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By Electronic Mail

April 20, 2026

District Department of Transportation
Attn: Capital Planning Division
250 M Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

RE: ANC 3C Comments Regarding NOI 26-84-CPD - Connecticut Avenue NW Improvements

Capital Planning Division,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on April 20, 2026 with a quorum present, a quorum being five commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 3C voted X-X-X to submit these written comments Regarding NOI 26-84-CPD - Connecticut Avenue NW Improvements.

The Commission appreciates DDOT's continued efforts to advance safety, accessibility, and multimodal mobility along one of Ward 3's most heavily traveled corridors. The proposed Phase 1 and Phase 2 improvements reflect a thoughtful, data-driven approach to addressing longstanding safety concerns while balancing the needs of all roadway users.

ANC 3C supports the Phase 1 improvements (2026-2027), including:

- Reconfiguration of bicycle infrastructure at Tilden Street to provide safer, curb-adjacent facilities with enhanced markings and buffers
- Signal modifications at Ordway Street to better manage turning movements
- Bus stop relocations at Macomb Street and Cathedral Avenue to improve transit operations and rider safety
 - ANC 3C requests the prompt removal / relocation of the existing bus shelter on Macomb to be timed to when the change of the bus stop is made and not delayed until sometime after
 - ANC 3C requests DDOT coordinate signage with WMATA to inform residents and customers to the relocation of the bus stops
- Installation of new crosswalks at Devonshire Place and Cathedral Avenue to improve pedestrian connectivity
- Installation of a red light camera at the Zoo crosswalk to deter dangerous and illegal U-turns and improve pedestrian safety

We also support the Phase 2 improvements (2027-2028) at 24th Street, including:

- Intersection reconstruction to slow turning vehicles and shorten pedestrian crossing distances
- Addition of a new crosswalk across Connecticut Avenue to improve pedestrian access
- Curb extensions and design changes that prioritize safety and visibility

The Commission recognizes that some of these changes will result in modest reductions in on-street parking. However, we believe these tradeoffs are appropriate and necessary to achieve critical safety improvements, particularly for pedestrians, transit users, and drivers.

We further appreciate DDOT's responsiveness to community input, including adjustments such as the removal of hardened centerlines in favor of lower-maintenance design interventions, and the selection of enforcement tools at the Zoo crosswalk that align with current traffic calming guidance.

Taken together, these improvements represent meaningful progress toward safer streets and align with the District's Vision Zero goals. ANC 3C strongly encourages DDOT to proceed with implementation of all proposed changes in a timely manner.

The Commission authorizes the Chair and the Commissioners for 3C02 and 3C04 and/or their approved designee(s) to represent the Commission on this matter.