

## FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION- SILVER SPRING CBD

*Recommendations for CBD-wide systems and facilities, including the circulation system, housing, community and cultural facilities, historic preservation, and environmental policies.*

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Work with the public and private sectors to attract new business, strengthen existing business and make physical improvements.	DED, Redevelopment Office, Urban District, DHCA, Chamber of Commerce, local business owners, Gateway CDC	

**Circulation System** improvements will support revitalization by creating an efficient system of transportation options, including local and regional road and mass transit connections, sidewalks and bikeways.

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Design and construct the Transit Center.	DPWT, WMATA, MTA, M-NCPPC	
Provide for the Georgetown Branch transit connection.	DPWT, WMATA, MTA	
Improve Wayne Avenue's intersections with Georgia Avenue, Cedar Street and Fenton Street.	M-NCPPC, DPW&T, SHA, private sector	
Coordinate road improvements with Montgomery College at Fenton Street, Georgia Avenue, and Burlington Avenue.	DPWT, Montgomery College, M-NCPPC, SHA	
Construct a median in East West Highway between Colesville Road and the Blair Shopping Center entrance.	DPWT, SHA	
Extend Dixon Avenue.	DPWT, private sector	
Develop a way-finding system.	Redevelopment Office, Urban District, DPWT, SHA	
Other Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Create incentives for mass transit use and HOVs	DPWT	
Design and construct local and regional bikeways.	M-NCPPC, DPWT, private sector	
Operational improvements at signalized intersections.	DPWT	
Extend Draper Lane between Colesville Road and Blair Mill Road.	DPWT, private sector	
Revise the <i>Silver Spring Streetscape</i> technical manual.	M-NCPPC, DPWT, private sector	
Implement CBD streetscaping.	DPWT, DHCA, private sector	
Assess CBD parking needs.	DPWT	
Implement on-street, off-peak parking along CBD arterials.	DPWT, SHA	

**Housing** development downtown can offer residential options and contribute to a lively and active downtown community.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Convert surplus, publicly owned surface parking lots to housing.	DHCA, DPWT, M-NCPPC	

**Community and Cultural Facilities** will be strategically sited and programmed to encourage revitalization, provide needed services, and recreate downtown as the center of community life.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Expand Montgomery College-Takoma campus.	Montgomery College, M-NCPPC	
Construct the new civic building and Veteran's Plaza as part of the Downtown Silver Spring project	M-NCPPC, Redevelopment Office, private developer	
Program public events to complement and support private cultural and entertainment facilities.	Redevelopment Office, Urban District, Recreation Department, Public Schools, Montgomery College, M-NCPPC, Arts Council, arts organizations, Chamber of Commerce, private sponsors	
Locate and construct a new district court house in the CBD.	Maryland Department of General Services.	
Re-locate and construct Fire Station #1 in the CBD.	Fire and Rescue, Redevelopment Office, Volunteer Fire Department, Fire Station Task Force	
Expand Fenton Gateway Park	M-NCPPC, DPWT, Recreation Department, DHCA	
Renovate Jesup Blair Park and install a pedestrian and bicycle bridge over the CSX tracks.	M-NCPPC, Montgomery College, HPC	
Replace the interim skateboard facility.	M-NCPPC, Redevelopment Office	
Other Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Evaluate the need for a new CBD library.	Department of Public Libraries, Redevelopment Office	
Encourage greater police visibility.	County Police, Park Police, Chamber of Commerce	
Assess the viability of an expanded farmer's market and/or public market.	Redevelopment Office, Agricultural Services Division of DED, private sector	

**Historic Preservation** of downtown's historic buildings not only preserves our history, but also adds character and variety to downtown redevelopment.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Evaluate sites for designation on the <i>Master Plan for Historic Preservation</i> and the <i>Locational Atlas</i> .	HPC, M-NCPPC	
Renovate and reuse the Silver Theatre, the Silver Spring Train Station and Fire Station #1	M-NCPPC, HPC, Redevelopment Office, Historic Montgomery, private sector	
Move the Tastee Diner to its new location	Private developer, Montgomery County	Completed

**Environmental** policies allow development to move forward while still protecting the quality of the area's natural resources.

Priority Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Use stormwater quality waivers to support off-site watershed restoration in Rock Creek and Sligo Creek.	DPS, DEP	
Other Actions	Implementing Agencies*	Status
Incorporate existing recycling and energy efficiency programs into new development and renovation projects.	M-NCPPC, DEP, DPS, private sector	
Explore opportunities to create linear stormwater ponds/ wetlands.	DPWT, DEP, DPS, M-NCPPC	
Expand the vacuum street sweeping program to include parking lots and driveways.	Urban District, DPWT	
Improve the permeability of surface parking areas with green space.	DPS, DEP, DPWT	
Expand voluntary business pollution prevention programs in the CBD.	DEP	

\* See Key for Implementing Agency Acronyms on page 33