General Survey Results
1. What are the most positive aspects of the Golden Mile? (check all that apply)

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Number Other (please specify):

1. Specific stores
2. Ease of parking at most businesses
3. Not much
4. Much less traffic than the MESS that is the FSK area, though that may be due to the severely depressed economics of the Mile
5. Besides traffic flow and accessibility, I don’t see much positive attributes in the current Golden Mile area.
6. Unique topo in immediate area and the view of distant Catoctin Mountains.
7. Has so much potential...Frederic needs to really draw better and more upscale stores.
8. Right now the only positive thing going for it is Home Depot
9. Good restaurants
10. Very dangerous area for bikes and pedestrians
11. Closer to my house than the rt. 85 FSK mall area
12 Restaurants
13 Close to my home
14 Landscaping has improved, but could be better yet.
15 Traffic and poor retail selection make it a lost cause
16 Dept. stores close to home
17 Wonder Book and Video is the only positive aspect of the GM
18 The FSK Mall area is congested, so I go to Boscov’s
19 Need to do something with Fredericktown Mall
20 I only go for specific businesses (i.e. Dutch Plant Farm). I don’t think there are many positive aspects.
21 A Great concept, too bad it has fallen to a state of decay.
22 The golden mile is a shit hole
23 Boscov’s, Home Depot and other food stores
24 A cluster of stores
25 A newer cultural mix with a real mix of old small town. I returned to Md after 20 years in midwest. When I grew up in Montgomery County i would often visited Feederick to feel a small town atmosphere. We have underemployed yung farmers in our county to tack our out of work youth how to plant various plants and flowers. Join together FFA and The future business Leaders of America. Only adult needed one retired farmer or husbnd wife team. What a simple yet novel idea. Packs of seed with co-op prices minimal. A community project to fix landscaping issues with minimal cost and great benefits.
26 Less congested than FSK Mall area
27 Nothing that I can see.
28. Large quantity of businesses in a small, easy to access area

29. Conviently located geographically between the fully developed Washington Metro area and the quickly growing residential development in neighboring PA and W Va as well as the centeral and western parts of Md.

30. Very few positive aspects at present!

31. Good mix of restaurants

32. Toysrus

33. Some target destinations, such as particular restaurants and Toys R Us.

34. I like having most everything here in easy access although traffic flows could be GREATLY improved and the Fredericktown Mall project has been very disappointing.

35. The GM had so much potential to attract stores like Target/Best Buy and better shops if crime and low income housing were not so welcomed and embraced in that area. The two don’t mix. People and business won’t come to area’s if they don’t feel safe and feel threatened.

36. shops

2. How important are the following issues facing the Golden Mile as a commercial corridor?

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1. Types of retail/better shopping offerings
2. Too many liquor stores and junky stores
3. Urban decay caused by the E Frederick project relocating the riff-raff
4. Ability of pedestrian traffic to cross Rt 40. Sidewalks
5. There used to be mall walking at Frederick Towne Mall. Now we have to go to FSK for that, which means I see and use those businesses more.
6. Visually depressing
7. I want a wide range of businesses, so that they appeal to a variety of incomes and tastes. Because there are a large number of apartments & families, I would like to know if there are enough programs for youth (rec centers, after school, and summer activities). I would like to see a way to police officers to have a visual, friendly presence, like the historic district. For example, you can see police on bikes or standing on corners chatting with people. I think this is an important prevention effort. I don't think the Golden Mile is all bad, I think it needs to be updated to reflect the populations needs.
8. Poor pedestrian access, can't move between shopping centers
9. The Golden Mile area needs a cohesive overall look to make it special. Perhaps having all the areas dressed with historic storefronts?
10. Types of business offerings
11. Not a very modern interactive space...sometimes you have to drive just to connect to shopping centers that are right next to one another.
12. We don't need businesses that cater to the poorest element of the area. Start looking at business that appeal to homeowners.
13. Sprawl
Let’s not settle for ugliness, please institute some standards. Sign blight is hideous.

What have other parts of the Country done with similar challenges?

Clean up the golden mile—it’s ugly especially the mall.

Specifically not bicycle or pedestrian friendly.

The Fredericktowne Mall needs redevelopment now!!!!! We need strong upscale retailers. Frederick is a good market!

no bike lanes or safe route to ride, access under Hwy 15

Congestion coming off Rt. 15 and backing up traffic on Rt. 40.

the mall is a huge wasted area

The Golden Mile needs to be bicycle-friendly -- this includes bike lanes and bike storage/parking and benches.

need of transit service from the west (braddock hghts/middletown

It has been tried before to connect commercial centers but private owners aren’t interested.

timing of traffic lights if awful

the feeling that the city has neglected this area and put all the focus on the 85 corridor and downtown

Inviting sites, out door seating, some elegant restaurants, some interesting boutiqyes and more

Access to stores without reentering and reexitng rt 40

On both sides of 40 you find a getto and crime

the crime - we won’t shop there after dark. esp in the mall area

Need a vibrant mall

CRIME IS COMPLETELY OUT OF CONTROL! NO ONE WILL GO THERE UNTIL THIS PROBLEM IS SOLVED!!

Timing of traffic lights

Public Library

Quality of commercial businesses and services to the public

The Frederick Mall desperately needs help, as it sends a very negative message about business in the community due to all the closed shops, and people hanging around.

Theme appearance (historical) or architectural continuity

Small sign clutter, unsafe routes for pedestrians, concentration of low income housing

Crime being #1

Traffic clogging up at intersection with Rt 15

Someone must tackle the commercial are as one unit, set standards, adjust entrances, repave lots and find financing to fund exterior upgrades unify landscaping and signage

A safe place for young people to gather.

general decay - abandoned mall

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Since MD hasn't passed the no distraction while driving law we have no choice but to limit our speed limit. When a child dies from being hit by a soccer mom in a rush to nowhere that important will we wake up. It will happen just when? We also do not what what happened in PG county with the rod racing to occur our Golden Mile. Our fine officers need to point to a far less congested area for our youth to sow there oats so to speak a area with know businesses or schools yet with wide lanes and say cornfields on either side. There was such a area in MOntgomery County before development overtook it I for one and so many other parents would rather my child smash a few ears of corn than a brickyard. Officially cannot be let us say endorsed but to save lifes its a option. Not one person driving has not let us say put a bit of metal to the pedal.

Need better mix of stores

Types of businesses, demise of Fredericktowne Mall, appearance (aging) of existing shopping centers/businesses!

I avoid the Golden Mile because the traffic lights are not synchronized. It feels as though you have to stop at EVERY intersection and wait through a long light cycle.

CRIME

illegal immigrants—VERY BAD!

lack of businesses!

lack of crosswalk bridges for pedestrians

Safety of the area!

Loitering

Too many signs without any kind of regulation or control. The place looks like a truck stop just off a highway.

Crime, getto-like area

People want new or visually appealing places to visit

Frederick Towne Mall needs to be restored!!

Crime/Safety is #1 concern.

SAFETY NUMBER ONE! CONCERN AT THIS TIME

Chief concern is the increase in crime in the area. Although areas are “walkable”, I will NO LONGER walk my dog in the area and, instead, choose to drive to Baker Park.

The GM was and is a very important area. It was beautiful farmland that was made commercial. Some of that should have been preserved and not turned into a low end out of date rubbish bin.

bad surrounding neighborhoods

timing of red lights to allow quicker passage

ever dated in design, appearance and selection

Cameras - CCTV

Loitering - Drive by home depot any day of the week

needs a pedestrian over pass; what's going on with the frederick town mall & the old jail?

the lack of connections for the north side is most important in order to access the already established businesses.

I have to say, I try to stay off the Golden Mile due to traffic hassles and I live right around the corner.

Language Barrier; too much hassle trying to speak to Spanish-speaking staff

too much crime

Crime is becoming a major issue because of the increasing vacancy or businesses and the run down nature of the entire area.
I think traffic flow is not that bad on the Golden Mile. 5pm is most hectic and it's totally manageable. Better than other areas certainly. I have had no issues with crime and we have 2 small kids. I feel like the working families in the area could use better pedestrian access and safer road crossings. Benches, landscaping, more ped friendly spaces would help. Also, what about dining options that have outdoor seating and LESS PAVEMENT. The whole corridor is concrete!!

Speak English Illegals and others have ruined the area

Crime, no one will come here as long as the crime rate remains high

No hispanic culture

too many mexicans

Need to embellish the Frederick Town Mall!

The Golden Mile used to be very open and clean looking. It has become extremely less appealing and eye pleasing over my 16 years of life.

“Mexican Mile” nickname does not help

Key Parkway and Hillcrest are notorious for drug and gang activity, and robberies.

bus transit from Middletown & Myersville, shuttle up & down the Golden Mile

Crime is the biggest issue for me.

Traffic management/light timing- it's a headache to drive the road!

Area provides a tacky appearance to people entering city

the bad steets conditions

don’t know

separate access road connecting the shopping centers would alleviate volume of through traffic. look to VA

“The Golden Mile” has a well known brand!!! Use it!

Mexicans

Lack of quality story

Lack of “trash ethic” of nearby residents, more GREEN

VERY IMPORTANT: The LACK of pedestrian bridges, of which area could use at least four, and sidewalks
3. What types of businesses would create a better business environment along the Golden Mile/US-40 Corridor? (check all that apply)

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A store like Crate & Barrel to go into the eyesore on Hillcrest
we need a media store, movie theater
fashion retail, redeveloped mall, mixed-use
I didn’t check some stores that are already there and I’m glad they are. No one wants to go to rt. 40 because the mall is so run down.
upscale retail dept store; organic market or farmers mkt; arts theater or community ctr
The Farmers’ Market!
I would like to see more entertainment opportunities (all sorts) for youth, young adults, professionals, families. I would like to see some creativity in the types of entertainment, too, not just dinner & a movie stuff, we have a lot of that already.
there is plenty of business on the corridor
no more bloody banks already! Independent stores; change tone from 5 cent stores to reputable stores
sports store like Dicks sporting goods
High end department stores
Businesses that employ professionals so they will spend their money.
Sheetz store where old police barracks is
We have all of the businesses listed above. I am in favor of adding more of them and highly opposed to adding others…but I would like to see an organic market and more business that offer a community space, maybe live music. Right now there are none like that.

how about old navy or bass pro shop
Awkward question as Golden Mile currently has all the uses listed except the movie/music venue - all of which, I think are needed.

a viable shopping mall
The market will drive demand for the type of business.
commercial office buildings
clothing stores
Something other than the 98% food services.
Like it was when it first opened
Need a up to date shopping mall, such as Hunt Valley, or Annapolis town center
A nice mix like at the Rio/Washingtonian Center.
None... If I wanted to live in an urban area I would have moved to Rockville
already has all these things
Need to combine office uses with retail uses
All these businesses currently exist. They're just dilapidated and an eyesore.
WalMart type store
Family entertainment
permanent farmer’s market and artist market
WOULD NOT WANT ANYTHING THAT COMPETES WITH ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES DOWNTOWN
Discount Store but better outside appearance/security
book store, Dairy Queen, mall stores,
Existing mix seems appropriate
I could have checked everything above.

Currently, the Golden mile is rather seedy and quite dated. A major overhaul is much needed! Alternative movie theaters and shoe repair and tailor are DESPERATELY needed! Also, more INDEPENDENT upscale ethnic restaurants would be really helpful as there are NO nice “date” type and unique restaurants on the Golden Mile. Eco-friendly family-type activities: roller skating, ice skating, swimming, etc.
REVIVE the MALL
Book store and a post office presence. Other than that we have it all
Youth Recreation
Book store; tjmax, marshalls, steinmart, etc; cafes
Integrated open spaced retail with professional services.
more up scale stores
we tend to avoid this area except for restaurants
Trader Joe’s
every option above is already there and most are failing.
movie theater
too many banks!
is this a moot point until crime is massively reduced.
Keep VFW golf Course viable
We need a TJ max and Homegoods like the one in Mt. Airy. The people of Middletown are tried of goin to the other side of Frederick or Hagerstown to shop. Also a Wal Mart or Christmas store like the one in Hagerstown would be great. Also a Micheal’s or A.C.Moore’s would be nice.
Upscale shopping
non profit programs and services, daycare facilities, mixed use commercial
hotels
More high end shopping
none come to mind
Fitness Center, POOL, something fun, like Putt Putt. Petstore, Vet
City wants to grow and have conference / hotel venues why not re-develope what you have. Better policing wouldn’t hurt.
a nice outdoor mall like how they re-did westview bring people to the community with outdoor venues/restaurants and shopping
It has every type of business, it needs an central entertainment nexus to attract people.
big box stores
Staples-office depot type store
do a food court, shopping court, business court etc.
Book Store
the ones that arn’t checked we already have
Marshalls, tj maxx, whole foods
I believe above all are already on Rt. 40
I would love to see more independent shops in this part of town. The lack of thereof is why I do not visit the GM often. I feel that it has a very generic feel which I find unattractive.
Better shopping mall - not Fredericktown mall
Until the traffic volume is fixed businesses will stay away
Youth center would be nice
Youth Center, Family services, recreation (mini golf, bowling)
Activity center for children
upscale women’s clothing
Independent specialty shops. Upscale, safe, family owned shops.
A urgent care Center

FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Bookstore such as BooksaMillion

A mall that is NOT trying to close

Make an outlet mall out of the Frederick Towne Mall

All these businesses are here, but it’s run down

Again, upgrading of existing business (example, K-Mart is dirty, dingy, inside and out, Giant Eagle shopping center.

Coffee shop with outdoor seating

gymnastic center

Til the crime problem is solved, who cares what is put there … no one will come anyhow.

larger shopping mall - 2 stories

Lack of Crime

Bass Pro Shops or Cabelas - a destination sporting goods store

Mix Use (need residential to support businesses)

discount chain store (target, walmart, etc)

craft/hobby stores

Needs more restaurants. I only go up there once in a while now. I worked on 40 for 2 years

Quality Big box stores: Best Buy, Target, etc.

A HOSPITAL WHERE FREDERICK TOWNE MALL IS

A highend malls, stores, and a gourmet grocery store

OLD NAVY & TJ Max!!!!!!! Would bring in LOTS of business!!!!

Destination locations, such as entertainment or unique shopping. Office buildings would be good.

