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Re: Safety Assessment on Reno Road NW between 39th and Fessenden Streets NW

Dear Chairperson Bender:

The following letter is being sent in order to update you on the progress of the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT's) assessment of the vehicular safety concerns on Reno Road NW. This includes an update on the proposed improvements at the intersections of:

- Reno Road, 39th Street, & Ingomar Street NW;
- Reno Road, 38th Street, & Harrison Street NW; and
- Reno Road, Chevy Chase Parkway, & Fessenden Street NW.

Following a joint-meeting held between ANC 3E and ANC 3/4G, DDOT, and residents, the proposed improvements at the above intersections were updated to reflect the comments of the residents and ANC. A copy of the presentation provided by DDOT is attached to this letter.

As shown in Figure 1, the following improvements are proposed at or near the intersection of Reno Road, 39th Street, and Ingomar Street NW:

- Convert 39th Street NW between Reno Road and Jenifer Street NW to one-way northbound;
- Remove on-street parking on west side of 39th Street NW between Reno Road and Jenifer Street NW to allow for the installation of a contra-flow bike lane;
- Convert Ingomar Street NW between 39th Street and Reno Road NW to one-way eastbound;
- Convert the intersection of 39th Street and Jenifer Street NW from two-way to all-way stop control;
- Remove on-street parking on north side of Jenifer Street NW between 39th Street and Reno Road NW to accommodate increase in vehicle trips on this segment; and
- Install additional signing and marking improvements, including high-visibility crosswalks.



Figure 1: Intersection of Reno Road, 39th Street, & Ingomar Street NW

As shown in Figure 2, the following improvements are proposed at or near the intersection of Reno Road, 38th Street, and Harrison Street NW:

- Install painted median along Reno Road NW between 39th and 38th Streets NW;
- Install painted median on the northwestbound approach of Reno Road NW at 38th and Harrison Streets NW;
- Install striping to denote permitted on-street parking along the southwestern side of Reno Road NW between 38th Street and Chevy Chase Parkway NW;
- Restrict the east- and westbound approaches of Harrison Street NW to right-turn only to simplify intersection operation;
- Remove approximately two (2) parking spaces on the eastbound approach of Harrison Street NW and one (1) parking space on the westbound approach to improve site distance; and
- Install additional signing and marking improvements, including high-visibility crosswalks.

As shown in Figure 3, the following improvements are proposed at or near the intersection of Reno Road, Chevy Chase Parkway, and Fessenden Street NW:

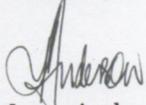
- Convert Chevy Chase Parkway NW between Reno Road and Fessenden Street NW to one-way southbound;
- Install painted median on southeastbound approach of Reno Road NW at Chevy Chase Parkway NW;
- Install striping to denote permitted on-street parking along the southwestern side of Reno Road NW between 38th Street and Chevy Chase Parkway NW; and
- Install additional signing and marking improvements, including high-visibility crosswalks.

DDOT intends to move forward with the improvements at the intersection of Reno Road, 39th Street, and Ingomar Street NW, as shown in Figure 1. This letter serves as a precursor to the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the above outlined improvements. The NOI will be forwarded to you within the next few days, at which time comments will be formally solicited on the intent to modify the operations and on-street parking in at this location.

In regards to the improvements at the other two locations, as shown in Figure 2 and Figure 3, we would like to solicit additional feedback before issuing the NOI for the above outlined improvements.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please feel free to contact me at (202)671-4622 or at leon.anderson@dc.gov.

Sincerely,



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Figure 2: Intersection of Reno Road, 38th Street, & Harrison Street NW



Figure 3: Intersection of Reno Road, Chevy Chase Parkway, & Fessenden Street NW