

Silver Spring CAT Meeting #6 Online presentation - April 28, 2020 Question & Responses

Below is the list of questions compiled from the CAT presentation.

Question: Will the Metro bus, Ride-On bus and the University of Maryland shuttle bus maintain current routes to the Silver Spring Transit Center; and will they stop in the same locations during and after construction?

Response: The Purple Line continues to coordinate with the operators of local and regional bus services. If bus routes/stops are altered, notification will be publicized through those operators.

Question: What are the construction work hours? How far will the train be from the front door of 929 Bonifant Street apartments?

Response: Normal construction work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Night work hours are 7:00 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. When night work is required, advanced notification to residents will be provided via our online notification system. The Purple Line tracks will be approximately 20' from the stairs of the apartment at 929 Bonifant St.

Question: During "Zone VI" (Silver Spring metro platform) construction, how will access to the Red Line be maintained? Will riders able to board/exit Metro trains from the full length of the platform, or will people intending to exit the train at Silver Spring be required to use specific cars?

Response: The Purple Line continues to coordinate with WMATA final details of the work plan for construction of the Red Line Mezzanine. However, it is anticipated that Metro riders will still be able to access all cars while Metro service is running.

Question: Slide 30 shows side catenary poles on Wayne Ave but slide 22 does not portray placement of catenary poles at all on East Bonifant Street. Please identify locations for catenary poles and show the size at the base with the walkable space around the poles.

Response: There are 16 Overhead Catenary System (OCS) poles along Bonifant Street between Georgia Avenue and Fenton Street. The distance between poles is dependent on location. Poles can be anywhere from 65' to 134' apart. Notes have been added to the accompanying plans highlighting OCS pole locations, foundation sizes and approximate walkable clearances. (see attached East Bonifant OCS Plans)

Question: Will the Sligo Creek trail remain open during the Wayne Avenue closures?

Response: Yes, Sligo Creek Trail is not expected to have long-term closures. Flagging may be necessary on occasion and will occur independent of any roadway closures. If trail closures are needed, it will be coordinated with Montgomery County Parks, and advanced notice will be provided.