ANC 6C Transportation and Public Space Committee
Kaiser Permanente Capitol Hill Medical Center
700 2nd St. NE, Room G3-G4
Thursday, June 7, 2018
7:00 pm

DRAFT AGENDA

Please note that this is a draft agenda; items and times are subject to change. If you are interested in a particular item, please contact ANC 6C Transportation and Public Space Committee citizen chair Mark Kazmierczak at mark.kaz.anc@gmail.com for the current status of that item. This committee meets the Thursday preceding the second Wednesday of each month.

7:00 Quorum call, approval of agenda, announcements

7:05 1. Union Market Streetscape

As the Union Market area continues to transition from a commercial warehouse and wholesale market district to a mixed-use activity center, the roads crossing through the neighborhood are seeing a corresponding increase in pedestrian and bicycle traffic. However, the existing streetscape does not support these changing transportation patterns. Issues include wide roads with no lane markings, poorly placed or nonexistent street signage, poorly maintained sidewalks, and faded or nonexistent crosswalks.

As a condition of a PUD in the area (ZC 14-12, EDENS), DDOT collaborated with area developers, business owners, Gallaudet University, and the DC Office of Planning to draft Union Market Streetscape Guidelines to update roadways and public spaces throughout the area for future use. However, these guidelines were drafted and published in October 2017 without neighborhood outreach and ANC input.

The Committee would like to discuss current streetscape conditions in the area, short-term solutions to increase pedestrian and cyclist safety, and longer-term improvements to the new streetscape guidelines.

Representative: Jonathan Rogers, DDOT

7:30 2. NoMa / Mount Vernon Triangle Bicycle Network Study

DDOT recently concluded a study of bicycle infrastructure and ridership patterns in the NoMa and Mount Vernon Triangle areas. The study looked at the region between 6th St NW and 6th St NE, and K St to M St. Current bicycle facilities in the NoMa area primarily follow north-south corridors, and DDOT wanted to explore ways to improve east-west connectivity through safe, convenient, and low-stress routes.

DDOT released a report that outlined existing conditions, evaluated bicycle infrastructure in the context of other DC multimodal plans (e.g. Move DC), highlighted known ridership patterns, and provided recommendations for new bicycle infrastructure.

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The Committee discussed the NoMa study in November 2017 in combination with the K Street NE safety study. However, given the complexity and longer timeframe for completion of the K Street NE study, it is not addressed in the NoMa bicycle study. The NoMa study report therefore makes no recommendations for K Street NE east of 1st St NE. That section of K Street NE will be addressed in the forthcoming K Street NE Safety Study, still in progress.

The Committee would like to review the NoMa study report and discuss its findings with DDOT.

Representative: Mike Goodno, DDOT

8:00 3. Department of Energy & Environment | Fixture - Public Bench | Application #302509

The Department of Energy & Environment applied for a construction permit to install a bench in a tree box outside of its office building, in memory of Elizabeth Brown, a DOEE employee who passed away in March 2018. Elizabeth worked on DOEE’s RiverSmart Homes team, a unit that focuses on watershed restoration through bayscaping, rain gardens, rain barrels, and other methods.

DOEE indicated that they would like to commemorate Elizabeth’s dedication to restoring the District’s watersheds and waterbodies. The tree box location is in one of the two rain gardens in front of DOEE’s headquarters, which were installed and paid for by DOEE. Each tree box has a native river birch, which is a species that Elizabeth often planted as part of the RiverSmart Homes project. DOEE would like to install a wooden bench under one of these trees, with a small plaque dedicating the bench in memory of Elizabeth.

The location is: 1200 1st Street NE.

Representative: TBD

8:20 4. Armature Works, 1200 3rd Street NE | Construction Permit | Application #313160

Permit for construction in the public right of way. Work includes walkways, ADA ramps, driveways, stormwater management tree pits, new trees, street lights, and bicycle racks. The project covers the extent of the Armature Works property line, on M Street between 2nd NE and 3rd NE, and 3rd Street between M and Florida Ave.

Representative: TBD [PENDING CONFIRMATION]

8:40 5. Liaison Hotel, 415 New Jersey Ave NW | Construction Permit | Application #313137

Permit for construction in the public right of way. Work includes relocation of the main hotel entrance and repair and replace of existing sidewalk for a new entry vestibule. The existing entry revolving doors will be removed for a new entry vestibule hotel entrance.

Representative: TBD [PENDING CONFIRMATION]

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8:55  6. Committee News and Upcoming Items
    • Public meeting on the H Street bridge (Hopscotch Bridge) restoration/replacement project. Meeting will be on Thursday, June 21 at 6:00pm, at the Northeast Library
    • Streetcar 3rd St station

9:00  7. Adjourn