



OLDTOWN COMMUNITY PRESENTATION FROM 1 OCTOBER 2020 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Question: Can we get a copy of the meeting?
 Answer: A recording of the meeting will be available at <https://www.habc.org/habc-information/programs-departments/planning-development/pso-transformation/>
- Question: When will construction start on the project?
 Answer: Construction is expected to start in about 6-8 months.
- Question: How long will construction take?
 Answer: Construction will take six to ten years to complete everything.
- Question: Will the view from Stirling Street and Dollar House Alley to Downtown be obstructed?
 Answer: The buildings will be four-stories in that area.
- Question: Will there be a dog park?
 Answer: There are no plans at this time.
- Question: What is happening with the church at Stirling Street?
 Answer: That is not part of this project and it is privately owned. VOLAR (Village of Love and Resistance), has advised the Department of Planning about its interest in purchasing the vacant church buildings located at 1025 and 1031 East Monument Street. VOLAR is interested in redeveloping the buildings into a community center.
- Question: What is the timeframe for developing 1146 McElderry Street properties?
 Answer: This project is not part of this developer's scope.
- Question: How are the plans being impacted by Covid?
 Answer: The developer is mindful of what is going on in the world. To this extent, modifications of design elements to accommodate social distancing are being considered, but the plan itself is not changing at this point. Review and design considerations or any need for adaptability will be ongoing.



Question: Where is the financing for this project coming from?

Answer: It is a combination of private funds, tax credits, and other funding sources.

Question: How can I get my email added to the list for notifications?

Answer: You can email oldtownmallfeedback@baltimorecity.gov, marshella.wallace@baltimorecity.gov, jaye.matthews@baltimorecity.gov, or kevin.gallaher@habc.org.

Question: What are the plans for the 500 block of Oldtown?

Answer: There are a mix of privately-owned and City-owned buildings, 513 Oldtown Mall, will be converted into an entrepreneurial business incubator with space for a clean and safe team and the City's Small Business Resource Center. The City and BDC will work with owners to offer façade improvement grants.

Question: What is the northern most boundary of the PSO project?

Answer: This project is from Gay and Orleans Street up to Oldtown and Mott Street (the lower 5 buildings in the 500 block). The other buildings in the upper portion of the mall are privately or City owned and not part of this redevelopment.

Question: Is there any notion of including the faith-based community in this overall project?

Answer: The developer has been working with the Faith Based Community since 2014 and will continue to do so.

Question: Will gentrification happen with this project?

Answer: The development team is made up of minority owned businesses and a non-profit. We are all committed to inclusion and making sure the project welcomes all people from all groups from the development stage and ongoing. Economic development and self-sufficiency opportunities will be considered at all stages of this redevelopment.

Question: Will parking be free for the customers and owners of Oldtown businesses?

Answer: The parking garage operators have not been contracted yet so we cannot answer this question at this time.