OLD NAVY, Younger clothing than BOSCOV & BONTON

Things for youth

Upscale shops to attract mid to high income English

Recreational i.e shooting range, driving range, batting cages, indoor or outdoor go-cart tracks, etc.

Police station

Trader Joe’s

fully-funded Police station, Gyms, Miniature Golf & Go-Karts, Dave & Busters, Sonic, Cheesecake Factory

Miniature Golf/amusement park theme area. Locate at western end where there is unused parking space.

STEINMART

Most are there - we need to fix the Frederick Towne Mall

The loss of the movie theater was a huge disappointment! Heaven knows we have plenty of restaurants, banks and the like already!

Depends on where GM wants to continue to go. If low end, then I would not have a clue. But I would suggest not to develop more land to become run down and depressed.
118 Sonic Drive-In
119 Need a Harris Teeter Store!!!
120 higher end boutiques/shops
121 Mini Golf, other family things, Small concert venue
122 All of the above
123 Chick-fil-a
124 Book Store/Coffee Shop
125 I wasn’t sure how to answer above because a lot of what I checked is already present, but keeping them is important. Adding more would be great.
126 Existing type of businesses are OK, just need more to draw more people. Need in-demand businesses that aren’t available in other Frederick locations.
127 Wegmans Grocery Store

128 PLEASE provide the same retail services that are all the way on the other side of town: Walmart, Target, decent shopping that one has to go over to Route 85 for. Even Walkersville area (north of the city, has a Walmart). No Bed, Bath and Beyond here, no T.J. Maxx, no Kohls. We desperately need this kind of shopping. We need a Borders or Barnes and Noble Bookstore here.
129 A Trendy Grocery Store like Whole Foods would bring alot of us to the mile.
130 Larger mall with stores that people want and what people go to Montgomery county for - upscale shops
131 There are already some great restaurants in the area. We’d prefer better shopping; alternative to K-Mart especially. Also clothing stores. The Chanticleer shoe store is a great start -- more boutiques like it.
132 TJ Maxx, Sonic restaurant,
133 keep Fredericktown Mall opened with movie theater
134 Big Draw store like Old Navy
135 Discount store (Ross, etc), Specialty Foods Store (Trader Joes)
136 a updated mall
137 Community Center
138 maintain what is there an make it safe
139 IKEA
140 Hispanic culture center, sports
141 to many mexicans
142 Attracting Mall
143 Upscale restaurants
144 indoor Farmer’s Market/seasonal/branch store Catoctin Mt. Orchards (Rt 15)
145 sporting stores such as sports authority or dick’s sporting goods. Also stores that would be appealing to teens.
146 I’d love to see mini golf/batting cages--some recreation
147 Services: childcare
148 Based on Outback’s full parking lot, restaurant chains and other franchise outlets (cheesecake factory, red hot and blue, five guys, breakfast places, etc.) are what shoppers inherently “trust.” There are too many “mom and pop” (esp. Latino markets) that come and go. Too much turnover. Build a better mall than FSK (aging and outdated stores). Bring in a farmer’s market (yearround) like D.C.’s Eastern Market (Frederick is agriculture--play that up!). What about the Black History Museum. Look to cities like Ft. Lauderdale that revamped Las Olas district. Professional offices make good investments, too.
149 WHOLE FOODS!!!, public library, update the mall
150 More restaurants with outdoor seating, green landscaping, pedestrian walkways. more trees in parking lots
151 Parks
152 Community center
153 Book Store

154 these businesses are there, before anyone will be willing to shop on the golden mile again the crime and gangs have to be eliminated. I will not shop, nor will I allow my children to shop, in this area of town. It is just not safe!

155 Pier Import is great but their business would probably be tenfold if elsewhere in the county.

156 Non-chain stores, small businesses, boutiques; clusters

157 Youth and Family Recreation Center

158 concert venue such as Black Rock in Germantown

159 make the mall a casino for slots/tear down massers make a hotel

160 New mall

161 Bakery and florist

162 CONVENTION CENTER at old mall location. NOT a conference center like you have planned for downtown, but a multi purpose CONVENTION CENTER...indoor basketball/athletic court that is flex space for regional tradeshows or craft shows. Together with tele-commuter office space.

163 its so out dated i don't use it anymore

164 Hooters

165 Health food store, healthier restaurant options, more farmers markets, arts/culture venues

166 revitalizing the Fredericktowne Mall with new stores

167 Dutch market, art, theme restaurant ie bugaboo

168 Whole/health/organic foods, daily farmers market

169 EXCEPT for entertainment venues which are no longer there, all listed are there, tho more of some would be helpful.

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4. What are the names or types of businesses along the Golden Mile Corridor you use the most?

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| 538 | Gentleman’s Choice  | Shell | Outback |
| 539 | Wonderbook and Video  | Hard Times Cafe | Burger King |
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| 541 | Carrabas  | Pier 1 | Dollar Store |
| 542 | Toys R Us  | Verizon | Home Depot |
| 543 | Home Depot  | Ricks |
| 544 | Outback Steakhouse  | Nicer/safer movie theater |
| 545 | Chain Retail stores  | Sandy Spring &amp; Chevy Chase Banks  | Pier 1 |
| 546 | Fajita grande (?) Mexican Rest.  | Giant Eagle  | Taco Bell |
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| 550 | Outback steak house  | Starbucks  | Hard Times |
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| 552 | Dutch Plant farm  | JoAnn Fabrics  | Famous Dave’s |
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| 561 | bath &amp; body  | Doc Geisers |
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412 responded to question
353 skipped question
1. Churches
2. NA
3. Access roads, parallel side roads for easier access from mall to mall
4. Office space, car dealerships
5. Car dealer;
6. The adult clothing/book store is not appropriate; Industry or Manufacturing are not appropriate (think MD 355 at Lafarge quarry).
7. Schools
8. Parks, daycare
9. Should be looking at redevelopment with greater mix of commercial and residential
10. Strip clubs
11. Dollar stores,
12. Bars/Liquor Stores/”adult” businesses
13. Again, no more:
   - banks
   - Car washes
   - Drug stores
14. No more box stores. Enough exist already plus what is planned off Rt 26. Extend what makes downtown Frederick popular out to West Patrick St. Encourage boutique store owners to open up shop. Create a blend of boutique shops, and food along with what is in place now.
15. More gas stations, liquor stores, restaurants
16. Lower-end grocery stores (we have enough)
17. No
18. N/A
19. Can’t think of anything off the top of my head
20. Sex shops, Latino groceries
21. Old Navy
22. The ‘adult entertainment’ store is nice and convenient, but it should not be right next to the Pizza Hut.
23. Check-cashing/pay-day loan services
24. Adult book stores, night clubs (they’re not allowed, but we have them),
25. Mixed-use is key
26. Car Dealers
27. Auto oriented stores - gas and service stations
28. Do not put any X-Rated business’ there.
29. Would like to see more national department stores. Get us a Dillards. Would also like a Trader Joe
31 No
32 Chains, car dealerships,
33 adult entertainment
34 No more low end stores.
35 housing
36 dollar stores; low end stores; bars / clubs; tattoo parlors;
37 One is already there - the adult video store.
38 Adult Lingerie, Videos, etc.
39 car dealerships
40 Great bars and restaurants, like downtown
41 I don’t want to see another big box store (Wal-mart). I want the appearance to be cleaner and greener. I want to see less littering.
42 Grocery and maybe Auto dealerships
43 no
44 A mix of commercial and office space. Need better integration between the different shopping centers. Current set up is not conducive to continued shopping
45 Industrial, Warehouse, Additional Fast Food
46 I WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE FLOWERS
47 Tattoo parlors, Motel 6, Office spaces because it would have too much impact on traffic.
48 More chain stores
49 Adult Entertainment Shops which sell pornography and other explicit items.
50 car dealerships,
    more auto services,
    industrial
51 Strip Clubs, Adult stores, Bail Bonds, Pawn Shops, etc.
52 Adult, nightclubs, Pawn, Industrial, used cars, check cashing sites, etc.
53 Industrial type businesses, car dealerships
54 No heavy industrial users
55 Anything to revitalize it.
56 Nothing that involves the need for heavy,
    commercial trucks.
57 NO MORE LIQUOR STORES
58 Adult stores
59 industrial/corporate
60 Car Dealerships...

I’d like to perhaps see some viable retail stores inside the mall but along the strip I’d like a place that facilitates more of a community.
61 bass pro shop would appeal to people all over the county. Plus it would give men another place to shop
62 none that I can speak of
63Porn shops and others along that line
64Strip club
65Adult entertainment, tattoo parlors, no more liquor stores, no more nail salons, no more high density residential
66Industrial
67Industrial, heavy commercial and outdoor storage
68Car Dealers
69Churches, schools, light or heavy industrial
70I believe use-based zoning can be challenging in a mixed-use community; would prefer that the city more closely regulate form and transportation layout than use.
71Used car lots, industrial supply companies, etc.
72No specific recomendations but just clean looking businesses. Most of the buildings are old and are showing their age. It looks like the property owners and business owners don’t care about the appearance. More care needs to be taken to improve building appearances and overall clutter...specifically the South side of Rt. 40.
73Adult industry stores that specialize in pornography and sexy garments. Strip clubs.
74Nicer hotels, music venues, outdoor camping store
75Car Dealers, industrial, manufacturing
76Dollar general. Low end retail. Discount shops. Basically every thing there is now.
77The Frederick Towne Mall either needs a major overhaul or converted to some type of retail district to compete with Market St.
78Car dealerships, no more Hispanic-oriented businesses (there are enough)
79Residential. The amount of existing traffic is ridiculous. The Golden Mile now rivals Rockville Pike for amount of traffic congestion.
80Add commercial office buildings
81Not really
82Cash checking establishments
83Offices, Independent Retail (There are so many chain retail stores the independents bode little chance of surviving. That’s what downtown is for.
84Adult “toy” stores
85Adult entertainment
86No
87One of the many things that will improve this area is diversification of business. It cannot sustain itself when it is entirely composed of food service and workers of food service.
88Adult videos
89Cemetery
90Less strip mall, less paved surface, more green spaces
91Condos, townhouses
92Places where teenagers would congregate
93Sure, drug deals; assaults
94No
95The City needs to look outside of the area for ideas.

   The Frederick town mall once was the place to shop, 35 years ago, now it’s a eye sore for the residence of Frederick. The city needs to go outside of the area, for success stories. The Hunt Valley Mall went under a few years back and now is a beautiful place to live and shop. Nice grocery store and speciality shop, and restaurants, a place worth visiting. Another success story is Annapolis, now have a Town Center, a beautiful place to live and shop. Worth a visit. The Golden Mile is a perfect place to have great shopping and restaurants. We need to do something to increase the property value and give the 65,000 people that live in the area a purpose to live and shop here.

 Many are traveling to Washington County for shopping, to Leesburg or Rockville. The shopping in Frederick is the worst in the state.

96   Small shops that are already in existence, such as: Adult book, or adult items, We do not need a Hooter’s or anything remotely like one, concentrate on more family oriented places.

97Revitalization of the Fredericktowne Mall needs to be done soon with a strong mix of well known retailers not currently in the Frederick market.

98No doctors offices

99Adult Business

100A Nice Tavern. I don’t think much of the Chili Pool Hall

101check cashing business, rent-to-own, pawn shop

102Strip joint and or Bars

103Industrial

104high density housing

105Strip clubs, Churches, Hospitai.

106Only tattoo parlors and adult stuff. A good mix should be the goal. Don’t exclude anything except those that attract crime

107more strip mall type of shopping catering to lower socio-economic class which would move the feel of the Golden Mile into an even more negative light.

108n/a

109   We do not need more houses there...it is crowded enough with people out there. Also, we do not need more banks and gas stations...it seems like they are everywhere now.

110High rise buildings for any purpose, enclosed mall/shopping

111Anything not family-friendly

112Adult Books Stores, Tattoo parlors, bail bonds, adult dance clubs

113Adult stores -

114I do not think that car dealerships or offices make sense in this area.

115Don’t think we need anymore furniture stores. I would also say not another large movie theatre. The one on the other side of town is great.

116I don’t think that Dr offices or Professional offices would be appropriate

117adult

118Not really. Just need to improve the access possibly with an access road paralleling rte 40

119Low brow fringe businesses, e.g., pawn shops, tattoo parlors, adult bookstores, etc.

120massage parlors

121Car dealerships, pawn shops, garages

122More car dealerships. bail bondsman, groceries

123Porn shops. Looks like its too late for that though.

124n

125No

126office buildings, warehouses, schools
Night clubs (crime way too high here as it is) - I live in “The Manor”, need better retail store, Fredericktowne Mall is highly disappointing. The businesses privately run there now are questionable and appear thrift-like.

There are too many liquor stores.

Tattoo Parlors

I don’t know

Anything other than retail, or family activity -- ice skating, roller skating, miniature golf, etc.

All the types in question 3 are already represented there. The greatest problem is the vacancies and decline of the Fredericktowne Mall

Non profit campus

No

Any business that involves “in-and-out” driving such as a convenience store

Smaller stand alone businesses positioned just off the road build clutter and interfere with strained traffic patterns. These businesses should be within the shared parking areas of larger shopping centers.

Incinerator; industrial

Adult store

Places need to be family friendly

Adult stores

None that come to mind

Adult bookstores

No but a good mix. There needs to be retail, restaurants, super stores, and even a nightclub would be nice.

Night clubs

Not really--at this point, anything added would be an improvement!

Adult venues

could you improve the sidewalks; book store; cafe (such as panera or private); post office!

Adult book stores, Pawn shops, check cashing locations.

tattoo parlors, adult movies- lingerie-etc,

adult dancing(XX-rated)

Bars

more fast foods

industrial concerns

medical

The traffic kills this area for us. we prefer the store in North Frederick and the movies off 85

No more car dealerships,convenience stores or beer and wine shops or dollar stores

Any business that focuses on lewd offerings

Car dealers, tattoo shops, inappropriate literature stores, cheap low cost department stores and more

Auto dealerships, fast food chains, box stores

Adult stores
I would hate to see another auto dealership/car repair shop. There are enough now.

I also wouldn’t want to encourage more low end stores like Family Dollar.

