



## Government of the District of Columbia Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B

### **DRAFT RESOLUTION #4B-22-0102** **Supporting Construction of the Metropolitan Branch Trail from** **Fort Totten to Takoma** **Adopted January 24, 2022**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B (ANC 4B or Commission) takes note of the following:

- The construction of the Metropolitan Branch Trail segment from Fort Totten to Takoma was first identified in the Metropolitan Branch Trail concept plan (2004) and was included in the Metropolitan Branch Trail Environmental Assessment (2012) and the MoveDC long-range transportation plan (2014).
- This segment of the Trail uses a variety of means to traverse from the Fort Totten Metro Station to Aspen Street, NW in Takoma, including:
  - New off-street and on-street trail segments
  - Traffic calming measures
  - Stormwater and low-impact development
  - Traffic signals and signage
- Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B previously expressed support for the construction of this Trail connection. See Resolution 4B-18-0107, Comments and Recommendations Regarding The Metropolitan Branch Trail from McDonald Place/New Hampshire Avenue NE to Aspen Street/Sandy Spring Road NW AND from Piney Branch Road/Takoma Avenue NW to the Maryland MBT (Jan. 22, 2018); [Resolution 4B-18-0403](#), Supporting Funding for the Design Of The Final Section of the Metropolitan Branch Trail (Apr. 23, 2018); [Resolution 4B-20-0702](#), ANC 4B Additional Recommendations on the Metropolitan Branch Trail (July 27, 2020); [Resolution 4B-21-0101](#), Supporting Construction of the Metropolitan Branch Trail (Jan. 25, 2021); and [Resolution 4B-21-0206](#), Providing Feedback on 65% Design of Metropolitan Branch Trail from Fort Totten to Takoma (Feb. 26, 2021).
- Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B previously expressed support for “timely progress on and completion of the MBT as a whole, and the

Commission encourages DDOT to accelerate the construction of the traffic safety and calming portions of the trail project regardless of trail construction schedule,” and provided specific feedback on this portion of trail. See [Resolution 4B-20-0702](#), ANC 4B Additional Recommendations on the Metropolitan Branch Trail (July 27, 2020).

- Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B previously expressed support for the Metropolitan Branch Trail as a “long-planned and long-overdue essential transportation link.” See [Resolution 4B-20-0104](#), Providing Feedback on Proposed Changes to the Comprehensive Plan (Jan. 27, 2020).

**RESOLVED:**

- That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B supports the District Department of Transportation’s planned construction of the Metropolitan Branch Trail from Fort Totten to Takoma with the following recommendations:
  - That the District Department of Transportation move rapidly to expedite construction of the Trail and complete it as soon as possible.
  - That the District Department of Transportation and the National Park Service work together to pursue the preferred, safer, off-street alignment for the Southern portion of the Trail.
  - That the District Department of Transportation prioritize the installation of safety features when determining the order of construction, particularly at the intersection of Aspen Street, NW and Blair Road, NW.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Commission designates Commissioner Evan Yeats, ANC 4B01, to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this resolution.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That, in the event the designated representative Commissioner cannot carry out his representative duties for any reason, the Commission authorizes the Chair to designate another Commissioner to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this resolution.

**FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That, consistent with DC Code § 1-309, only actions of the full Commission voting in a properly noticed public meeting have standing and carry great weight. The actions, positions and opinions of individual commissioners, insofar as they may be contradictory to or otherwise inconsistent with the expressed position of the full Commission in a properly adopted resolution or letter, have no standing and cannot be considered as in any way associated with the Commission.

**ADOPTED** by voice vote at a regular public meeting (notice of which was properly given, and at which a quorum of X members was present) on January 24, 2022, by a vote of X yes, X no, X abstain.

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