

Attachment C: Public Comments

From: [CHRISTINE MORGAN](#)
To: [Murnen, Lily](#)
Subject: Re: East Silver Spring Greenway Plan
Date: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 4:21:52 PM

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Lily,

It worked!! Thank you.

Christine

On Jul 9, 2024, at 3:47 PM, Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org> wrote:

Hi Christine, glad the MCDOT website was helpful. If you check back on MCATLAS, the links for the plans should now be working when you open, "Click here to view Plans & Reports." Let me know if you still can't access them, and I can figure out a way to send you the main files.

Best,

Lily Murnen (*she/they*)

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From: CHRISTINE MORGAN <laughingmatters@verizon.net>

Sent: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 11:43 AM

To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>

Subject: Re: East Silver Spring Greenway Plan

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Thank you, Lily, for your extensive reply to my email. The link provided to MCATLAS went nowhere; "This plan submission has not yet been 'accepted.'" is what came up. However, the MCDOT website is fabulous, providing as much information as one could hope for.

Thank you again.

Christine Morgan

On Jul 8, 2024, at 2:04 PM, Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org> wrote:

Hi Christine,

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Thank you for your email about the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway. I'm including a few links for you.

Here are all the project application drawings on our Montgomery Planning development website (<https://www.mcatlas.org/daic8/Default.aspx?apno=MR2024019>). The drawings can be a bit tricky to read, but I would refer you to pages 14-23 (roadway plan) and pages 65-74 (signing and marking plan). The last three digits of the file names correspond to the page number (for example, page 14 is file 03-MRPIAN-MR2024019-014.pdf).

On the MCDOT project website (<https://montgomerycountymd.gov/dote/projects/EastSilverSpring/index.html>), there are some recent public presentations and overview maps, which might be easier to view. In addition, you can contact the MCDOT project manager, Matt Johnson (matt.johnson@montgomerycountymd.gov, 240-777-7237), and his team can answer any specific design questions.

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I can provide additional information if you or anyone else would like to sign up to testify at the public hearing, currently scheduled for Thursday, September 12. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thank you,
Lily Murnen (she/they)
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-----Original Message-----

From: CHRISTINE MORGAN <laughingmatters@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 11:44 AM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: East Silver Spring Greenway Plan

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Dear Ms. Murnen,

I just received notice of the tentative hearing date for the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway. Are there any documents and/or drawn plans for this project which can be accessed on line? Please let me know.

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Thank you for your assistance.

Christine Morgan

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [Yvonne Violet Shashoua](#)
Subject: RE: regarding traffic circle at Violet and Woodbury
Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 9:36:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

Hello Yvonne,

Thank you for the location details; I will add them to the comments I present to the Planning Board.

According to MCDOT's project website, "construction is not expected to begin until late Spring 2025" (<https://montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dte/projects/EastSilverSpring/index.html>). Matt Johnson should have the most updated information about the project construction timeline.

Thanks again,

Lily Murnen (*she/they*)
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From: Yvonne Violet Shashoua <yvshashoua@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 11, 2024 7:10 PM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Re: regarding traffic circle at Violet and Woodbury

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Hello Lily,

Thank you for the response. Do you know if this project will start before February 2025?

The school bus normally parks on the circle of Woodbury and Violet, alongside Russel Young's house, facing toward Gist. So the bus comes into the circle from Gist, goes three-quarters of the way around the circle, and parks just after passing Violet Place. The bus is there for about twenty minutes.

Yvonne

Sent from [Outlook](#)

From: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 11:30 AM
To: Yvonne Violet Shashoua <yvshashoua@hotmail.com>

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Subject: RE: regarding traffic circle at Violet and Woodbury

Hello Yvonne,

Thank you for your comments. I will include these in the record for the public hearing. Is there a particular section of the circle where the bus usually parks?

