

# DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## *Multipurpose Green Infrastructure Projects- Utah Ave., Tennyson St., and 32<sup>nd</sup> St. NW*

*ANC 3G February 27, 2023*

Recap: Slip Lane closures of 32<sup>nd</sup> St NW in between Tennyson St. and Utah Ave NW and 32<sup>nd</sup> St NW and Utah Ave NW



Purpose: Improve pedestrian safety with green infrastructure practices.

Passed out flyers to residents in Summer 2022 and last presented at the 3G ANC in June 2022

### Low Impact Development (LID) Retrofits for Roadways *Utah Avenue NW*



PROPOSED SIDEWALK

PROPOSED GREENSPACE

#### FACT SHEET

**Map Key**

Proposed locations for pedestrian safety improvements and green infrastructure retrofits.

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**For more information about this project please contact Jo-Elle Burgard**

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#### Project Objectives

Improve pedestrian safety by installing ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps and reducing pedestrian crossing distances.

- Reduce the burden of stormwater runoff on the existing storm sewer system
- Provide aesthetic benefits to the community
- Create a habitat for wildlife, particularly birds and butterflies
- Reduce the urban heat island effect

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#### LID Practices

The LID practices will be introduced at the following intersections:

- 📍 Utah Avenue & 32nd Street NW
- 📍 Tennyson Street & 32nd Street NW

This site is an ideal location for removing extraneous impervious surface area and developing green space.



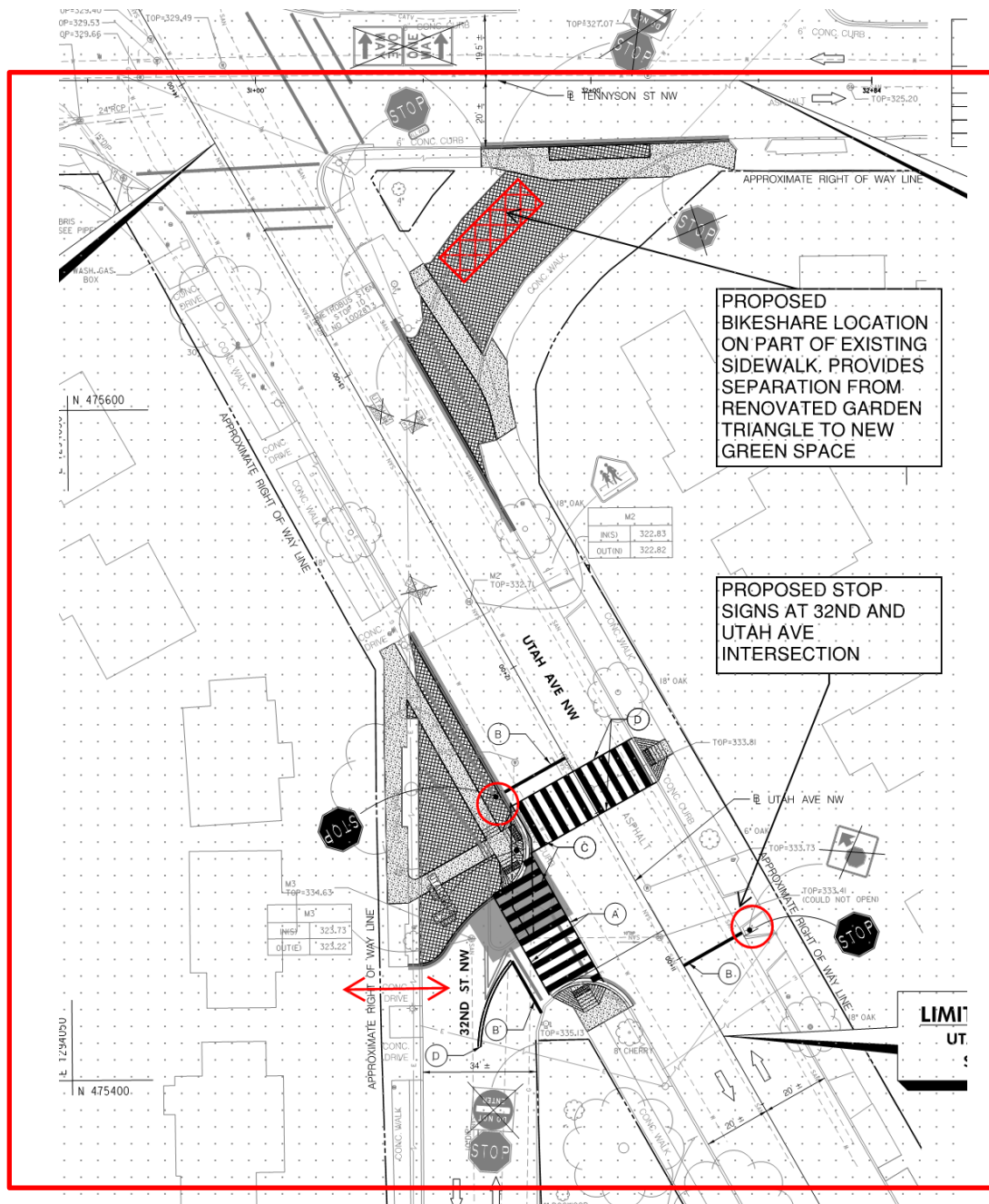
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AREA 1: 32<sup>nd</sup> St Northern slip lane closed. Infill with Bikeshare station and trees and grass. New areas of parking added on Tennyson St NW. Bus stop still accommodated for on Utah Ave NW with additional parking spaces added on Utah Ave. NW