We don’t need any more banks or discount stores. We need stores that will attract a better clientele. Offer cheap real estate and that’s what you’ve attracted -- cheap stores and no one taking pride in their establishments or property.

tattoo parlors or other types of business that cheapen the area.

Adult entertainment

At this point there probably isn’t much that would hurt it more than it is now, but I guess you would want to limit bars, and too many more fast food places.

Hard to think of independents trying to startup biz there. would get lost in the clutter.

No.

Housing

no sure

Porn, fireworks

TJ Max, Homegoods, Marshalls, Trader Joes, ACMoore, Michael’s, Christmas Store Lord and Taylor. The people on this side of town need a better mall and better stores. A movie theater would be great.

Car dealerships, mattress stores

Heavy duty commercial or industrial storage

I like the mixture of businesses.

Business or Medical Offices

Car Dealerships

Due to the large amount of housing on Rt 40 I would think that an auto mall would not be appropriate

Fine as is.

I think the entire corridor needs updating. I don’t want to drive out the current residents but I think renovating the entire strip would really help.

Adult entertainment

eye sores like mattress, car dealerships, etc. more upscale - go elsewhere for that.

Tattoo Parlors, enough on the Gas stations.

More franchised fast food restaurants, liquor stores

Industrial, Light Industry, Junkyard

The hustler store that is there at this time, and Ollies

“adult” store, movie rental, liquor store

tattoo parlors, adult shops, car dealerships

tattoo parlors, adult video stores, car repair shops

Housing; banks; businesses like insur. cos. and others that do not draw masses of people

Industrial / manufacturing; check cashing; adult / XXX / tattoo (it’s done wonders for North Market!!!)

Adult Entertainment,

sleazy hotels

More clothing stores, gift shops, movie theaters, a Target store would be good and a Kohl’s would be great - even a Wal Mart.

Medical/Professional offices
Big box stores should be avoided altogether. I think the mall should be redone. The anchor stores are good, but there is no other reason to go out there. The rest of the stores in the mall sell junk. In terms of the other stores not located at the mall it is hard to navigate their parking lots and get around.

No more liquor stores
big business that require a lot of traffic and trucks
high rises
professional, medical
more big box stores, especially those that might also exist somewhere else in town.
Doctor Offices
More bland chains.
Low income housing
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I THINK THAT THE FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICE SHOULD BE LOCATED THERE. THE COURT HOUSE AND OTHER SERVICES WOULD BE EASIER TO ACCESS ON FOOT AND MAYBE IF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WORKED THERE, THEY WOULD SEE THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE.

Not Sure
Adult book and movie stores. Get rid of the one there.
There are enough gas stations - do not need anymore.
N/A
Too many junk stores, especially in the mall

NO BARS!!! (“nice” restaurant with “Nice” bar area ok, but no establishments strictly for drinking, “Partying!”) No “adult” entertainment, obviously. No convenience stores. No more gas stations or banks.
Medical Offices
Car Dealerships
Cheap Grocery Store
Less Strip mall look

Amusement park; adult stores;
Tattoo Shops, Adult Video Stores, etc...
Bar, porno facility, more banks
adult stores such as video rentals

Try to eliminate some of the clutter. Maybe some business offices. Create a center median area that perhaps would have a creek running down across boulders. Create turnarounds over the creek that look good and fit in with nature theme. May help curb people from walking across 40 at any point.

yes

With the crime problem right behind the area, I don’t see anything that would be appropriate except a jail.
Get rid of the “trashy” store next to Pizza Hut. If you want to “class” up the golden mile, do not cater to mostly ethnic establishments.
adult book store

Anything related to the illegal immigrants.

There are too many banks and fast food places there now. The number of liquor stores is also rather high. These are three business that should not be allowed to expand.
no

Any single zoning (ie industrial, commercial). You need to focus on mixed use. Develop on a grid pattern making blocks smaller and putting more residence within walking distance of office and retail.
medical/healthcare, dollar stores, no more fastfood and more regular restaurants ie: tgifridays, ryans.

no need for any more consignment shops, ethnic stores or dollar stores!!!
Anything industrial - offices and small sidewalk type business. Like Crystal City in Arlington, VA
adult entertainment
Industrial

That playboy store, near the storage place. I just see the sign and cringe!
adult book stores, bars, tattoo shops, “adult” toy shops
car dealerships and medical offices
Adult bookstores

I cant think of any type of businesses that would not be appropriate for the GM. I think any business could thrive on the GM.
adult stores,
Pawn Shops, Convenience stores
Bar/Club

Too many auto repair.

Too many convenience stores
No big box stores.

Check Cashing, Pawn shops, beer, wine and liquor
Jails, I would not seek to add new car dealerships or auto service centers. MEXICAN/EL SALVADORAN GROCERY STORES.

ADULT THEME STORES

MORE GAS STATIONS

Liquor stores or bars would not be appropriate or welcome - we want to better the area. Porn Stores, Pawn shops, Hispanic speciality stores.

Not high end (Nordstrom), but definitely also not bargain (dollar stores or discount chains). No more liquor stores or specialty ethnic markets. Need something popular, well-known and geared towards middle class.

no more car dealers

Anything to clean it up. It looks terrible and run down. I live close by and I’m terrified to go anywhere along 40 at night.

Any more adult stores, general dollar or cheapie stores

Low-income housing

Anything that might or could become a hang out

Hispanic businesses... unfortunately, that used to be a “hopping end of town” until the hispanics came populated the community and the mall went down hill. Need to bring in some other popular businesses to bring the people back...Old Navy would be great ohhh and a TJ Max... that would be AWESOME!!

Night clubs, bars, adult book/video - this area has already become socially negative to most of our population - no need to reinforce this element.

No more housing

R&D/industrial buildings

Doctors ofc. are good concentrated on TJ and 7th and 9th---not great on 40

Banks

No more Spanish stores...people from high income areas are AFRAID of going to the golden Mile due to Hispanic Gangs and Crimes

Unfortunately there IS a niche for the adult products/entertainment businesses. Light industrial complexes don’t fit in. Salvage yards, etc.... Nothing unsightly or obnoxiously or geared to a very, very small percentage of consumers. No apartment complexes right on Rte. 40. Any residential units should be set way back and off of Rte. 40.

more low income housing

adult movie/accessory

Adult only stores (clothes, videos, etc..)

adult stores for X rated items

park and ride areas for car/van pools

There doesn’t need to be more connivence stores, or more department stores (ie Kmart).

dollar stores

liquor stores

Liquor store or adult stores should be moved off the corridor.

We do not need any more cheap no name dollar, thrift shops. We need higher end retail

Headed east on alt 40 - mostly everything past Pizza Hut.

Hate the Adult video store right on rt 40, looks trashy

No more convenience stores, enough already and they become hangout type places. No day labor, same issue of congregating.
No liquor stores, bail bonds etc
No more fast food chains
Remove day laborer meeting locations
Industrial use not appropriate. Emphasis on retail, services, and entertainment/family destinations.

ADULT STORES
No, just please bring more chain and independent stores and better restaurants to the area
Elmwood Terrace needs to be torn down and Hillcrest needs to be ‘reinvented’
No more housing, no more apartments/condos or townhouses! There are many vacancies as it is and the main problem in this area is a very large population of people who are living in cramped, overcrowded areas!
No bars and PLEASE, NO MORE MEXICAN RESTAURANTS!!
night clubs - the crime would worsen
Please no more land uses - It is depressing to see what has become of the beautiful land. Ugly...
As for business - Remodel and revitalize what is currently there and make it look like 2010 and not like something in the depressed mid-west. More trendy like what happend to Route 85 by the new movie theaters, Urbana, and the area outside of Walkersville by Wal-mart. There is no reason why the GM could not have done what they did. Stop thriving on low end cheap. People are filling those other areas in droves and it is not fair for those of us that would rather shop at the GM because it is easy to get to and get around...

Strip clubs
Strip Clubs or Club
Nothing immoral or that would add to the bad reputation that area has earned.
The types of stores that are in the Frederick town Mall
no gun selling; no x-rated stores; no more discounted stores.

Daycare centers should not be on this road - too much traffic and crime.
Theaters need to come back, Old Navy type store, another nice chain restaurant
office parks; I remember the Golden Mile’s hay day era & think it can be restored to it’s former glory
think the variety of restaurants that are already located on the golden mile are pretty good. I don’t think there’s a need for more restaurants.

Sex toy shops -- there’s already a big visible one there. In general, the parking lots are pretty dysfunctional, so some thought needs to be given to fix that mess.

Old Navy, Trader Joes
checks cashed, weapons stores,
More low-income stuff
“adult stores” and head shops
Car dealerships
no more convenience stores.
you’ll need to bring in something that Frederick doesn’t already have such as: Old Navy, Trader Joes to bring people to the Golden Mile
Liquor stores
Payday loans/Cash advance stores
Adult video/bookstores or strip clubs
Car dealers
The adult/sex store currently on the GM...check cashing centers, more liquor stores...more laundromats.

Tear down the eyesore mall

Don’t need more fast foods, chains, and big boxes. In favor of more independents. More green space, people friendly areas would be good. More flora.

No more parks (ie Hill Street Park). They are magnets for criminals and crime. Hill Street Park needs a police substation in it.

Adult Video Store

Pawnshops

strip clubs

low income housing

Bigger Chain Restaurants: Fudruckers, Chillis, Melting Pot, Hooters, etc

Chain department stores

strip clubs

No need for more convenience stores, gas stations, car dealerships, banks or auto services - there are plenty existing at the moment

strip malls and parking lots

Independant Movie Theater

have to think about this for awhile.

believe that the emphasis should shift to mid-rise office buildings for much of the area. There’s good access to highways and services.

tattoo parlors, adult entertainment stores, and ethnic retail stores (all make the Mile seem like an inner city, no offense meant)

Massage parlors, Additional Dollar stores.

Car Dealerships, Large chain stores

Adult Entertainment

Industrial

Warehousing

bookstore, movie theater

NO apartments and low rent dwellings.

NO light industry ! A city park is just going to lure more of the crime that is steadily escalating daily.

Dollar Stores....attract low budget types and thus increase crime ...we already have enough of these.

We do not need anymore banks, restaurants and gas stations.

Strip Clubs

Car dealerships, more gas stations, yet another grocery store, gentlemens clubs

Thinking ped friendly I would stay away from more car dealerships - too much asphalt.

No businesses that cater to the Hispanic community!

gun store

no more housing on the golden mile

Warehouses, Penitentiary (gotta be creative here), Go Kart track
Car Dealers, No more gas stations
The Mall is used ineffectively and because of crime in the area, it is not somewhere people want to be near at night.
Any business that is legal, is appropriate. However, if your goal is to make it a more family-friendly place for people to shop, I would not suggest putting a strip joint on the Golden Mile.
The two sex shops next to the Pizza Hut should GO! It does nothing to add to the Golden Mile, and brings a undesirable group of people to the area.
more strip shopping centers, low income housing, $1 or deal type stores
Adult entertainment/supplies, high volume traffic types of businesses (arenas, etc.).
adults only (books, movies, “toys”)
bull fights
Any more automobile-centric things like car sales and gas stations, any more flimsy chain stores
the mall
less mexicans
Adult Porn
Low end retail
not sure
Adult entertainment
Chain restaurants such as McDonalds. Along with the obese problem of our nation that we could help fix, we could help grow single businesses.
All the discount junk stores currently at Fredericktowne Mall have to go! I would love to see at least one shopping center like Westview/Reston Town Center. I definitely don’t want to see shopping outlets there.
The low end stores in the Mall currently - i.e. less than dollar store.
No more fly-by-night operations. No more tacky “moon bounce” and “less than a dollar” stores.
Subsidized housing/housing projects
Adult entertainment, speedways, any business with excessive noise
Strip clubs, otb bars
event centers
medical/dental
Car lots, pawn shops, liquor stores, convenience stores,
“Adult” entertainment
Existing sex shops, super discount stores in mall
current mall is useless - too many vacant stores, a new mall would bring havoc to the current congestion
Lower end housing would be completely inappropriate.
the trashy lingerie store; junk shops that cell money orders, international calling cards etc.; low budget retail will do nothing positive for the Golden Mile; the Towne Mall is so depressing to walk into-terribly outdated feel, expect to zombies roving the halls there, feels like stepping back in time (not in a good way). Don’t know what the answer would be for that mall but whatever is happening now, is not the answer. Bring in positive, happy, upbeat environments such as a Cheesecake Factory, Red Robin, Barnes & Noble, Wine store, Trader Joes etc. It just needs life!
Tattoo Business
Business to Business retail
Porn Shops
Night Club
strip joint, another mechanic shop.
big box stores, 7-11 type stores
discount retailers ie Walmart, etc
car washes
grocery stores
stores that specialize in products from other countries
No more dollar general. Fix the rental issue
Adult stores
Liquer Stores or Bars
Bars, liquor stores, gas stations
warehouses, strip malls, self storage,
Adult only stores, places that sell guns and ammo.
Car dealerships, car services, gas stations, drive up services. Generally make it less auto centric - make it more in tune with the city and the surrounding community
A NEW mall! A NEW movie theatre! Trader Joe’s.
need more residential in the mix!
Car dealerships
More grocery stores
More apartments
Abortion Clinic
Bars
Retail
Nice chain dept. store
apartments
NO MORE “MALL”!!! It doesn’t matter how pretty you dress up the outside, it is dead! A convention center/park/museum flex use would be perfect...great access, known location, proximity to employee base, and something we desperately need...space for tradeshows, conventions...I am not talking about a hotel/conference type use...more commercial/athletic/musical/art/museum etc...
I would prefer to see fewer signs in Spanish, and fewer shops catering to a minority. If this trend continues many non-Spanish speaking residents will continue to shop elsewhere.

NEEDS TO BE MORE CHAIN RETAIL STORES. GAP,BEST BUY,ETC...
More housing
Adult entertainment
porn/sleevy bars/hotels that rent by the hour etc.
the whole corridor has a slightly sleevy/unaesthetic/uninviting feel which is a major detractor.
more auto dealers, gas stations , conv stores,banks
single family homes, BIG box stores
6. How can safety be improved on the Golden Mile for pedestrians and bicyclists?

