# Fenton Village Bike & Pedestrian Projects

# Project Newsletter #9, May 2022

Thank you for your interest in the Fenton Village bike and pedestrian projects! The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is continuing planning efforts for the three related bike and pedestrian improvement projects in Fenton Village. We will provide regular updates through newsletters like this one.

# Upcoming Grove Street Meeting - May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation will be hosting a virtual community meeting on **Wednesday**, **May 18**, **2022 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** to discuss the results of Stage 1 of the Neighborhood Greenway Pilot and discuss possibilities for Stage 2. The meeting will include a presentation and a period for public questions and comments.

A survey to gather your feedback is available on the project webpage, and we would greatly appreciate your participation.

Registration for this meeting **is required** in advance. You can register and view plans at the project website, accessible by scanning the QR code or clicking here: https://tinyurl.com/FentonVillage.

# **Grove Street Neighborhood Greenway - Project Update**

The Stage 1 treatments of the Grove Street Neighborhood Greenway Pilot, focusing on speed reduction and pedestrian safety, were installed starting in July 2021.

MCDOT completed a traffic evaluation during the Stage 1 period, and we will present our findings to the community at the meeting on May 18.

The next step is to implement Stage 2 of the Pilot. The direction of Stage 2 will be discussed at the meeting on May 18. Stage 2 may include the addition of diversionary treatments to reduce traffic volume, or the modification of the Stage 1 treatments to improve their effectiveness.

We are interested in your feedback about how Stage 1 is working and what you would like to see as part of Stage 2, so please take a few minutes to take the <u>survey</u> available on the project webpage.

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# **Updates At A Glance**

This section provides a quick update of the status of each project.

### Fenton Street Bikeway Study

- Phase: 65% Design underway
- Phase completion: Mid-2022
- Next phase: 90% Design
- Happening now: Intermediate design

### Fenton St/MD 410 Intersection

- Phase: Final Design
- Phase completion: Mid-2022
- Next phase: Permitting
- Happening now: 65% Design review

### Grove St Neighborhood Greenway

- Phase: Stage 1 in place
- Phase completion: Mid-2022
- Next phase: Pilot Stage 2
- Happening now: Stage 1 feedback & Stage 2 planning

### **Project Websites**

https://tinyurl.com/FentonVillage https://tinyurl.com/Grove-Street

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## Fenton Street / MD 410 Intersection Project Update

MCDOT continues to work to refine the design of the Fenton Street / MD 410 Intersection project. This project will reconfigure the intersection to reduce vehicle turning speeds and improve driver sight lines to pedestrians and cyclists, reduce impervious surface, institute stormwater management best practices, and add a cycletrack (two-way separated bike lane) to the west side of Fenton Street between King Street and Gist Avenue.

The project is currently at 65% design. The permitting process is underway. The project must receive approval from the Maryland State Highway Administration before construction can begin.

Construction is anticipated to start in Fall 2022.

# **Fenton Street Cycletrack Project Update**

The Fenton Street Cycletrack design continues to progress. Based on feedback from the community and businesses, we have continued to refine the design throughout the process.

The project will add a two-way cycletrack on the west side of Fenton Street from Gist Avenue to Cameron Street. The project also includes pedestrian safety improvements along the length of Fenton Street.

The design includes several safety features including the use of protected intersection treatments, bike signals, floating bus stops, signal protection from left turns, loading zones on each block, shorter pedestrian crossings, stormwater management best practices, and accessibility improvements to make the area easier and safer for people with vision disabilities to navigate.

In January 2022, MCDOT presented plans for the project to the Montgomery County Planning Board, and based on feedback from that public hearing we have incorporated some improvements to the project.

We expect to hold a community meeting this summer to present the updated designs.

Construction on the first phase of this project (Gist to Bonifant) is currently anticipated in Summer 2023, with second phase (Bonifant to Cameron) construction taking place in Summer 2024.

### **Grove Street Greenway - Pilot Stage 1**

In July, we started installation of Stage 1 of the Grove Street Neighborhood Greenway Pilot. Below are some pictures of the Stage 1 treatments.



Top: mini-roundabout at Silver Spring Ave

Bottom: painted bump-outs & crosswalks

Middle: walking lane

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