

Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Transportation



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**Re: Remove 40' of resident permit parking and establish a loading zone along southbound 8th Street NE
NOI #18-122-TOA**

Dear Chairperson Wirt:

Pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000" D.C. LAW 13-249 (48 DCR 3491 April 20, 2001), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent to modify traffic and/or parking requirements. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following modifications in your jurisdiction.

- **Remove 40' of resident permit parking and establish a 15 minute loading zone along southbound 8th Street NE**

DDOT recently completed a study concerning pedestrian safety at the intersection of 8th & D Streets, NE. This study found that No Parking zones on the corners of the south leg are being used for illegal parking. This behavior reduces the visibility of pedestrians both in and approaching the crosswalk. As a result, DDOT determined that curb bulb-outs will be installed with flexible post delineators to physically prevent this illegal parking. During the study, DDOT noted that patrons of local businesses were utilizing these No Parking zones. DDOT intends to establish this loading zone to provide an area for these activities to occur without impacting pedestrian safety at 8th & D Streets.

All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing, no later than thirty business days after the date of this notice, with the District Department of Transportation, Transportation Operations Administration at 55 M Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20003. If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at: <http://ddot.dc.gov/service/ddot-notice-intent>

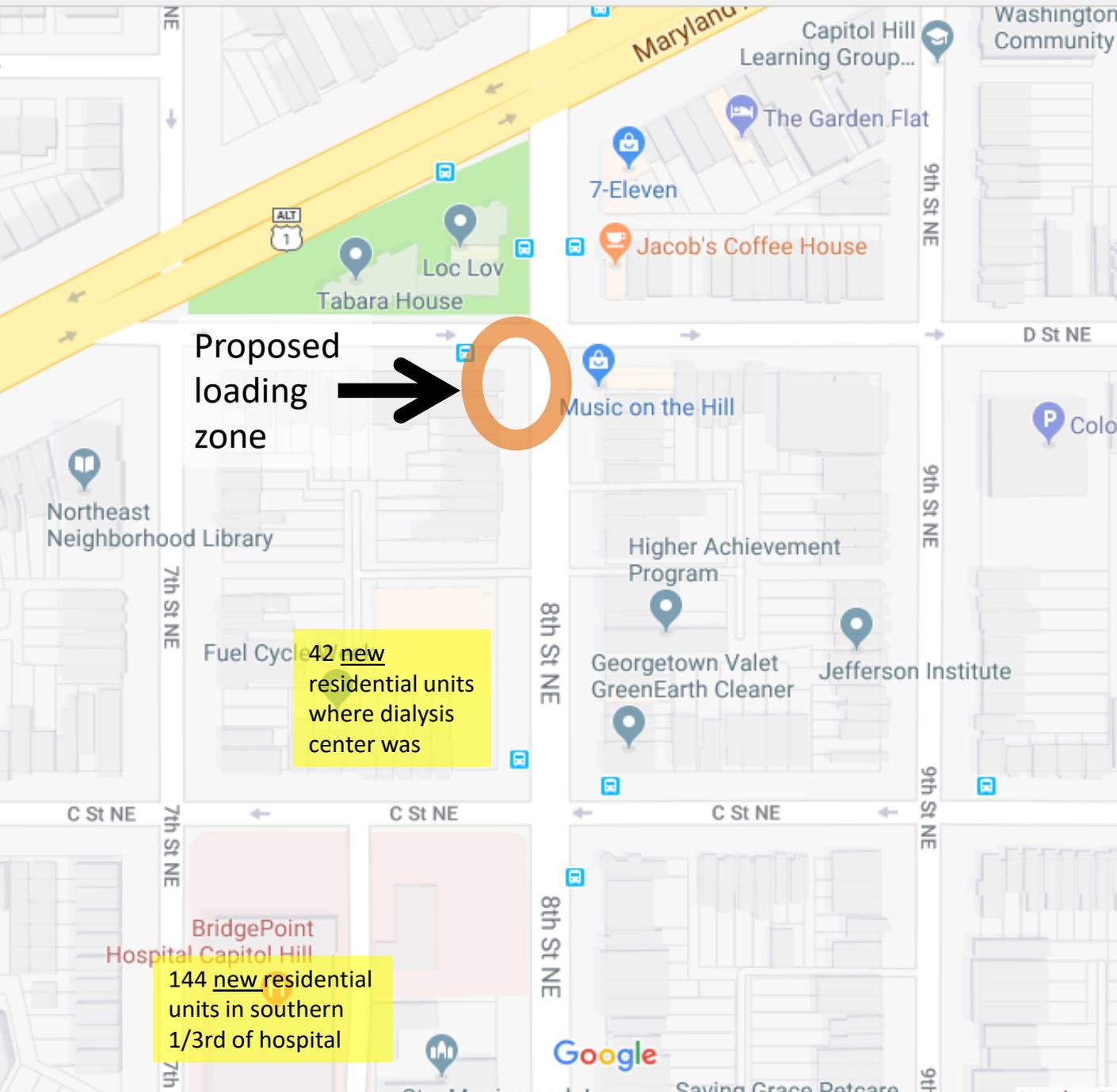
Sincerely,

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Traffic Safety Manager
Operations Administration

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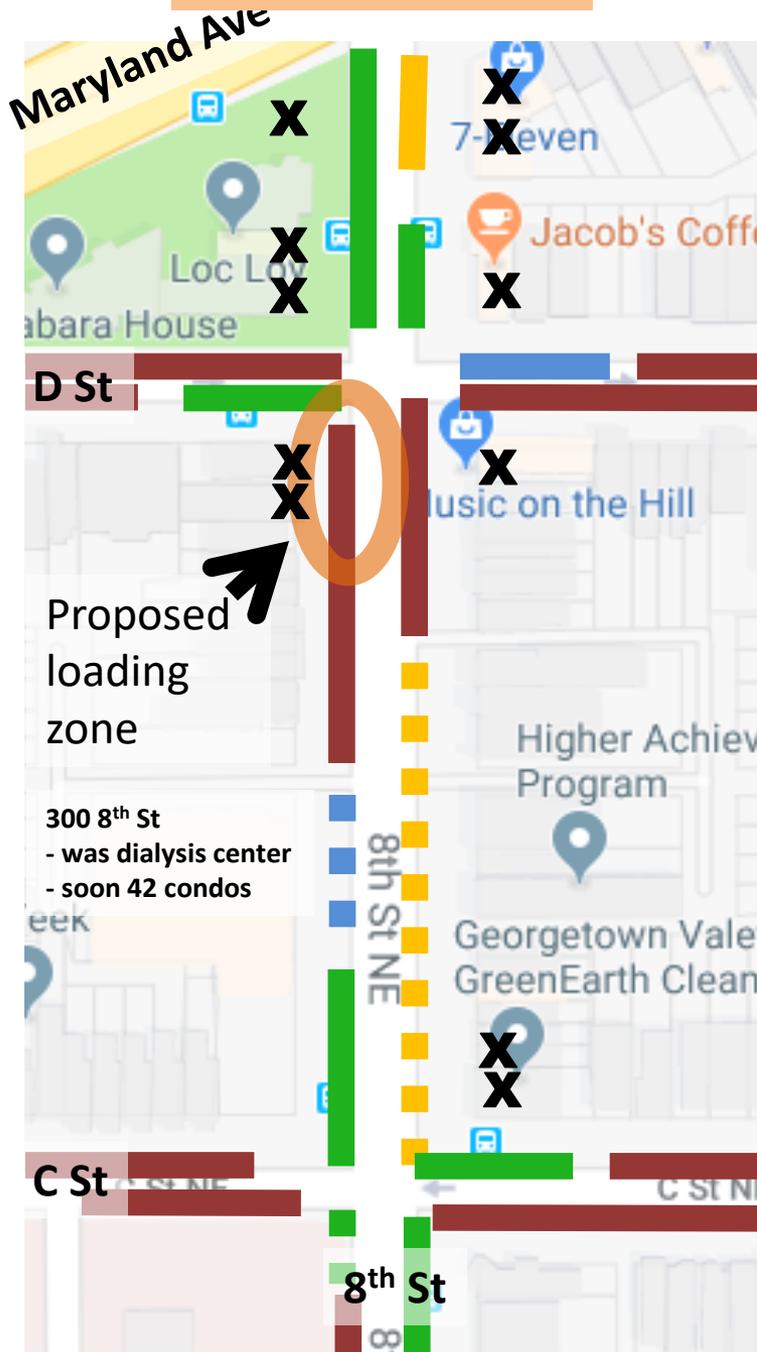
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This is the area around the intersection of 8th and D Streets NE where DDOT proposes to establish a new loading zone.