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Number Response Text

1. slow the traffic down
2. Bicycle lanes and secondary vehicle lanes
3. Better and more clearly marked paths
4. Over the road walkway. Recent sidewalk helped tremendously. Pedestrian education & enforcement. Maybe fillin the grassy medians because people suddenly pop out of the median into traffic.
5. Better road design and pedestrian paths looked at comprehensively, not just plopping down a sidewalk where one does not currently exist.
6. Better crosswalk markings; more crosswalk points; better signage about pedestrian safety viewable to car driver’s; more safety signage viewable by cars.
7. Make cross walks more prominent
8. Bike lane, sidewalks
9. Restrict mid block crossing through median barriers such as landscaping or fencing
10. A lot of peds don’t cross at intersections. I don’t know how you can stop that. Maybe bushes or something in the median.
11. Create a bike/walking lane with traffic controls that has protection from the auto traffic
12. Pedestrian/Bike Overpass
13. I don’t know. Give a lot of tickets for jay walking so people would use the crosswalks and red light cameras
14. For starters, pedestrians DO NOT use crosswalks. Secondly, many cars blow red lights making it extra risky. Add strict enforcement and you will solve existing problems without having to make additional infrastructure investments.
15. Bike/walking lanes, improved sidewalks, more pedestrian crossing areas
16. A pedestrian bridge over Route 40 at Hillcrest. Another one would also be nice at Route 40 & McCain. And again at Route 40 & the Merge onto 270. Pave the shoulder area alongside Taco Bell to the 270 Merge. I try to ride my bike from Hillcrest to the Frederick Train Station in the summer. It would be nice to have a paved path instead of gravel, and bumpy and uneven grass areas with glass and litter along the roadside.
17. Slow down the traffic
18. If all shopping centers connected
19. Pedestrian Over-pass; continuous sidewalks (not sure if there currently are)
Add sidewalks and enforce jaywalking laws
Bike lanes. Lower speed limit. Most people do not drive the 45mph speed limit now - they drive slower than the speed limit!
Continue installation of sidewalks along 40. Would there be room for a bicycle lane?
Change the patterns of the traffic lights so pedestrians can cross. There is always traffic crossing the walkways no matter which light is green. For instance, the pedestrians may still be blocked from crossing because people are making u-turns.
With all the traffic, it is not bike or pedestrian friendly. Consistent sidewalks and crossing points would help. Also, connecting the properties along the GM would give all travelers better routes to traverse.
N/A (don’t know; always drive)
Install the walk signals that show the time remaining to cross (DC has them) education on the need to cross at the light not in between to non native folks/young people
Educate Latinos on how to cross the street. They ignore the plantings the State put up to push them towards safe crosswalks.
Timming of traffic lights to provide for such traffic
Add a crosswalk over the road so pedestrians don’t have to walk across in front of vehicles.
Longer signals or pedestrian bridge for crossing hwy 40.
The new sidewalks are a real plus. Bravo. A couple of accessible pedestrian overpasses, say at Hillcrest and McCain, would be a real plus.
Great job with installing the sidewalks along the Golden Mile! Perhaps the traffic lights could be timed better to control & coordinate movement of both peds & drivers.
Better marked crosswalks, using different paving materials,
Provide more side walks
More attention to pedestrian and bicyclist facilities and less attention to auto oriented facilities. Connections need to be made for the nearby residents to efficiently and effectively access the businesses
Build sidewalks all the way down where they will not be on the streets with the traffic.
Separate bike lanes ad sidewalks
don’t really care for them, most of them along there are illegals anyway.
More sidewalks and crosswalks - especially in the green areas in the middle of the road. Another example would be that there are no sidewalks going to Giant. Pedestrians have to cross busy traffic to reach to store.
more crosswalks controlled by traffic lights. a seperate lane for peds and bikes
don’t know. I see crazy people crossing in the middle and not even using the cross walk.
lower the speed limit, install over-the-road walkways
stop peds from crossing outside of crosswalks
separate bike lanes
Ensure all businesses are accessible via sidewalk. “Pedestrian only” walk signals.
Add a separate space next to the side walks specifically for the bikes.
Make a separate bike lane
Add bike lanes & pedestrian cross bridge.
Connections between shopping centers would allow people to stay off US-40 more.
pedestrians Bridges and enforcement of the crosswalks
more sidewalks and walkways. Cut down the bushes/shrubs/trees that outline the “end” of a parking area that accesses incoming traffic!!! We can’t see around a 4 foot wide or 5 foot tall bush!!
overhead bridges, and better connection between shopping centers-so there is less traffic on 40.
An overpass, but I don’t think the people who are currently crossing 40 would use it.
Better speed enforcement, more crosswalks with warning signs for drivers, lower speed limit.
bik lanes, walkways, ped traffic lights?
Not sure - is there a way to identify who these are and poll them?
better enforce crime laws and provide for sidewalks the entire length of 40.
slower speeds, better intersection crossings, interparcel connections, bike lanes, shared use paths
Allow for a bike lane. possible crossovers for pedestrians at high foot-traffic areas.
More Clear Crossing Markers. Resurfaced Sidewalk, Safer Neighborhoods
THINK IT IS FINE
You would have to add bike lanes for bicyclists.
Protected on-road bike lanes, better road signage to indicate protected on-road lanes and/or shared lanes (sharrows), better crosswalk conditions for pedestrians only
bike lane
Making sure that all the pedestrians signals are in working order. Having appropriate timing on them so pedestrians aren’t stranded for 10 mins trying to cross the street.
Sidewalks along roads, improved crosswalks, pedestrian refuges, bike lanes, connections between shopping centers, sidewalks between roads and store fronts
Side walks
Install sidewalks the entire length of the Golden Mile; provide pedestrian entrances to all stores (Pep Boys has only the entrance for cars which doesn’t feel terribly safe to walk up—I believe the same goes for Pier One Imports, but I’m not certain); create bicycle lanes.
Pedestrian crossing zones
pedestrian crossing bridges & bike paths
Cross-over walking bridges
More secondary interconnectivity between parking lots to keep them off the main roadways
Over the highway pedestrian crossings; dedicated bike paths
Costly—but pedestrian overpasses.
Some overpasses
bike trail
sidewalk
crossing lanes
paths, sidewalks ,ped right aways (like in downtown)
Fine people who refuse to use crosswalks.
separate bike and pedestrian routes; bike parking stations
TRANSIT RUNNING AT TIMES WHEN PEOPLE USE THE SERVICES- AT NIGHT!
Having sidewalks
not sure that there is anything more that the city hasn’t already thought of - there are lights, warnings, signs etc but the accident occur due to people’s neglect
bik lanes
better designated walking areas
timed crossing signs?
allow a longer time for crossing and have crosswalks on both sides of an intersection also ban right turn on red
So that traffic and gridlock to do ensure, elevated walkways should be considered. Wide bike lanes with clear and bright markings should be included.

Wider sidewalks and place bollards and/or fencing between walks and roadway. Covered or partially enclosed bus stop areas.

Difficult in current configuration; crossing 40 is very dangerous. Pedestrian bridges/walkways, full compliment of sidewalks on both sides of the road, and a dedicated bike lane - bike lanes may be easier to accommodate than in other areas (e.g. downtown) as many of the existing structures are set far back from the road.

Addition of bicycle lanes, possibly and pedestrian/bicycle overpasses.

It can’t without negatively impacting traffic flow.

Check timing at traffic signals and improve sidewalk areas

wider sidewalks and bike paths
better interconnectivity between properties

Over head pass overs,? It is a little late to reconfigure this massive amount of traffic.
Overpasses for pedestrian use only (Possibly one in the center). It might require a large portion of space that is not available however.
Better lighting, better police coverage

Pedestrian/bicyclist overpasses.

Add bike lanes

Improve pedestrian access to Golden Mile (e.g., there are sectors along Baughman’s Lane that have no sidewalk)

Improve overall safety of area— increase police patrol to prevent loitering so people feel its safe to walk/bike

Improved signage, add pedestrian crossing signs to remind drivers to watch for pedestrians/bikes

Side walks and bike lanes, as well as major cross walks and asphalt walking paths from residential to commercial. There needs to be a rec center as well as a city police depot

Sidewalks, walkovers

widen sidewalks; add bike lanes

Complete sidewalks. All signals should be activated by bicycles to facilitate crossing at intersections. Possible inclusion of bike lanes or separated bike way, especially under Rt. 15.

narrow the road, increase sidewalk width, add dedicated bike lanes.
The existing sidewalks are good for pedestrians, but bicycle lanes would be useful as there are numerous cyclists using the road.

Connecting sidewalks/walkways between shopping centers so that you aren’t walking along Route 40

Site distances are bad for pedestrians and bicycles because of the multiple lane/distance to cross. Over passes would eliminate this issue.

make more bicycle lanes and make the crosswalks longer

over head walk way @

mecain and hillcrest

Delete some of those extented curves on to the golden mile for entering or exiting parking lots

Better Crossings

Not all areas have sidewalks/sidewalks are disconnected and not well-planned.

speed less

Pedestrian bridge, traffic lights in all directions are red for a sufficient period of time for ped/cyclist to cross
117 no bikes on roads, cross walks at each intersection, place on median for pedestrian who can’t make it all the way across at light.
118 at key intersections hold all traffic, including turns, for pedestrians.
119 more patrolling by city police/sheriff’s dept.
120 Overhead walkway for bikes and walkers to cross US 40
121 Bike Lanes or Better Pedestrian Side Walks
122 It is all in the planning, what and how the city decide to build in the area. It can be done, other areas have done just that.
123 Sidewalks need repaired and the areas that leak other parking lots together, are in very bad need of repair. Example: The pot holes at the end of Arby’s / Kentucky Fried Chicken, can break your wheel off. Maybe build a bridge over from one side to the Mall side.
124 Maybe biking lanes on the sidewalks. biking trails as well in the neighborhoods.
125 Bike lanes and paths. More crossing points, or bridge/tunnel options. A direct bike/pedestrian connection from downtown.
126 Bike lane,
127 No more contruction.
128 Expand sidewalks into bike paths, no curbs
129 signage for cyclists, extended lights for pedestrians
130 Pedestrian Signals, crossings
131 Provide wider “shared” sidewalk/bikepath outside of vehicle travel lanes
132 Acess ramps that go over the road.
133 Pedestrian overpass or underpass
134 Ramps over the road.
135 bike lanes/paths shared use path
136 Have all pedestrians use designated crossings. Limit bike use to a special bike lane.
137 Interconnectivity/pathways so they can be off the road. Make Key Parkway more the pedestrian/bike route
138 bike lanes; pedestrian cross walks on major intersections with area to stand in median strip.
139 more signage
140 It might help if people stopped trying to cross outside of the crosswalks, but I would suggest having a designated crossing area with it’s own light like as is the case with cars.
141 Wow. Complete redesign of US 40. Wide lanes, volume of cars, and speed make the current road a danger. And grade-separated crossing are worthless solutions.
142 longer crosswalk signals; raised crossings over the road
143 Better crosswalks
144 add a pedestrian and bike path - add electronic crossing signs with timers (as in Washington, DC)
145 Add a bike lane, make more sidewalks and make it easier to cross the streets and intersections.
146 More awareness for drivers that they are there. Perhaps signs or better marked crosswalks. Right now, the area is 100% car-centric. When I pass pedestrians trying to cross, I fear for them.
147 Better defined walkways and cross-walks, possibly pedestrian bridges. Block the medians to force use of the cross-walks. Multi-lingual safety education.
148 I would be terrified to ride a bike on the Golden Mile, so maybe some dedicated bike lanes. I guess more places to cross the road for pedestrians (not something I do) would help, because I see people crossing in the middle of the road quite a bit. A good example of what I’ve seen help is when there is a very clear demarcation for the crosswalk (downtown Frederick as an example, where the creek runs). This kind of visual cue might help drivers realize that there is pedestrian traffic.
149 Sidewalks, more and better places to cross rte 40
150 Cameras to help police officers with increased ticketing for unsafe drivers. More and wider sidewalks. Bike lanes.
151 allow bicycle riding on sidewalks, better crosswalks, sidewalks on both sides, slow down the traffic
Sidewalks, bike lanes, more crosswalks

Access lanes and sidewalks

Needs to be 2 pedestrian bridges over the Golden Mile. 1 @ Hillcrest Dr. and 1 @ McCain Drive

An overpass bridge across 40, near the mall.

Sidewalks are helping. There are still people crossing outside of crosswalks. Clearly there are cultural differences requiring more education.

Put a bridge over the highway

Sidewalks on both sides of the highway, designated bicycle paths, better marked and more frequent crosswalks.

Separate bike path and walkway

CRIME....more patrol, community active in monitoring and working with the Police.

Connect the parking lots

Pedestrian bridges spanning Rte 40. Wider sidewalks

Don’t recommend bicycles on Rte 40

Lower speed limit

Timed cross walks; maybe an overpass like they did at Rio

Bike lanes are desperately needed on the Golden Mile, AND all over Frederick County. Also, bike racks for locking bikes and benches for pedestrians would be a huge improvement.

Connect the parking lots

Pedestrian bridges spanning Rte 40. Wider sidewalks

Review control devices to assure they allow sufficient crossing time

Didn’t know that was an issue

Limit pedestrian access to safe crossing points on Rt. 40 (median barriers).

Lower the speed limit and time all traffic lights together

Lower the speed limit, more crosswalks, a campaign to increase driver awareness

1) Walking bridges over the roadway which will be difficult with the hills and may not be used. 2) Divert some of the west bound traffic into a loop that travels down Boughmans lane and around the back of shopping centers to join back up after the mall. 3) Make 40 a through street only with just one or two entry points into shopping centers that have better interconnected parking areas.

Bike lanes, shared use paths, better intersection crossing of north south streets

Crossover paths at several points

Pedestrian Bridges

Connect the distinct areas

Use the crossings that have been provided

Designated bike & pedestrian lanes

I ride my bike to commuter everywhere in Frederick...except on the Golden Mile. There are no safe lanes or connecting sidewalks between venues which makes it dangerous.

Above ground crosswalks

Connect each of the centers--going out onto the highway is not fun

Restrict pedestrians crossing at places other than cross walks.

