighted that DDOT is required to design a rubric to prioritize school zones for new safety measures, which would provide an opportunity for ANC input.

Commissioner Sobelsohn suggested that the committee look for opportunities to inform legislation and DDOT actions related to electric vehicle charging. Commissioner Durkit noted that DDOT's EV Curbside Charging Program mentions that this could be an issue for ANC

involvement. Resident Member Katz suggested that the committee provide energy and data to positively influence Councilmember Allen's bill on charging locations.

Resident Member Katz also recommended that the committee develop a strategy to follow up on TSI requests in response to changes in the process and to also work with groups such as Barracks Row Main Street to improve accessibility near sidewalk cafes.

Commissioner D'Andrea targeted the area of 11th St. SE south of I-695 (east of Navy Yard) for transportation improvements due to the planned Bridge Park and redevelopment of SE Boulevard. Commissioner Ryder suggested that the committee keep issues around 11th St. on the radar and to encourage DDOT to treat interconnected projects holistically (11th St./I-695 exit ramp, Bridge Park, SE Boulevard, Tyler Elementary).

Commissioner Sroufe noted the discussed changes to residential parking that will likely continue to be contemplated by the Council in its new session.

Commissioner Sobelsohn highlighted a lack of communication to neighbors during utility construction on residential streets, including a failure to flyer and provide required notice at times. Commissioner Sroufe noted that parking enforcement in areas marked for construction is often unclear and inconsistent, which is a concern for neighbors.