

SSUDAC Meeting Summary
May 21st, 2020

Members Present: Diana Brown, Carmen Camacho, Jay Elvove, David Fogel, Aaron Kayce, Michael Larson, Jane Redicker, Juanita Stewart, Mel Tull

Members Absent: Mussie Betre, Thomas Kaufmann

Call to Order and Introductions:

- The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m.

Police Briefing & Crime Report

Montgomery County Police, Third District

- Police reported an increase in assaults, along with airbag thefts from vehicles and vehicle thefts from delivery drivers.
- A police officer was assaulted at the 7-11 on Georgia and Wayne Aves.
- The officers reported an ongoing investigation into a local shoplifting ring.

Update to Silver Spring Downtown Plan Boundary Discussion

Leslye Howerton, Master Planning Supervisor, and Atara Margolies, Planner Coordinator, M-NCPPC

- Ms. Howerton and Ms. Margolies provided a brief update to the Downtown Silver Spring plan boundary work and answered questions from the public regarding how specific areas of downtown would be zoned.
- The area boundary is identical to the Central Business District boundary.
- The scope of work for the update was presented to the Planning Board in March of 2020, and the next presentation will be in June. No final option has been selected and the board will be presented with multiple ideas.

How the UD Has Responded to COVID-19

Richard Bingham, Chief of Operations, and Crystal Ruiz, Operations Manager, Silver Spring Urban District

- Mr. Bingham and Ms. Ruiz provided updates on the administrative and operational status of the Urban District.
- Frontline staff have been reduced, with eleven staff members currently not working and all other staff working four days per week.

- New policies regarding workspace and vehicle cleaning have been instituted.
- Outreach to homeless citizens continues during the County's reduced operations.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.