Enforce speed limits and traffic lights

Restrict pedestrian crossings except at cross walks - meaning physically prevent people from crossing in the middle of the road.
Bike lanes and/or wider right lane; lower speeds; better lane striping for cyclists at right-turn lanes to help prevent the “right hook.”

Walking paths/bike paths that connect all the shopping areas.

Traffic slowing devices

Feel 40 is pretty easy to navigate as a pedestrian/bicyclist, although there are spots where still need sidewalk.

Reduce the speed from 45 to 35/40. Connect the shopping centers.

Crime makes it not safe for pedestrians

Lower speed limit, service roads, sidewalks

Broader sidewalks and well-marked pedestrian crossings

Bike lane

Pedestrian bridges

Need an overhead walkway over top of Rt. 40 to get from one side to the other.

More sidewalks - perhaps add a sidewalk in the median area?? Perhaps utilize Key Parkway more or encourage bicyclists to use it if possible.

Creating bike/walking trail. One that wouldn’t need to worry about the busy highway and crosswalks.

Side walks on all sides, tasteful pedestrian bridges, Better foot and driving traffic integration between sites.

Dedicated bike paths that connect to downtown Frederick

Provide a designated bicycle path

Enforce fines for jaywalking

Inter connection of Strip Centers, dedicated Bike Lanes and connecting sidewalk system

Don’t know; all you have to do is obey the traffic signs now.

Fewer exits and entrances. Allow ingress/egress only at controlled intersections.

Slower speed limits

Drop speed limit

Increase timing for crosswalks and stop all traffic when in use

Designated path

- Better marking on entrance/exit to separate stores, but we really need the stores to get coordinated and look good as a whole - far too scattered in appearance now

By installing bicycle and walk ways

Connect shopping areas, overpasses

Insurance of safe crosswalks & respect from motorists for them

Probably not without extreme expense

Bike Lane

Sidewalks on both sides of highway with adequate crossings controlled by traffic signals.

The various pockets of stores are not connected. A person has to move their car from one location to another. In many instances, you can’t even walk to the next center. This is all on the North side of 50.

Sidewalks, crossing areas that are obvious, fines for jaywalking

Bike lanes, connecting shopping centers. Enforce the bike and pedestrian rules -- they are always cutting across the road where they should not be. It is a hazard. The majority of them are reckless.
Wider roads, less turn offs, slower speeds

Overhead or underground pass ways

Make more of a boulevard feel. Less ingress/egress from so many different shopping centers. Wide pathways for pedestrians and bicyclists.

lanes with protection barricades?? It’s so busy and people are rushing...bad combination for accidents period

More police.

Pedestrian bridges and walk signals

don’t know

overpasses for pedestrians and cyclists

walk signs and cross walks for pedestrians, better side walks/shared use paths

Provide safe crosswalks, separate bicycle lanes apart from the major highway system

maybe some overpasses

areas markes for pedestrians and bicyclists only. Longer ‘walk’ signs for pedestrians.

2 Sky walks to use in lieu of crossing street. One close to the Aldi’s intersection and the other near the Roy Roger’s/Home Depot intersection. This is where I see the most near-pedestrian accidents.

larger pedestrian walkways with sidewalks and signals

Start with a bicycle lane!

Transform it into the type of community outlined here: http://www.eastfrederickrising.org. On-street parking, lots of street trees, minimal setback for houses and stores.

Actual bike lanes and better crosswalks. Maybe pedestrian overpasses.

To me, this is the most important issue- how to get pedestrians and cyclists safely across Rt 40!!!

flashing lights at crosswalks

sidewalks and bike paths

additional crosswalks where pedestrians cross that are not “crosswalks” look at patterns

Add a clearly marked bike lane.

Fines for not crossing, on foot or by bike, at lights

Learn traffic laws - cross at crosswalks with the light , ride bicycles per laws too.

adding a dedicated bike/pedestrian lane and incorporating pedestrian crossings into the light system

pedestrian friendly light cycles

with bike paths etc

bike lane - clearly marked. Regularly police and ticket drivers and bicyclists who break the rules. More pedestrian crossings - same story - regularly police and ticket jaywalkers - to stop the deaths. Over the road bridges for pedestrians?

More crosswalks/pedestrian signals, bike lanes, sidewalks on both sides, going to downtown

Pedestrian tunnels

Unify the entire shopping area, put 3 crossover (air rights) walkways at major stores, make all turn ins the same type, even if that means taking a few square feet from the parking lots.

an overhead pedestrian walkway
the landscaping is the problem - pedestrian / bicycle accommodations, if any, are after the fact rather than being part of the plan from inception. The edge of pavement next to medians is a total hazard to cyclists. Pedestrians crossing at intersections who get stuck in the median have no distinct barrier between them and vehicles. New curbs, new crosswalks, bike lanes.

Time traffic lights in consistent cycles which reflect the speed limit to control speeds. Similar to the lights on N. Market street. Four way red cycles for pedestrians crossing US-40. Decrease speed limits.

Stricter police patrols.

Totally separate pedestrians and bicyclists from motor vehicle traffic.

Bike lanes would be an improvement. Safe ways for a cyclist to get from the neighborhoods into the shopping areas.

Connecting alternate routes. Presently NOTHING for ped/bike

More sidewalks!

You need to put a police station out there right on 40. The city needs to work very closely with the Sheriff to round up the illegals.

Curfews for the younger generation

Create a bicycle and/or pedestrian lane.

I can’t answer that question.....there are sidewalks in some areas, possibly having one the length of the Mile

Not sure. Maybe bike lanes?

sidewalks should be cohesive and continuous. Traffic calming features could be used along with bike lanes to make the road safe for cyclists. Narrowing the road to two lanes of traffic with one turning lane and bike lanes on either side is one suggested treatment. Please refer to Complete Streets Policy for other possible treatments.

pedestrians and bicyclists need space behind not on Rt. 40. So visual impact should be good on all sides

better traffic management, better sidewalks, better lighting at night

Walkway for people to cross over highway

You need a bike and walking path that goes up and down the road

sidewalks, crosswalks with crossing lights, fencing in median where there is no crossing

designated pedestrian and bike lanes;

add additional lanes and pedestrian walk overs from one side to the other instead of having to cross the roadway

sidewalks

Enforce laws for pedestrians! Ppl need to cross only in designated regions

More sidewalks, pedestrian crossing zones with signs

Walking bridges from one side of Rt. 40 to the other.

Pedestrians -- elevated crosswalks

Off street shared-use path.

Try to get the traffic signals better timed.

enforce the speed, signs for pedestrians and bicyclists

by making the shopping centers connect to eachother and marked bike paths and crosswalks

Bike lane if possible

enforcement of use of crosswalks - too many people just run across all the lanes of traffic where ever

Keeping the bikers from getting mugged is a good start

A bike/walking trail along Rt. 40 with appropriate law enforcement against those who believe they don’t have to drive carefully with bikers and walkers.

better, wider sidewalks.

There need to be separate facilities for foot and bicycle traffic to lower the risk of car-bike-pedestrian collisions.
Get rid of the crime in the area - it's a very undesirable area to walk around in - and no way at night.
bicycle lanes
sidewalks
slow down the traffic. more boulevard like, with trees, incorporated transit and perhaps even onstreet parallel parking
Bike paths. More law enforcement. It seems to be a high crime area where gangs rule.
A real bike path ramped from street to street. Combined with sidewalks of same and where neccessary same structure.
PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS WALKWAYS
Not Sure
Pedestrian overpasses / bridges over 40
Pedestrian bridges like in Minneapolis/St Paul. Narrow Rt 40 and put some access roads between the shopping centers to reduce traffic on 40.
Need a bike lane.
Ticket the pedestrians who are not using crosswalks.
walking and biking lanes
people need to have common sense. If traffic is moving at 45mph, they have to realize they have to cross at an intersection, and obey the traffic signals. Police need to ticket not only cars, but also pedestrians that don’t obey the law.
Make crosswalks more evident.
Bike lanes
The use of crosswalks need to be enforced so people can safely cross the streets. If they start enforcing the crosswalks, people will stop running across the road in the middle of traffic.
Close off the mall and make the store open to the outside with sidewalks on the perimeter or put a road right through the middle of the mall (like Gettysburg)
Bicycle lanes. More crosswalks for pedestrians. Pedestrian “education” of safe crossing. Increased enforcement of crossing “rules” for safety (too many people crossing against lights, out of crosswalks, wherever they please!
Sky walks
Must appeal to the people. No pedestrian bridges! Need education about Jay walking, etc.
Over the road ped bridges.
More time to cross roads
install usable sidewalks and pathways. better timing of lights and traffic
A dedicated bike lane.
Don’t know.
By improving the flow of traffic it should alleviate the issues with safety. Because people are trying to beat the lights, especially when they have been sitting in traffic all the way back to Jefferson St, they drive fast and don’t pay attention to other people on the road.
reduce the speed limit
build cross walking bridges
GET RID OF THE CRIME!!!
The entire roadway needs to be redesigned to improve safety. I feel safer crossing the streets in DC than in Frederick.
Improved crosswalks and pedestrians bridges
See above. Smaller blocks developed on a grid pattern. Construct “bump outs” at intersection to make walking distance shorter. Make Route 40 more of a “boulevard” (trees, dedicated transit way in center of road)
no matter what is done (building foot bridges , sidewalks) people will still not walk where they are supposed to


313 duh? crosswalks & sidewalks, light synchronizations, overpasses, connections between centers
314 More Police
315 Delete some of the entrances off 40 and create a side access road that goes through all business areas. Add some over/under passes (Texas has some good examples of major highways going through business/shopping areas).
316 Pedestrian bridges - separate bike lanes
317 Overhead foot bridges, slower moving traffic, bicycle lanes, increased police presence by car and on bicycle/foot, bus/transit stops that are away from traffic
318 Make them wear fluorescent orange/yellow/green or TICKET! Even the kids! Other than that, I don't know!
319 Over passes
320 Bike lanes
321 If memory serves correctly, this area is one of the highest for crime rate. In light of the most recent robberies and assaults, I believe there needs to be more police presence to discourage it.
322 Better signs, sidewalks. Maybe less traffic lights but improved crossing points or an overpass.
323 Sidewalks for pedestrians. Hate to say this, but I see no way to make bicyclists safe on this road.
324 I think safety is fine, pedestrians need to learn to be more careful when crossing the GM and not jwalk.
325 Make a bike/Pedestrian path on one side of 40 that runs from Baughmans Lane to the mall.
326 Better crossings and a special lane
327 Pedestrian Access Control!! Rt 40 is a major road too wide and traffic volume too high for pedestrians to cross safely where ever they please. Development needs to include pedestrian over passes and specific locations for crossing from adjacent neighborhoods. Proven concepts and principles from Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design should be incorporated into any development with mandatory input from Police and Fire and Rescue. Recommendations from reputable experts in these fields should also be consulted. Designated bike lanes should be established a long major traffic routes.
328 Elevated Crosswalks
329 More Crosswalks, better lighting, a pedestrian bridge.
330 The north and south sides of US-40 need wide sidewalks. The sidewalks should not simply be straight and flat. When possible, low berms should be constructed and the sidewalks should flow/curve around the shape of the berm. Properly constructed and landscaped, this element would "mirror" the Catoctin Mountains in the background. This sidewalk system should be consistent and connected to adjacent neighborhoods and parks.
331 SIDEWALKS THE ENTIRE LENGTH
332 I have never traveled on foot or bike on the Golden Mile.
333 Make better crossings and more sidewalks.
334 Turn the entire north side of the mile into a Leesburg outlet type open air mall. Parking on the perimeter only foot traffic within
335 Better lit crosswalks
336 More sidewalks and bike lanes. I have never walked or biked along this area so I'm not sure what is needed.
337 I don't see many sidewalks that connect to each other.
338 Create bike lanes
339 SIDEWALKS!!
340 Add pedestrian bridges & lower the speed limit
341 Sidewalks, on bike lanes
342 More Crosswalks... with timers.
343 Perhaps a pedestrian/bike path overpass at the Hillcrest and McCain intersections.
344 If pedestrians would use crosswalks and not jaywalk. There should be bike lanes. Drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists should watch for eachother.
345 Defined paths along the 40 roadway, linking centers.
346 Longer crossing lights, and more crossings and a bike lane in the actual shopping areas rather than on 40
bik lane

Sidewalks and crossing signals
Overhead pedestrian/bicycle road crossings. Lower the speed limits.
more patrol
overpass
Create a bicycle lane
no right turn on red

bicycle only paths with bike traffic lights

Tear down some of the existing buildings and create an open air strip mall/outlets environment. You could also install more sidewalks and better ways to connect these sidewalks to the surrounding roads downtown.
cops on bicycles
Redesign the corridor so people don't need to cross the street. Have a store on one side of the corridor.
More designated bike paths linking residential to commerce
have bike lanes, more crosswalk signage so people understand when to cross
bike lane
walkway connecting all areas
tear up the sidewalks and create an open area

better crosswalks, and crosswalk signs. make people use the crosswalks
need to install walk/don't walk lights and better lighting along the roads
try to force pedestrians to use crosswalks instead of walking in the middle of the road.
Pedestrians MUST cross at the cross walks. This is a real issue.
Better cycling on traffic lights.
Wider sidewalks along both sides of Rt. 40.
patrols on bike, enforce loitering rules
Bike Path all the way down Rte 40 on both sides - just like in Ocean City, MD.
Increased police patrols. MD to approve concealed carry permits for law abiding citizens.
Create barrier fences/walls in the medians so pedestrians can only cross at intersection crosswalks
Install separate red-arrow right turn signal at streets intersecting Hwy.40. This would stop traffic from making right turns onto the highway when pedestrians are attempting to cross. This is done in DC, although drivers sometimes ignore the signal.

WELL YOU HAVE TO HAVE STRICHER LAWS TO ARREST THESE PEOPLE WHO JUST ROB OTHERS OF THEIR SECURITY AND BELONGINGS...CHANGE TO LOWCOST LIVING ARRAGEMNETS SOMEHOW...NO ONE WANTS TO GO TO THE MALL ANYMORE BECAUSE OF THE VISIBILITY OF THESE PEOPLE...I WONT EVEN GO TO THAT MALL ANYMORE...IT IS RUNDOWN AND LOW CLASS ...REVAMP THE MALL UPDATE THE AREA!