Current conditions



Legend

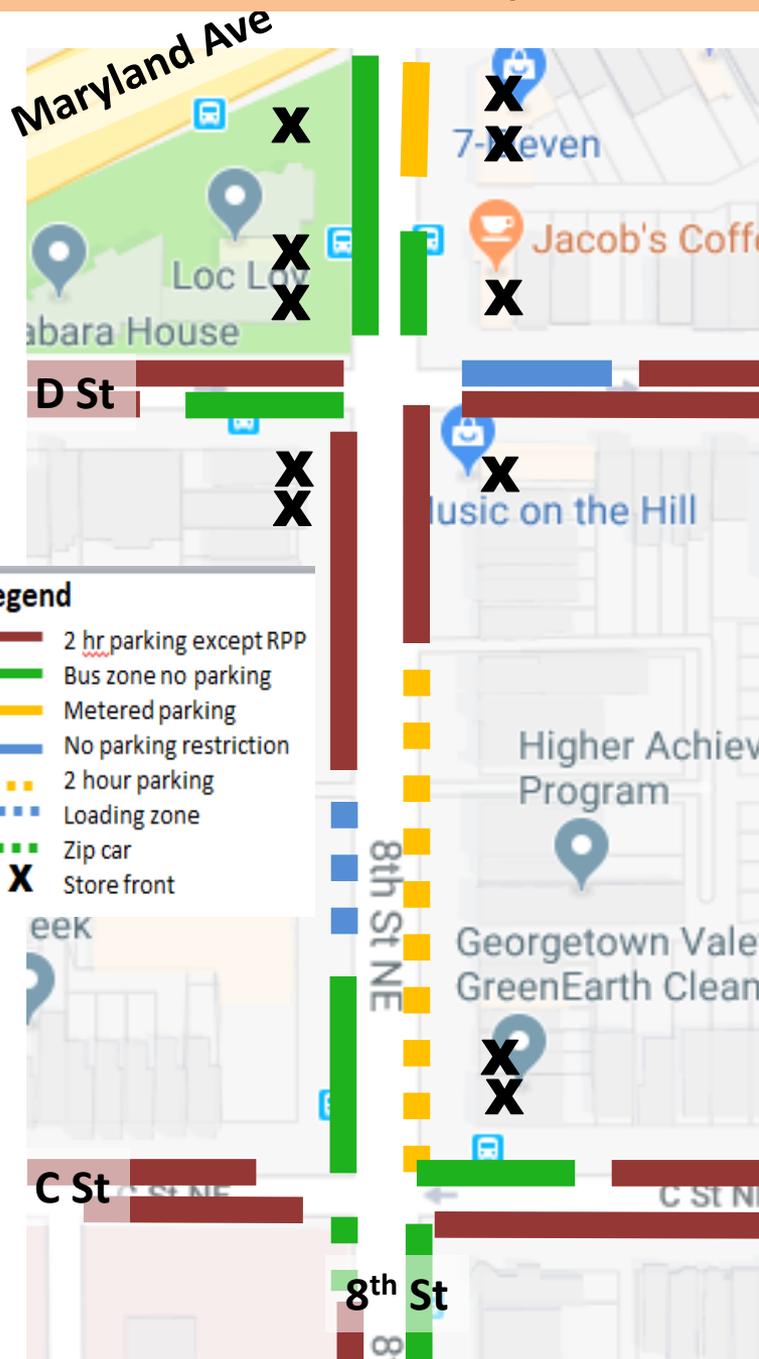
- 2 hr parking except RPP
- Bus zone no parking
- Metered parking
- No parking restriction
- 2 hour parking
- Loading zone
- Zip car
- Store front

This is a close-up of 8th St around C and D Streets.

