Bicycle Master Plan Public Meeting

June 6, 2017

Montgomery County Planning Department
David Anspacher, Project Manager
Agenda

[1] Purpose of Master Plan
[4] Bikeway Classification
[5] Bikeway Selection
[6] Bikeway Network
[7] Community Outreach
[8] Next Steps
[1] Purpose of Master Plan
User Groups

Commuting

Recreating
User Groups

Commuting
Running Errands
Going to School
Accessing Transit
Entertainment
Recreating
Understanding of Traffic Stress Tolerance

High Stress Tolerance (~1%)

Moderate Stress Tolerance (~10%)

Low Stress Tolerance (~60%)

No Way, No How (~30%)
Implementation

Capital Budgeting

Development Approvals
Timeline

Where we’ve been...

September 2015: Planning Board Approves Scope of Work
September 2015: Cycling Concerns Map
September 2015: Kickoff meetings
December 2015: White Flint Separated Bike Lane Network
January 2016: Life Sciences Center Separated Bike Lane Network
April 2016: Bicycle Stress Map
October 2016: Framework Report
October 2016: Bicycle Parking Guidelines
June 2017: Preliminary Bikeway Recommendations
Timeline

Where we are going...

Bicycle Facility Design Toolkit
Working Draft Plan
Planning Board Hearing
Planning Board Worksession
Planning Board Draft
Council Hearing
Council Worksessions
Council Approval
Plan Framework

DEFINING THE VISION
- Goals
- Objectives
- Metrics
- Data Collection

REALIZING THE VISION
- Bicycle Infrastructure
- Programs
- Policies
- Priorities

MONITORING THE VISION
- Evaluate Objectives
- Identify Bikeways & Bike Parking
- Summarize Changes To County Policies & Programs
Vision Statement

Montgomery County will become a world-class bicycling community.

Everyone in Montgomery County will be able to travel by bicycle on a comfortable, safe and connected bicycle network. Bicycling will become a viable transportation option and elevate the quality of life in the County.
Plan Goals & Objectives

GOAL 1
Increase bicycling trips in Montgomery County.

GOAL 2
Create a highly-connected, convenient and low-stress bicycling network.

GOAL 3
Provide equal access to low-stress bicycling for all members of the community.

GOAL 4
Improve the safety of bicycling.
Bikeway Recommendations

Silver Spring CBD
Bike Parking Recommendations

Berkeley, California

Austin, Texas
## Monitoring Report

### Goal 2: Create a Highly-Connected, Convenient and Low-Stress Bicycling Network

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<th>Objective</th>
<th>Metric</th>
<th>Actual</th>
<th>Target</th>
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<td>2.1</td>
<td>Percentage of potential bicycle trips that can be made on a low-stress bicycle network.</td>
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<td>2.2</td>
<td>Percentage of dwelling units within 2.0 miles of Red Line, Brunswick Line, Purple Line, and Corridor Cities Transitway stations that can access the station on a low-stress bicycling network.</td>
<td>Red Line: 18%</td>
<td>23%</td>
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<td>Brunswick Line: 12%</td>
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<td>Purple Line: 15%</td>
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<td>Corridor Cities Transitway: 23%</td>
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<td>2.3</td>
<td>Percentage of dwelling units located within the attendance zone of elementary, middle and high schools that are connected to each school through a low-stress bicycle network.</td>
<td>Elementary Schools: 20%</td>
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<td>Middle Schools: 10%</td>
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<td>High Schools: 5%</td>
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<td>2.4</td>
<td>Percentage of dwelling units within 2.0 miles of a public facility will be connected to that facility through a low-stress bicycling network.</td>
<td>Public Libraries: 10%</td>
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<td>Recreation Centers: 22%</td>
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<td>Recreational and Regional Parks: 37%</td>
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Bicycle Stress Map

www.mcatlas.org/bikestress

2017 NATIONAL PLANNING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD | GOLD TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
[4] Bikeway Classification
Bikeway Classification

BICYCLE FACILITY CLASSIFICATION

- Off-Street Trails
- Stream Valley Park Trails
- Sidewalks
- Separated Bike Lanes
- Bikeway Shoulders
- Shared Streets
- Priority Shared Lane Markings
- Neighborhood Greenways

