

Community Advisory Teams



# Silver Spring

**CAT Meeting #7** 

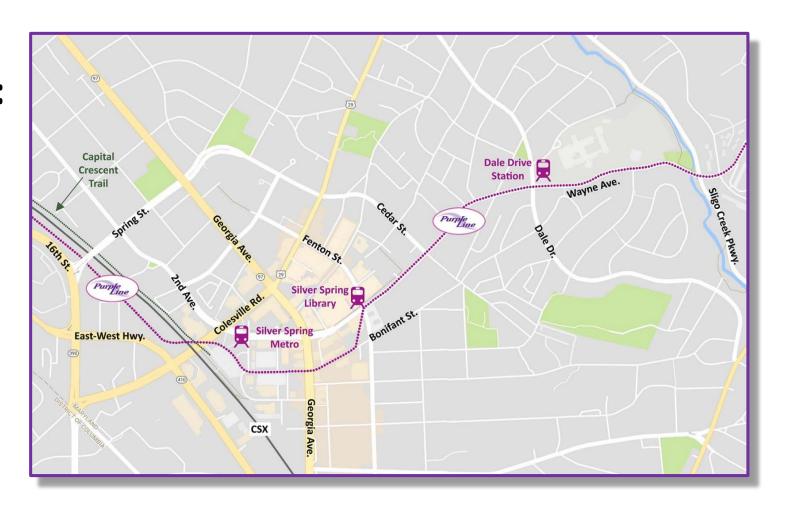
-November 17, 2020-

#### SILVER SPRING CAT SEGMENT



#### **Stations in this segment:**

- Silver Spring Metro
- Silver Spring Library
- Dale Drive



## **MEETING OVERVIEW**



- Introduction
- Project Update
- MDOT MTA Managed Construction
- Construction Reminders
- Art-in-Transit Update
- Questions



# **INTRODUCTION**



## **Gary Witherspoon**

MDOT MTA Public Outreach & Communications Deputy Project Director

#### Matthew Pollack, PE, PMP

Executive Director, Transit Development and Delivery

Vernon G. Hartsock, PMP

**Acting Project Director** 

#### STAFF INTRODUCTION



#### **Matthew Pollack, Executive Director**

- A Professional Engineer (PE) with over 30 years of light and heavy rail experience
- Raised in Montgomery County and currently living in Prince George's County

#### Vernon Hartsock, Acting Project Director

- A Project Management Professional (PMP) with 28 years of MDOT MTA experience, rising to the rank of Chief Engineer before joining the Purple Line
- Oversaw the design and construction of numerous MDOT MTA capital projects, including Light Rail Double Track and Metro Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system.
- Raised in Baltimore and lived on 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, just a block from the former home of Memorial Stadium.



# **PROJECT UPDATE**

#### PURPLE LINE PROJECT UPDATE



MDOT and MDOT MTA are currently working on a parallel track to deliver the Purple Line:

- Negotiating with the Concessionaire, PLTP
- Implementing a short- and long-term plan to deliver the project on its own.

## PURPLE LINE PROJECT UPDATE (CONTINUED)



Outside of the P3 Agreement, project activities are also continuing:

- Polk Street Maintenance Facility
- Ken-Gar wetlands restoration
- Paint Branch stream restoration
- Washington Suburban
  Sanitary Commission's
  66" waterline relocation



#### PURPLE LINE PROJECT UPDATE (CONTINUED)



- As construction activities are evaluated for resumption, MDOT MTA is coordinating the work gaps presented by the departure of PLTC.
- Project funding is in place.
- The long-term plan is still under development.
- Community collaboration remains critical to project success.



#### **MDOT MTA MANAGED CONSTRUCTION**



#### PURPLE LINE OFF-SITE ACTIVITIES



During October/November, MDOT MTA and the contractors have been working together to continue:

- Manufacturing light rail vehicles and other key project components, including electrical components, and special trackwork;
- Completing final construction designs for stormwater management and intelligent transportation systems across the alignment.

#### DIRECTING MDOT MTA-MANAGED CONSTRUCTION



Starting with a select few locations, MDOT MTA is directing the resumption of on-site construction along the alignment. As contractors come online, the volume of work will increase.

