

Government of the District of Columbia

Department of Transportation



December 30, 2020

Brenda Parks
ANC 4B
6856 Eastern Avenue, NW #314
Washington, DC 20012
Via Email: 4B04@anc.dc.gov

NOI# 20-110-PSD

Re: Construction of the Metropolitan Branch Trail along Eastern Ave from Piney Branch Rd NW to the DC/MD line

Dear Chairperson Parks,

Pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000” D.C. LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent (NOI) to modify traffic and/or parking requirements. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following in your jurisdiction:

This project was identified in the Metropolitan Branch Trail concept plan (2004), the Metropolitan Branch Trail Environmental Assessment (2012) and MoveDC long range transportation plan (2014). When completed, the Metropolitan Branch Trail (MBT), will be an 8-mile trail that runs from Union Station in the District of Columbia to Silver Spring in Maryland.

The preliminary designs for this section of the MBT project were presented to ANC4B in 2017, and a resolution in support was passed in January 2018. DDOT completed the design plans and is currently planning to complete the remaining restoration for the 7100 block of Eastern Ave NW from Piney Branch Rd NW to the DC/Maryland border. The trail will connect to the existing MBT in the City of Takoma Park, Maryland. This project will improve pedestrian and bicycle access to the Takoma Metro, reduce crossing distance for pedestrians across Eastern Avenue, and complete a missing section of the MBT.

Attached to this letter is a set of plans prepared for public review. These plans detail the treatments DDOT proposed for the 7100 block of Eastern Ave NW from Piney Branch Rd NW to the DC/Maryland border.

DDOT proposes to:

- Construct a ten-foot-wide shared use path along the north/west side of Eastern Ave NW between Piney Branch Rd and the DC/MD line. There will be a planted buffer of between 2' and 6' between the trail and the roadway.
- Construct bioretention facilities to capture stormwater.
- Add 7 new street trees between the trail and the roadway.
- Install four new Washington Globe streetlights to illuminate both the trail and the roadway.
- Remove 27 unregulated parking spaces from the north/west curb lane.
- Restoration of the roadway, curb, and gutter in this area.

Pepco recently completed the Takoma to Sligo Underground project in this same corridor. To coordinate and lessen the construction impact to the community DDOT is planning on proceeding with construction late January/early February and is expected to last 12-16 weeks.

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing by 3/17/2021 (fifty-one business days after the date of this notice), with the District Department of Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Division, 55 M Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003. If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at <http://ddot.dc.gov/DC/DDOT/Services/Notice+of+Intent>. If you are having any trouble accessing the NOI site or are unable to do so, please contact the DDOT Customer Service Clearinghouse at 202-671-2800.

Sincerely,



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If you need language assistance services (translation or interpretation), please contact Karen Randolph at 202-671-2620 or Karen.Randolph@dc.gov.

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