

Lyttonsville/Woodside CAT Meeting Rosemary Hills Elementary School November 12, 2019 Questions and Responses

Question: When will the Spring Street bridge close?

Response: The Spring Street bridge will close in late spring 2020.

Question: What part of Spring Street will be closed?

Response: Spring Street will be closed from 2nd Avenue to 16th Street.

Question: When will trees behind Park Sutton Condominiums be removed? Response: Trees are scheduled to be cleared in the next couple of months.

Question: How can the public get notices of tree clearing?

Response: The public can sign up to receive construction notifications on our website: www.purplelinemd.com. In addition to construction notifications, PLTC has coordinated directly with the Woodside Mews Homeowner Association regarding removal of trees adjacent to their property.

Question: Will the Purple Line run on the south side of the CSX tracks and the Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) on the north side in the vicinity of the Woodside community?

Response: That is correct.

Question: What is the timeline for finishing the Talbot Avenue bridge?

Response: The Talbot Avenue bridge is currently scheduled to be finished by winter 2020.

Question: How much night construction is anticipated in the future?

Response: Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Monday to Friday. Anything outside of those limits is considered night or weekend work and requires public notifications. Very little nightwork is anticipated at this time, except for utility tie-ins which are typically completed at off-peak hours. PLTC can work 24 hours a day, 7 days a week according to the contract if they meet public notice and noise waiver requirements.

Question: When will the rest of the Talbot Avenue Bridge be demolished?

Response: The rest of the Talbot Avenue Bridge will be demolished during the Montgomery County Public Schools winter break. Pile driving will resume during this break.

Question: What is the current status of the fencing design for the Talbot Avenue Bridge?

Response: Option #3, which was shared at the last CAT meeting, has been selected and will be utilized for this bridge. This option consists of an ornamental fence with a wrought iron appearance backed by a chain link fence and clear plastic barrier.

Question: Is the chain link fencing at Talbot Avenue the same height as the decorative fencing?

Response: No, the chain link fence will be a standard, 10 foot high fence, which from the sidewalk elevation will be about 4 feet higher than the decorative fence (not to be confused with the protective barrier).

Question: Who will install the fencing on the Talbot Avenue Bridge? Can the community meet with the contractor?

Response: Fencing contractor is expected to be Hercules Fence and no, the community will not be involved with the fencing contractor as the bridge design has been finalized.

Question: Can PLTC share clearing limits in Woodside area?

Response: If you are interested in aerial maps showing the clearing limits, please reach out to PLTC at outreach@pltcllc.com.

Question: Has the sewer relocation work across the CSX tracks been approved by CSX? When is it scheduled to start?

Response: Relocation plans, which will require jack and bore, have not yet been approved and therefore, this work has not been scheduled.

Question: When will the Spring Street Bridge work start and does it follow the Talbot Avenue Bridge work?

Response: Work is anticipated to start late spring or early summer of 2020. The Spring Street work is not tied to the schedule of the Talbot Avenue Bridge but rather is dependent on the upcoming work requiring lane closures on Colesville Road.

Question: Can community discuss tree and shrub additions with PLTC?

Response: Landscaping design has been finalized. Conflicts with new homes or specific locations will be addressed on a case by case basis by PLTC.

Question: When will the CCT open?

Response: The trail is not expected to open until the light rail work is complete. Trail areas are needed for safe access to the rail construction sites and for final landscaping work.

Question: Who is responsible for planting along the right-of-way (ROW)?

Response: PLTC is responsible for plantings within the ROW. Montgomery County will assist residents with plantings outside the right-of-way on private property. County residents are encouraged to visit treemontgomery.org for additional information.

Question: Are the landscaping plans on the project website?

Response: Yes, they are available here: https://www.purplelinemd.com/construction/plans.

Question: Will the Rock Creek Trail be closed again?

Response: Yes. In order to install a pipe for stream relocation, the trail will need to be closed. Notice will be given prior to its closure. Additionally, PLTC is required to coordinate closings with Montgomery County Parks Department.

Question: Can the community get an updated rendering of the Talbot Avenue Bridge?

Response: PLTC will look into this.

Question: Is there a lighting plan for the Talbot Avenue Bridge and/or the CCT?

Response: Lighting for the Talbot Avenue Bridge and the CCT is not part of the project scope of work.

Question: At 16th Street and 3rd Avenue where the trail connection is located, are there any improvements planned for 3rd Avenue?

Response: There are no planned improvements to 3rd Ave.

Question: Will the CCT have any impacts to the cul-de-sac at the end of Ballard Street?

Response: Yes, the new CCT trail will cross the end of Ballard St. The design in not final yet.

Question: What is the detour for Spring Street?

Response: The map and detour can be found below.

Question: Will the Lyttonsville Place bridge be fully closed for repairs?

Response: The Lyttonsville Place bridge concrete defects are not safety-related and are limited to impacts to the life-span of structure. PLTC will address these defects and bear the costs, so there will be no schedule impacts. There will be temporary lane closures for remedial work but no complete closures.

Question: Will there be additional closures of Brookville Road between Lyttonsville Place and Second Avenue?

Response: There will be additional lane closures of this segment next year, but no full closures. Per contract requirements, PLTC will provide notice to the community in advance of any lane closures.

Question: Has the pile driving for the Lyttonsville station been scheduled?

Response: It is currently scheduled for this winter.

Question: What will storm drainages look like?

Response: Pipe sections are underground and will not be visible. Any sediment pond areas will be seeded and will be above ground.

Question: Is the design for the stormwater management installation at Stewart Avenue finalized?

Response: Plans are still under review by the Maryland Department of the Environment.





SPRING STREET DETOUR

- Estimated work to commence Late Spring 2020
 - Closure duration limited to 7 months
- Spring St. will be closed between 16th St. and 2nd Ave.
 - Drivers traveling north on 16th St.
 - Continue north on 16th St.
 - Turn right on Georgia Ave to Spring St.
 - Drivers traveling south on Spring St.
 - Turn left on 2nd Ave.
 - Turn right on Colesville Rd.
 - Turn right on East-West Hwy.
 - Turn right onto 16th St.

