16TH STREET NW TRANSIT PRIORITY



Citizens Advisory Group Meeting No. 4

December 15, 2015

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Agenda

- 1. Project Overview
 - Timeline
 - Fall Public Outreach
- 2. Alternatives Analysis & Draft Preferred Alternative
- 3. Next Steps



Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

 Provide feedback on the Draft Preferred Alternative.

– Are there any improvements that should be added?

– Are there any improvements that should be removed?



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Study Area

Arkansas Avenue NW

Primary Study Area

16th Street NW from H Street to **Arkansas Avenue**

Secondary Study Area

Bounded by 14th Street, 18th Street, Taylor Street and H Street



Goals



- Improve travel for persons using public transit
- Develop alternatives based on public and stakeholder input
- Evaluate alternatives in terms of their benefits to transit users, possible impacts on other users of the corridor, and safety

Objectives

- Improve transit reliability and travel times
- Prioritize transit while maintaining multimodal operations
- Improve passenger comfort and safety
- Accommodate unmet demand
- Develop an implementation plan

Citizens Advisory Group

- Purpose:
 - Advise DDOT in between larger public engagement events
 - Help to expand the dialogue and reach of the planning process

Thank you for your participation!

Project Timeline

January 2015 January 2016

Selection of **Data Collection** Model Alternatives Project Kickoff Preferred & Analysis Development **Alternatives** Alternative March: Sept./Oct.: May: August: Dec.: January: Kick-Off Mtg. CAG #1 **CAG #2** CAG #3 + **CAG #4 Public Meeting** Community Engagement **Events**

Fall Meetings and Events

- September 30: Citizens Advisory Group Meeting
- October: Four "pop-up" style events along the corridor
 - 500 flyers or rack cards distributed
 - Nearly 80 surveys completed
- Presentations at 4A, 4C, 1C, and 2B ANC October meetings
- Public comments received through October 21
 - Approximately 150 comments received via email

What We Heard







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- Large support for bus lanes and off-board fare payment for all buses
- Some concern about S1 truncation and Arkansas Avenue deadhead
- Mixed or few comments on other improvements



Refinement of the Alternatives

- S1 truncation at Farragut Square removed from Alternative 1
- Arkansas Avenue deadhead service removed from Alternative 1
- Left-turn restriction northbound at Mt.
 Pleasant Street removed from Alternative 3



ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS & DRAFT PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

Review of Alternatives

- Alternative 1: Service Focus
- Alternative 2: Infrastructure Focus
- Alternative 3: Mixed Service and Infrastructure

Analysis

- Multi-modal VISSIM model
- Transit dwell and travel time estimations
- Verification of physical space needs and feasibility - ongoing
- Capital and operating cost estimates and implementation strategy - ongoing

Level of Service (LOS)

- LOS A: Free flow
- LOS B: <u>Stable flow</u> (slight delays)
- LOS C: <u>Stable flow</u> (acceptable delays, speed limit is maintained)
- LOS D: <u>Approaching unstable flow</u> (speeds slightly decrease, occasionally wait through more than one signal cycle)
- LOS E: <u>Unstable flow</u> (operating at capacity, vehicles rarely reach speed limit, disruptions cause shock waves to traffic upstream)
- LOS F: Forced flow (constant traffic jam)



NEXT STEPS

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- January 21: Final Public Meeting
 - Washington, DC Jewish Community Center
 - 3:30 PM 8:00 PM
 - Presentations at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM

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