

# Connectivity + placemaking:

Unlocking development around transit at the Branch Av. Metro station

A Branch Avenue Metro station walking tour and placemaking meetup  
With District 8 Council Member **Ed Burroughs**

**October 3, 2023, 6 - 8:00 pm**

*Meetup Location 6 pm: Branch Avenue Metro Station entrance by Kiss-and-Ride*

*After a short walk, we will convene at 7 pm at: Via Roma Pizzeria, 4531 Telfair Blvd.*

**RSVP** Event hosted by: [RISE Prince George's](#) and [Coalition for Smarter Growth](#)

## AGENDA

Time / Location	Topic	Speakers
6:00-6:30 pm I. Meet at Branch Ave. Metro station Kiss & Ride	Building a place at the Branch Ave. Metro station: What are the elements?	Moderator: Bernard Holloway, RISE PGC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District 8 Council Member <b>Ed Burroughs</b></li> <li>Steven Segerlin, WMATA Real Estate</li> <li>Brittney Drakeford, urban planner</li> </ul>
6:30-6:50 pm Walk Auth Way to Telfair	Planning, zoning, streets, placemaking, & access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Michael Calomese, PG Planning Dept.</li> <li>Adam Dodgshon, PG Planning Dept.</li> <li>Laurie Willams, WABA/Black Women Bike</li> <li>Quintin Veasley, Streets Calling</li> </ul>
<b>II. 7:00 pm</b> <b>Arrive Via Roma Pizzeria</b>	<b>Break: arrival, buy drinks/snacks</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
7:15 -7:45 pm reconvene	PGC emerging placemaking initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shaymar Higgs, <a href="#">The Free Space for All</a>, Greenbelt</li> <li>Ashley Drakeford, <a href="#">The Capital Market</a>, Capitol Heights/Suitland</li> <li>David Owens, <a href="#">Fort Washington Forward</a>, Oxon Hill-National Harbor</li> </ul>
7:45-8:00 pm	Wrap up & closing remarks	Bernard Holloway Council Member Ed Burroughs

Resources:

[The Capital Market Turnip Tour](#)

[WMATA Joint Development 10-Year Strategic Plan](#)

[Help Metro select a preferred alternative to improve the Blue, Orange, and Silver lines](#)

[Downtowns Are Changing, but 'Haven't Plateaued Yet'](#)

[Premium grocery stores are missing from the region's high-income Black neighborhoods](#)