

**Wheaton Urban District Advisory Committee (WUDAC)**  
**Tuesday | November 12, 2024 | 7:00 pm-8:30 pm**  
**Hybrid Meeting**

In Attendance:

WUDAC: Tanya Baskin, Kit Wood, Nina Koltnow, Philip Daley, Ali Oliver-Krueger

County Officials: Mid-County Regional Services Director Luisa Cardona; Community Projects Manager for Mid-County Regional Services, Talia Beaulieu-Hains

Guests: Kathia Chévez (Office of Natali Fani-González)

Public: Jim Epstein, Dan Obrzut

I. 7:02 pm Call to Order - Ali Oliver-Krueger, Vice Chair

II. Review and Approve September, October Minutes - Tabled for lack of quorum.

III. 7:05 pm Community Concerns - None

IV. 7:41 Elected representatives in attendance -

Kathia Chévez for Council Member Fani-González -

Looking at reducing excessive noise from Georgia Ave.

Glenmont shopping center - working to develop it more positively.

Council Member Fani-González will attend the public meeting regarding the Georgia Ave Bus Lane Pilot Program on Wednesday, Nov 20 from 6 pm - 7:30 at Parks and Planning building.

She will also attend the Silver Spring parade Nov 16.

V. Presentations - 7:04 PM -

Budget Presentation by Luisa Cardona

FY 2026 request for all Departments (including WUDAC) to cut 5% from last year's amount. December 17 is our meeting with the County Executive to argue our case. Budget letter should be ready before that.

See presentation on this website.

*Community Q&A:*

*If income is higher than projected, might they bring back some money for WUD?*

CE has other priorities beyond Urban Districts, like food, housing.

*Could we modify the activities of the Clean Team or Safe Team, since we can't touch their contracted hours or pay?*

*Where can we generate more income?* Take out Parking revenue. Modify tax structure in WUD. (It's currently by sf.) We could also change to the Friendship Heights formula. Luisa will get that for a later meeting. We can generate more income by renting public spaces more robustly. The costs are currently offsetting expenses, not bringing in revenue.

## VI. Reports and Updates

### 1. Wheaton & Kensington Chamber of Commerce - Ali

1. Nov 21st networking event at Gelatteria from 6 - 8PM. Meet new president Omar Lazo.
2. Will start doing member spotlights on social media.

### 2. Committee Reports -

- *Economic Development: Ali, Kit, Pedro*
- *Public Safety (Youth Crisis): Nina, Rob, Philip*
- *Outreach And Communications (Social Media Presence): Tanya, Riana*

### 3. Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board (MCCAB) - Rob Fox (absent - no report)

### 4. Mid-County Regional Services Center/ Urban District Report -

Team supervisor for Safe Team position open. Luisa will post and distribute. Fluency in Spanish preferred.

Streeter: current proposal is to remove it late November through March in order to reopen in March with correct permitting and new vision. *LUISA would like us to call for an online vote of support so she can present WUDAC as in support.* All present were in support of the move.

DPS is undertaking enforcement of no 18-wheeler parking at Glenmont. If this does not improve, additional signage may be added.

Signage printed out with Code of Conduct - free to businesses in Wheaton and Glenmont. Business must sign onto "Notice of Trespass" with police for them to remove people who are being belligerent.

Also, remember the security camera program - see police department.

Sydney Cooper is back after an absence.

Old Business:

Subcommittee of Ali, Kit, Nina, Tanya will write budget letter in near future, well prior to our next (Dec. 10) meeting.

How did HalloWheaton and Hispanic Heritage events go?

New Business: Confirming new officers is tabled until the next meeting, due to lack of quorum.

VII. Adjourn 7:54pm

NEXT WUDAC MEETING: Tuesday, December 10 Hybrid; 7PM - 8:30 PM.  
Executive session at 6:30.