



**Silver Spring CAT Meeting
Sligo Creek Elementary School
05/08/2018**

When will work begin on Bonifant St.?

Response: Work on Bonifant will begin as soon as design plans are approved. The projected start date is Summer 2018. Carla Julian will continue to provide the businesses with weekly updates.

Where are the planned locations of catenary poles on Bonifant St.?

Response: Design plans can be shared as soon as they have been approved by the utility companies.

Will Bonifant St. (east) turn into a one-way street when Bonifant (west) closes for construction?

Response: Once work on Bonifant East begins it will be one-way going east bound for the duration of construction. The final conditions for Bonifant West and East are one-way going eastbound.

During construction how will businesses receive deliveries on Bonifant St. (east)?

Response: The Purple Line team is working to identify a location for trucks to unload deliveries when Bonifant St. (east) is reduced to one travel lane. PLTP will continue to work with businesses to address individual needs during construction.

Comment: The businesses are continuing to request that no work is conducted on Saturdays, the busiest day of the week. Why can't the work occur on Sunday?

Response: We acknowledge the concerns of the local businesses but cannot guarantee that no make-up work will occur on Saturdays. The Purple Line team will carry out construction only on Saturdays if required to do so to keep the project on schedule.

When Bonifant (west) closes for construction, how will traffic exit Ripley Street?

Response: Traffic will travel from Ripley St. to Ramsey St. which will be signed for local traffic only. The Bonifant/Ripley/Ramsey intersection will not fully close to traffic but may have periodic temporary closures or flagging during construction.

Who is the replacement for Joy Hamilton?

Response: For general project information or CAT concerns please contact Lauren Garret and Lesli Leath at www.outreach@puplelinemd or at 443-451-3706. For construction information or concerns please contact Carla Julian at 240-714-5357 or outreach@pltcllc.com.

What is the location of the Silver Spring Library station? What changes will need to be made to the library?

Response: The Purple Line station will be located within the library's existing canopy area. The existing boulders will be removed, the track will be embedded, and the catenary system will be attached to the canopy roof.

When is the work at the Silver Spring Library scheduled to begin?

Response: Summer 2018 is when utility relocation is expected to begin.

How will commuter rail be affected when construction begins at the Silver Spring Transit Center?

Response: Metro, bus and MARC operations will be maintained throughout Purple Line construction. The Purple Line team coordinates regularly with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and local bus operators.

The Bonifant is an apartment complex for older residents. Ground floor apartments are right at track level and construction will be very disruptive.

Response: The Purple Line team acknowledges that the construction period could be disruptive. The project will make every effort to work during regular hours and will provide notification if work is required beyond those times. Please encourage residents to subscribe for electronic construction updates at <http://www.purplelinemd.com/construction/>.

Will the County reinstate the speed cameras on Wayne Ave?

Response: In February and March of this year, in response to continued concerns from the public, the Automated Traffic Enforcement Unit (ATEU) of Montgomery County Police Department conducted speed assessments in the 600 block of Wayne Avenue. During the study an evaluation speed camera was placed on each side of the road for one week at each location. The total number of vehicles that passed the camera, as well as the number of enforceable violations were captured. The results of the survey, which totaled 2 weeks, identified a total of 92,928 vehicle passes and 134 enforceable violations. That is a violation rate of only 1.45%. The data from our speed study, along with the officer enforcement data, does not justify the use of speed cameras on Wayne Avenue.

What are the plans for the Sligo Creek bridge? Will it close?

Response: During construction, traffic on the bridge will shift north or south as construction progresses. There are no plans to close the bridge to traffic.

Will the flow of Sligo Creek be redirected?

Response: The project will work to provide stream stabilization of Sligo Creek. The Purple Line is coordinating with Montgomery County Parks to ensure that erosion does not occur. Mitigation will help

to permanently stabilize stream banks and provide fish and wildlife habitats. Work will begin Summer 18 or Spring 19.

Construction on the intersection of Wayne and Fenton will be difficult. What are the plans for this area? Where will traffic be detoured?

Response: This intersection will be closed when track work is installed. Advanced notice will be provided to the community prior to the temporary closure of the intersection. Additional signage to intercept incoming traffic before it reaches Wayne Avenue has also been proposed.

What will be done to make sure construction noise is not disruptive to library users?

Response: The Purple Line is required to adhere to sound requirements during construction as well as operations. We do not envision an increase in sound in the area. Construction work at the library will be closely coordinated with the County.

Are there plans for alternate library access during construction?

Response: Sidewalks adjacent to the library will be reduced, but the project will work with the library to ensure access is maintained at all times.

Regarding storm water management at Silver Spring International Middle School, is there a plan to have bio-swale in work zone one and sand filter in work zone three?

Response: Design plans show a dry pond in work zone one (school parking lot) that will drain into a sand filter. Additionally, planter boxes will be installed along Wayne Avenue to address run-off.

When will mature trees be removed along Wayne Ave.?

Response: Tree removal along Wayne will begin as soon as utility plans are approved. Work is scheduled to begin in Summer 2018.

Lane closures on Wayne Avenue are a concern because of the school's late start time. Please coordinate times so that pedestrians can safely walk to the nearby schools.

Response: During construction, the construction zone will be barricaded to prevent pedestrians from entering the construction site. The traffic on Wayne Avenue will likely be moving more slowly than today because traffic will be reduced to two lanes.

Construction in the area of the Silver Spring International Middle School is being coordinated with the Montgomery County School System.

Is there a regulation that governs how far from power lines trees must be planted?

Response: Yes, there are requirements to which the project will adhere.

Can Bonifant St. be designed to reflect the walkable plaza at Ellsworth?

Response: The Purple Line has no plans to eliminate vehicular traffic on Bonifant St. The design of Bonifant Street has been closely coordinated with Montgomery County.

When will Spring St. bridge close?

Response: Spring Street bridge is scheduled to close in late 2019 or early 2020 and will be closed for approximately six months.