



## **ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3E**

**TENLEYTOWN    AMERICAN UNIVERSITY PARK    FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS**

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ANC Resolution on Four DC PLUG Pad-Mounted Transformers at:

4919 Brandywine St NW (DDOT Tracking # 110354)

4943 Brandywine (DDOT Tracking #110358)

4604 48<sup>th</sup> St. (DDOT Tracking #110350)

4331 Harrison St NW (DDOT Tracking # 110345)

Whereas, Pepco and the DDOT have embarked on a public-private partnership to bury overhead primary power lines to improve electric service reliability in the District of Columbia ("District"), and

Whereas, DDOT has indicated its opposition to widespread use of large, pad-mounted transformers as being incompatible with its mission to ensure traffic safety and promote a livable, walkable streetscape.

Whereas pad-mounted transformer installation must be balanced against the impact on community life of the public space, such as building fences or creating gardens in the public space, and

Whereas, submersible transformers are safe, reliable and used as part of the standard design in the Pepco region, including the District, and

Whereas in Pepco's operational experience, debris accumulating in the transformer well has not presented a significant issue for outage response or resulted in a high failure rate nor does corrosion present a significant problem, and

Whereas by undergrounding the primary mainline, primary lateral power lines and associated equipment, Pepco is expecting, on average, to reduce the frequency and duration of outages caused by the overhead power lines by 95 percent on improved feeders, and

Whereas, benefits of the DC PLUG initiative include, but are not limited to, improved reliability day to day and during severe storms, reduced outages and faster restoration and economic benefits including new jobs for District of Columbia residents, and

Whereas the ANC 3E opposes applications for use of public space that would detract from the beauty of the neighborhood and be a detriment to quality of life and property values;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in recognition of these considerations, ANC 3E adopts the following resolution.

Be It Resolved that ANC 3E opposes the four applications (DDOT Tracking Numbers 110354, 110358, 110350, and 110345) before the Public Space Committee for the placement of a pad-mounted transformer at the premises of 4919 Brandywine St NW, Washington DC 20016; 4943 Brandywine St NW, Washington DC 20016, 4604 48<sup>th</sup> St NW, Washington, DC 20016 and 4331 Harrison St NW, Washington, DC 20016, respectively.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** ANC 3E looks forward to PEPCO and DC PLUG's work on undergrounding power lines to improve reliability and service delivery in the area without compromising the community life of the public space.

The resolution passed by a vote of 5-0-0 at a properly noticed meeting held on July 9th, 2015, at which a quorum was present, with Commissioners Bender, Hall, McHugh, Quinn, and Wallace in attendance.

ANC 3E

By Jonathan Bender, Chairperson