



Takoma Park

MINOR MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT

THE PLAN'S PURPOSE



The Takoma Park Minor Master Plan Amendment is a joint effort between the City of Takoma Park and Montgomery Planning. The plan updates portions of the 2000 Takoma Park Master Plan to re-envision the section of the city that includes the Washington Adventist Hospital and University campuses, the Erie Center (located at the intersection of Flower Avenue and Erie Avenue), and multi-family properties, parks and the Takoma Park Community Center located along Maple and Lee Avenues .

The plan's objective is to realize the following themes:

- a reimagined community with new and improved uses for existing spaces and places, and flexible, market-responsive tools for implementation;
- a resilient community prepared for and able to adapt to, mitigate for, and thrive in the face of climate change; and
- a reconnected community with improved, safe, and inviting ways to get to parks, shopping, and home and a stronger sense of its past.

ENGAGING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Community engagement efforts began in fall 2021 and the results were used to guide the planning process and inform the plan's recommendations. Briefings on existing conditions in the plan area, community engagement, and preliminary recommendations were provided to stakeholders including the City of Takoma Park and the Montgomery County Planning Board.

Staff presented the Working Draft of the plan for review to the Takoma Park City Council in a public meeting on May 24, 2023, and to the Planning Board at its weekly public meeting on June 8, 2023, where it was accepted as the Public Hearing Draft.



Key recommendations of the public hearing draft



envisioning a vibrant, mixed-income community, where the housing stock, open spaces, and mix of uses meet the needs of an economically, socially, and racially diverse population



promoting safe, healthy, and convenient connectivity within and between the plan's districts, and to high-capacity transit beyond the plan area, the existing trail network and nearby activity centers



embracing climate-forward planning and design to address the impact of climate change

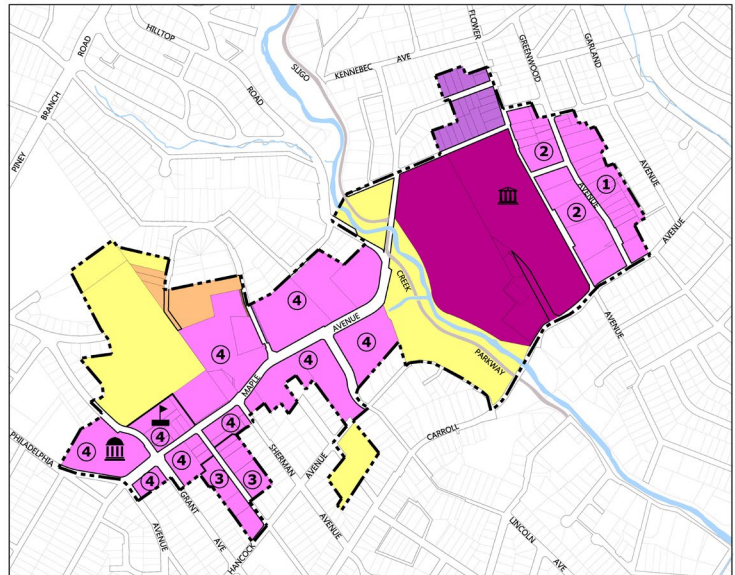


implementing a promenade to provide a green, efficient, and attractive pedestrian connection through the plan area



protecting historic resources and providing for the interpretation of community history to promote a unique sense of place

The plan recommends mixed-use zoning that provides for maximum flexibility for market-ready development that is compatible with the existing community and creates opportunities for new public amenities and needed public facilities.



You can **provide feedback** on the draft plan recommendations to the **Planning Board** at the **public hearing on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 6:00** in the **Montgomery Planning Wheaton Headquarters 2nd floor Auditorium (2425 Reddie Drive, Wheaton, MD 20902)**, as well as virtually through the **Planning Board’s website**. An additional remote location for the public hearing will be at the **Takoma Park Community Center (7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912)**.

STAY INVOLVED

Key events and contact information



Use this website to **Sign up to testify** either in person or online. The Planning Board and its staff encourage you to be part of the **public hearing**. <http://montgomeryplanningboard.org/meetings/signup-to-testify/sign-testify-form/>. Translation and interpretive services are available upon request. If you want to testify at the public hearing’s livestream at the **Takoma Park Community Center**, you must follow the same procedure and sign up to testify. For additional questions pertaining to the Takoma Park remote location please contact **Rosalind Grigsby, Community Development Manager, City of Takoma Park**, at (301) 891-7205 or at rosalindg@takomarkmd.gov.

You may also **submit comments** about the plan via email to mcp-chair@mncppc.org. These comments will become part of the public testimony and public record for the plan.

The **Public Hearing Draft Plan and Appendix** are available online (<https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/communities/downcounty/takoma-park/takoma-park-master-plan/takoma-park-minor-master-plan-amendment/>). Additionally, hard copies are at the **Takoma Park Maryland Public Library (7505 New Hampshire Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912)**, the **Brigadier General Charles E. McGee Public Library in downtown Silver Spring (900 Wayne Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910)**, and at **Montgomery Planning’s Information Counter located on the 2nd floor of our offices at 2425 Reddie Drive** in downtown Wheaton.

If you have any questions, reach out to **Melissa Williams** at (301) 495-4642 or via e-mail at melissa.williams@montgomeryplanning.org