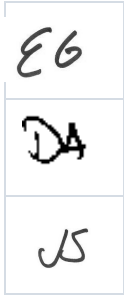


Montgomery Planning
PEDESTRIAN MASTER PLAN
PUBLIC HEARING



Description

The Planning Board will receive public testimony on the Public Hearing Draft of the Pedestrian Master Plan.



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RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Board will receive public testimony on the Pedestrian Master Plan Public Hearing Draft.

DESCRIPTION

The Pedestrian Master Plan is the first countywide plan in Montgomery County to make recommendations to improve the pedestrian experience in a holistic way. An important element in the county's 2017 Vision Zero Action Plan and 2021 Climate Action Plan, the Pedestrian Master Plan supports the Thrive Montgomery 2050 goal to "develop a safe, comfortable and appealing network for walking, biking and rolling." The plan documents the pedestrian experience in Montgomery County today, and makes recommendations in line with national and international best practices so being a pedestrian here is even better in the years ahead. The plan envisions a county where walking (and rolling using a mobility device) is safer, more comfortable, more convenient and more accessible for pedestrians of all ages and abilities. In line with this vision, the plan includes the following goals:

- 1) Increase Walking Rates and Pedestrian Satisfaction
- 2) Create a Comfortable, Connected, Convenient Pedestrian Network
- 3) Enhance Pedestrian Safety
- 4) Build an Equitable and Just Pedestrian Network

Staff presented the Working Draft of the Pedestrian Master Plan to the Planning Board on February 9, 2023. The Planning Board authorized staff to prepare the Public Hearing Draft of the Pedestrian Master Plan and scheduled a public hearing for March 23, 2023 in the second floor auditorium of the M-NCPPC Wheaton Headquarters building at 2425 Reedie Drive, Wheaton, MD. The public hearing was advertised in the Washington Times on February 15, 2023.

The public hearing record will remain open until April 6, 2023 at 5 p.m. for additional written testimony to be submitted to the Planning Board. Staff will summarize the testimony and conduct the first worksession with the Planning Board on April 13, 2023.

APPENDICES

Attachment A: Public Hearing Draft Pedestrian Master Plan

Attachment B: Public Hearing Draft Pedestrian Master Plan Appendix

Attachment C: Public Correspondence to Date