- Pessoa Construction Company Water and sewer utility relocations and concrete work
- Henkels & McCoy Gas and overhead power relocations
- M. C. Dean Systems and electrical work
- Empire Landscaping Erosion and sediment control maintenance
- Traffic Engineering Services Maintenance of traffic support

#### **FUTURE WORK PRIORITIES IN CATS AREA**



- Near-Term (3-6 months)
  - Continue relocation of all underground utilities
  - Storm drain installation
  - Wall construction
  - Complete Kenwood House parking



- Longer-Term (6-12 months)
  - Utility relocations continue along Wayne Avenue, Fenton Street, and Bonifant Street



#### **CONSTRUCTION REMINDERS**

#### MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC – WHAT TO EXPECT



- Existing traffic patterns will change as work occurs, as needed
- Work may occur on both sides of the road and across roadways
- When a lane closure is required, a notice will be distributed via text and email (sign-up required through purplelinemd.com)
- Orange cones and barrels (temporary barricades) will be in place
- Flag-person, when required, will direct traffic
- Underground utility work may require temporary road plates



#### STAY UP-TO-DATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS



- Sign up for construction notices at purplelinemd.com
- For project questions and comments, contact MDOT MTA public outreach
  - Email: outreach@purplelinemd.com
  - Call: 443-451-3706 or 443-451-3705 (Para Español)







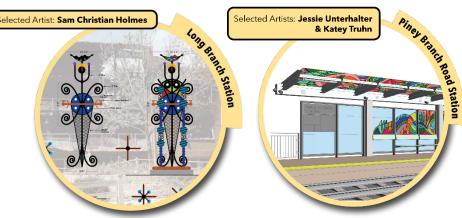
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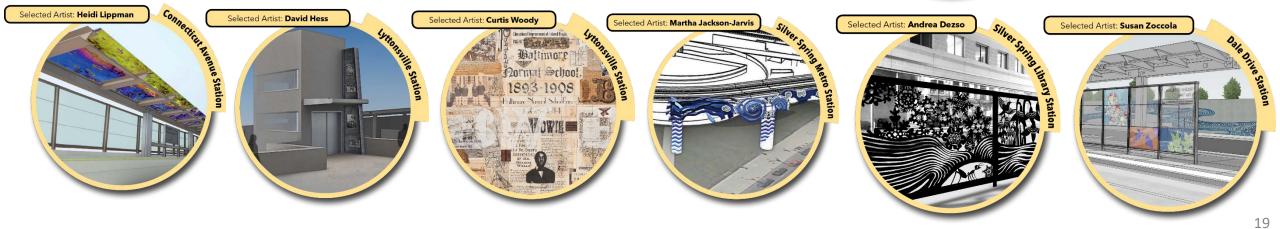
#### **ART-IN-TRANSIT UPDATE**



- 16 of 22 art-in-transit contracts have been fully executed
- 8 of the 16 fully executed contracts are in Montgomery County, for the stations listed below:
  - Connecticut Avenue
  - Lyttonsville Station (2 artists)
  - Silver Spring Metro
  - Silver Spring Library

- Dale Drive
- Long Branch
- Piney Branch







# **QUESTIONS**

#### **QUESTIONS SUBMITTED PRIOR TO MEETING**



 Do you expect any portions of the project design to change now that the P3 agreement has ended?

 Is it possible to accelerate completion of certain infrastructure in and around the project that is disruptive to the community?

 What new general timelines can we expect for completion of various aspects of the project from what PLTC planned?

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- Is there a contingency plan for if funding runs out to finish the project?
  How would the work sites be closed down/restored so they don't remain an open sore in our community?
- What is the prospect for seeking additional federal assistance, with the upcoming change in executive leadership at the federal level?

Do you plan to continue occasional Saturday work on Bonifant Street?

• When will Bonifant Street (west) be reopened?

# ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?



#### **EVEN MORE QUESTIONS?**



Please email your questions to <a href="mailto:outreach@purplelinemd.com">outreach@purplelinemd.com</a> by Nov. 24 to be included in the Q&R that will be posted online.



# THANKYOU FOR ATTENDING!!

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