

- Engineers
- Planners
- Landscape Architects







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My professional path includes horticulture, landscape architecture and planning. My personal path adds cycling and a desire to make cycling comfortable for all users, and to design Great Streets.











Imagining what could be...

...and then building it



- Project extents from Sligo Creek to DC City Line
- Maple is due for resurfacing and this plan is to develop a concept to improve comfort for all users
- Two context areas Upper Maple from Philadelphia west/ Lower Maple from Philadelphia east



Takoma Park Middle School



Takoma Park Skatepark

Takoma Park Public Works Department

Park Ritchie

Takoma-Piney Branch Park

Takoma Par Elementary School

Piney Branch Elementary School

akoma Park Community Center

Takoma Park Maryland Library **Essex House Apartments**

Spring Food Co

Ethan Allen Ave



What we have heard so far for Lower Maple:

- Desire for Lower Maple to have more comfortable pedestrian walkways and crossings.
- Need for speed management on Lower Maple.
- Need for a bike and ped corridor along Maple to access the Sligo Creek Trail.
- Need to preserve as much on-street parking as possible for businesses and guest parking.

What we have heard so far for Upper Maple:

- Upper Maple.
- purposes and guest parking.
- Need to preserve speed humps for speed management.
- Need for street trees.

• Lack of desire for bicycle facilities to be added to

Need to preserve on-street parking for traffic calming

Limited options because of narrow curb to curb width.













































LOWER MAPLE **On-road Bike Lanes**

- Pros Improved ped crossings, Preserve parking
- Cons Door zone bike lane, minimums for street elements, pedestrian walkways unchanged

Separated Bike Lane

- Pros Comfortable bike lanes, improved ped crossings
- Cons Loss of parking, pedestrian walkways unchanged

Speed Management

- Pros More trees and landscape, Improved ped crossings, Preserve parking
- Cons Sharrow lane markings, pedestrian walkways unchanged

Mobility Lane/Promenade

- Pros Improved ped crossings, Preserve parking, Widened walkway and shared use bike facility
- Cons Expense of moving the curbs





UPPER MAPLE Climbing Bike Lane







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TULIP AVE

MAPLE AVE



UPPER MAPLE Bulbout Planters and Sharrow Lane Markings

















UPPER MAPLE Climbing Bike Lane

Pros – Bike lane on uphill portion, Cons – Loss of parking, no additional street trees, removal of traffic calming effect from parked vehicles

Bulbout Planters and Sharrows

- Pros Speed management is improved, planters for additional street trees, LID planter options
- Cons Sharrows for bikes

What we need from you:

- Which concepts are non-starters?
- What are we missing?

Which concepts have merit, but you want more info?

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