

Ward 4: Mayor Muriel Bowser's 14th Street NW Community Walk



Thursday, September 26, 2019

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Start: 1335 Farragut St NW (West Education Campus)

End: Upshur Pool & Recreation Center (4300 Arkansas Ave NW)

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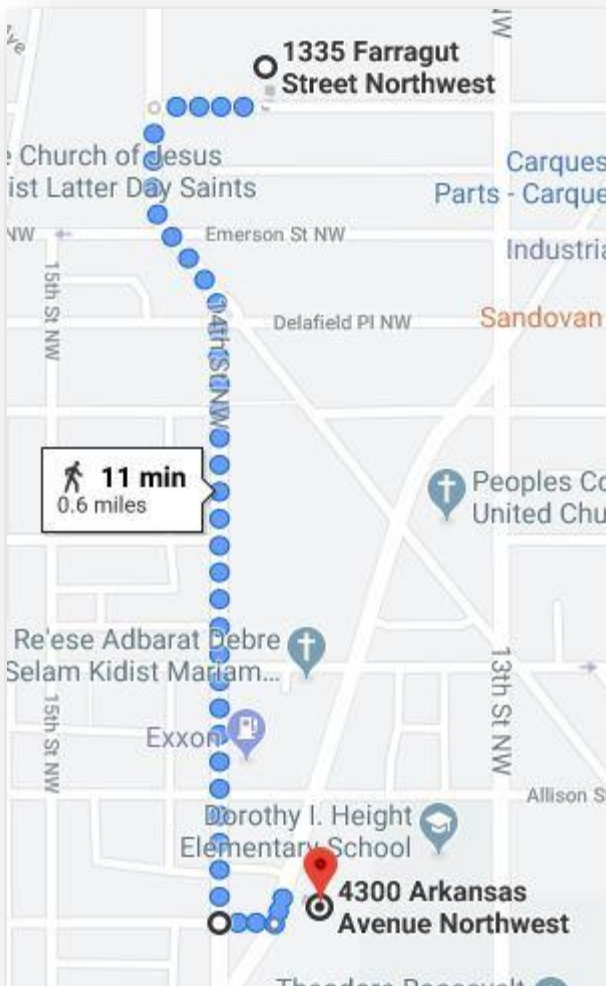


On September 26th, 2019, Mayor Muriel Bowser, accompanied by agency directors, conducted a community walk in the 16th Street Heights neighborhood, focusing specifically on the Upper 14th Street NW Business Corridor, the West Education Campus construction site, and the Upshur Pool and Recreation Center.

This report outlines those efforts in detail and will be forward to each agency for appropriate response. The Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) will provide a 30, 60, and 90 day update on follow-up items with the identified agencies.

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Route Summary

START: front of West Elementary: 1334 Farragut St NW

- Turn left onto 14th St NW
- Continue south on 14th St NW
- Left turn on Webster St NW
- Left turn on Arkansas Ave NW

END: Upshur Recreation 4300 Arkansas Ave NW

Administration Participants

- **Councilmember** Brandon Todd
- **Kevin Donahue**, Deputy Mayor, (DMPSJ)
- **Lucinda Babers**, Deputy Mayor, (DMOI)
- **Tomas Talamante**, Deputy Chief of Staff (EOM)
- **Julia Irving**, Director, (MOCRS)
- **Polly Donaldson**, Director, (DHCD)
- **Jeffrey Marootian**, Director (DDOT)
- **Keith Anderson**, Director, (DGS)
- **Delbert McFadden**, Executive Director, (ONSE)
- **Julie Lawson**, Director, (MOCC)
- **Anthony Crispino**, Deputy Director (DPW)
- **Jon Stokes**, Interim Associate Director of External Affairs, (DGS)
- **Commander Randy Griffin** (MPD)
- Aly Kaba (MOAA)
- David Jones (DDOT)
- Ella Faulkner (DPR)
- Jason Sockwell(DPR)
- Glen Reynoso(DPR)
- Sayra Molina (DDOT)
- Rodger Sanchez (MONC)
- Jasmin Benab (DMPSJ)
- Yared Mengistu (MOAA)
- Richard Livingston(DCHD)
- Sheila Miller (DCHD)
- Helder Gil (DMPSJ)
- Lt. David Sledge (MPD)
- Inez Saki-Tay (DCRA)



Community Participants

- **Maria Barry**, Commissioner, ANC4C02
- **Ulysses Campbell**, Commissioner, ANC 4C03
- **Debbie Matties**, Commissioner, ANC4C05
- **Starsha Valentine**, Executive Director, Uptown Main Street
- **Audrey Nwanze**, Community Alliance for Upper Fourteenth Street (CAUFS)
- **Jack Campbell**, President, 16th Street Heights Neighborhood Association
- **April Gaines Jernigan**, Community member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. President
- **Juan Salazar**, Local Business Owner, La Coop Café



