

## FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION- EAST SILVER SPRING

**Community Preservation, Stability and Character** improvements will encourage neighborhood reinvestment and enhance the quality of life.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Retain the existing single-family detached character throughout most of East Silver Spring and the existing mix and distribution of apartment uses by reconfirming most of the existing residential zoning.	M-NCPPC, County Council	Completed
Amend the zoning ordinance to allow low and medium density apartment properties to continue or to be replaced at current density.	M-NCPPC, County Council	Completed
Encourage maintenance, preservation, remodeling and rehabilitation of housing through code enforcement, owner and tenant education, home or neighborhood improvement programs, and other appropriate techniques.	DHCA, DPS, also HOC programs such as Neighborhood Initiative program and Closing Cost Assistance Program; DHHS Rental Assistance Program	
Restore, maintain, and improve the infrastructure of older neighborhoods.	DPWT	
Other Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Address the capital repair needs of deteriorated multi-family buildings.	DHCA	
Conveniently locate services to meet the needs of areas residents: <input type="checkbox"/> social services; <input type="checkbox"/> employment services; <input type="checkbox"/> health facilities; and <input type="checkbox"/> police services.	DHHS, County Police, Park Police, CASA de Maryland, private sector, non-profit and faith-based organizations. M-NCPPC Park Police will use Problem Oriented Policing.	
Protect residential neighborhoods from expansion of commercial uses and from through traffic.	M-NCPPC, Board of Appeals, DPWT	
Undertake research to develop a historical context for 20th century historic resources in the East Silver Spring Planning area, especially individual sites in the commercial areas such as the Flower Theater.	M-NCPPC, HOC	
Evaluate the potential designation of the Davis Warner House on the <i>Master Plan for Historic Preservation</i> .	HPC, M-NCPPC, County Council	Completed

**Commercial and Institutional Centers** improvements will help serve the needs of local residents and those passing through the area for goods and services.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Create a new Commercial Revitalization Overlay Zone with site plan review and apply it to certain commercial areas: <input type="checkbox"/> Flower Village Center and <input type="checkbox"/> Clifton Park Crossroads Center.	M-NCPPC, County Council	Completed

Establish an "Administrative Review" process for minor site changes on commercial properties.	M-NCPPC, DPS	Completed
Address the need for security for the New Hampshire Estates Elementary School while improving neighborhood access to the park, market and transit.	Department of Education, Park Police, M-NCPPC, County Police	
Provide streetscape improvements in commercial areas at Flower Village and Clifton Park Crossroads Centers.	M-NCPPC, DPWT, DHCA, SHA	
Encourage commercial property improvement through incentives and code enforcement; business expansion incentives; consider establishing a business improvement organization for Flower Village and Clifton Park Crossroads Centers.	DPS, DHCA, private sector, DED business incentive funds	
<b>Other Actions</b> Coordinate joint marketing of businesses along University Boulevard.	<b>Implementing Agencies*</b> DED, private sector, Chamber of Commerce	<b>Status</b>
Implement neighborhood improvements recommended in the 1998 Long Branch Bond Bill.	DPWT, DHCA	
Establish a major gateway feature to enhance community identity and provide a positive image of Clifton Park Crossroads.	M-NCPPC private sector, DPWT, DHCA	
Evaluate and, if appropriate, establish a parking district in Flower Village.	DPWT, City of Takoma Park (for quadrant within Takoma Park)	
Provide improvements to area sidewalks serving Washington Adventist Hospital and Columbia Union College.	DHCA, DPWT, SHA	

**Community Facilities, Parks and Environmental Resources** improvements will enhance community identity and provide valuable services and programs.