The current design is moving forward with Option 1, the traffic circle, and the lanes will be 20-feet-wide. Here are all the project application drawings on our Montgomery Planning development website (<https://www.mcatlas.org/daic8/Default.aspx?apno=MR2024019>). The drawings can be a bit tricky to read, but I would refer you to page 14 and page 65 for the Woodbury-Violet intersection. The last three digits of the file names correspond to the page number (for example, page 14 is file 03-MRPLAN-MR2024019-014.pdf). To see all the sections and details of the design, refer to pages 14-23 (roadway plan) and pages 65-74 (signing and marking plan).

Please let me know if you have any other questions. Thank you again for your comments and engagement with this project.

Best,
Lily



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From: Yvonne Violet Shashoua <yvshashoua@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 4, 2024 8:13 PM

To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>

Subject: regarding traffic circle at Violet and Woodbury

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Dear Lily Murnen,

Matt Johnson told me to send my concerns regarding the circle at Violet and Woodbury to you. My son rides a school bus every day that specifically parks at the circle on Violet and Woodbury because there is extra space there for the bus to come in and turn around.

Regarding the area of Woodbury and Violet, I prefer Option 1, the circle, over Option 2, the two-T's. One reason that I prefer this is that it provides more driving space so that a school bus can park for 30 minutes while cars can still get around the bus. I am requesting a designated parking area for the bus with no parking signs during the hours the bus would be there (i.e. 6am to 8am, 4pm to 6pm, for instance). Another reason is that I am concerned about the two-T's

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option putting lots of extra real estate next to existing private homes' properties, exacerbating an ongoing problem in our neighborhood of residents claiming public property as their own private property. I am also requesting as much advance notice as possible before the actual construction work on the circle at Violet and Woodbury starts.

Yvonne

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [George Wollner](#)
Subject: RE: Re Feferral Notice MR2024019
Date: Monday, July 8, 2024 2:00:00 PM
Attachments: [03-MRPIAN-MR2024019-COMBINED.pdf](#)
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[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[EastSilverSpringGreenway_Map.pdf](#)
[Presentation_Grove_CommunityMeeting20231128.pdf](#)

Hi George,

Thank you for your email about the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway.

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Thank you,
Lily



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From: George Wollner <george.wollner@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 29, 2024 9:44 PM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Re Feferral Notice MR2024019

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As the notice I received directs, please send to me at this email address a copy of proposed

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plans. Thanks.

George Wollner
301-379-3755

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: mlisis@rcn.com
Subject: RE: ESS N'hood Greenway
Date: Monday, July 8, 2024 12:12:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
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[03-MRPIAN-MR2024019-COMBINED.pdf](#)

Hello Melanie,

Thank you for your comments. I will include these in the record for the public hearing.

Treatments like Grove Street are not proposed on Woodbury Drive. No speed humps or flex posts are proposed. Bicycles and vehicles will share the lane, and each lane will remain 12 feet wide. The main improvement on Woodbury Drive is the installation of a more formal traffic circle at the Violet Place and Richmond Avenue intersection, which will reduce conflicts between motor vehicles and improve safety. I've attached the plan drawings; take a look at pages 65-66.

Regarding the Fenton Street bike lane, that is a standalone project and not included in this Mandatory Referral. Here is the current [MCDOT webpage for Fenton Street](#). The MCDOT team has almost completed the design, and they expect construction to begin in early 2025--likely to last 18 to 24 months. Please reach out to the MCDOT project manager, Matt Johnson (Matt.Johnson@montgomerycountymd.gov), for more information about that project.

MCDOT and Montgomery Planning have a shared goal to make all roads "complete streets"—which means safe and comfortable for all road-users (pedestrians, bikes, vehicles, etc.). Most roads in the county were previously designed to prioritize vehicles, not pedestrians or bicyclists. Projects like this ESS Neighborhood Greenway and the Fenton Street Bike Lanes aim to re-prioritize pedestrians and bicyclists, especially on roadways that provide important connections to key destinations and that parallel busier streets, like Georgia Avenue. If you have other questions, I would be happy to chat on the phone.

Thank you again for your comments and engagement with this project.

