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Express bus service for 14th Street

Resolved, that Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 1D advises the government of the District of Columbia to fund the initial operating cost of an express bus service for the 14th Street NW bus lines at an equal contribution (in current year’s dollars) as it funded the Georgia Avenue NW and 16th Street NW MetroExtra express bus lines, and that this bus line become operational as soon as that funding is made available.

Why: The 14th Street corridor is between two and three blocks away from a large portion of ANC 1D in Mount Pleasant. Therefore, issues along this corridor are particularly relevant to the interest of ANC 1D residents. I myself take the 14th Street buses often and find myself stuck in traffic on those buses along with the 16th Street buses. ANC 1D is following the lead of ANC 1A in endorsing express bus service for 14th Street, passing through 1A.

The 14th Street NW corridor has seen a significant amount of construction of the past ten years, which has produced new residential complexes, government facilities, and businesses. This development boom has resulted in an influx of new residents and visitors to the area.

With more people living, working, shopping, and dining on the 14th Street Corridor, more people are also now using the bus lines on 14th Street. About 14,900 residents use the line on an average weekday, which makes 14th Street one of the most-used bus lines in D.C.

Indeed, in a 2012 study and in subsequent reports, DDOT has identified the 14th Street bus lines as having reliability issues and related overcrowding problems. When buses are crowded on the 14th Street line—with 16th Street only two blocks away—residents of 14th Street are likely to walk to the 16th Street buses, which can make 16th Street bus overcrowding even worse, and vice versa. I've walked down to the 14th Street buses to take those buses as opposed to the 16th Street buses.

An extra express bus line on 14th Street NW would increase capacity for that corridor and, therefore, would prevent 14th Street residents from needing to use our 16th Street buses and contribute to overcrowding on either bus lines.

Passed by 5 to 0 vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of ANC1D on February 21, 2017, with a quorum present. Voting “yes”: Commissioners Stewart, Romero-Latin, Karaffa, Karrer, McKay. A quorum for this commission is three; five commissioners were present.