



**Report of the ANC6B Transportation Committee Meeting  
January 6, 2021**

**Commissioners present: Steve Holtzman, Kirsten Oldenburg (chairing), Brian Ready, and Edward Ryder.**

**Resident Members present: Kevin Moriarty (6B02), Brian Kirrane (6B03), John Manley (6B04), Stefan Katz (6B07), Carol Grissom (6B08) and John Ten Hoeve (6B09)**

**Request to Rename Ellen Wilson Street SE**

Commissioner Brian Ready, 6B03, and Kate Denson, resident of Ellen Wilson Place, presented a petition signed by about 20 of the current 30 residents of Ellen Wilson Place supporting renaming the street as Navy Place SE.

Navy Place is shown on a 1903-1916 DC map. It ran north/south through the middle of Square 878 between 6th and 7th Streets SE. The street probably disappeared when the houses along it were demolished following passage of the Alley Dwelling Elimination Act in 1934. This housing was replaced in 1941 with subsidized housing for whites only and given the name "Ellen Wilson Dwellings," after the first wife of Woodrow Wilson. Subsequently, Ellen Wilson became the name of the major east/west street in Square 878 when the public housing was replaced by the development of the Townhomes of Capitol Hill in 1998.<sup>1</sup>

Commissioner Ready moved, seconded by Commissioner Oldenburg, that the Committee recommend the Commission support the renaming request. The Committee voted unanimously in support of the motion and placed the item on the Consent Agenda.

**Proposed ANC6B Traffic Calming Inventory**

Resident Member Brian Kirrane, 6B03, presented an excel spreadsheet he has created to inventory both existing and needed traffic calming measures within ANC6B. The spreadsheet has tabs for different categories. In responding to Commissioner Holtzman, RM Kirrane said the document could be a basis for identifying gaps to make our neighborhoods safer and that entries are not rank-ordered. Not included so far: alley intersections and blocks with humps. Mark Sussman suggested collapsing all tabs to improve usability.

The Committee took no action. RM Kirrane said he would maintain the spreadsheet for the time being and accept input.

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<sup>1</sup> The details in this paragraph are mostly based on post meeting research by Commissioner Oldenburg.

**Discussion of Evaluation Process in 4 Experimental Advisory Bike Lane Projects Undertaken or Planned by DDOT in ANC6B**

Commissioner Steve Holtzman, 6B05, informed the Committee that his intention was to discuss a future evaluation process but Will Hansfield, the DDOT project manager, has agreed to attend a meeting in the Spring to participate in the discussion.

Commission Holtzman noted that plans are to install a system of 5 bike advisory bike lanes; 4 of them are within ANC6B. They include E Street SE and Tennessee Ave NE (both installed); Kentucky Avenue (soon to be installed); and 12th Street SE and North Carolina Ave SE.

John Hirschman and Margaret Rafferty, residents of Kentucky Avenue SE, reminded the Committee of their concerns about the bike lane: flexi-posts blocking curbside parking and whether the Mayor's Age Friendly Plan was invoked in the design or HPO has opined on the flexi-posts use in a historic district and lack of curbside parking's effect on property values.

ONE (1) DRAFT LETTER:

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RE: Request to Rename Ellen Wilson Street SE

Dear Councilmember Allen;

At a properly noticed regular meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B on January 12, 2021, with a quorum present, the Commission voted x-x-x to support renaming Ellen Wilson Place SE as Navy Place SE. The petition signed by residents of Ellen Wilson Place SE is attached.

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Please contact Commissioner Kirsten Oldenburg, ANC 6B Transportation Committee Chair at 202-546-8542 or [6B04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6B04@anc.dc.gov), if you have any questions about this request or need further information.

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Attachment: Petition