

March 22, 2022 Community Meeting Q&A

Metro has prepared a brief Q&A to address comments raised at the March 22, 2022 Bladensburg Bus Garage Reconstruction Project community engagement meeting.

Project Overview & Design

Q: Are there designs that illustrate the completed view of the garage?

A: Yes. Please visit the [Bladensburg Bus Garage Project Updates](#) page to view and download the Spring 2022 Community Meeting Presentation. Architectural renderings of the new facility from the viewpoints of Bladensburg Road NE, 25th Place NE and Douglas Street NE can be found on slides 18 and 20.

Q: What will Metro do to improve the aesthetics around the garage, will greenery be added?

A: Yes. There will be grass between the fence and curb line that will create a border around the facility. The existing trees along Bladensburg Road NE will remain, and additional trees will be added along 25th Place NE.

Q: Will the facility include any retail or other commercial businesses?

A: Currently, the facility will only be in use for Metro bus operations.

Construction Updates

Q: Will there be a complete tear-down of the buildings currently in use for bus operations, or will there be phases of demolition and rebuilding?

A: To maintain regular bus operations throughout the project, the demolition and reconstruction of the Bladensburg Bus Garage buildings will be completed in three phases over the next five years. Currently, Phase 1 involves the construction of a new garage that will be completed in 2024. Upon completion, all bus operations at this site will be transferred from the operational buildings currently in use to the newly constructed garage. The remaining buildings and pavement will be demolished as part of Phases 2 and 3.