

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Policy, Planning, and Sustainability Administration

Victor Silveira
Chair, ANC 3C
4205 Brandywine Street, NW
Washington, DC 20016

June 28, 2013

Re: Notification for the Installation of a Bicycle Lane on Woodley Place, NW

Notice# 13-61-PPSA

Dear Chairperson Silveira,

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.

This summer, DDOT would like to install a bicycle lane on Woodley Place, NW between Cathedral Avenue and Calvert Street. The bicycle lane *would not affect existing parking or automobile travel lanes*. It will, however, allow bicyclists to travel in the opposite direction of traffic. We have similar “contra-flow” bicycle lanes in the city such as on Champlain Street and New Hampshire Avenue, NW (see attached photo and plans). They have proven popular with motorists, residents and bicyclists since they safely organize travel patterns that are already occurring. A shared lane marking will be provided in the direction of travel for cyclists and motorists to share the roadway.

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.

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, Policy, Planning and Sustainability Administration, 55 M Street, S.E., 5th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20003. However, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at mike.goodno@dc.gov, or 202-671-0681.

Sincerely,



Mike Goodno,
Bicycle Program Specialist

Cc: Kelly Peterson, DDOT
Lee Brian Reba, ANC 3C01



Contra-flow Bike Lane on Champlain Street, NW