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ANC 3/4G Resolution Requesting
That DDOT Prioritize a Capital
Bikeshare Station at Lafayette Elementary School

1. Capital Bikeshare has become an integral part of the transportation system of Washington, DC. There are currently more than 4,300 bicycles in circulation at more than 500 stations across six jurisdictions in the metro area. The recent addition of electric bicycles to the Capital Bikeshare fleet will only increase the popularity of Capital Bikeshare and make it easier for people to reach locations outside of the downtown core.
2. Increasing the number of trips taken by bicycles has many benefits. More bicycle trips can mean fewer trips taken by car, thereby reducing congestion and the emission of greenhouse gases. For some trips, bicycles may be faster than cars, walking, or public transportation. Additionally, exercise improves many health outcomes.
3. Unfortunately, despite its proximity to metro stations and retail corridors, ANC 3/4G has only one Capital Bikeshare station within its boundaries (Connecticut and McKinley).
4. Lafayette Elementary School (located at the intersection of Broad Branch and Northampton) is a natural location for a Capital Bikeshare station. Many people work at the school and need to commute to and from the school daily. Over 800 students attend the school, making it one of the largest elementary schools in the district. After dropping their children off at school, parents could take a Bikeshare bike to Van Ness, Tenley or Friendship Heights metro, go to a local store, or bike

downtown. Additionally, the neighborhood market, Broad Branch Market, is located at this intersection.

5. There is a large concrete plaza at the intersection of Broad Branch Road and Northampton Street where the station could be situated. Although there is a farmers' market at this location on Saturday mornings, the plaza is sufficiently large to accommodate both the Bikeshare station and the market.
6. Demonstrating the support for a station at this location, approximately 150 local households have signed a petition calling for the establishment of a Capital Bikeshare station at Lafayette Elementary School.
7. For these reasons, ANC 3/4G urges DDOT to add Lafayette Elementary School to the Capital Bikeshare Development Plan and to prioritize the installation of a Bikeshare station at the location as soon as possible. We recognize that a station at this location may require a Memorandum of Understanding with DC Public Schools (DCPS) and the Department of General Service (DGS) since some of the plaza is in their right-of-way. Accordingly, we urge DDOT to initiate the necessary conversations with DCPS and DGS regarding the installation of a station on the site and urge those departments to take swift action to facilitate the placement of a station.

Approved by ANC 3/4G after a discussion at its regularly scheduled and noticed January 28, 2019 meeting by a vote of 7 to 0 (a quorum being 4).



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