

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY
WALTER REED BRAC INTEGRATION COMMITTEE**

UPDATES FOR POSTPONED MEETING – January 21, 2014

1. **State Highway Administration (SHA)**
 - a. **MD 355/Jones Bridge Road Intersection Project:**
 - i. **Short term improvements (Dynamic Signaling/Crosswalks/etc):**
 1. **SHA is preparing public outreach in advance of activation of the dynamic signaling, approximately mid-February.**
 - b. **MD 185/Jones Bridge Road Intersection Project:**
 - i. **Phases 1-2 , Connecticut Ave:**
 1. **Landscaping has been completed. Finishing touches remain on signaling and signage.**
 - ii. **Phase 3, Jones Bridge Road:**
 1. **JBR east of Conn Ave: Widening / Shared-use path / SWM**
 - a. **Design & Engineering proceeding; no outstanding issues at this time.**
 2. **JBR west of Conn Ave: HHMI easement; Utilities Relocation**
 - a. **Discussions continue with Howard Hughes Medical Institute re: retaining wall, to see if utilities can remain on the south side of JBR.**
 - c. **MD 355/Cedar Lane Intersection Project:**
 - i. **Phases 1-3 Construction**
 1. **SHA is preparing as public announcement about timing of Phase 3 construction, which may be ready late January.**
 2. **SHA is still on track to close Cedar Lane this summer, when school is out, for culvert reconstruction.**
 3. **SHA and MCDOT are still in discussion about the construction of a traffic signal on Cedar lane at Elmhirst Parkway/Stone Ridge School.**
 - ii. **Elmhirst Drive repaving: Being discussed internally at SHA.**
 - iii. **Future short-term closure of Elmhirst Parkway Bridge for reconstruction: MCDOT project unrelated to the SHA intersection project; County police are talking with MCDOT to coordinate this closure with the summer 2014 Cedar Lane closure.**
 - iv. **NOTE: Phase 4 Design & Engineering -- Traffic, Air, and Noise Studies will be conducted at conclusion of Phases 1-3.**
 - d. **MD 187 (Old Georgetown Rd)/West Cedar Lane intersection Project:**
 - i. **Design, engineering and Construction update.**
 1. **Design is approaching 100% and may be complete by end of February. ROW acquisition is ongoing.**
 - ii. **Bethesda Trolley Trail extension update.**
 1. **This is a separate project and will probably be completed after the intersection Project.**

2. MCDOT

- a. **Multimodal Crossing Project at Medical Center Metro Station & MD 355/Jones Bridge Road intersection Project (full scope):**
 - i. **Coordination updates:**
 - 1. **The Planning Board approved the project at its Jan. 9 Mandatory Referral hearing, with minor comments.**
 - ii. **RFP updates:**
 - 1. **The RFP may be ready to be submitted to the two contractor finalists within a month or two.**

- b. **Platt Ridge Drive extension project:**
 - i. **A Planning Board Mandatory Referral hearing is pending as discussions continue with Planning Board staff on technical matters.**

3. NEXT BIC MEETING

- a. **January BIC Meeting has been rescheduled for February 18, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at BCC Regional Services Center.**
 - i. **Agenda: SHA will provide updates on Intersections Projects; updates from BRAC Coordinator and other agency and community stakeholders.**