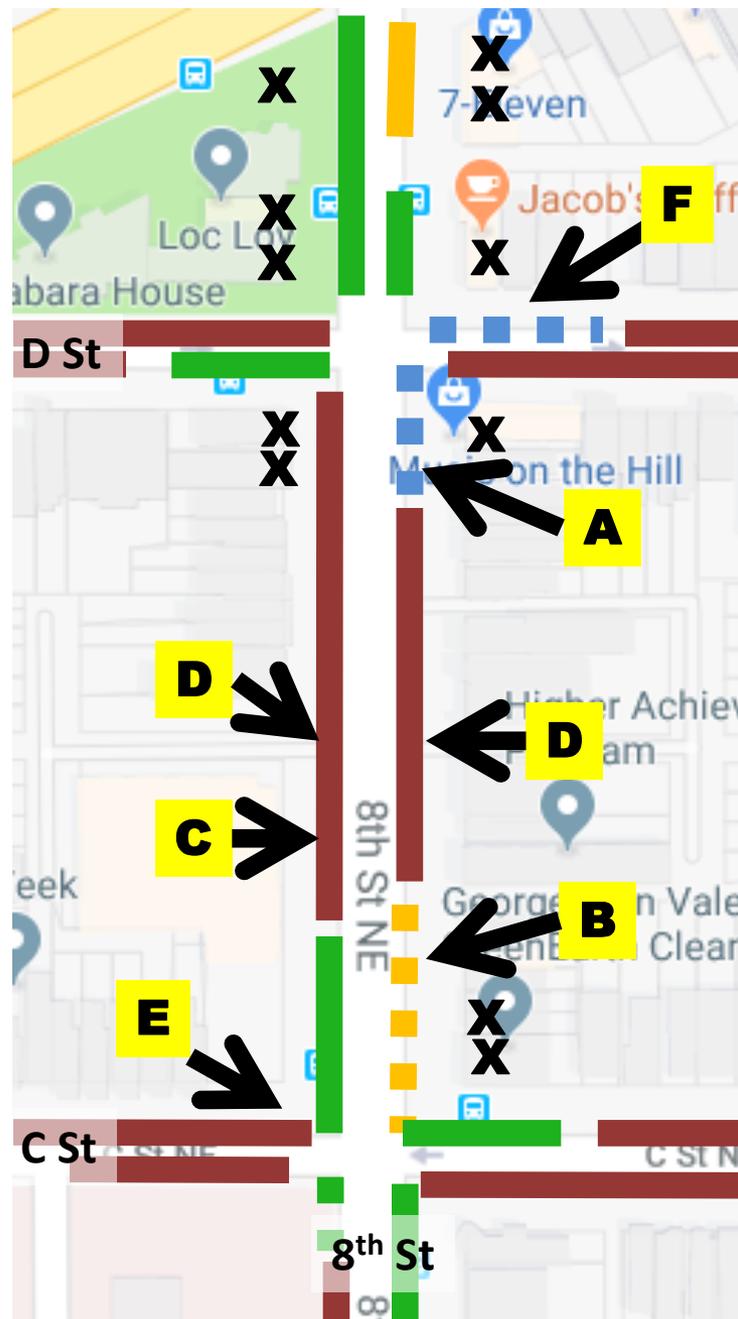
ANC6C03 observations

1. There is significant growth in the number of new residential units to the east of 8th Street, including 36 units at 300 8th and 144 units in 700 Constitution Ave. Despite projections by DC gov't Office of Planning and developers, new residents bring cars and want on-street parking.
2. RPP parking is already scarce. H Street commercial success applies additional pressure on neighborhood parking. Residents often need to park their cars several blocks from their homes, which creates security risks.
3. The commercial activity in the 300 block of 8th Street has moved north, with the closing of the dialysis center at 300 8th and opening of the music store at 801 D. Dialysis center no longer needs
 - loading zone for its patients immediately in front of the address, and
 - 2 hour parking across the street
4. Due to reconstruction of Maryland Ave, the area is already scheduled to lose some on-street parking spaces.
5. Summary: the immediate area is experiencing a net increase in need for residential parking, loss of RPP spaces on MD Ave, and no change in the need for commercial parking. Any new commercial parking (e.g., a loading zone) must be off-set so the number of RPP spaces remains the same, or increases.

Current conditions – same as previous slide



ANC6C03 recommendations



Explanation

- A.** If needed, add the loading zone on west side of 8th south of D St. to improve line-of-site at intersection for north-bound traffic
- B.** Reduce by half the 2 hour commercial parking zone that dialysis center no longer needs
- C.** With agreement of condo developer, eliminate loading zone at 300 8th.
- D.** Extend RPP zones south on 8th.
- E.** Extend RPP zone after curb-cut is removed on C.
- F.** Change unrestricted space on D into loading zone or 2 hour commercial parking.