

Tuesday January 12

## Woodley Park News

The Winter Tuesday Talks Series kicks off with the architects who designed the new Cleveland Park Library, Matthew Bell and Tim Bertschinger of Perkins Eastman DC. They will discuss how the building was conceived, what aspects of neighborhood context informed the design and how the concept evolved from first ideas to realization. Tuesday January 19, 7 pm. No registration required, just click [here](#).

**The Gourmand Grill**, the soon-to-be occupant of the Mr Chen's space, has applied for a liquor license. In addition to inside service, it asks permission to serve liquor in a ten-seat sidewalk café until 1 am on Friday and Saturday evenings. Most neighborhood establishments serve outside only until 11:30 or midnight. Your thoughts – pro or con – on this request would be appreciated.

**Connecticut Avenue Study.** DDoT has released the next set of reports in this study. Last summer, it advised that it was considering four options for traffic flow along the Avenue (in addition to the existing arrangement). It has now narrowed the field to two options, plus doing nothing. It has also performed traffic analyses on the three choices, copies of which are [on the website](#).

The two proposals for change are:

Concept B -- No reversible lanes; no bike lanes; three travel lanes in each direction during rush hour; two travel lanes in each direction and parking on both sides during other hours.

Concept C -- No reversible lanes; one-way bike lanes on each side; three travel lanes in each direction with no parking or two travel lanes in each direction with parking on one side.

DDoT's traffic analysis says that these proposals will not have significant negative effects on the quality of service and drive times along the Avenue. But this is because it assumes that significant volumes of traffic will be diverted to other roadways. In the case of Concept B, it assumes that there will be roughly 2000 fewer vehicles per day, and for Concept C, 6500 fewer vehicles per day. DDoT assumes that 60% of the diverted Connecticut Ave traffic would use Broad Branch Rd, Reno Rd, Wisconsin Ave and Massachusetts Ave.

DDoT will hold additional public meetings early this year and continue to refine the concepts.

Also on the website is the [latest report](#) from the **Swiss Embassy** on the renovation of the chancery building.

## Calendar

Tuesday February 2, 7:30. **WPCA Executive Committee Meeting.** The agenda should be [on the website](#) a few days before the meeting. All are welcome via Zoom, just click [here](#).

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