

### Vehicular and Pedestrian Access to Herndon Metrorail Station

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# Project Location



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- The project is located in the Town of Herndon along Herndon Parkway between Van Buren Street and Exchange Place
- Herndon Parkway is a four-lane divided minor arterial with a posted speed limit of 35 mph
- New Silver Line extension is expected to take five years to construct and open in 2019.
- The Silver Line is expected to attract 50,000 riders per day going to and from the new stations.

# **Scope of Project**

- Respond to Town Council directive of February 28, 2012: "Proceed with urgency with engineering for construction of the proposed bus stop and passenger drop-off/pick-up area on Herndon Parkway"
- Provide bus bays and vehicle drop-off areas along Herndon Parkway between Van Buren Street and Exchange Place to accommodate the future Herndon Silver Line Metrorail Station.
- Provide tie-in to the North Pavilion and Sidewalk project to provide pedestrian access to the Herndon Silver Line Metrorail Station from the nearest public right-of-way.



## **Scope of Project**, Continued

- Other improvements include pedestrian signalization, transit aesthetic design elements, utility relocation, road drainage, landscaping and roadway and sidewalk lighting.
- Coordinate with overlapping improvements at future intersection of Worldgate Drive Extended and Herndon Parkway.
- Encourage public participation.
- Engage in on-going coordination with the Dulles Metrorail Project.



## **Herndon Transit Oriented Core**

• Future development of the Herndon Transit Oriented Core will be accomplished by private developers.







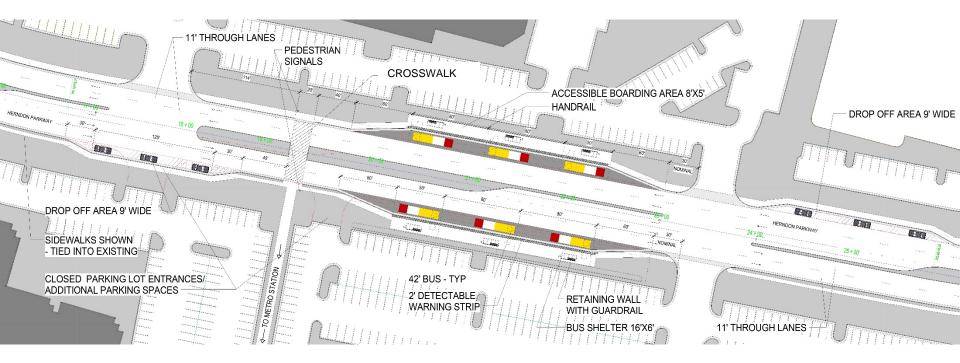
### **Proposed Improvements**

Three options include:

- Option A Tangent Bays Westbound and Eastbound in Same Block
- Option B Tangent Bays Westbound Far Side and Eastbound Near Side
- Option C Tangent Bays Westbound Far Side and Sawtooth Bays Eastbound Near Side
- 13-foot wide bus bays on the northern and the southern side of Herndon Parkway are provided to accommodate three buses and adjacent shelters.
- 9-foot wide vehicle drop-off areas are provided in all options, closed bay type, allowing passenger drop-off and pickup outside of traffic lanes.



#### **Option A** Tangent Bays Westbound and Eastbound in Same Block



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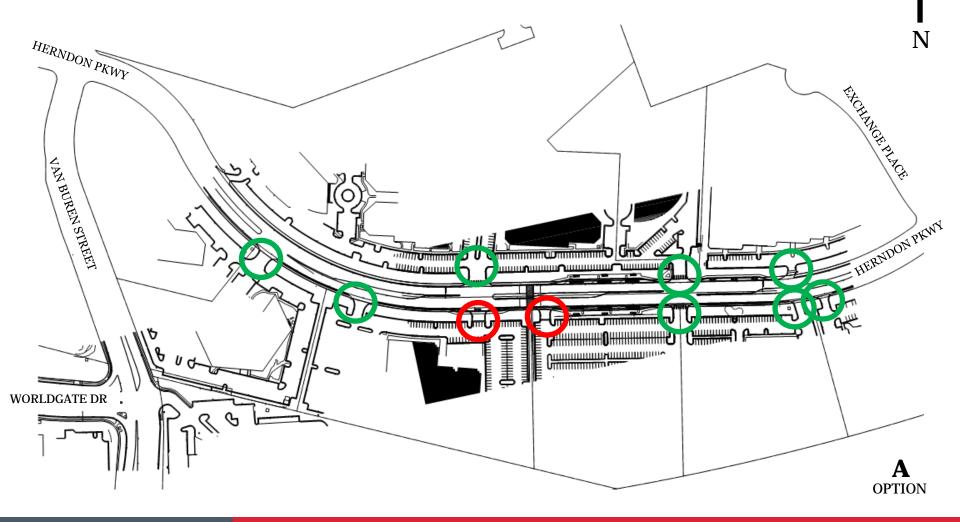