Best,
Lily



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From: mlisis@rcn.com <mlisis@rcn.com>
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2024 7:57 PM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: ESS N'hood Greenway

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Ms. Murnen,

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The postcard that I received in the mail from Montgomery Planning reminded me that Planning was continuing to develop its Grove Street Greenway by expanding it to my neighborhood, which I'd heard about earlier this year at meetings about the Grove Street Greenway. I live on Gist Avenue, the third house from Woodbury Drive and the Woodbury Circle Garden. Woodbury has been a designated bike route for many years, with painted graphics on the asphalt indicating a cycling route. It does NOT have a lot of vehicle traffic that must be "managed" with "improvements" like those installed on Grove Street to create a "Greenway".

As a longtime resident, pedestrian and cyclist, I appreciate the smooth quiet neighborhood feeling of Woodbury Drive and do not want Woodbury narrowed, reduced in width by installation of poles to separate pedestrians and cyclists from vehicles. I do not want speed humps and cushions installed on Woodbury, which is a short road with sidewalks on both sides.

I understand that a bike crossing will be designated with signage and painted markings on Sligo Avenue at its intersection with Woodbury, and that the bike route will run on the sidewalk along Sligo (in front of ArtSpace) to Grove Street, where it continues. In addition, if there is a designated bike route on Woodbury/Sligo/Grove/Cedar, etc., what need is there for one on Fenton Street, which is terribly congested most of the time? Narrowing intersections on Fenton Street some years ago is the reason that Grove Street became the preferred local route to bypass traffic, bus stops, congestion on Fenton. Grove was lightly used when Fenton Street was more open. Only county police sped up and down Grove Street, where no barriers existed for decades.

As I've stated above, Woodbury Drive does not need the improvements that Grove Street received, and I hope you will take my comments into consideration as you move forward with plans.

I'd appreciate any information you can provide about "improvements" planned for Woodbury, along with information about the proposed bike lane on Fenton Street.

Thank you,

MELANIE ISIS

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: "Gray Kimbrough"
Subject: RE: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway
Date: Thursday, June 27, 2024 10:30:00 AM
Attachments: [03-MRPIAN-MR2024019-COMBINED.pdf](#)
[EastSilverSpringGreenway_Map.pdf](#)
[Presentation_Grove_CommunityMeeting20231128.pdf](#)

Hi Gray

Thank you for your email about the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway.

Here are the [project application documents](#) on our Montgomery Planning development website, and I've attached the engineering drawings. The drawings can be a bit tricky to read, but I would refer you to pages 14-23 (roadway plan) and pages 65-74 (signing and marking plan). I've also attached slides from a recent MCDOT public presentation and one of their overview maps, which might be easier to view. You can find additional background on [MCDOT's project webpage](#). In addition, you can contact the MCDOT project manager, Matt Johnson (matt.johnson@montgomerycountymd.gov, 240-777-7237), and his team can answer any specific design questions.

The project will construct roadway treatments to slow vehicle speeds and improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians. It's my understanding that this project proposes to make permanent the existing pilot project on Grove Street by constructing a complete sidewalk. MCDOT is also proposing improvements to vehicle traffic flow at intersections on Woodbury Avenue, Grove Street, and Cedar Street to make them safer for all road users. There is also a proposed bicyclist and pedestrian connection along Sligo Avenue between Grove Street and Woodbury Drive and a safe, low-stress crossing of Sligo Avenue.

I can provide additional information if you or anyone else would like to sign up to testify at the public hearing, currently scheduled for Thursday, September 12. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thank you,

Lily Murnen (*she/they*)
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From: Gray Kimbrough <gray.kimbrough@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 8:53 AM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway

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Hi Lily,

I received a mailer about the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway and would like more information. Can you please provide the proposed plans? Those were mentioned in the mailer but I don't see any plans on the project website.

Also, has the Grove St. pedestrian improvement work been fully folded into this project? I am disappointed that it has taken so many years to get only the temporary treatments that we have, and would like to know more about the timeline to move forward.

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Thanks,
Gray

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [Gray Kimbrough](#)
Subject: RE: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway
Date: Thursday, July 18, 2024 11:51:00 AM

Hi Gray,

Thanks for following up and my apologies. When I responded on June 27, the attachments I included must have been too large. I've included them as links this time.

