

# CLEVELAND PARK

## STREETSCAPE AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

July 25, 2023

To All Residents and Businesses,

District Department of Transportation (DDOT) extends our sincere gratitude to the community for your patience and cooperation during the ongoing Cleveland Park Streetscape and Drainage Project. This letter is an update on the service lane situated along Connecticut Avenue, from Macomb Street NW to Ordway Street NW on the east side.

In response to the decision made to reserve the service lane exclusively for pedestrians, after an assessment performed in May 2023, the DDOT ADA coordinator identified a significant trip hazard for pedestrians with mobility limitations. To ensure compliance with safety regulations, the project team is collaborating with design engineers to revise the site plan to address these concerns.

The revised plan will incorporate signal modifications at the exit of service lane, install thermal finish pavers in lieu of cobblestone pavers and standard concrete sidewalk. Additionally, planting soil will be installed flush with the sidewalk and curb, as originally designed for porous rubber sidewalks around tree boxes. We are working to make these updates as promptly as possible, however, modification may continue through January 2024 (weather permitting) due to material availability. Construction on the service lane will resume late October 2023. The Contractor will be authorized to work between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Our focus remains on achieving a balance between safety, accessibility, and supporting local businesses. To accommodate public requests for outdoor space usage, we partially adjusted the channelizers to improve pedestrian access. However, we kindly request that no permanent sheds or tents be installed on the service lane to avoid future disruptions until project completion.

Thank you for your support and patience as we create safer conditions for pedestrians, motorists, and cyclists along the Connecticut Avenue corridor. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the project or construction activities, please feel free to email us at [info@clevelandparkstreetscape.com](mailto:info@clevelandparkstreetscape.com). The remaining work along the corridor, including pavement, signage, landscaping, etc., will continue as planned to be completed before November except the Service Lane. For updates on the construction schedule, visit the project website at [www.clevelandparkstreetscape.com](http://www.clevelandparkstreetscape.com).

Sincerely,

The Cleveland Park Streetscape and Drainage Project  
Community Outreach and Engagement Team