

# SILVER SPRING DOWNTOWN AND ADJACENT COMMUNITIES PLAN WORK SESSION #4



## Description

Over the last twenty years, Silver Spring has transformed into a uniquely diverse and vibrant destination for retail, restaurants, businesses, arts and entertainment. This evolution was set in motion by the 2000 *Silver Spring Central Business District Sector Plan* which envisioned a transit-oriented, green and pedestrian-friendly downtown with a strong commercial and residential development market. The *Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan* builds on the previous plan to help Silver Spring continue to be a regional destination for the next twenty years.

## MASTER PLAN INFORMATION

Work Session

Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent  
Communities Plan

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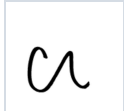
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### Summary

The *Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan* is an update to the 2000 *Silver Spring Central Business District Sector Plan*. This plan also amends the *East Silver Spring Master Plan* and the *North and West Silver Spring Master Plan*, both approved in 2000. This plan makes recommendations within the plan area for land use and zoning, housing, economic growth, urban design, transportation, parks and public spaces, environmental resiliency, community facilities and historic resources.

On October 28, 2021 staff presented the Working Draft of the *Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan* to the Planning Board. The Planning Board authorized staff to prepare the Public Hearing Draft of the Sector Plan and the Public Hearing was held on December 2, 2021 at 6:30 pm in the auditorium of the Wheaton Headquarters Building at 2425 Reedy Drive in Wheaton, MD. A notice for the Public Hearing was published in the Washington Times on November 1, 2021.

In this fourth and final work session, staff will present the revisions to transportation and housing recommendations, address comments from the Board on edits presented on December 23 and review any outstanding text changes for Board review. At the Board's request staff will also present the heat island analysis and findings that were completed in 2020. The Planning Board is expected to vote to transmit the Planning Board Draft of the Plan to the County Council.

### Attachments

1. Summary of Revisions to the Public Hearing Draft of the Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Communities Plan.

2. Public Comments received about the Public Hearing Draft after the record was closed on December 7, 2021.