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(Ms. Alonzo pictured right)

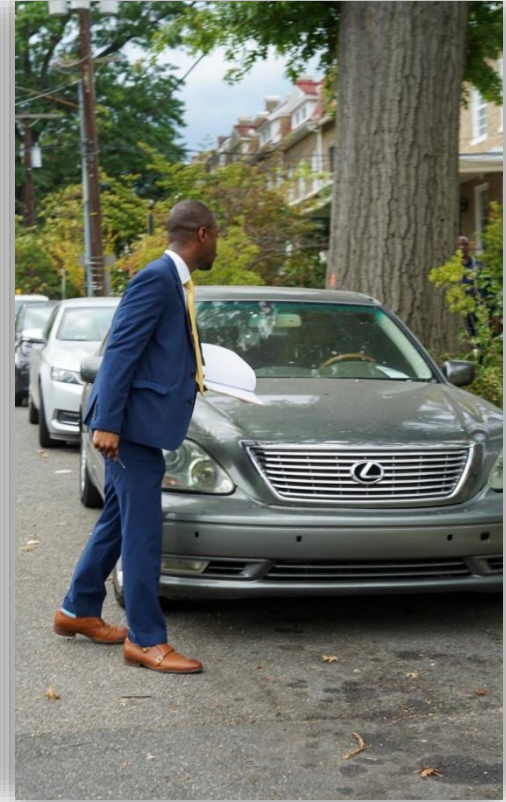
Mayor Bowser sharing a moment with neighbor, Ms. Alonzo, shortly after observing the proposed net zero improvements at West Educational Campus. Along 14th Street, Director Marootian shared vision zero improvements along the corridor and identified areas under assessment.

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Mayor Bowser engaged with business owners along the 14th Street corridor to learn of concerns and explore opportunities and resources for the emerging businesses. The Community Alliance for Upper 14th Street and Uptown Main Street shared proposals and fresh ideas to help revitalize the area in the midst of transition.

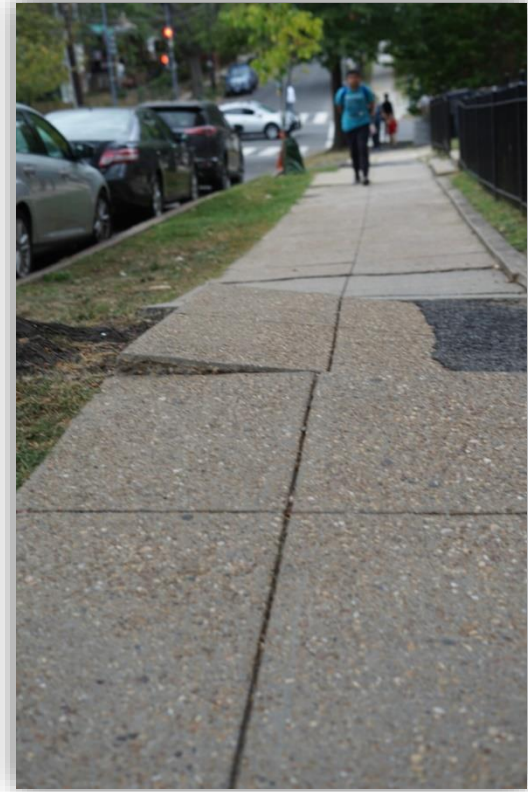
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Tree box maintenance, downed pedestrian crossing signs, and abandoned vehicles issues were noted and addressed. Mayor Bowser doubled-down on her commitment to creating a #TrashFreeDC and ensuring the safety of pedestrians and cyclists through Vision Zero initiative.

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Additional concerns along the walk route included business corridor activation/revitalization, tree pruning, and sidewalks in need of repair. Government officials have been directed by Mayor Bowser to think differently about how to resolve various concerns highlighted along the walk route.

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The Ward 4 MOCRS also highlighted public safety and cleanliness concerns at the Upshur Pool and Recreation Center.



At the conclusion of the walk, Mayor Bowser discussed various ways District agencies can collaborate to resolve concerns.

Issues Identified and Status

ISSUE	LOCATION/ADDRESS	AGENCY RESPONSIBLE	SLA	STATUS
Overgrowth in tree boxes	4900 b/o 14th St. NW	DPW	Oct. 7, '19	Open
Timeline for West Education Campus	1338 Farragut St. NW	DGS	FY21	Open
Lawsuit regarding the use of the large parcel	The Kingsbury Center 5000 14th St. NW	DMPED	Ongoing	Open
Consistent maintenance and upkeep at The Kingsbury Center	5000 14th Street NW	DMPED	Ongoing	Open
Final sidewalk repair of a ten-year-old utility cut	4900 b/o 14th St. NW	DDOT	FY20	Open
Tree Pruning	1300 b/o Emerson St NW	DDOT	April 2020	Open
Stop sign clarification at intersection- currently 2 stop signs causing traffic confusion	14th and Emerson St. NW	DDOT	FY20	Open
Modifying the parking/bike lane configuration to allow busses and cars to safely pass and allow for safe pick up and drop off of Metro Access users.	4900 block of 14th St. NW	DDOT	Oct. 17, '19	Open