Elmwood Terrace needs to be torn down and Hillcrest needs to be 'reinvented'

Route 40 is really NOT a road that is safe to cross by foot whether using the crosswalks or not, but the huge increase in pedestrian traffic is creating a truly dangerous situation. A number of these people chose to cross the road in non-crosswalk areas and are dressed in dark clothes even at night.
make a tunnel or overpass - What do they do on Rockville Pike? run...
more police patrols
Bicycle lanes or wider sidewalks

Signs for drivers to use caution for peds and bikers

Bike Lanes

Make places for them to ride and walk

Safety and crime overall can be improved if you add police visibility to that area, like when the State Troopers barracks were on the corner of Baughman St. It wouldn’t need to be that again, but more visibility and the repercussions of the crime need to be felt.

It doesn’t need to be: The sidewalks are adequate already and Bicycles do NOT belong in that setting. It is a DRIVE to destination.

Another suggestion: ENFORCE LAWS, ticket people crossing in unmarked areas, Ticket speeders, etc.

Shopping centers connected to each other

enforcement of speed laws

Build over the road bridges for pedestrians.

Need walkways above the road. I would not suggest tunnels or walkways under the road because of crime.

Sidewalks and more pedestrian crossings

Add a police-sub station Why not in the mall itself?

Pedestrian walkways overhead (like Las Vegas has done)

Overhead cross walks/ tunnel cross walks

There could be a bike lane on both sides of the golden mile. The cross walk lights can be timed longer.

Better sidewalks. Pedestrian bridges over Rt. 40 for the purposes of connecting neighborhoods and shopping centers would help immensely.

Re-populate the old police station with new police, either state or local.

Bicycle lane?

better marked and lit crosswalks

more sidewalks....

Signage

Give people tickets for not using the crosswalks or for bicyclists that don’t follow the traffic patterns

Better access/lights along each section of commercial development. Crossing 40 by foot is dangerous.

Review high traffic/pedestrian areas from DC, Howard or Mont County to see how they resolved this problem.

More sidewalks & eliminate drainage ditch in the middle

Provide connections between parking lots.

Have officers enforce the existing laws and write tickets to the people who are not using the crosswalks and sidewalks...and the people who aren’t obeying the traffic laws while riding their bicycles.

Don’t know

Improve sidewalks, bike lanes, and time for foot traffic at intersections.

It can’t because the pedestrians won’t follow the signs in the crosswalks, or they don’t bother to use the crosswalks.

Remove loiters, fix the roads and parking lots. More police presence.

Bridge over road

Enforcement of using the cross walks.

better crosswalks and bike paths

Seem to be a lot of people that walk through the medium. Better sidewalks for access.
Traffic lights that are in sync
Creating Illuminate Green zones, bike roads and cameras for vigilance
Overpass!!! underpass?
Overhead cross walks and distinct bike paths/lanes
pedestrian crossovers, bike paths
pedestrian “walk” lights
Sidewalks on 40
Need connections between existing shopping centers.
A safer way to cross the street may be needed, but pedestrian bridges can be expensive, unsightly and a safety issue. I’m not sure how to solve that.
Aggressive law enforcement
Bike Lanes? How about a shuttle bus for the area, just for use of shopping patrons?
CLEAN UP THE NEIGHBORHOODS SURROUNDING IT, THAT IS WHY 40 HAS BECOME TRASHY
Make Cross Walks Safer, give longer time for people to cross both sides of the road
Set up connecting roadways between shopping centers that don’t require travel on Rte 40
Ticket them for not obeying the traffic signals. Reduce the speed limit to 35 mph.
walk ways, roundabouts, pathways, lighting
More cross walks with signs
Did’nt know this was a problem
Interconnect all the different parking areas.
Construct sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of all roads.
Full crosswalks (all approaches) at each US 40 intersection
crossovers?
Must connect the various shopping centers so a driver does NOT have to go out on Route 40 each time he wants a different shopping strip.
You could try building an overshoot foot bridge (elevated) across 40 between Giant and the Sandy Spring Bank...seems like alot of foot traffic at that intersection. You could design it looking similar to the new footbridges in Carroll Creek downtown. Would be expensive, but LOOK great and serve a purpose!
Slow down. More signs
Pedestrian walkways/overpasses
For pedestrians, I don’t think anything else should be done as there are sufficient sidewalks and crosswalks available to use. The challenge is getting the pedestrians to use them.
Bicycling on W. Patrick is foolhardy. Bike lanes may help but like the crosswalks and sidewalks for pedestrians, getting people to use the bike lane is the challenge. Ohhh, and getting people to ride in the right direction would be nice too.
more walk lights that respond quickly...bigger sidewalks that are maintained better
The lights are spaced pretty far away - is there a way to provide access between lights for peds? Also, bike lanes and a trail network would be a start.
Reduce crime. Get rid of illegal immigrants!
Widen roads and add bicycle only lanes as it should have been built in the first place!
provide free medical coverage to those brave or stupid enough to try to ride a bike in the area with its current configuration.
golden mile isnt safe.....i dont go on walks after 4 or 5pm
Arrest jaywalkers, ban bicycles. Don’t even try to make it pedestrian friendly. This is a major thoroughfare; it’s like saying we need to make Route 15 safe for walkers and bicyclists. One traffic light midway that stops traffic in all directions at the same time would make sense without encouraging foot traffic.

Enforce crosswalk laws

Don’t allow them

Get rid of the latinos

I believe more police presence would cut down on the speed people drive along the Golden Mile, as well as cut down on people running lights. I realize that is not the primary mission of the police, but just their presence makes people slow down, thus making it safer for pedestrians. I also think the Golden Mile is no place for bicyclists. I realize that bicyclists have a right to be on the road, but most of them do not follow the rules of the road, thus, creating a hazard for people driving motor vehicles. They, too, contribute to the safety of pedestrians and motor vehicle drivers along the Golden Mile.

Enforce jay-walking laws.

Bridge over 40 for pedestrians

Some types of barriers to keep people from crossing between intersections with lights, ticketing offenders. Signs if not already posted about crosswalks approaching.

Lanes for bikers only

Elevated crosswalks for pedestrians

Long light for cross walking

It appears safe. People just need to use common sense.

Completing all sidewalk sections along both sides of the road, sufficient crosswalks and crossing times for crosswalks, bike lanes on both sides of the road with signage to share the road with bikes and peds, bike boxes at lights (look at examples in Portland, OR), coloration for bike lanes and adequate enforcement for violators, completely overhaul the road to be human scaled (street trees, buffers between road and pedestrian, etc... look at great streets principle)

Better signs

Get rid of the mexicans

More sidewalks

Wider areas for pedestrians to walk safely alongside the road, and for bicyclists to have a path.

Police Patrol

Median strip shade, a few benches in certain areas, bike path between ‘ACCESS roads’ and Rt. 40

Crosswalk lights-all traffic stops

Provide pathways on each side of road for pedestrian and bike use.

Have a bicycle path

A bridge walkway over the wide, 6-lane highway. One for bicyclists and one for pedestrians. Both CLOSELY patrolled to prevent crime.

More clearly marked crosswalks, signs to remind drivers that pedestrians in crosswalks have the right of way

Redesign roads with pedestrians and bike traffic patterns included as a main consideration.

Walk way Bridge over the Golden Mile and enforcing the jay walking laws.

Look at Rockville Pike in Montgo. Co.

Build skywalks that go across the road between businesses
Rows of flashing pedestrian lights at driver level across all crosswalks, along with beeping to guide handicapped walkers. Continuous sidewalks and bike lanes alongside both sides of 40, extend these into side streets as well.

Overpasses for ped/bikes

shorter lights allowing for more opportunities for crossing at crosswalks instead of people running across 40 because the lights never change. How about a shopping trolley or tram that services only route 40

Create special cyclists’ lanes and have really clearly marked places for pedestrians to cross.

Bike paths and better crossing lights.

pedestrian bridge, have bike lane, better crosswalks

Improved sidewalks and access between plazas

Dedicated bicycle lanes; pedestrian walkways through the vast expanse of parking lots

Dedicated bike lanes, improved lighting, improved housing stock

bike lanes and overhead crosswalks

Wider sidewalks? Wider, well marked crossing areas? Somehow ease up on the congestion of the area.

bike lane developed from downtown

Enforced speed limits

Sidewalks and bike lanes behind the shopping complexes away from 40 ...better lighting at night

Sidewalks with bicycle lanes

make side walks more accessible for walking as well as in compliance for wheelchairs. Have more walking areas and better design in parking lots where the lot isn’t so close to the buildings such as giant eagle. there is just as much space in the back with a wide grass area. more walking connections between establishment. So we don’t get run over trying to make to the side walk just to walk over to another area. Bridges going across to the other side of the street. Its near impossible to get to the other side without running before the light changes and making drivers more aware that people to walk would be a plus by giving drivers tickets who do not yield to pedxing crossings. I was honked very loudly when I stop for the pedestrians

You can not any more. it is too late to fix the traffic patterns

Incorporate cross walks (that work)

Add more time to cross and put more white crossing lines.

Longer time to cross the street

Use cross walks, alleviate car traffic, add bike paths

Enforce the speed limit

Create a thru traffic lane in the center, buffer this with a greenway on either side. Have pedestrian scaled local lanes to the outside. Trees, bus stops, on street parking, good sized pedestrian sidewalks

Provide more crosswalks, sidewalks and pedestrian lights -- need crosswalks on the south side of Rt. 40 across Grove Rd., Hillcrest and Hoke, and across the entrances/exits of shopping centers and major businesses. Need a pedestrian light across Baughmans Lane at this incredibly busy intersection. The new sidewalks along Rt. 40 mean little if there are no sidewalks going into shopping areas like Shoppers World and Wolf’s and if there are no sidewalks on Baughmans at the old state police barracks and Motel 6. At the other end, the new crossings at the point are pointless if there’s no safe pedestrian passage on the south side where the roadway is right against the guard rail over the culvert just west of the new car wash. Most of these issues are easily solved with a little bit of paint. If cars don’t see defined crosswalks, they’re far less likely to defer to pedestrians.

wider sidewalks, pushbuttons for crossing intersections.

Build a paved road that is parallel to the highway. More visible cross-walks with signs for cars to yield.

Overpasses over 40

A pedestrian/bike walkway/ramp at the Hillcrest Light

Being able to cross US 40
503 Have the secondary road where you can reach all of the stores instead of in and out

504 Install bike lanes and sidewalks

505 Have the speed limit NO more than 30 mi.

506 More control on signage and distractions...cleaner views.

507 Lights coordinated so you don’t stop every 30 feet

508 Sidewalks

509 Add sidewalks, change traffic signals to the ones that give a countdown to pedestrians before they change, and make connections between shopping centers.

510 Bike lanes

511 Dedicated bicycle lanes and clearly marked crosswalks with strict enforcement.

512 Police the area more for pedestrian violators.

Build sidewalks. Unfortunately 85 shopping doesn’t have this issue because no one walks or bikes the area to shop

513 Make a bike / ped path

514 Add bike lanes

515 There is no great way to walk/bike the length of the Golden Mile and crossing 40 even at a light is dangerous. There should be a dedicated multi-use (pedestrian/bike/etc) path that goes the full length of GM and connects to both Frederick and Braddock/Middletown. You could also have a “bike library” where people can drive, park, rent/borrow a bike and cruise the mile. The path needs to be far enough away from 40 to create a pleasant experience. People will need to feel SAFE in order to enjoy this- increased police presence, a community facility w/activities and programs for kids/teens would help a lot. A bus/trolley that runs frequently along the golden mile to get shoppers from one plaza to another would also be helpful as would a pedestrian bridge or 2 to cross safely over 40.

516 Bicyclists need to obey the laws often there are cyclists coming towards you on both sides of the road. drivers need to pay attention and slow down in the parking lots.

517 Separate and designated bike/foot path lanes with highway overpass

518 Sidewalks and bike paths on both sides of Rt. 40, AND

519 Widen the roads a bit to give them room to ride.
7. How can safety be improved on the Golden Mile for drivers?

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Number Response Text

1 speed the traffic up
2 Ok as is.
3 See number 5
4 Same as above.
5 Better light timing, isolation of pedestrian traffic from the road area through better design.
6 More red light cameras to reduce the amount of red light running, reduce the number of left-hand turns and u-turns by installing traffic circles;
7 Keep the flow of traffic going along length of US 40
8 Better traffic pattern, too congested
9 Reduce pedestrians from crossing the road between intersections
10 a separate access road to businesses with through lanes
11 Red light cameras
12 Speed and red light cameras. Greater police foot patrol. Simple.
13 Better/more visible signs, more speed limit posts, better safety for ped & bikes so they are not crossing in between lights/crosswalks
14 I think it is pretty good already. Maybe more of a pause between lights changing from red to green to allow for people who want to run red lights.
15 Slow down the traffic
16 If all shopping centers connected
17 Speed cameras;
18 Enforce jaywalking laws
19 Speed cameras
20 Some of the lights need to be a bit a longer. For instance, the light from Baughman’s lane onto the Golden mile is very short. People in the area that are aware of that will try to speed through the yellow light to avoid sitting there for another 3 to 4 minutes.
21 I don’t know (I so seldom go to anything on the Golden Mile!)
22 Don’t feel unsafe
23 Cameras to catch cars that ignore yellow lights.
24 Change the length of traffic light cycle
25 There are so many shopping centers and store signage drivers get confused about which intersection to pull into, and cut other people off. I’m not sure how this can be improved.
26 Yes, provide connections between shopping centers like you find along Route 355. Also Key Parkway could be utilized better to provide access to shopping centers.
27 Need to lower speed limit. I think 45 mph is too fast for this corridor that continues to get more and more congested with cars, pedestrians, etc. Cars pulling out of shopping centers in front of 45+ mph drivers is a hazard I fear daily.

28 The sheer volume of traffic is the biggest issue for drivers. I also believe the light patterns are counter-productive to the efficient moving of traffic down 40.