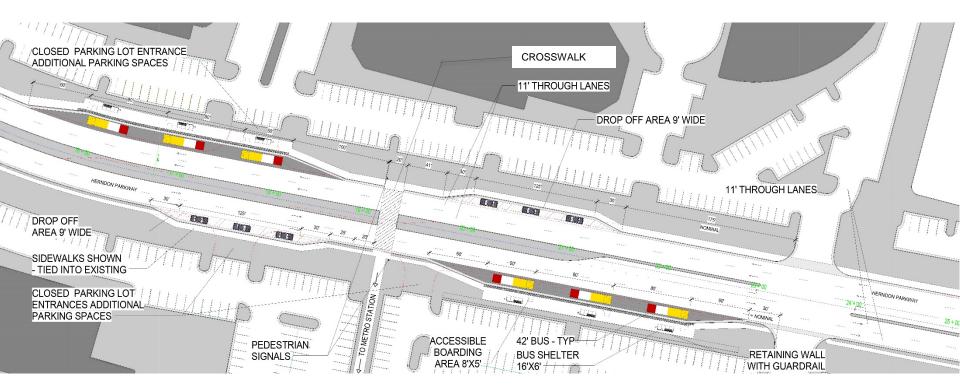


### **Option A** Entrances closed with this option





#### **Option B** Tangent Bays Westbound Far Side and Eastbound Near Side





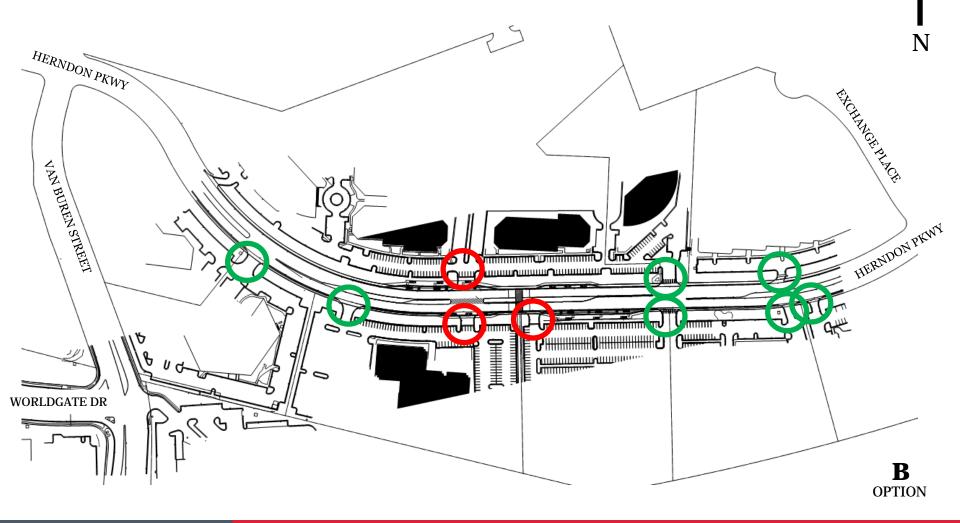








### **Option B** Entrances closed with this option

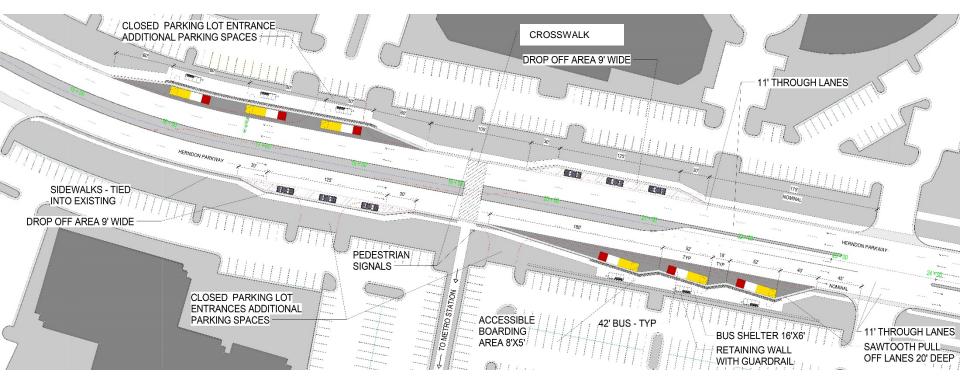


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### **Option C** Tangent Bays Westbound Far Side and Sawtooth Bays Eastbound Near Side



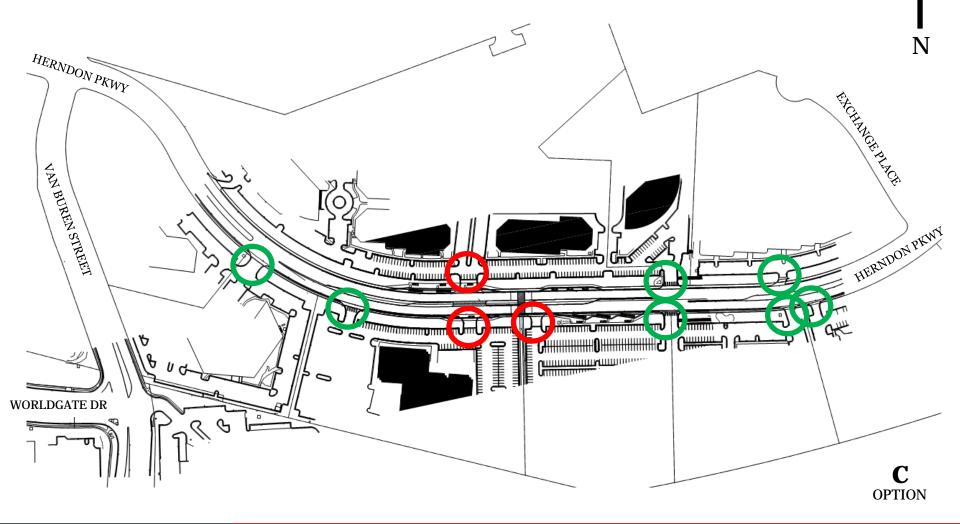








### **Option C** Entrances closed with this option



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### **Pros and Cons of Each Option**

#### <u>Pros</u>

#### Cons

**Option A** • Closes only two existing entrances

- Pedestrian crossing in front of WB bus
- WB vehicle drop-off 400' from pedestrian crossing

#### **Option B**

 Pedestrian crossing behind bus bays

- Closes three existing entrances
- Same as B
- Less platform area due to larger pavement area for sawtooth layout



- Option C (Sawtooth)
- Easier bus maneuvering

Same as B

# **Current Funding**

HB2313 Regional 70% share	<u>\$1.1M</u>
CMAQ	\$1.2M
Total Allocation	\$2.3M

 Proposed from Fairfax County transportation allocation, based on Herndon Metrorail Stations Area Access Management Study: <u>\$100,000</u> for signalized pedestrian crossing



### **Estimated Project Cost**

<ul> <li>Design</li> </ul>	\$600K
Land Acquisition	\$400K
Utility Relocations	\$200K
Construction	\$1.2M
<ul> <li>Total</li> </ul>	\$2.4M



### Schedule

- Town Council Work Session
- Public Input Meeting
- Town Council Adopt Concept Plan
- Complete Construction Plans
- Design Public Hearing
- Complete Right-of-Way Acquisition

October 20, 2015 October 28, 2015 Winter 2016 Fall 2016 Fall 2016 Winter 2017

- After Metro Silver Line Work is completed on the Entry Pavilion and Sidewalk:
  - Complete Utility Relocations
  - Advertise for Construction
  - Begin Construction

Possibly Spring 2017 Possibly mid-2017 Possibly Summer 2017



# **Questions?**



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