AREA 2: 32<sup>nd</sup> St Southern slip lane closed. Sidewalk connection added. Stop sign and crosswalk at intersection added. +2 parking spaces removed on 32<sup>nd</sup> St. +2 parking spaces added on Utah Ave at green space.

Trees and lawn will be added in all hatched areas to address stormwater management, urban heat island, and air quality improvements.



February 27, 2023

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NOI 01- 005-IPMA

Re: Closure of Slip Lane on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW connecting Utah Ave NW and Tennyson St NW

Dear Chairperson Footer:

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 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.

- Remove the existing slip lanes on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW that connects Utah Avenue and Tennyson Street NW, and Utah Avenue and 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW.
- Remove approximately five (5) street parking spaces
- Add approximately five (5) street parking spaces

The intention of the proposed change is to improve pedestrian safety, reduce the impact of stormwater runoff into nearby streams, reduce the impact of weather extremes, and to improve the air quality for the nearby residents. Presently, there is a 100-foot slip lane on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW that connects Utah Ave and Tennyson St NW. There also exists a 25-foot crosswalk connecting the sidewalk along Utah Ave NW, and a 45-foot crosswalk connecting the sidewalk along Tennyson St NW across 32<sup>nd</sup> St NW. The proposed changes would eliminate the slip lane to provide a continuous sidewalk along both Tennyson St and Utah Ave NW and would increase the greenspace at Triangle Park. Additionally, the southbound lane of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street will be removed, and the intersection will be redesigned with stop signs, and will remove the existing crosswalk, provide new crosswalks across Utah Ave NW, and add sidewalk and greenspace to the redesigned intersection.

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Figure 1 shows the location of the proposed changes to be installed.



Figure 1 | Proposed Limits of Road Closure for 32<sup>nd</sup> Street NW and Parking Removal for Utah Ave NW

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing by Tuesday, April 04, 2023 (thirty business days after the date of this notice), with the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), Transportation Operations Administration at 250 M Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20003.

DDOT will review and evaluate comments and anticipates initiating implementation of the abovementioned modifications starting at the end of the thirty business days, pending weather conditions. If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at: <http://ddot.dc.gov/service/ddot-notice-intent>. If you have 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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Anthony Mitchell, Ward 4 Liaison, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services  
James Lewis, Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Janeese Lewis  
George Eskedar Girmash, Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Janeese Lewis  
George  
Bruce Sherman, Single Member District ANC Representative for Ward 3/4G02  
Michael Zeldin, Single Member District ANC Representative for Ward 3/4G04

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NEXT STEPS: Notice of Intent (NOI) will be submitted online this week and send to the ANC chairperson and SMD Representatives : Bruce Sherman and Michael Zeldin

Comments due week of April 9, 2023.

ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE : Summer 2023

Website for comments on the NOI:

<https://ddotwiki.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/NI/overview>

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