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Flexi-posts are too far out causing the two lanes to merge	4800 b/o Iowa Ave. NW	DDOT	FY20	Open
Graffiti behind stop sign	1300 b/o Delafield Pl. NW (on looking 14th Street)	DPW	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Tree trimming in the public space	4800 b/o 14th St. NW	DDOT	April 2020	Open
Review of Main Street's proposal to address 14th Street Business Corridor challenges	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	DSLBD	Fall FY20	Open
Trash in the alley Food truck dumping grease	Rear of 4728 14th St. NW (Johanna)	DOH MONC	Ongoing	Open
Solar Solutions' charging cords are a trip hazard to pedestrians in the corridor	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	DOEE	Oct. 2019	Open
Evaluation of restricted 2 hour commercial loading zone where Solar Solutions' commercial vehicles park.	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	DMOI DOEE DSLBD	Fall FY20	Open
Second loading zone	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	DDOT DPW	FY20	Open



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Nightlife outreach	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	MONC	Fall FY 20	Open
Call for a Public Safety Day on 14th St. NW (agencies will have lunch)		DMPSJ MPD	Spring FY20	Open
Graffiti on 2nd level of mural	4730 14th St. NW (corner of 14th and Decatur)	DPW DDOT	FY20	Open
Bio Retention space maintenance	14th and Crittenden NW	DPW	Oct. 7, '19	Open
Abandoned green Lexus	Corner of 14th and Cirttenden NW (side of Solar Solutions)	DPW-PEMA	Oct. 10, '19	Closed
Tree Pruning	Front of 4710 14th St. NW	DDOT	Spring FY20	Open
Brainstorming on ideas to engage and create programming for the Cease Fire Non-Profit	4700 b/o 14th St. NW	DMPSJ ONSE	Winter FY20	Open
4622 14th Street NW entrance and storefront beautification	4622 14th St. NW	DSLBD DHCD	Summer FY20	Open



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Damaged Tree Box	4622 14th St. NW	DDOT	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Graffiti on storefront gate	4618 14th St. NW	DPW	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Alley graffiti removal Possible Mural DC candidate	4606 14th St. NW	DPW	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Deploy Narcotics Enforcement Unit to address drug activity under church steps	4604 14th St. NW	MPD	Oct. 7, '19	Open
Outreach services for encampment at bus stop	Buchanan and 14th St. NW WMATA Bus Stop ID: 1002463	DHS	Oct. 3, '19	Open
Double poles	4516 14th St. NW	DDOT OCTFME	Fall FY20	Open
Educate neighbors to maintain tree boxes	4500 14th St. NW	DPW-SWEEP	Oct. 3, '19	Open
Micromobility corral	4500 b/o 14th St. NW (near Allison St NW)	DDOT	Ongoing	Open
Correct the path adjacent to the stairs behind Upshur rec; abrupt ending onto dirt	Rear of 4300 Arkansas Ave. NW (Upshur Pool)	DPW DGS	FY20	Open



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Activate bumped out curb cuts as dedicated bikeshare parking zones	14th and Allison St NW	DDOT	Ongoing	Open
Assist “Ma” with applying for Class A Liquor license	Super Saver Grocery Store 4413 14 th St. NW	MONC ABRA DSLBD		
Vision to develop senior housing atop existing structure but currently prohibited by zoning	Alpha Kapp Alpha House 4411 14th Street	DHCD	Fall FY20	Open
Treebox repair	4425 14th St. NW	DDOT	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Welcome Sign/ Public Space Art idea implementation from ANC/Main Street	Triangle Park on Arkansas Ave NW	DGS	Ongoing	Open
Sidewalk repairs	4400 b/o Arkansas Ave NW	DDOT	FY20	Open
Missing curb cut at crosswalk	Corner of Arkansas and Webster St. NW	DDOT	FY20	Open



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Immediate improvements to benches, path and landscaping	4300 Arkansas Ave. NW Upshur Recreation Center	DGS	FY 2020*	Open
Consistent maintenance of playground	4300 Arkansas Ave. NW Upshur Recreation Center	DGS	Ongoing	
Graffiti in rear of Upshur Pool at Dorothy Heights; pool building, and basketball courts	4300 Arkansas Ave. NE Rear Upshur Pool	DGS	Oct. 10, '19	Open
Tree Pruning	1300 b/o Emerson St NW	DDOT	Spring FY20	Open
Tree box gate needs repairs Main Streets to request a permit for maintenance	4620 14th Street NW	DDOT Main Streets	FY20	Open

