



# Takoma Park City Council Meeting – September 14, 2022

## Agenda Item 1

### **Presentation**

Presentation on the status of the Minor Master Plan, including a review of the community engagement to date and updated timeline for the rest of the project.

### **Recommended Council Action**

Listen to the presentation and provide feedback.

### **Context with Key Issues**

In 2021, in partnership with the City of Takoma Park, Montgomery Planning began a Minor Master Plan Amendment (Plan) to update portions of the 2000 *Takoma Park Master Plan* to re-envision critical resources within the City and the surrounding community. The project area includes the Washington Adventist Hospital and University Campuses, Maple Avenue, and Erie Center. On March 9, 2022, the project team presented their existing conditions analysis for the Minor Master Plan Amendment to City Council.

The presentation will focus on the summary findings from the community engagement conducted to date, including the locations, styles, and content of the feedback received. It will also conclude with a review of the remaining project timeline. Montgomery Planning will present a similar presentation to the Montgomery County Planning Board the following morning, September 15, 2022.

Montgomery Planning staff Melissa Williams, Project Lead, will give the presentation. Additional team members will be available for questions.

### **Council Priority**

A Livable Community for All

Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life

### **Environmental Considerations**

Not applicable for this presentation; however, any improvements or redevelopment that may occur as a result of a Minor Master Plan would be evaluated on their environmental impacts and opportunities to address climate change.

### **Fiscal Considerations**

Not applicable for this presentation; however, the costs of the planning process will be largely borne by the Montgomery County Planning Department. Any improvements or redevelopment will have positive and negative fiscal impacts to be considered.

### **Racial Equity Considerations**

The Montgomery County Racial Equity and Social Justice Act, which the County Council signed into law in December 2019 to actively address racial disparities within the county, requires the Planning Board to consider racial equity and social justice impacts when preparing a Master Plan. Therefore, all Plan process elements will be implemented with the lens of equity. The City of Takoma Park will

be adhering to the City's racial equity goals during the process of planning and in evaluating the recommendations and provisions of the Minor Master Plan. Example of how racial equity was built into the community engagement process will be included in the presentation.

**Attachments and Links**

None.