

Re: Support for a Third Speed Bump on the 600 Block of D Street SE

Dear Interim Director Kershbaum,

At a properly noticed general meeting on October 10, 2023, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted unanimously, based on the unanimous recommendation of its Transportation Committee, to submit the following request to the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT).

We are writing to express support for immediate action to install a third speed bump on the 600 block of D St. SE (per TSI case number 23-00517273). The two current speed bumps on that block help to slow traffic but there is enough room between the easternmost bump and the D/7th St. SE intersection to enable vehicles to accelerate to an unsafe speed. Installing an additional speed bump at this location would increase safety for pedestrians and neighbors on the block.

Going forward, we encourage DDOT to include grooves in speed-bump designs, so bicycles can pass through speed bumps safely. As with other cities that take this approach, DC should let bicyclists continue at a safe pace, while slowing vehicles that, when driven at unsafe speeds, endanger other users of our city's streets and sidewalks.

Thank you for giving great weight to this Commission's recommendations. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please contact ANC Commissioner Matt LaFortune, Chair of the ANC 6B Transportation Committee, at 6B09@anc.dc.gov.

Sincerely,

Edward Ryder, Chair of ANC 6B