

# Bicycle-Pedestrian Priority Area Improvements - Wheaton CBD

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Category
SubCategory
Planning Area

Transportation
Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways

Kensington-Wheaton

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Status

01/03/20

Transportation

Preliminary Design Stage

#### EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY19	Est FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	1,696	-	704	992	268	89	28	16	185	406	-
Construction	2,858	-	815	2,043	267	295	67	37	431	946	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,554	-	1,519	3,035	535	384	95	53	616	1,352	-

#### FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY19	Est FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bonds	4,554	-	1,519	3,035	535	384	95	53	616	1,352	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	4,554	-	1,519	3,035	535	384	95	53	616	1,352	-

#### OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000s)

Impact Type	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26
Maintenance	5	-	-	-	-	-	5
NET IMPACT	5	-	-	-	-	-	5

#### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 21 Request	902	Year First Appropriation	FY20
Appropriation FY 22 Request	384	Last FY's Cost Estimate	2,586
Cumulative Appropriation	1,519		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	-		
Unencumbered Balance	1,519		

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project funds the design and construction of bicycle and pedestrian capital infrastructure in the Wheaton Central Business District (CBD) Bicycle and Pedestrian Priority Area (BiPPA) and identified in the Wheaton Central Business District (CBD) and Vicinity Sector Plan. Recommended improvements will include new sidewalks, separated bikeways, shared-use paths, streetscape improvements, lighting, signal and accessibility upgrades, intersection safety improvements, bike parking, bicyclist and pedestrian wayfinding, and other treatments intended to improve safety and mobility for cyclists and pedestrians. Future projects include

intersection safety improvements identified as high priority and near-term in the Wheaton BiPPA Study.

#### LOCATION

Wheaton CBD and Vicinity

### ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Construction of the first Wheaton BiPPA project, the two-way separated bikeway on the west side of Amherst Avenue from Arcola Avenue to Windham Lane, is anticipated to begin in FY 25. Design for the Amherst bikeway and design and construction of area-wide pedestrian intersection improvements is ongoing.

#### **COST CHANGE**

Costs increased to fully fund Amherst Avenue Bikeway.

#### PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

This project will enhance and promote accessibility, safety, mobility and comfort for people walking and biking in the Wheaton CBD. The primary purpose of this project is to build better and safer facilities. In urban areas, walking and bicycling are among the most affordable forms of transportation, providing safe and efficient access to transit. Providing safe, convenient and attractive bicycle and pedestrian access, along with modernizing aging infrastructure is essential to ensure equity for all and provide access to jobs, education, public services and the social network. The Wheaton CBD and Vicinity includes the Wheaton Metro Station and Bus Transfer Center, the Wheaton CBD, town square and adjacent public park and government office building, high-density housing, commercial and retail uses including small businesses and Westfield Wheaton (mall), employment areas, entertainment venues, Wheaton Regional Park, connections to the Sligo Creek Trail, Wheaton Library, Recreation and Community Center, fire and police stations, the Mid-County Regional Services Center, MNCPPC and multiple County agencies, Proyecto Salud Clinic, the Gilchrist Immigration Resource Center, and the Adult Behavioral Health Program. This project supports the ongoing redevelopment of the Wheaton CBD, and will help meet master planned Non-Auto Driver Mode Share (NADMS) goals.

## FISCAL NOTE

In FY20, a \$367,000 supplemental appropriation was approved.

## **DISCLOSURES**

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

## COORDINATION

Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee, Maryland DOT State Highway Administration, WMATA, Department of Permitting Services and utilities.

