



**Riverdale Park/New Carrollton CAT Meeting #12
Virtual Meeting – May 2, 2024
Questions & Responses**

Below is a summary of questions and responses discussed during the May 2, 2024, virtual Community Advisory Team (CAT) presentation.

Question: What are the plans for working across Annapolis Road at Veterans Parkway?

Response: There will be three phases of work and it will progress through summer to complete this work.

Question: Is there a month in which the proposed opening will be happening?

Response: The opening is anticipated in December of 2027.

Question: What is the Purple Line and the State of Maryland doing to hold the new contractor accountable for these delays?

Response: The Maryland Department of Transportation, Maryland Transit Administration and Purple Line Transit Partners announced in March approval from Maryland’s Board of Public Works on a modification to the Purple Line Public-Private Partnership Agreement extending the expected opening date of service to Winter 2027. Completion of the Purple Line remains a critical transit priority for the region. Despite significant achievements in the last year, including reaching project completion of more than 60%, the additional delay was necessary due to the complex nature of the project. The entire Purple Line team remains focused on completing the project as quickly and safely as possible.

Question: When the traffic signal is put in place on Ellin Road, will 410 go back to the way it was? Or are we still going to have construction and narrowing of lanes?

Response: We are going to continue to have lane closures in several areas on Veterans Parkway until the entire area is completed.

Question: When will the traffic signal on Ellin Road be in place?

Response: Signal is anticipated to be activated by summer 2024.

Question: As far as getting 410 back to normal is it going to be closer to 2026 or sooner because the test track is there?

Response: The test track will be outside the traffic, so it will be closer to 2026.

Question: Is there better signage when a change to the flow of traffic occurs?

Response: Yes, we are working to continue to ensure that the signage is clear and visible as traffic changes occur along the alignment.

Question: When will we see the new railcar; when will they perform at the test track?

Response: The first light rail vehicle is expected to arrive this spring and testing will occur later.