



Forest Glen Pedestrian Bridge

(P509976)

Category	Transportation	Date Last Modified	12/11/18
SubCategory	Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways	Administering Agency	Transportation
Planning Area	Kensington-Wheaton	Status	Under Construction

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY18	Rem FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	1,771	1,771	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Land	58	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Site Improvements and Utilities	24	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	5,539	5,471	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,394	7,326	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY18	Rem FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bonds	4,093	4,093	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal Aid	2,878	2,858	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Aid	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Land Sale	175	175	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	48	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	7,394	7,326	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 20 Approp. Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY99
Cumulative Appropriation	7,394	Last FY's Cost Estimate	7,394
Expenditure / Encumbrances	7,326		
Unencumbered Balance	68		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project provides an elevated pedestrian walkway that will span over the interchange ramps for I-495 on the west side of Georgia Avenue (MD 97). The total length of the walkway is 1,357 feet. The project consists of two bridges spanning three interchange ramps. The remaining portions of the elevated path will be constructed on cantilevered retaining walls, U-shaped walls, retaining wall sections, and embankments. The typical width of the path is 12 feet and the profile conforms to ADA requirements. Aesthetic treatment will consist of simulated stone concrete walls that will match the wingwalls of the existing I-495 bridge when widening of the bridge is complete. Recessed lighting will be provided along the curb of each bridge, and light poles will be provided elsewhere along the path.

Landscaping will be provided to enhance the visual impact of the pathway.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Pedestrian walkway will allow Forest Glen residents easy and safe access to retail establishments and will enable residents of Montgomery Hills to walk and bike safely to the Forest Glen Metrorail Station and north along Georgia Avenue. Forest Glen Sector Plan (1996).

OTHER

The final alternative for this project has been approved through the mandatory referral process, and the community has commented during a public hearing. This project also supports the County Executive's Vision Zero initiative which aims to reduce injuries and fatalities on all roads.

FISCAL NOTE

This program has been approved for \$2,878,000 in Federal Transportation Enhancement funds and \$200,000 in State aid. The Intergovernmental revenue of \$48,000 shown in the funding schedule represents a reimbursement from WSSC for its share of utility relocation costs. In FY17, \$315,000 in GO Bonds transferred to project #509974.

DISCLOSURES

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project. The County Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission, Maryland State Highway Administration, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Pepco, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Permitting Services, WSSC, Bell Atlantic, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County, Locust Grove Citizens Association, Montgomery County Dept. of Police, Montgomery County Dept. of Technology Services