Resolution to Eliminate Idling D1 Buses at Stoddert Elementary and to Consolidate Glover Park Bus Stops

Whereas Calvert St. in front of Stoddert Elementary school in Glover Park is often crowded with cars, bicycles, pedestrians, and children and parents coming to and from school;

Whereas the presence of idling WMATA D1 buses in front of Stoddert Elementary during pickup and drop-off times poses a danger to the hundreds of students who attend Stoddert Elementary;

Whereas ANC 3B has been attempting to work with DDOT and WMATA for several years to address the concerns with idling buses;

Whereas DDOT and WMATA submitted in May 2013 several potential recommendations to ANC 3B to address this problem, including a recommendation to create a layover space on Tunlaw Road adjacent to the Russian Embassy;

Whereas these proposals have been presented to the community for public comment and discussed at the May 2013 ANC 3B meeting, and whereas key members of the community, including the Stoddert PTA, have supported this proposal;

Furthermore, DDOT and WMATA have also indicated that there are six bus stops surrounding Stoddert Elementary, and have recommended eliminating the bus stops at 41st and Calvert Sts. NW and at 39th St. and Davis Pl. NW.

Whereas this proposal has also been presented to the community for public comment and discussed at the May 2013 ANC 3B meeting;

Whereas there were community objections to the elimination of the bus stop at 41st and Calvert St. NW but no or limited objections to the elimination of the bus stop at 39th St. and Davis Pl. NW.

Whereas the bus stop at 39th St. and Davis Pl. NW is extremely close to two other stops, and is among the most lightly-used bus stops near Stoddert Elementary;
Whereas eliminating this bus stop will speed up overall bus service and reduce service costs;

Therefore ANC 3B opposes the elimination of the bus stop at 41st and Calvert Sts. NW but supports the elimination of the bus stop at 39th St. and Davis Pl. NW.

And ANC 3B recommends that DDOT and WMATA proceed with the April 2013 proposal to establish a D1 bus layover space on Tunlaw Rd. near the Russian Embassy and eliminate idling buses in front of Stoddert Elementary.

And ANC 3B recommends that passengers be allowed to board the D1 bus at the newly designated layover spot or at other designated locations between the layover space and the current start of the route.

And ANC 3B recommends that WMATA and DDOT conduct an appropriate review of the impact of these changes on the community.

The resolution was APPROVED by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays on May 9, 2013

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