Fatal Crash Follow-up
900 block of Southern Ave SE

Death Case Year
21

Death Case Number
13

Jurisdiction
MPD

CCN
21-051931

Death Type
Pedestrian

Address Location
900 Southern Ave SE, Washington, DC

Ward
8

Striking Vehicle

- Motor Vehicle (MVT)

Second Striking Vehicle/Object

- Pedestrian (PED)

Crash Date and Time
Apr 23, 2021, 10:20:00 PM

Fatality Person
Pedestrian
Narrative

The preliminary investigation revealed that on Friday, April 23, 2021, at approximately 2220 hours, a pedestrian sat down on the roadway in the northbound lane of the 900 block of Southern Avenue, SE. Once on the roadway, the pedestrian was struck by a vehicle that was described by witnesses as a white commercial van type vehicle that was traveling in the northbound direction on Southern Avenue, SE. The aforementioned vehicle then continued on without stopping or making its identity known.

MPD Press release link


Site Visit(s)

Completed

Factors/context discussed at site visit(s)

Causal factors did not point to engineering, but generally speed is often a factor in crashes in this corridor.

Actions Planned/Completed

DDOT will install a full traffic signal as part of the Southern Ave capital project which will provide new roadway markings and traffic calming to the corridor. The capital project contract was awarded in spring 2021, with a plan to break ground in summer 2021 and has an 15-month construction schedule.