



# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D

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## 2016 Commission

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RESOLUTION TO MOVE A METROBUS STOP FROM  
S.E. CORNER OF INTERSECTION OF GEORGIA AVE.  
AND KENNEDY ST. NW HALF A BLOCK NORTH TO  
THE 5500 BLOCK OF GEORGIA AVE.

**Whereas**, the southeast corner of Georgia Ave. and Kennedy St. NW is the site of a busy commuter bus stop, serving the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) northbound Georgia Ave. bus line;

**Whereas**, the narrow sidewalk on Georgia Ave. at that corner limits the space in which Metrobus passengers can stand and the area quickly becomes overcrowded as passengers gather;

**Whereas**, passengers awaiting the bus, including children and the wheelchair-bound, must remain in that narrow space, buffeted by the crowd and pedestrians, and exposed to harsh weather because there is no room for a bus shelter;

**Whereas**, the bus stop is a transfer point for passengers riding east and west on the E bus line on Kennedy St. to take the northbound bus, drawing additional passengers to that crowded corner;

**Whereas**, MPD officers and residents in recent years have observed an increase of individuals standing on the corner who do not board the bus but add to the crowding there;

**Whereas**, some individuals on the corner are often observed to behave in a rowdy and aggressive manner;

**Whereas** residents of ANC 4D have expressed concern about their and their family's personal safety at that corner, and when they use the bus they avoid that stop, walking to and from a farther stop;

**Whereas**, pedestrians trying to cross Kennedy St. or Georgia Ave. at that corner must navigate through the crowd to approach the curb;

**Whereas**, in September 2016 a mother escorting her child to the Bright Start daycare center on the west side of Georgia Ave. was followed, harassed, and threatened by a group of young men who were on that corner, after the mother intervened as they were harassing a teenaged girl;

**Whereas**, Commander Wilfredo Manlapaz, MPD Fourth District, has mentioned that officers monitoring the area believe that there has been a growing public safety hazard at that corner, and would like to see the bus stop moved from the corner to ease the crowding;

**Whereas**, a swath of undeveloped land sits half a block to the north on the 5500 block of Georgia Ave.;

**Whereas**, the undeveloped land on 5500 block of Georgia has room for a bus stop and a large shelter adjacent to the sidewalk to provide seating and protection from harsh weather to Metrobus passengers;



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**Whereas**, the crowding on the sidewalk at Georgia Ave. and Kennedy St. will decrease if Metrobus passengers no longer wait there to board the bus;

**Whereas**, on October 24, 2016 the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) began a yearlong, multimillion-dollar infrastructure upgrade of the Kennedy St. corridor to enhance revitalization prospects there;

**Whereas**, if people feel unsafe at the corner of Georgia Ave. and Kennedy St., a gateway to the Kennedy St. commercial corridor, it undermines the city's investment of funds and effort.

**Therefore be it resolved** by Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D that:

1. DDOT and WMATA should perform a joint feasibility study on moving the 70/79 northbound Metrobus stop at the southeast corner of Georgia Ave. and Kennedy St. NW half a block to the north, to enhance public safety at that corner and provide a shelter for passengers waiting for the bus;
2. DDOT and WMATA are urged to expeditiously perform the study and if feasible, ensure the move of the bus stop and construction of the shelter is coordinated with the DDOT contractors working on the Kennedy Street upgrade, to maximize the benefit of the infrastructure improvements to the neighborhood.

This Resolution to move a bus stop serving the northbound Georgia Ave. line from the corner of Georgia Ave. and Kennedy St. NW (at 5400 block of Georgia) to vacant land half a block to the north, on the 5500 block of Georgia Ave., and to construct a bus shelter there, was considered on November 15, 2016 before Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D in the presence of a quorum.

The vote of the Commission was 5 in favor and 0 opposed, with 0 abstentions.

The Resolution is passed.

Signed: Nancy E Roth, Secretary of ANC 4D on Nov 15, 2016

Signed: Lisa Caldwell, Chair of ANC 4D on Nov. 15, 2016

CC:

Mayor Muriel Bowser  
 Councilmember Brandon Todd  
 MPD Commander Wilfredo Manlapaz, Fourth District  
 DDOT Director Leif Dormsjo  
 ANC 4D Commissioners



PROPOSED BUS STOP

CURRENT BUS STOP

Map

Google

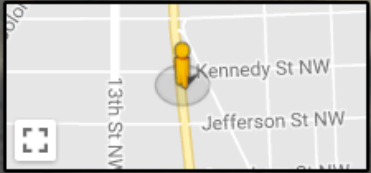
5438 US-29  
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Street View - Oct 2016



CURRENT BUS STOP

NARROW SIDEWALK



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Proposed bus stop area