29 Very safe today

30 Connect the shopping centers so you don't have to keep going out onto route 40 to get to the store in the next center

31 Decrease speed and make the roadway more narrow

32 Do you really want my opinion on that? Pass a law about the cell phone usage while driving.

33 Get the illegals out of the apartments back there.

34 More areas to cross over to the businesses on the other side of the road.

35 More crosswalks controlled by traffic lights or over street pedestrians bridges

36 Don't know

37 Lower the speed limit

   Fewer entrances onto 40 from the existing centers

   More "interior" roads connecting the existing centers so that the majority of the traffic on 40 is through traffic

38 Reduce the volume of traffic - it is backed up on 15N now during rush hour - who wants to sit in traffic for 10-15 minutes to get to a shop on Rt. 40?

39 Synchronized traffic lights.

40 Less clutter. More police to monitor the speed of those who think this area is an interstate.

41 Not sure.

42 Pedestrians Bridges and enforcement of the crosswalks

43 Timing of lights better, better off ramps/access ways to the current shopping centers. Better signs to indicated where a business is located.

44 Better timing of the stoplights

45 Pretty much same as for #6.

46 Not sure

47 If ease of congestion is possible, that would be a start. Maybe more redlight cameras and speed enforcement.

48 More interparcel access, better access to/from/and across north south connecting roads

49 Redesign intersections, shopping center entrances, and alt 40 interchange.

50 IT IS FINE

51 Better light cycles, access lanes from one center to the other

52 Better road signage

53 Better crosswalks

54 Appropriate timing for lights.

55 Enforce the traffic laws.

56 Timing the lights, inter-connect the various shopping zones...not just 40 and key parkway.

57 Better flow of traffic and better timing of traffic lights, especially coming off of 15 North.

58 Increased police presence

59 Same as #6

60 Red light cameras at turn lanes that cross in front of on-coming traffic.
long time for turning lanes and longer turning lanes at some intersections

Major parking at either end of the golden mile with shuttle to get around; less parking behind stores in the middle.

Timing of traffic lights

discourage bicycle riding on streets with speeds above 35mph

slower traffic coming off I-70 and West 40

SLOWER SPEED LIMIT

Again, not sure how to get people to obey signs and warnings that are everywhere.

longer wider turning lanes

golden mile from US-40

although a lot of comments have been made about connecting the shopping centers on the Golden Mile, I believe this would not be safe.

the exit to 270S is very abrupt and confusing due to the right turn off lane by GetGo Gas Station. The left turn off lane for 15N should be separated from the 2 regular traffic lanes.

Better flow into large parking areas rather than lots of little turnoffs everywhere. Traffic needs to keep flowing.

do not consider the drivers at risk.

Unsure

no speeding (racing), speed cameras, patrolling,

Streamlining and/or connecting parking lots to lessen on/off traffic from Rt 40.

There are many shopping centers and strip centers but getting from one to another requires getting back onto Rt. 40 or Key Parkway. Getting some interconnectivity would be helpful.

Check timing at traffic light signals

bike paths

Remove all the high density housing. That is the entire problem to start with.

Safety for drivers appears to be at a reasonable level. Most obey the speed and understand the one-way merges from road side establishments.

More police tickets along 40

The state of Maryland (MDA) should get serious about the requirements to obtain a driver’s license (a la Germany). State and local police should enforce the existing negligent/reckless laws with regard to cell phone use and other distracting behavior.

Designated bike lanes, reduced speed limits

Solving pedestrian issue, speed cameras

Access from shopping center to shopping center without returning to Rt. 40

maybe lower the speed limit

Slower traffic. A service road connecting all businesses on each side with “through” traffic on the center lanes. A lot of traffic is generated by cars moving out of one shopping area and into a neighboring one.

narrow the road!

Enforcement of driving rules, via patrolling cars or cameras, would be helpful -- drivers constantly run red lights, u-turn illegally, and use right turn lanes as merge lanes when they’re exiting businesses.

None needed

More police to ticket those drivers that constantly run “orange” and red lights!

making sure ALL the lights are in working order
Butterfly Lane is 30 MPH and (1) light

Golden Mile is 45 MPH and (6) lights

Over pass

Lower Speed

keep pedestrians off the road

better signage for pedestrians -- pedestrians do not pay attention to walk signs

dont know

rid the crime; clean up the surrounding neighborhoods (I almost got caught in the middle of a crime scene in my car behind Boscov’s w/thugs and police)

Slower Speed Limit

do not see a problem with the driving safety.

By reducing the speed limit and/or getting more cameras. People are going entirely too fast. Also more lighting is needed, especially in desolate areas. If the Frederick Towne Mall gets renovated. It will have to have more lighting for security and eclectic use. And a Security firm with a truck to drive around the vicinity, to make people feel secure.

The light needs to be staggered better so the flow of traffic can ease congestions. The median may need to go in order to add more lanes too.

Reduce traffic volume.

think connecting the shopping centers would be very helpful

- and making the connections orderly, not haphazard as now. Also, big street numbers on businesses would help to locate places and shopping centers

Add a turn lane on the east side

No more construction

Slower speeds, 45 seems a little fast with all the stoplights.

Cross access between shopping centers

I think traffic is fine on 40

Provide more access points between shopping centers/properties to reduce local trips on US 40; Or better yet, provide parallel service road

The congestion is bad and brings traffic to a crawl. Better synchronization of the traffic lights would help. Also pedestrian/bike ramps that go over the road would help.

Connecting the parking lots/shopping centers! Additional street lighting.

speed cameras; bigger police presence.

Reduce volume on Rt. 40 with access roads/parking lot connections.

it’s fine

Lowering the speed limit

Working stop lights

By adding mixed use developments, it is possible to ensure that there will be a constant stream of foot traffic and car traffic that will create a safer environment.

better advance notice of where to turn for particular business

think it’s the congestion that creates hazards. If people are in the wrong lane to get to their store, a bit of a panic sets in knowing you need to get across the lanes in a few seconds, or you have to loop around and do a u-turn and come back up the road.
Lower traffic speeds. Better defined walkways and cross-walks.

Provide accesses from center to center so drivers don’t have to go back out to the main road to get from one center to another.

Better connectivity between shopping centers. Having to cross 3 lanes to get to a turn lane can be pretty tough sometimes.

Reduce the cars on 40 by adding an access road

Widen Lanes. Green space between two opposing lanes. Better timing of traffic lights. Cameras to help police officers with increased ticketing for unsafe drivers.

Slow down the speed, traffic lights that are synched better

Have the lights timed better between stoplights

Southbound Rt. 15 traffic to Baughman’s Ln should have a right turn only lane-allows option to use Key Parkway to access businesses along the Golden Mile during peak traffic times. Would lessen the backup on RT. 15.

Keep the speeds down. Use the lights to slow cars down

Don’t force us to constantly onto Rt. 40 to go from center to center

Sequence traffic signals eastbound in the morning and westbound in the evening commute periods. Lower speed limit to 40 mph from the present 45.

Work with the school system to take over and repave Waverley Drive. It’s clearly used as a major road rather than its original purpose - a driveway for Rock Creek Center and Waverley Elementary.

not sure but seems like always have pedestrians or bicyclists in traffic - perhaps a separate path for them versus being in the road...NOT enough sidewalks/crosswalks

By having malls connect via artery road lots of traffic would be off Rte 40.

Lower speed limit

Don’t know that there is a safety issue for drivers

the shopping mall & other businesses be connected and shoppers do not need to go in & out via rt. 40.

Traffic speeds may need to be reduced to allow for the increased density and increased foot and bicycle use

Computerized signals

Stricter traffic code enforcement.

Lower the speed limit and time all traffic lights together

Lower the speed limit

Less exit and entry points off of 40 more connectivity between the individual shopping centers.

toll booths

police monitor, red light cameras

More police patrol

don’t think it is bad now - and I drive it every day

Pay attention and keep the speed limit and be courteous

Same as 6

Synchronize traffic lights, Fix the 15 ramp entrance onto Rt. 40.

get rid of cars

Do not feel unsafe on this road.

Lower speed limit; better visibility by removing the illegal “sign clutter” placed there by businesses and realtors

Create connections between various shopping center parking lots so you don’t have to go to Rt. 40 just to get to another shopping center
161 wider or more lanes - it gets congested sometimes.
162 Appears to me to be pretty safe.
163 Again, reduce the speed limit by 5/10 mph. Increase police/radar presence. Lengthen green light times from the side streets onto 40.
164 Lower speed limit
165 Speed, good luck on that one!
166 Not sure!
167 Reduced illegal pedestrian traffic. See #6. ie connect all the parking lots...
168 Slow traffic down with narrower lanes.
169 Reduce the speed limit by 5 mph. Increased trooper presence.
170 Interconnection of Strip Centers
171 Don’t feel it is not safe for drivers now.
172 Fewer uncontrolled street intersections
173 Same as above.
174 Traffic control by computer
175 Red light cameras
176 Better timing of the lights and better access to the shops on the left heading out of town
177 LARGE intersection signs
178 Lower speed limit in major areas
179 Connect shopping areas so that drivers do not have to enter rte 40 to get from one center to the next.
180 Better synchronization of lights and more frequency for left turn lights
181 Interconnect the various shopping areas
182 I have not really seen any problems with driving. There is a lot of traffic though on weekends but that indicates that the public is supporting the Golden Mile businesses.
183 Wider turn lanes at #40 and Baughman’s Lane, and closing the turn into JoAnn’s etc.
184 People are constantly running the light by Giant/Hillcrest. Speeds to fast, people not paying attention. It is too difficult/slow to get out of the intersection by Giant Eagle. We sometimes “risk” taking Key Parkway (bad crime) because it’s a hassle to exit by Superpetz. And, every parking lot is completely different in re: to access, exits, parking styles, etc.
185 Slower speeds, less turnoffs, less lights
186 Don’t really see safety as a problem for drivers, except to avoid pedestrians. I’m not sure what to do to discourage people from driving everywhere until we get a real mass transit system someday, except for the suggestions above. I guess centering the shopping more in on one side of the street would help.
187 I honestly am not sure......so many businesses.... people rushing...other people not knowing where their turnin is......
188 Enforcement of speed limits
189 Reduce speed and install more traffic signals
190 Better traffic light management, perhaps feeder lanes between clusters of shops
191 Connect shopping centers, more exit/entrance lanes from strip malls
192 Service roads parallel to 40 connecting shopping centers
193 Time the lights for continuous driving at 3 mph over the speed limit, encourage local traffic to use other side roads, survey the residents that use it.
194 Sync the traffic lights
Permit driving between shopping centers without going out to Route 40

Sky walks for pedestrians would help drivers significantly. The red lights being in sync would help too.

Pedestrian right of way made clear on both sides of roadway

Curtail or control walkers across route 40.

See above.

Removing the improper crossing of this road by pedestrians and cyclists.

Flashing lights at crosswalks

The no cell phone bill in October should go a long way towards helping

More police visibility - might want to open a satilite station nearby.

Without being able to influence the other drivers nothing really. Lack of attention to driving and overall lack of knowledge about driving rules and traffic patterns are the biggest problem.

Synchronized traffic signals, reduction in traffic volume: improvements to Shookstown Rd?

Speed cameras

Get the high risk drivers (speeders, lane weavers) to stop by regularly policing the road. And/or speed cameras.

Fix the idiotic manner to access Rt 15 North for east bound traffic

See above

See response to #6. Too many U-turns. No distinct landmarks - I'm always turning too soon or too late.

Time traffic lights in consistent cycles which reflect the speed limit to control speeds. Similar to the lights on N. Market street. Stricter police patrols.

The road has enough lanes, the traffic signals are already phased, not sure what else can be done.

As a driver, I feel fairly safe. The only improvement I can think of is better signage. Since I don't frequent the area, it's hard to find the proper entrance to the right shopping center. If those shopping centers connected, it would be better too.

Same as #6. - Police station needed and more cooperation from the city with the Sheriff on illegals.

More cameras on the lights

Better flow of traffic.

Slow speed to 35....many people travel too fast on 40

Reduced speed limit and traffic calming features

Turn lanes

Put up the lights with the walkers on the lights

Speed enforcement

See #6. Make sure lights are in sink with speed limit

Better traffic light timing. Absolutely brighter lights for nighttime driving. It's too dark.

Lower speed limit.

Schedule the lights to change at the same time to keep traffic moving. Also, connect the shopping areas so that you don't have to go on Rt. 40 to go from one shopping center to the next.

No right turns on red. Have seen many near misses.

Connecting the multiple shopping centers to reduce load on 40.

Try to get the traffic signals timed better, and have the streets turn lanes better...possibly put up a center median that people can not cross except in crosswalks.

Minimize Jay walking

Again enforce the speed even if that means a camera at some of the lights
231 Proper use of timed traffic lights. Ample space for left turning vehicles. Have the “right lane” a turning lanes that are consistent not broken up. Having a “back alley” thru street for large trucks and deliveries.

232 Less lights - Better express access to 15 with ample traffic structures to cross 40 for local shopping

233 The lights need to be timed better. It’s very frustrating to have to stop at every light.

234 Connection between malls, alleviating traffic

235 Less lights

236 Again - slow down the traffic - traffic calming - maybe roundabouts? Make it more of a business route, and encourage (somehow) bypass traffic elsewhere if they don’t need to be there.

237 Define the roadway use. Is it a highway for fast travel or is it a road for shopping, night life, families, biking. Right now it’s FAST, unfriendly, and unsafe.

238 Weather commuters including my wife like it or not we need to slow it to 30MPH its just a mile 1/2. Yesterday great example I drove by on way to Middletown Library accident on return another caused from 1st. as a car exp.

239 SPEED CAMERAS

240 Not Sure

241 Narrow the road and put access roads between shopping centers.

242 Having signs in advance to give you and idea of what lane you should be in to go to certain areas.

243 This area has been here for 40 years, and road improvements have been, in my opinion, fairly good. With the rt 40 by-pass to 70w, the Golden mile started to go down hill.

244 N/A

245 Connect the malls to decrease travel on main road

246 Don’t think it’s an issue for drivers. Pedestrians have it tough, though. No place to safely cross Rt 40.

247 Personally feel driving safety is good. Personally have no problems.

248 Bus/Turn Lanes

249 Better light timing. Good when you can drive the distance without having to stop unless you want to. It is a bottleneck all the time. Most of us hate that about this part of town.