<b>Priority Actions</b>	<b>Implementing Agencies*</b>	<b>Status</b>
Purchase properties if they become available to meet significant active recreation needs in the Silver Spring/Takoma Park area: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sligo Adventist Elementary School;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Potomac Adventist Book and Health Food Store;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Takoma Academy; and</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other closed schools and public facilities</li> </ul>	Public/private partnership, M-NCPPC, Recreation Department	
Implement a second phase of improvements tied to Long Branch Library's year-long closure for improvements to strengthen the Library's civic presence in the community, to include the following concepts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> comprehensive landscape plan;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> assessment of security issues through design;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> landscaped paths connecting library/recreation center/</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Arliss Street;</li> </ul>	DPWT, DFS, M-NCPPC	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> enhanced and active main entrance on Arliss Street;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> a "civic plaza"; and</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> reconfiguration of intersection and pedestrian ways between Arliss Street and the library.</li> </ul>		
Renovate and maintain existing facilities and provide new ones with recreation programs for a wide range of ages, backgrounds, and interests.	M-NCPPC, Recreation Department	
Acquire additional properties as needed to enhance public use of Long Branch Stream Valley Park and provide improvements based on Feasibility Study.	M-NCPPC	
Purchase parcels adjacent to existing parks and public open space, as properties become available, to help meet the recreation needs identified in the PROS Plan and to expand existing green space.	M-NCPPC	
<b>Other Actions</b>	<b>Implementing Agencies*</b>	<b>Status</b>
Convert the soccer field at Broadacres Local Park into two softball fields to help meet PROS needs for ball fields, replace the former basketball court, and relocate and expand the playground.	M-NCPPC	
Examine the feasibility of an improved park entrance for Brookview Local Park to encourage and promote patronage.	M-NCPPC	
Examine all parks to provide improvements consistent with CPTED principles.	M-NCPPC Park Police	
Provide community connections between Northwest Branch Trail and Sligo Creek Trail, including easy access to these trails from adjacent neighborhoods.	M-NCPPC, DPWT	
Improve the path and provide a signed nature trail from Long Branch Local Park to Long Branch Wayne Local Park.	M-NCPPC	
Enhance the natural environment by creating new green spaces, continuing street tree maintenance and planting programs, and identifying locations for improved street tree planting.	DEP, DPWT	
Incorporate recycling and energy efficient programs and standards in the design of new development and, where possible, into renovations.	DEP, M-NCPPC	
Encourage the application of urban forestry principles to landscaping projects and to stream valley parks.	M-NCPPC	
Explore opportunities for joint watershed management planning to provide stormwater management and in-stream habitat projects.	DPS, DEP, M-NCPPC	
Explore and promote innovative stormwater management options such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> opportunities for joint watershed management planning to provide stormwater management and in-stream habitat projects;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> opportunities to create linear stormwater pond/wetlands within urban space or</li> </ul>	DPS, DEP, DPWT, M-NCPPC	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> along greenways;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> areas designed to increase infiltration within required open or green space; and</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> permeability of surface parking areas with green space that increases infiltration.</li> </ul>		
Expand voluntary business pollution prevention programs within commercial zones.	DEP	
Use stormwater quantity waiver fees to promote comprehensive regional solutions to support further off-site watershed restoration activities in Sligo Creek, Long Branch and Northwest Branch.	DPS, DEP	
Provide interpretive trails in stream valley parks.	M-NCPPC	
Support expanded regional and local programs to reduce air pollution emissions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> alternatively-fueled government vehicles;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Commuter Express Stores;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Fare-Share program;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ENDZONE Partners program.</li> </ul>	DEP, DPWT	

**Neighborhood-Friendly Circulation System** improvements will provide safe, pleasant and convenient pedestrian bike access to local destinations while also accommodating local and regional traffic and mass transit.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Implement road improvements recommended in the <i>Silver Spring/Takoma Park Transportation and Circulation Report</i> which can be made without unacceptable community impacts.	DPWT, SHA	
Complete or bring up to standard the missing portions of the Pedestrian System Framework, with priority given to providing safe pedestrian access to schools.	DPWT, SHA, M-NCPPC	
Prepare a concept study for and implement streetscape and pedestrian improvements along: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> University Boulevard; and</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> New Hampshire Avenue.</li> </ul>	DPWT, Prince George's County officials, SHA	
Improve the pedestrian environment and transit access along: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Piney Branch Road;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Carroll Avenue;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> East Wayne Avenue;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Franklin Avenue;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Oakview Drive;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Fenton Street;</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Flower Avenue;and</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Arliss Street.</li> </ul>	DPWT, SHA	
Design and build the Metropolitan Branch Trail.	DPWT, M-NCPPC	
Complete or bring up to standard the missing portions of the Bikeway System Framework.	DPWT, M-NCPPC	

Improve transit accessibility for pedestrians and bicyclists by providing sidewalk connections, shelters, bike racks, and related amenities.	DPWT, WMATA	
Complete the Neighborhood Pedestrian Routes and Bikeways supplement recommendations with the participation of each neighborhood. Implement the recommended system.	DPWT, M-NCPPC	
<b>Other Actions</b>	<b>Implementing Agencies*</b>	<b>Status</b>
Revise Master Plan if the proposed "Purple Line" transit alignment is approved along University Boulevard.	M-NCPPC, County Council	
Provide good connections to the national American Discovery Trail.	DPWT	
Evaluate and upgrade, where needed, all bridges that are part of the Bicycle System Framework.	DPWT, SHA	

\* See Key for Implementing Agency Acronyms on page 33