

**Recommendation to the ANC from the ANC Transportation
Committee
Approved at the TC's May 2 meeting**

Committee members approved the following recommendation for the consideration of ANC 3/4G at its May 13 meeting.

That ANC 3/4G invite Acting Director Sharon Kershbaum to attend the next ANC 3/4G meeting to explain the decision to cancel Concept C for Connecticut Ave., which includes protected bike lanes (PBLs), and to outline DDOT's current safety improvement plan for the avenue.

The reasons the ANC Transportation Committee recommends ANC 3/4G take this action are as follows. On April 26, 2021, ANC 3/4G passed a resolution supporting Concept C. Other ANCs along Connecticut Ave. have also adopted resolutions in support Concept C. ANC 3C has passed three such resolutions (Sept. 19, 2022; September 20, 2021; and April 19, 2021) and ANC 3F has passed two (April 2021 and February 2022). DDOT is required to give "great weight" to ANC resolutions. If a DC agency chooses not to follow recommendations contained in an ANC resolution, the agency is to provide a rationale for such a decision. To date, despite multiple resolutions from multiple ANCs along Connecticut Ave., DDOT has not provided its rationale for abandoning Concept C. Moreover, Concept C was adopted by DDOT after a lengthy and expensive series of public meetings, time and money that have now, apparently, been wasted.

Therefore, the committee believes the public deserves some explanation and accountability from DDOT for its decision to abandon Concept C. This is particularly important now, as Acting Director Kershbaum has been nominated to become the permanent director of DDOT.