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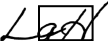
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Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan, Engagement Update Briefing

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Description:

Update on the *Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan* engagement efforts.

Staff Summary

The *Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Sector Plan* is an update to the 2000 *Silver Spring Central Business District Sector Plan* and includes properties covered by the 2000 *North and West Silver Spring Master Plan* and the 2000 *East Silver Spring Master Plan*. Since the Planning Board approved the Scope of Work on June 4, 2020, the team has spent the past 5 months conducting the existing conditions analysis of the Plan Area while simultaneously engaging with the community through various listening sessions, office hours, small in-person outdoor walks, online meetings, web surveys, and email newsletters.

Staff will present an overview of the engagement efforts since the approval of the Scope of Work and determination of the Plan's boundary and summarize initial feedback. To date, staff has engaged over 500 residents, property owners, business owners and community stakeholders from across the Plan Area, including the Downtown and the adjacent residential neighborhoods. Staff will also present a preview of the Plan's emphasis on equity, consistent with the county's Racial Equity Act, and the framework for the existing conditions analysis to be presented to the Planning Board in early 2021.

Plan Next Steps

- Wrap up Phase I engagement with December Listening Sessions
- Existing Conditions Briefing expected in Early 2021
- Visioning Process and Phase II Engagement kick-off expected in March 2021

Staff requests feedback from the Planning Board on the engagement briefing.

Attachments

1. List of Engagement Events and Meetings to Date.

List of Engagement Events and Meetings as of 12/3/2020

Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan

Date	Time	Event Type	Who (public, specific group, etc.)
7/27/2020	5:30 PM	Listening Session	Open to public
7/29/2020	12:00 PM	Listening Session	Open to public
8/4/2020	7:00 PM	Listening Session	Open to public
9/3/2020	10:00 AM	Meeting	Karen Roper (ESSCA, Fenton Village Inc.)
9/16/2020	10:00 AM	Listening Session	Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation Staff
9/21/2020	10:00 AM	Meeting	DC Office of Planning (Erkin Ozberk, Colleen Willger)
9/23/2020	11:00 AM	Meeting	Kellee James, founder and CEO of Mercaris
9/23/2020	7:00 PM	Listening Session	Seven Oaks Evanswood Citizens Association
9/30/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	Councilmember Tom Hucker
10/1/2020	10:00 AM	Meeting	Haroon Mokhtarzada, Founder of Truebill
10/5/2020	12:00 PM	Listening Session	Open to public
10/7/2020	7:30 PM	Listening Session	Woodside Civic Association
10/8/2020	9:00 AM	Meeting	Steve Sidel, Founder & CEO of Mindoula
10/13/2020	7:00 PM	Listening Session	Open to public
10/15/2020	9:00 AM	Meeting	Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind
10/15/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	MHP
10/15/2020	10:30 AM	Meeting	Department of Health and Human Services
10/16/2020	11:00 AM	Listening Session	Upper Georgia Ave Main Street
10/16/2020	1:00 PM	Meeting	Kit Gage, Friends of Sligo Creek
10/20/2020	7:00 PM	Listening Session	Shepherd Park Citizens Association
11/2/2020	1:00 PM	Meeting	Harvey Maisel, property owner
11/4/2020	1:00 PM	Meeting	Washington Property Company
11/4/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	Lee Development
11/4/2020	11:00 AM	Meeting	Newell St. Self-Storage
11/5/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	8551 Fenton Ave Properties
11/10/2020	3:00 PM	Listening Session	Montgomery College students
11/12/2020	8:00 AM	Listening Session	Silver Spring Transportation Management District
11/13/2020	3:00 PM	Meeting	Montgomery County Food Council
11/16/2020	7:00 PM	Listening Session	East Silver Spring Citizens Association
11/16/2020	9:30 AM	Meeting	Progress Place/Shepherd's Table
11/16/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	Silver Spring Village
11/17/2020	11:00 AM	Meeting	8700 Georgia Ave
11/18/2020	2:00 PM	Meeting	Montgomery College facilities
11/18/2020	9:00 AM	Listening Session	Silver Spring Arts and Entertainment District
11/18/2020	7:30 PM	Listening Session	Ethiopian community leaders
11/24/2020	7:00 PM	Meeting	Orion Condo Board
11/30/2020	7:15 PM	Listening Session	Eastern Village Co-Housing
12/1/2020	4:00 PM	Listening Session	Friends of Sligo Creek