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## **Pedestrian advance time at 16th and Irving**

Resolved, that ANC1D advises the District Department of Transportation to implement an advance of the pedestrian “walk” signal ahead of the east-west traffic light, for pedestrian crossing of 16th Street NW, at Irving Street.

**Why:** There is very heavy pedestrian traffic at this intersection, including many walking to the Columbia Heights Metro Station at 14th and Irving. This intersection has the second highest number of daily pedestrian crossings in the area, exceeded only by the count at 14th and Irving. It has the largest number of pedestrian-vehicle collisions in the area, recording 11 between 1997 and 2001. There is continuous conflict between pedestrians crossing the intersection east-west, and traffic on eastbound Irving Street turning south onto 16th.

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety has found that giving pedestrians an advance time of a few seconds over the right-turning traffic reduces conflicts between cars and pedestrians by 95 percent. This change would significantly enhance pedestrian safety at this intersection.

*Passed by five to zero vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of January 16, 2007, with a quorum present.*