

**THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**Transportation Planners Schedule Public Meetings on Montgomery County Master Plan of Highways Project**

**SILVER SPRING** – Planners updating the [Master Plan of Highways](#) will seek input at four community meetings scheduled in April. The comprehensive update of the plan, the first since 1955, will compile all the roadway changes approved in area master plans in one document.

In addition to updating the road network with current classifications, the new master plan also will encompass transitways, rail stations, and other transit centers in area master plans. To reflect the greater scope, the plan name will change to the Master Plan of Highways and Transitways.

The plan will incorporate road changes and align them with the County Road Code, which was comprehensively revised in 2007. To better organize roadway information, the plan will feature an alphabetized list of all roads, their classifications, and details such as number of lanes and the rights-of-way widths for each road.

At the public meetings, transportation planners will provide an overview of potential changes to the classification of some roads, provide definitions of each classification and describe what those changes would mean. Visitors will be invited to review and discuss with planners maps depicting the classes of roads being considered for re-classification.

The countywide document will bring into sync changes to roads and transitways that have occurred through master and sector plans, a few of which are approved and adopted each year. Overall, planners expect that the new Master Plan of Highways and Transitways will be a one-stop source for residents and anyone curious about area roads.

Learn more about the Master Plan of Highways and Transitways project at [www.montgomeryplanning.org/transportation/highways/mpoh.shtm](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/transportation/highways/mpoh.shtm)

**What:**

Master Plan of Highways public meetings

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**Where & When:**

Monday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.

Park and Planning Headquarters, 8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.

Upcounty Regional Services Center, 12900 Middlebrook Road, Suite 1000  
Germantown, MD 20874

Wednesday, April 28, 6:30 p.m.

Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center, 3300 Briggs Chaney Road  
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Thursday, April 29, 6:30 p.m.

Potomac Community Recreation Center, 11315 Falls Road  
Potomac, MD 20854

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