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BETHESDA TROLLEY TRAIL LIGHTING
 from Golf Lane to Edson Lane

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Lighting Demonstration & Schedule

In order to address concerns raised by the abutting property owners, MCDOT will install one trail light with a generator from 6:00pm to 8:00pm on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 prior to the public meeting to allow residents to examine the amount and type of light exposure along the trail. After MCDOT receives feedback from the community and mitigates any negative impacts to the abutting property owners the trail lighting project is anticipated to be completed by March 2016.

Public Input

MCDOT encourages you to provide your input by submitting comments on the postage paid public comments form or e-mailing the Project Manager, Tommy Shoemaker at:

Tommy.Shoemaker@montgomerycountymd.gov

Public input is the key to an effective planning process as it allows MCDOT and Montgomery County decision makers to understand the needs of the community.

Bethesda Trolley Trail looking south from Edson Lane



Bethesda Trolley Trail looking south approaching Golf Lane

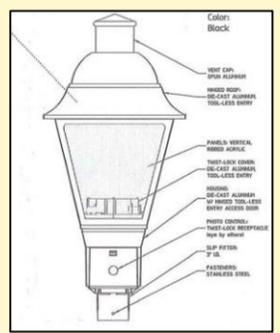


Wayside | Amenity



Technical Information

- 20 lights spaced approximately 75' on center installed on the west side of the trail
- 27 watt LED colonial post top style luminaire will be mounted 12' above the existing pathway
- lighting will look similar to existing BTT trail lighting but poles are four feet taller
- each light will be controlled by a photocell mounted on the top of each light
- Fixtures can be shielded as necessary to eliminate glare or trespass lighting.



More information: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dte/bikeways/Projects.html>



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January 2016

THE PLAN AHEAD

THE FUTURE OF
TRANSPORTATION BEGINS TODAY

Al R. Roshdieh, Acting Director
Department of Transportation

BETHESDA TROLLEY TRAIL LIGHTING Golf Lane to Edson Lane

Introduction

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) has begun work on a project to implement trail lighting along sections of the Bethesda Trolley Trail to improve safety for trail users after dusk.

Newsletter Purpose

The purpose of this newsletter is to notify you of the upcoming project, summarize the project's scope and invite you to a Public Workshop on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

Public Workshop
Thursday, January 28, 2016
7pm to 9pm

Tilden Middle School Cafeteria
11211 Old Georgetown Road
Rockville, MD 20852

Lighting Demonstration:
6:00pm to 8:00pm
Wednesday, January 27, 2016
Trail just south of Edson Lane

Project Scope

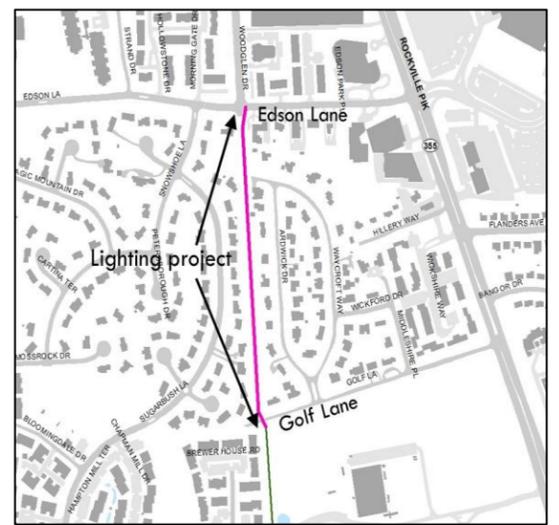
The project is located in North Bethesda, along the Bethesda Trolley Trail (BTT), a six mile north-south urban greenway that provides a direct link between Bethesda and Rockville for bicyclists, runners and pedestrians. The BTT connects multiple



neighborhoods to major activity centers in White Flint and Bethesda. The proposed

improvement project consists of the installation of twenty (20) lights along approximately 1500 linear feet of the path between Golf Lane and Edson Lane.

The proposed lighting will provide improved safety along the trail, improving connectivity



and mobility throughout the corridor after dark and will allow for safer access to the many destinations in the area.

Project Background

The BTT utilizes much of the original trolley right-of-way. The BTT is one of eight rails-to-trails conversions in the Washington area. Since the opportunity for this rail-trail was first identified in the 1978 Countywide Bikeways Master Plan, the County has required new land developments to dedicate land and construct portions of the trail. Funding was approved in 2004 by the County Council to design and construct missing trail segments including bridges across I-495 and I-270. In 2012 the BTT Wayside I amenity at Edson Lane and Woodglen Drive was constructed and more recently in December 2015, BTT Wayside II amenity at Beech Avenue and Montgomery Drive was built.

The proposed trail lighting was initiated by a request from the Timberlawn HOA and other trail users. MCDOT applied for and received a Maryland Department of Transportation Bikeways Grant to construct both the BTT



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Your input is important!
Please provide us with any
comments and return by:

February 19, 2016

Wayside II amenity and the
trail lighting.

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COMMENTS FORM

Al R. Roshdieh, Acting Director, Department of Transportation

PUBLIC COMMENTS FORM - MCDOT Welcomes your Feedback!

Public input is the key to an effective planning process, as it allows MCDOT to understand the concerns of the community. We encourage you to complete the form below. Your comments will become a part of the public files and may be included and/or summarized in the Project Prospectus and other public documents. Due to the high volume of comments we receive, MCDOT regrets that responses will not be provided to all comments, but we assure you that all comments will be read and evaluated.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

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