Most separation from traffic

Least separation from traffic
Trails
off-street trails | stream valley park trails

MOST

SEPARATION FROM TRAFFIC

LEAST
Trails
off-street trails | stream valley park trails

Bethesda Trolley Trail
Trails

off-street trails | stream valley park trails

Rock Creek Trail

MOST

SEPARATION FROM TRAFFIC

LEAST
Separated Bikeways
separated bike lanes | sidepaths

MOST SEPARATION FROM TRAFFIC
Separated Bikeways
separated bike lanes | sidepaths

White Flint
Separated Bikeways
separated bike lanes | sidepaths

MacArthur Blvd
Striped Bikeways

buffered bike lanes | conventional bike lanes
advisory bike lanes | contra-flow bike lanes

MOST

SEPARATION FROM TRAFFIC

LEAST
Striped Bikeways

buffered bike lanes | conventional bike lanes

Washington DC
Striped Bikeways
buffered bike lanes | conventional bike lanes
Bethesda
Striped Bikeways

advisory bike lanes | contra-flow bike lanes

Alexandria
Striped Bikeways

advisory bike lanes | contra-flow bike lanes

Silver Spring
Bikeable Shoulders

Boyds

MOST SEPARATION FROM TRAFFIC LEAST
Shared Roads
neighborhood greenways | shared streets
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Portland, Oregon
(source: Toole Design Group)
Shared Roads
neighborhood greenways | shared streets
Shared Roads
priority shared lane markings

source: Toole Design Group
[5] Bikeway Selection
Separate From Traffic
Separate From Pedestrians
Two-Way Bikeways on Both Sides of Road
Bikeways on Primary Residential Streets
### General Bikeway Application

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<th>Functional Class</th>
<th># Lanes</th>
<th>Higher Activity Area</th>
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<td>Major Highway*</td>
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<td>Arterial*</td>
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<td>Country Arterials</td>
<td>Any</td>
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<td>Bikeable Shoulders</td>
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<td>Primary Residential</td>
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<td>Sidepath, Conventional Bike Lanes, Advisory Bike Lanes</td>
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<td>Secondary Residential</td>
<td>Un-laned</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>On-Road Bikeway</td>
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<td>Tertiary Residential</td>
<td>Un-laned</td>
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*Where space is available and does not substantially detract from the default bikeway, bike lanes or bikeable shoulders can be added.*
[6] Bikeway Network
Bikeway Network

- Extensive network of bikeways
- Potential impacts (streetscape, temporary disruptions)
- Need to prioritize what gets built over next 20 years
Glenmont

Highlights

- Silver Spring to Glenmont Bikeway
- Bicycle parking stations
Kensington / Wheaton

Highlights

• Silver Spring to Glenmont Bikeway
• Wheaton to Rockville Bikeway
• Matthew Henson Trail underpass
• Bicycle parking station
Long Branch

Highlights

• Connections to Purple Line stations
Silver Spring CBD

Highlights

- Capital Crescent Trail
- Metropolitan Branch Trail
- Separated bike lanes network
- Bicycle parking stations
Silver Spring / Takoma Park (East)

Highlights

- Neighborhood Greenway Network
- Connections to Purple Line stations
- Bridge over I-495
- Bicycle parking stations
Silver Spring / Takoma Park (West)

Highlights

- Neighborhood Greenway Network
- Connections to Purple Line stations
- Capital Crescent Trail
- Silver Spring to Glenmont Bikeway
- Bridge over I-495
- Bicycle parking stations
Takoma / Langley

Highlights

• Connections to Purple Line station
• Connections to commercial areas
Wheaton CBD

Highlights

- Separated bike lanes network
- Silver Spring to Glenmont Bikeway
- Bicycle parking station
### Total Mileage – Full Build Out

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<th>Bikeway Type</th>
<th>Existing</th>
<th>Proposed</th>
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<td>Off-Street Trails</td>
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<td>30</td>
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<td>Stream Valley Park Trails</td>
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<td>Neighborhood Connectors</td>
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<td>Sideways</td>
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<td>401</td>
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<td>Bikeable Shoulders</td>
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<td>Neighborhood Greenways</td>
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<td>Shared Streets</td>
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<td>Priority Shared Lanes</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>252</td>
<td>780</td>
<td>1,032</td>
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Some portion of overall network to be prioritized for implementation within next 20 years.
Bike ReactMap – Thru July 15th

www.mcatlas.org/bikereact
[7] Community Outreach
Community Advisory Group

Provides feedback on the Bicycle Master Plan methodology and recommendations

20 member group

• Geographic
• Stakeholder Groups

14 meetings so far...
Digital Feedback Maps

Bicycle Feedback Map: Cycling Concerns
E-Letter

The public is invited to five meetings across the County during September and October 2015 to learn about the details of the Bicycle Master Plan and provide feedback.

