

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Policy, Planning and Sustainability Administration

Mary Cuthbert
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8C
3125 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20032

April 4, 2014

Re: Notification for the Installation of a Bicycle Lane on Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE

Notice# 13-48-PPSA

Dear Chairperson Cuthbert,

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 written notice of our intent to implement the following in your jurisdiction:

Installation of bicycle lanes on Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE from 4th Street to South Capitol Street

The bicycle lanes will mean an additional white stripe between the parking stripes and the yellow center line (see attached photo). The five-foot wide lanes will include a symbol of a bicycle and an arrow pointing in the direction of travel. *Parking and automobile lanes will not be affected.* This is part of a citywide initiative to make bicycling safer and more convenient.

There are several benefits of installing bicycle lanes:

- They clearly delineate the space for bicycles and cars, allowing both to move in a straighter, more predictable manner.
- They encourage bicyclists to ride on the right side of the road (wrong way riding is against the law and a common cause of bicycle crashes).
- They help separate parked cars from moving cars and may calm traffic.

The City has many bicycle lanes in place already, such as those on I Street SW/SE and Massachusetts Avenue, NE (see attached photo). These have proved popular with motorists, residents and bicyclists.

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing, not later than thirty days (30) after the date of this notice, with the District Department of Transportation. Comments should be submitted by post mail to Mike Goodno, DDOT/ PPSA, 55 M Street, S.E., 5th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20003, or by email to mike.goodno@dc.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-671-0681 or mike.goodno@dc.gov.

Sincerely,



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Bicycle Program Specialist

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Massachusetts Avenue, NE Bicycle Lanes