

Metro West District

This 54-acre district, bounded by Old Georgetown Road, Nicholson Lane and Rockville Pike, forms the western part of the Sector Plan core. There is substantial public investment in the Aquatic Center, Wall Local Park, and the Bethesda North Conference Center and Hotel. The realignment of Executive Boulevard and Old Georgetown Road will create a street grid within the district and improve traffic circulation in the entire Sector

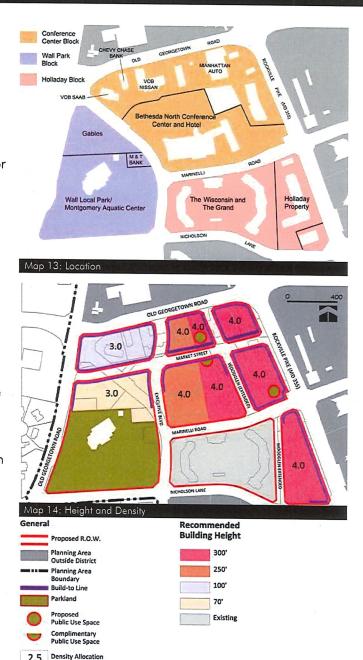
Plan area. The District is divided into three blocks: Conference Center, Wall Local Park and Holladay (Map 13).

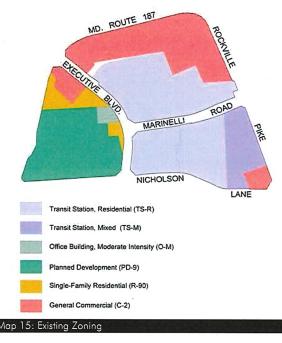
The Plan recommends public investment in the Market Street Civic Green promenade, and outdoor recreational facilities at Wall Local Park. Assembly or combined development would best create the proposed street grid, especially in Blocks 1 and 2. When Executive Boulevard and Old Georgetown Road are reconfigured and Market Street is constructed, Blocks 1 and 2 will be divided into smaller blocks. Development in the smaller blocks should be organized with lower building heights at the northwest corner of the Old Georgetown Road and the realigned Executive Boulevard intersection.

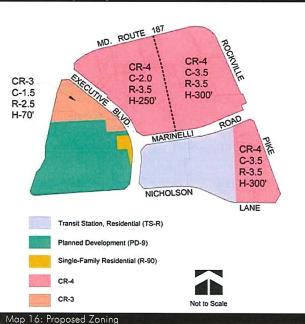
Block 1: Conference Center

The Bethesda North Conference Center and Hotel (TS-R Zone), surrounded by automobile sales and other commercial uses, is the main feature in this block. These properties are in the C-2 and TS-R Zones. The new civic green, public use spaces, and Market Street will create the backdrop for future private redevelopment. The road alignments and location of public facilities indicated in Map 18 are not meant to represent specific or final locations and could shift. Development at the intersection of Rockville Pike and Marinelli Road at the Metro station entrance should have a significant public use space.

- Properties zoned C-2 and TS-R fronting Rockville Pike should be rezoned to CR 4: C 3.5, R 3.5, and H 300 with the remainder of the block CR 4: C 2.0, R 3.5, and H 250. The lower height in the block's interior will be consistent with residential development across Marinelli Road, which is 200 feet or greater. The Conference Center property is split zoned to accommodate taller buildings along Rockville Pike and lower buildings on the west.
- The Conference Center Block contains 11 different properties. The proposed street
 alignment will create smaller blocks. The civic green is to be located on the north side
 of Market Street. Redevelopment in this block will require careful coordination between
 property owners and the public sector to align, dedicate, acquire, and build the public







roads so that the new blocks formed by the new street network are of a size and configuration that is suitable for redevelopment and can accommodate the one-to-two-acre civic green. The Planning Board should attempt to maximize the size of the civic green, provided it does not compromise functionality. When the Conference Center site redevelops, there should be a complementary public use space on the south side of Market Street to anchor the civic green.

Block 2: Wall Local Park

This block contains the 11-acre Wall Local Park and Montgomery Aquatic Center. There are two other properties, the Gables (now used as a parking lot) and a bank. The land area remaining after the intersection realignment of Old Georgetown Road and Executive Boulevard will be reconfigured into rectangular blocks in sizes more conducive to redevelopment. Wall Local Park should be redesigned with more active outdoor facilities through developer contributions. It may also be an appropriate location for a new community recreation center. This area should be primarily residential in character and use. The Metro East District, because of its proximity to transit in the center of the Sector Plan area, is a suitable alternate location for the co-location of the recommended library and regional services center.

- Confirm the PD-9 and R-90 Zones on Wall Local Park.
- Rezone the rest of the block to CR 3: C 1.5, R 2.5, and H 70 to ensure a transition in height and density between Block 1 at the Metro station and the existing residential development across Old Georgetown Road.

Block 3: Holladay

This 15-acre block is bounded by Marinelli Road, Nicholson Lane, Executive Boulevard, and Rockville Pike. Properties are zoned TS-M, TS-R, and C-2. The Wisconsin and The Grand multifamily developments reflect earlier success with high-rise residential development, while the Holladay development along Rockville Pike represents the type of mixed-use envisioned in this Plan. There is already substantial residential development in this block and redevelopment should focus on employment and retail uses.

- Confirm existing residential development (Grand and Wisconsin) in the TS-R Zone since redevelopment with mixed uses is unlikely.
- Rezone the TS-M zoned Holladay property, located at Marinelli Road and Rockville Pike, and the C-2 property at the corner of Nicholson Lane and Rockville Pike to CR 4: C 3.5, R 3.5, and H 300. The Holladay property is currently subject to a development plan with a maximum 2.2 FAR. If the owners choose to take advantage of the greater potential FAR of the CR Zone, the new plan will be subject to the requirements of the CR Zone.

ATTACHMENT C: ACQUISITION AND ABANDONMENT

