

North Bethesda Metro Station Access Improvements

(P502106)

Category
SubCategory
Planning Area

Transportation

Mass Transit (MCG)

North Bethesda-Garrett Park

Date Last Modified Administering Agency Status 05/19/23
Transportation
Final Design Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY22	Rem FY22	Total 6 Years	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	1,244	688	256	300	200	100	-	-	-	-	-
Land	15	1	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	2,311	132	211	1,968	268	1,700	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,570	821	481	2,268	468	1,800	-	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY22	Rem FY22	Total 6 Years	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bonds	3,210	821	481	1,908	108	1,800	-	-	-	-	-
State Aid	360	-	-	360	360	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	3,570	821	481	2,268	468	1,800	-	-	-	-	-

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000s)

Impact Type	Total 6 Years	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28
Maintenance	25	-	5	5	5	5	5
Energy	5	-	1	1	1	1	1
NET IMPACT	30	-	6	6	6	6	6

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 24 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY21
Cumulative Appropriation	3,570	Last FY's Cost Estimate	3,570
Expenditure / Encumbrances	1,437		
Unencumbered Balance	2,133		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project provides the final design and construction of access improvements to the North Bethesda Metro Station (formerly known as the White Flint Metro Station). Access is currently limited to the southern end of the platform. Planned improvements funded for design and construction include modification of the intersection of Old Georgetown Road and Rockville Pike and sidewalk and

streetscape improvements on the frontage of roads connecting the North Bethesda Metro Station entrance to surrounding areas. Metro has conducted a feasibility study of providing access at the northern end of the platform, including potential pedestrian underpass connections of MD 355 (Rockville Pike). Construction of northern access to the station will reduce walk times to the Metro Platform.

LOCATION

MD 355 (Rockville Pike) at Old Georgetown Road/North Bethesda Metro Station

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

Construction of the sidewalk and streetscape improvements along MD 355 (Rockville Pike) was completed in FY22. The construction of intersection improvements at Old Georgetown Road and MD 355 will be completed in FY24.

COST CHANGE

The cost increase is due to a more detailed design that included extensive coordination with Maryland State Highway Administration and other agencies.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

This project is needed to improve the mobility and safety for all facility users within the project area by improving the walking routes to the Metro station platforms. The project may also reduce existing conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles. Currently, transit users, pedestrians, and bicyclists cross MD 355 (Rockville Pike) and Old Georgetown Road to access the Metro station. Traffic volumes and speeds on MD 355 can be high, and pedestrians must cross over seven lanes of traffic.

FISCAL NOTE

A state grant provided \$360,000 in FY23 for pedestrian improvements in the White Flint area.

DISCLOSURES

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 Capital Park and Planning Commission, Maryland State Highway Administration, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

