

2nd Annual Ward 7 Transportation Summit

Washington, DC



Agenda

Open House/Mix& Mingle (20 minutes)
Welcome
Accomplishments
Follow-up Questions & Answers
Community Advocacy
Open Community Discussion
Next Steps
Wrap-up

#W7Moves

Accomplishments

Ward 7 Transportation Summit and Listening Tour – March 12, 2011

The purpose of the Transportation Summit & Listening Tour (Summit) was to provide residents of Ward 7 with an opportunity to express challenges to public transportation and brainstorm solutions that improve mobility. Forty people including residents, elected officials (Councilmembers and Advisory Neighbor Commissioners), District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), and Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) participated in Summit. Some of the specific requests were fast track the study for the W4 line, bring a Circulator that comes East of the Anacostia River and serves Ward 7, use public service announcements on the bus to increase safety, and install a digital public information displays pilot program at major bus hubs in the ward.

Public Testimony at WMATA Hearing – October 11, 2011

One of the priorities from the Ward 7 Transportation Summit was fast tracking the W4 Study. It is a vital bus line that provides north to south access between Ward 7 and Ward 8. Residents testified at the hearing to push for the W4 study. As a result the study began soon after in December 2011.

Ward 7 Transportation Tour with Council Member Mary Cheh – November 13, 2011

Mary Cheh, Chair of the Council Committee on Environment, Public Works and Transportation, and two of her staff came to Ward 7 to learn about some of our local transportation issues. Residents Kelsi Bracmort, Veronica Davis, and Neha Bhatt organized the tour and several community leaders joined at particular tour stops where local residents passing by also engaged in the discussion. Items discussed during the two and half hour tour included: providing real-time bus arrival information at busy bus hubs; creating *safer routes for students* around Anne Beers Elementary School and Francis A. Gregory Library; improving pedestrian and bicycle safety at the Minnesota-Benning and Benning-East Capitol intersections; establishing a Ward 7 Circulator route; and making a safer, more visible walking pathway along Fort Davis Dr. Since the tour, Councilmember Cheh has sent a letter to DDOT outlining many of the issues highlighted on the tour and requesting actions from DDOT to make Ward 7 safer and more accessible.



Commissioner Willette Seward point out pedestrian challenges to CM Cheh

Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Hearings

Here is the budget hearings schedule for transportation related agencies, as of February 21, 2012. Before you testify, verify date, time and location with the Council or visit the Council website (www.dccouncil.us). All budget hearings are at the John A. Wilson Building (1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW)

Wednesday, March 28, 2012

Room 412, 11:00 a.m. – End
Department of Public Works
Department of Motor Vehicles
Taxicab Commission
Contact Person: Jeremy Faust, 202-724-8162, jfaust@dccouncil.us

Wednesday April 4, 2012

Room, 500, 10:00 a.m. – End
Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
Contact Person: Priscilla McIver, 202-724-8196, pford@dccouncil.us

Thursday April 5, 2012

Room 412, 10:30 a.m. - End
Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
Contact Person: Priscilla McIver, 202-724-8196, pford@dccouncil.us

Wednesday April 18, 2012

Room 123, 10:00 a.m. – End
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Contact Person: Robert Hawkins, 202-724-8052, rhawkins@dccouncil.us

Tuesday April 24, 2012

Room 412, 10:00 am – End
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Contact Person: Priscilla McIver, 202-724-8196, pford@dccouncil.us

Wednesday April 25, 2012

Room 500, 11:00 a.m. - End
District Department of Transportation
Contact Person: Jeremy Faust, 202-724-8162, jfaust@dccouncil.us

How to Submit Comments for Public Record

1. Testify at hearing: Sign-up to testify with respective contact person. You can submit your testimony in advance or bring 20 copies the day of the hearing
2. Submit written testimony: The public record will be open for 2 business day after the respective hearing. If you are unable to testify in person, email your testimony to the respective contact person.