The Montgomery County Planning Department, part of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, is inviting the community to participate in kick-off meetings during September and October 2015 to learn about the Bicycle Master Plan and how to get involved in planning a bicycle network for Montgomery County. The meetings will be held in five locations so that County residents can pick the one that is most convenient for them to attend.

The Bicycle Master Plan will consider the newest types of bikeways, such as separated and buffered bike lanes and bicycle boulevards, as well as secure bicycle storage facilities at transit stations. The network will be developed using an evaluation of the varying levels of stress imposed by traffic on cyclists along each roadway in the County.

The first public meeting will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on September 8 at Paint Branch High School (14121 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville, MD). The second meeting will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Germantown Regional Services Center (Room A, 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown, MD).

Three subsequent meetings will take place during September and October in Silver Spring, Wheaton and Bethesda. The different locations allow County residents to pick the one that is most convenient for them so they can more easily participate in the planning process.

Each event will consist of a short presentation by County planner and project.

Sign up at: montgomeryplanning.org/bikeplan
Twitter @MCBikePlan

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The official Twitter account of the Montgomery County Planning Department's Bicycle Master Plan. Working to write a comprehensive bicycle plan for the county.

Silver Spring, MD
montgomeryplanning.org/bikeplan

Joined April 2015

302 Photos and videos

Tweets

Pinned Tweet

MCBikePlan @MCBikePlan May 6

Attend one of our June public meetings. montgomeryplanning.org/community-invite...

MCBikePlan @MCBikePlan 16h

Where do we need better places to bike in MoCo? waba.org/blog/2017/06/w... via @WABAOC

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Follow

MCA @copenhagenize

Follow

Find friends

Trends - Change
Community Bike Rides

WHEATON COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE

PLANNING BOARD CHAIR CASEY ANDERSON (CONFIRMED)

Please join us for a ride around the Wheaton area. Local Residents Peter Gray & Paul Daisey will lead the ride to highlight bicycling conditions along the route. The ride will be at a comfortable pace with several stops along the way. A discussion about the Bicycle Master Plan will follow immediately afterward.

BIKE RIDE:
WHEN: SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2017
ARRIVE: 9:45 A.M.
DEPART: 10:00 A.M.
RETURN: 11:15 A.M.

WHERE: CAPITAL BIKESHARE STATION ON WEST SIDE OF GEORGIA AVENUE, BETWEEN REEDIE DRIVE AND VEIRS MILL ROAD (PARK AT AMHERST GARAGE, 11304 AMHERST AVENUE).

ROUTE: SEE RIGHT

DISCUSSION:
WHEN: 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
WHERE: THE LIMERICK PUB (11301 ELKIN ST)

RSVP: DAVID ANSPACHER,
DAVID.ANSPACHER@MONTGOMERYPLANNING.ORG

NOTE:
While this bicycle ride is open to everyone, be advised that some road segments may be uncomfortable and inappropriate for some people. Please consult the Montgomery County Bicycle Stress Map at mcatlas.org/bikestress. Bicycle helmets are encouraged.
Photo Contest

WINNER: BEST RECREATION
COMUS, MARYLAND | PHOTO BY SCOTT WILETS

WINNER: BEST FAMILY
BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND | PHOTO BY LYNN HO

WINNER: BEST COMMUTER
BETHESDA, MARYLAND | PHOTO BY KENNETH WOODARD

WINNER: BEST KID PICTURE
BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND | PHOTO BY LYNN HO
Next Steps
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• Revise Bikeway Network Based On Comments
• Develop and Evaluate Scenarios
• Prioritize Recommendations
• Prepare Working Draft Plan
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Questions?

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