Here are all the project application drawings on our Montgomery Planning development website (<https://www.mcatlas.org/daic8/Default.aspx?apno=MR2024019>). The drawings can be a bit tricky to read, but I would refer you to pages 14-23 (roadway plan) and pages 65-74 (signing and marking plan). The last three digits of the file names correspond to the page number (for example, page 14 is file 03-MRPIAN-MR2024019-014.pdf).

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Thank you,

Lily Murnen (*she/they*)

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From: Gray Kimbrough <gray.kimbrough@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2024 9:36 AM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Re: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway

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Hi Lily,

I'm just following up on my email from June 26. You were listed as the point of contact on the mailer I received, but please let me know if I should be asking someone else for this information.

Thanks,
Gray

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On Wed, Jun 26, 2024 at 8:53 AM Gray Kimbrough <gray.kimbrough@gmail.com> wrote:

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Gray

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [Grant M](#)
Subject: RE: Plans for MR2024019
Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 3:23:00 PM

Hi Grant,

To testify, you can [sign-up online](#). This item, MR2024019 East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway, will not appear on the list until about 10 days prior to the hearing board date. I would recommend checking the sign-up page during the first week of September.

You can also submit written testimony to chair@mncppc-mc.org up until 12 noon the day before the Planning Board hearing. This [webpage](#) provides more background about testifying at the Planning Board. Please let me know if you have any other questions, and thank you again.

Lily Murnen (*she/they*)

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From: Grant M <gmacintyre@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 10:38 AM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Re: Plans for MR2024019

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Thanks - I would be interested in speaking at the public hearing if the timing works.

On Tue, Jun 25, 2024 at 9:51 AM Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org> wrote:

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From: Grant M <gmacintyre@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2024 5:00 PM
To: Murnen, Lily <Lily.Murnen@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Plans for MR2024019

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Hello,

Could you send me the proposed plans for the project in the subject line?

Thanks,
Grant MacIntyre
8202 Cedar

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [J Chamby](#)
Bcc: [Glazier, Eli](#)
Subject: RE: Mandatory Referral Notice - MR2024019
Date: Friday, June 21, 2024 4:29:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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From: J Chamby <jcint3@gmail.com>
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Subject: Mandatory Referral Notice - MR2024019

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Dear Ms. Murnen,

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I live in East Silver Spring and received the subject Referral Notice on a postcard the other day.

I wish to see the proposed plans. Can you please send them to me by email, or post.

My address and information is:

John Chamberlain

721 Twin Holly Lane

Silver Spring, MD 20910

Thank you in advance for your attention to my request.

John Chamberlain

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From: [Murnen, Lily](#)
To: [Doreen Cantor Paster](#)
Subject: RE: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway plans
Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 9:49:00 AM

Hi Doreen,

Thank you for your email about the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway. I'm including a few links for you.

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Thank you,

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From: Doreen Cantor Paster <doreencp@sunnydoor.net>
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Subject: East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway plans

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Hi, Lily. I recently received a postcard "Mandatory Referral Notice MR2024019" about a hearing for the East Silver Spring Neighborhood Greenway. Could you please send me the proposed plans, or a link to the plans? Also, could you please let me know if the hearing date changes from September 12?

Thank you very much.

Doreen Paster

Attachment C: Public Comments

From: [Nick Nemecek](#)
To: [Murnen, Lily](#)
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Date: Thursday, September 5, 2024 8:07:16 PM

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Hi Lily

I'm a resident on Gist, near the Woodbury portion of this project, and am looking forward to all the improvements. A common issue the neighbors around here have had is vehicles that race around the existing Woodbury circle (often the wrong way coming from Fenton) to cut the light at Fenton and Silver Spring. With the greenway improvements, and possibly increased bike traffic, is it possible to try to work in some controls that would cut down on this reckless driving? Perhaps making the sidewalks raised sidewalks, or something else?

Thanks for the consideration.

-Nick Nemecek