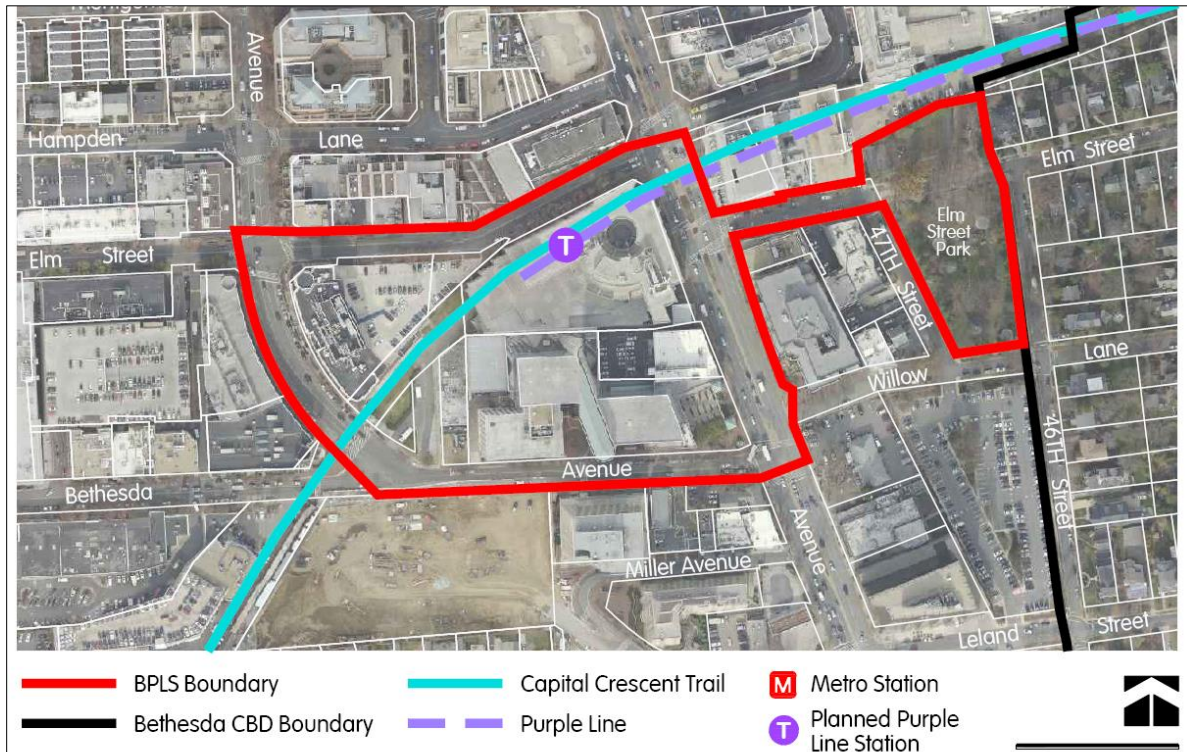


## What area is covered by the Bethesda Purple Line Station Plan?



## Why are we talking about the Bethesda Purple Line Station?

- The western end of planned Purple Line light rail line will be the Bethesda South station, located at Wisconsin Avenue and Elm Street, and will include a new south entrance to the Red Line Metro station.
- The Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) has designed a Purple Line station that works with existing conditions:
  - Station fits into the existing curved tunnel, but numerous columns that support the Apex building will be located in the middle of the station platform;
  - Red Line south entrance elevators will be located in the Elm Street sidewalk;
  - Capital Crescent Trail (CCT) crosses Wisconsin Avenue, but only at street level;
  - Purple Line ventilation tower and maintenance tracks sit in Woodmont Plaza.
- **MTA is developing a station design that better integrates these elements, in a new building on the site:**
  - Larger, column-free Purple Line platform with more room for riders and trains;
  - Red Line south entrance would be located within the new building;
  - CCT would cross under Wisconsin Avenue in a new tunnel and at street level;
  - Purple Line ventilation tower in new building, maintenance tracks shortened;
  - Accommodates space for long-term bike storage.

## What questions will the Plan answer?

- How can we realize the significant public benefits of the alternative station design?
- Do the public and private benefits outweigh the costs for commuters, trail users, property owners, residents, and businesses?
- How would the alternative station and trail tunnel designs impact the way people use transit or the CCT?
- Which of the two CCT tunnel options is preferable?
- What features should be included in a new Purple Line station?
- What are the impacts on the surrounding area?

## How can you participate?

- Share your thoughts with us at the Open House
- Comment on the website
- Send us an e-mail
- Contact us at the number below
- Speak at the November 7, 2013, Public Hearing

## What are the next steps?

The MTA has set two deadlines that this Plan is working toward:

- December 31, 2013: written commitment to redevelop the Apex Building;
- December 31, 2015: demolition of the Apex Building to allow construction of the station to commence with general expected construction of the Purple Line.

The Plan is working toward these deadlines on the following schedule:

July 22, 2013	Present Scope of Work to Planning Board
September 26, 2013	Present Staff Draft Minor Master Plan Amendment to Planning Board for approval as Public Hearing Draft
November 7, 2013	Planning Board Public Hearing
November 21, 2013	Planning Board Worksession
December 5, 2013	Approval of Planning Board Draft Minor Master Plan Amendment
December 6, 2013	Transmit Planning Board Draft to County Council and County Executive to allow County Council to notice Public Hearing before Winter break.

## How can I get more information?

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