



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C
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Representing Adams Morgan

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Vacant (1C02)

District Department of Transportation
Customer Service Clearinghouse
55 M Street SE – 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20003

Ted Guthrie (1C03)

John Zottoli (1C04)

RE: Resolution in favor of a Traffic Safety Assessment for the Cliffbourne Place NW Crosswalk

Damiana Dendy (1C05)

Vacant (1C06)

Dear District Government Colleague(s):

Japer Bowles (1C07)

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on 12/2/2020, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C voted 6-0-0 in support of the attached resolution and request for a traffic safety assessment.

Christopher Jackson (1C08)

Warm regards,

Amir Irani
Chairperson, ANC 1C

cc:



Resolution in favor of a Traffic Safety Assessment for the Cliffbourne Place Crosswalk

Whereas, Adams Morgan residents have expressed concerned about pedestrian safety on the Calvert Street NW crosswalk at Cliffbourne Place NW, and;

Whereas, the Planning, Zoning and Transportation Committee voted to support a Traffic Safety Assessment for this crosswalk and to request an evaluation of traffic signal timing under the multimodal traffic signal operations enhancement program;

Be it resolved that ANC 1C supports a Traffic Safety Assessment and recommends that the DC Department of Transportation consider adjusting the timing of nearby traffic signals.

Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Transportation
Traffic Safety Assessment Questionnaire

Name: John V. Zottoli

Address: 3025 Ontario Road NW, Apt 504, WDC 20009

Signature: /s/ John V. Zottoli

The purpose of this Questionnaire is for DDOT to gather information about a safety concern in order to perform a Traffic Safety Assessment (TSA). The intent of the TSA process is to ask residents to identify traffic safety concerns, whether along a roadway segment or at an intersection, and focus on the definition of the safety concern(s) rather than on a proposed solution or mitigation measure. Based on the nature of the request, DDOT will determine the type of assessment necessary to investigate the extent of the traffic safety concern.

To begin a Traffic Safety Assessment, please fill out the information below and answer any questions to the best of your ability. If necessary, please attach additional pages. In addition, a letter of support from your ANC Commissioner is required. Find your ANC here: <https://anc.dc.gov/> Once completed, please submit this form and ANC support letter to DDOT via the address provided below, or you can email the form to traffic.safety@dc.gov.

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If you have any questions, please contact DDOT at 202-673-6813. Thank you.

Date: December 6, 2020

Phone: 202-506-5912 (landline)

Email: john.zottoli@gmail.com

Location of requested investigation:

Define geographic boundaries as clearly as possible (400 block of A Street NE, intersection of 1st Street & B Street NW, etc.) Is this location near an existing construction project? If yes, please provide the name and location of the project and any construction-related concerns.

The crosswalk on Calvert Street NW at Cliffbourne Place NW.

Safety concerns:

Provide a detailed description of the problems observed in the area of investigation (vehicle crashes, speeding, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, unable to cross the street, hard to see cross-traffic, etc.) For intersection-related concerns, please include the type of intersection:

- 1 or 2-way STOP control
- All-way STOP control
- Traffic signal

This crosswalk is part of a long stretch of Calvert Street that connects 18th Street NW and the Connecticut Avenue NW side of the Duke Ellington Bridge. Along this stretch there are few cross streets to slow traffic; and, of course, there are no crossings on the bridge itself. At Cliffbourne, on Calvert, there are pedestrian crossing signs—which cyclists and drivers often ignore.

The crosswalk lacks such needed safety measures as a HAWK, speed bumps or even a raised crosswalk.

There are no traffic signals at the intersection. However, traffic signal timing, at Adams Mill Road and just before the Duke Ellington Bridge, prompt drivers to speed along Calvert Street. Vehicles stopped at the light at Adams Mill Road must and do speed over the Cliffbourne crosswalk in order to pass the next traffic signal (at the start of the Duke Ellington Bridge) before that signal turns red. Adjusting the timing of the signals would mitigate this problem.

Days and time when safety concerns are the worst:

The heavily traveled 18th Street and Connecticut Avenue generate heavy Calvert Street traffic, seven days a week, during the day and well into the evening.

Such as weekday AM peak, weekday PM peak, overnight, weekends, etc.

Are there existing traffic calming features on the block?

This includes speed humps, rumble strips, etc.

No.

Describe neighborhood uses:

Such as residential area, retail area, school zone, recreation center, community center, etc.

Despite its proximity to 18th Street and Connecticut Avenue, the Cliffbourne Street crosswalk is in a largely residential area. It also is close to the Vida Senior Center.

Describe multi-modal facilities:

Are there sidewalks? Bike facilities or trails? Nearby Metrorail station or Metrobus stop(s)?

This crosswalk is part of a long stretch of Calvert Street that connects 18th Street NW and the Connecticut Sidewalks exist on Calvert and Cliffbourne. Calvert has bike lanes. For some, this crosswalk is on the way to and from the Woodley Park Metro Station.

Vehicle types:

Is the concern about commuter traffic in cars? Is there a high volume of trucks, perhaps due to nearby construction? What about buses?

This crosswalk is part of a long stretch of Calvert Street that carries commuters entering and exiting Rock Creek Drive near Connecticut Avenue. All manner of cars, busses, heavy and light duty trucks, motorcycles, and bicycles use Calvert throughout the day and into the night.

Have you previously contacted DDOT about your concerns?

Please include name(s) and department(s) if possible. If you have already contacted 311, please provide the service request number.

No.

Any other information you would like to share?

Date Received:

Letter of Support Attached? I serve as the Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner for 1C04. In addition, ANC 1C has passed a resolution in support of this request.

Name:

John Zottoli, 1C04 Commissioner and Amir Irani, 1C Chair.

Contact Info: john.zottoli@gmail.com, 202-506-5912 and amir500@gmail.com, (202) 656-6011.

Service Request Number

YES / NO

SMD/Ward: 1C04, Ward 1

