What?
The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is launching three quick-build bus priority projects to help residents safely and efficiently travel everywhere they live, work, and play in the District. One of the three projects is located on Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE between W Street SE and St. Elizabeths East Campus. The curb lanes of Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE will be restricted to buses in the peak direction during the morning (northbound curb lane, 7:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.) and evening (southbound curb lane, 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) rush hours.

Red paint will be installed in the bus lanes to designate their use. Buses will service all existing stops. Parking is currently rush hour restricted in the peak direction on MLK, Jr. Avenue SE, so no parking will be removed. Right turns are permitted from the bus lanes and all alley and driveway access will be maintained.

Why?
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE bus lanes are part of the DDOT Bus Priority Program, the Bowser Administration’s initiative to enhance bus speed and reliability across all eight wards of the District. These bus priority projects are implemented quickly, require minimal design, and help address current and future needs for Metrobus and Circulator service. Dedicated bus lanes will allow WMATA and Circulator to efficiently operate their routes and help passengers to avoid crowds and maintain physical distance on buses.

When?
The new lanes will be implemented in late summer 2020. DDOT will collect data to monitor the performance of the project including:

- Multimodal safety
- Bus speeds and reliability
- Vehicle operations and access
Where?
The bus lanes will be located on **Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE between W Street SE and St. Elizabeths East Campus.**

Questions or Comments
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