250 Haven’t found it a problem except during rush hours. I would build a by pass on a small scale that circles the city.

251 Speed cameras, access from business to business without going on the main road

252 Trimming shrubs and moving obstacles to better view the roads

253 Create u-turn areas that are not associated with poorly timed lights. Perform traffic study and get someone that knows how to engineer traffic patterns and roads. Frederick road engineering is the worse I’ve ever seen. Poor decisions and waste of money over the years. Consider changing Rt 40 to 15N ramp arrangement.

254 Patrol police cars

255 Better traffic flow, so that people don’t try to beat the red lights. Connections between shopping areas, so that drivers don’t have to go back out on the Mile to reach the stores right next door.

256 That seems fairly decent.

257 Keep the pedestrians from jay-walking across rt 40.

258 Not sure how to fix this drivers have to be in tune with surroundings/know that there are people crossing the road.

259 Clean up the trash trim the bushes and get rid of the crime and illegal immigrants.

260 Remove the apartments and the crime.

I used to go there all the time, I don’t go there any more.

261 Better traffic enforcement. Shoulders to pull over on would help with the frequent accidents there. And the traffic lights should be better timed.
Improve west-bound access to Kinkos/Starbucks

Develop the area so it is less dependent on single mode transportation (less cars = safer driving)

More police presence and ticketing drivers for not paying attention and poor driving skills

Connections between centers

Adding overpasses and creating access roads for entry and exit.

More Left turn places instead of U-Turns to access stores on the opposite side of the road.

see #6

traffice calming, better merging areas from businesses and connecting roads, stop light cameras to discourage running red lights, bus/transit stops that are not directly in traffic lanes

Connecting shopping centers in order to avoid the need for so many U-turns

Look at the timer on some of the lights. Some do not make sense. Too long or too short. During a certain time-rush hour, get the cars through that congestion, right off 15 toward the Golden Mile. That's the main reason 15 gets backed up.

widen it

Over all, I think the golden mile is pretty safe for drivers. The main area where I always see accidents is by the red horse where there is a barrier to divide the lanes. I don't know of a solution for that area though.

Traffic calming strategies (not speed humps) need to be implemented to both control access and to reduce speed and volume. Traffic circles work great for reducing speed and make it easier for merging traffic from parking areas and intersecting roadways. They also tend to discourage some cut through traffic since they do slow the commute. Redevelopment of the Rt 15, Rt 40, Rt 340 and Rt 270 merge areas should be a major priority. Current situation is a traffic safety nightmare.

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More lighting, better signs

Feel safe driving on the Golden Mile.

LONGER LIGHTS FOR TURNING VEHICLES, PEOPLE ALWAYS TRY TO MAKE IT THROUGH A YELLOW LIGHT

I'd say that is fairly safe now, as long as people pay attention and abide by traffic laws. Traffic is the major problem, especially during rush hour, as it can really back up. Traffic light patterns could probably be better (when one is green, the one in front is usually red, so no one can get very far.)

Lower speed limit.

More police patrols

Reduce the number of intersections with traffic lights.

Nothing the city do can improve people who naturally suck at driving

Better line of sight when turning (some parking lots have bushes or signs which make it hard to see around).

Keep pedestrians out of the street.

People need to slow down!

If the businesses were more interconnected, that would help because it is really annoying having to keep going on and off route 40 if you go to more than one place shopping.

Lower the speed limit
Enforce the speed limit. Speed cameras.

I think it’s ok now. Make the stop light coming out of Giant a little longer, it barely stays green to let cars out

More police presence to cut down on the speeding.

Better timing of lights, lower speed limit and access to neighboring businesses via other routes than 40.

The speed limit could be lowered.

Drop the speed to 35mph rather than 45mph

Allow access between the strip malls on the north side of the golden mile.

decrease speed

decrease speed

Crossing signals

ENFORCE established speed limits!! Redesign or use better signage with the eastbound curb lane as it approaches the Baughmans Lane intersection and the US 15 ramp as traffic bogs down and backs up at that point. Lower the speed limits so when drivers go 5 to 10+ mph over the limit they would still only be doing 45mph at the max.

better signs for turning lanes and “no turn on red” signs at all lights

no right turn on red

connections between all the small shopping center areas

The biggest problem I see with driving safety on 40 is drag racing at night. Therefore, it would be good if there was a way to make the road less straight so this could be prevented.

more police presence

The number of access points needs to be restricted.

enforce speed limits

slower speed limit

put more traffic cameras on red lights, as there are a lot of people who go through them especially near the Giant.

Speed limit should go down to 40. Some do 35, some do 50. Too much variance in speed caused trouble.

Better cycling on traffic lights.

Create ability to drive between shopping centers without getting on 40 would create less traffic on 40 and less cutting across lanes quickly to make left turns.

sync traffic lights, improve flow of traffic within shopping sections

Traffic light need to be better in sync.

Better timing of traffic lights. This will reduce the temptation of people blowing through yellow / red lights.

Create barrier fences/walls in the medians so pedestrians can only cross at intersection crosswalks

A continuous turn-off lane is needed in both directions, from Bachmann’s Lane to Waverly. Currently, only some sections have a turn-off lane. Also, traffic density could be reduced if the various parking lots were more interconnected in a consistent manner, rather than forcing drivers to enter and exit Hwy. 40.

ITS LIKE ALL LOW COST HOUSING THERE SO YOU HAVE THESE KIND OF PEOPLE SOME EVEN ILLEGAL…THIS IS WRONG TAKE BACK OUR CITY AND OUR SAFETY!

Elmwood Terrace needs to be torn down and Hillcrest needs to be ‘reinvented’

Connecting the parking lots between Kmart and the Giant Shopping Center would greatly improve traffic flow. There has also been an increase in the number of motorized scooters in the area, all of which seem to have little regard for the rules of the road. More police patrol in the area on all levels would be a huge improvement

have not noticed there is a safety for drivers problem. Only for people walking.

more stop signs and lights

Think its okay now if people would just pay attention and drive the speed limit
I believe in the traffic light cameras. Drivers who are observing the law don’t worry about being ticketed.

ENFORCE LAWS

Shopping centers connected to each other. When coming off US 15 onto Rt 40 the congestion backs up. Better road design.

Enforcement of speed laws

Reduce speed to 35mph.

Reduce speeding.

Connect the shopping areas so people don’t have to go back onto 40 to go to the place next door.

Street lighting for pedestrians. There is not enough road lighting. Also set lights so cars can travel more evenly through the area. Call Ocean City to see how they handle this.

Proper timing of traffic lights

Connect shopping centers

I think the left turning lanes can be extended, especially at the on-ramp for Rt 15 north. Also, more time from the yellow to red light. I think the speed limit is already good and does not need to be lowered. I think having the police patrol the golden mile during the afternoon rush hour would greatly cut down on accidents because there would not be so many drivers running red lights.

Demolish shopping malls with vast unused parking lots and reroute traffic to existing parking lots.

Re-populate the old police station with new police, either state or local.

Better road design

Get a traffic engineer out there. Improve the road design and parking lot design. It’s currently terrible.

It’s fine

More road markings, signs, better lit, speed humps

More police

No left turns on Red anywhere. No U-Turns.

Have the traffic lights synchronized those traffic flows better

Better egress in and out of each section/block of development.

1. Lower the speed limit.
   2. Traffic cameras to ticket speeders or driving through red lights.
   3. Left turn traffic lights are not timed to adjust to the flow of traffic during different times of day

Red light cameras

Provide greater access to side streets off of the Golden Mile to alleviate congestion during rush hour.

The biggest problems I have are in areas where traffic merges (esp. where Old Nat. Pike meets the GM) A lot of lane changing and no real sense of who has right of way.

Don’t know

Improve as above. Encourage foot & bike traffic. Operate a trolley or shuttle buses.

Less pedestrians dodging out in front of cars.

Better lighting

Brighter traffic lights

Seems good now

Less pedestrians.

Presence of more police to enforce traffic violations

Synchronizing Lights to reduce stress. Every body speeds up to void next block red light.
Looking at interactive map, the correct problem intersections have been identified.  

Faster limits

Need connections between existing shopping centers.

I am not sure that the Golden Mile is unsafe. I feel traffic flows well. I just think that what once was a well used corridor is now an OVERLY used corridor and there is much more traffic. It is beginning to look like Montgomery County and that’s hard for some Fredericktonians. Is it unsafe? Maybe not. It’s just stressful sometimes.

Enforcement of red light laws, particularly for vehicles turning left off of Rt. 40.

Provide better alternate routes for drivers to bypass Golden Mile to reach residences or nearby towns like Myersville/Middletown

COPS

Some lights are really short and there is no lag time between lights turning green/red in opposite directions. Many people run the lights.

Reduce the speed limit to 35 mph.

see above

Longer turn times into the shopping centers, would reduce red light running. Do something about the light at 40 & Baughman’s Lane - too short for turning left onto 40.

don’t see this being a problem

Eliminate jay-walking pedestrians.

not sure

Keep the unmarked police presence in the area

Time the lights like they used to be.

Slow down and use of signals

Better road design, better access roads

don’t see safety as a problem on the Golden Mile.

Fix lights patterns; reduce low income housing; more lighting; turn only lanes; reduce traffic (divert or give alternative options); close the Baughman’s lane entrance into the Jo-Ann Fabrics shopping center

feel like the safety of drivers is fine - speeds are good, lanes are decent, no real problems in my opinion. There are a few shopping centers that could be connected for traffic flow (Giant Eagle) or connected to the road that runs parallel (by Taskers Chance).

Not sure how, but the intersection area of Baughmans Lane and US40 needs improvement for bad traffic clogging.

Ticket cars going below the speed limit. Slow drivers encourage negligent driving by frustrated drivers.

keep bicycles and pedestrians off the road

Actually as I remember it used to be a lot worse. Accidents seemed to happen daily. Maybe it’s because there is less shopping and dining opportunities that the accidents are fewer, but it that improves then commonsense synchronization of lights, strict enforcement and cameras should do the trick.

Slower speed limits

N/A

The traffic lights are not timed correctly, causing traffic jams.

People need to be responsible for themselves

Get rid of the latinos

I think driver safety is up to the drivers. Although the Golden Mile is congested at times (during rush hour), it is a safe road to drive on, provided people drive at safer speeds. Again, more police presence and the sight of flashing police lights will alert drivers that the police are in the area and are ticketing. Perhaps speed traps would be an idea.

Enforce speed limit laws. Better sync. of traffic lights, so traffic would flow better.

connect some of the shopping areas
Adjust the timing on the lights. Very difficult to get out of Westridge onto 40

Connect parking lots between businesses so we don’t have to go onto Rt. 40 when going from store to store to store. Perhaps drop speed limit from 40 to 35 - not too slow but slower.

Better/ more consistent speed control

slow down

It is safe.

Somehow reduce the number of cars on there b/c it is too busy

tower speed

get rid of the mexicans

Augment cop patrol (mainly for reckless drivers)

Not sure

Cameras on the traffic lights

better pedestrian crossing - one or two elevated

ped. ramps so no waiting for lights, etc.

Have shorter light system

Speed cameras and red light cameras

Drop the max speed.

If pedestrians and bicyclists could have their own paths, not in the traffic, that would improve safety.

Traffic Lights align to provide a faster traffic pattern based on real speeds versus posted speeds.

Better timing of traffic lights. The backup at I-15 exit at Patrick Street needs to flow better at rush hour. Divert thru traffic to 40 & Alt. 40 onto Key Pkwy and/or Butterfly Lane.

More signs

Relieve areas of heavy congestion: exit onto Alt40, exit onto 270S.

more police presence maybe a small auxiliary police station located in the middle of 40

Keep the speed limit down

nc

timing of lights, find ways to keep walkers off road.

Unsure

To have all of the mall areas connected so that you don’t have to go back out on rt 40 to get to another one.

Signs along the roadway indicating the location of all the stores; an easier way to get from one spot to the next without having to exit the parking lot and go back on the main road

Dedicated right turn lanes, fewer intersections

better connections between plazas - better use of key parkway, like highway access - too many lights now

fewer pedestrians and bicyclists.

Not sure. Improve congestion issues. A number of parking areas that empty out onto 40 don’t have appropriate lanes.

seems pretty safe

Enforcement of crosswalks
Better lighting at night for parking lots

Police presence (station)
more lanes of traffic
dedicated lanes for right hand turns

I think traffic actually moves pretty well on the GM.

more timed light correction to other city traffic patterns.
dont know

Reduce speed limit

Left turn lights need to be green a bit longer as many people go through when lights change to red, reduce congestion

enforce the speed limit

Think a semi-divided parkway down the center. Look at GW parkway, Merrit Parkway, B/W parkway. Trees and a green thru way will cut down on the road rage for those heading to Middletown. Local traffic on either side can take on a more city street scale. Look at White Flint CBD plan.

Synchronize the timing of the traffic lights better. Add signs for each to indicate what businesses are in the shopping centers.

Provide more pedestrian crossings -- too many people running across the road in between crossings

Better timing at the Hillcrest Light, so that when you are leaving Giant you have more time, and so that if you pass through a yellow you don’t get struck by cars going east on 40.

Same as answer above

Timed traffic lights at 40 MPH

Make sure that there are connector roads between shopping centers

Speed limit NO more than 30 mi.

Because I no longer frequent the Golden Mile I am not familiar with the traffic issues.

slower speed - enforced

connect the malls on the north side so drivers don’t need to enter and exit to go between them

More police presence

timed light and speed cameras enforcement of noise laws

All cited in #6......

Lights with better opportunities for crossing by pedestrians and cyclists...

The lights are sometimes not lon enough causing people to slam on their breaks. Also people trying to beat the light before it turns red also causing accidents.
8. How often do you visit businesses along the Golden Mile?

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the problem is that it’s car dependent

Overall I think the design and overview of the Golden Mile is stuck in the 90’s and I’d like to see it get up to date with a greener more community friendly model.

It’s urban blight at its worst; need to mix in open space, and mixed use

I believe a goal would be to provide incentives for desirable redevelopment and disincentives for undesirable redevelopment - versus creating rigid codes. Also, learn what other communities are doing or what’s been done. Lastly, after hours are less safe.
The signs along the golden mile are old and need updating. To many ugly signs.
The flowers/plants in the median are actually nice, I just don’t think anyone takes time to appreciate it. People go to the golden mile to get what they want and leave immediately. The area itself is not very aesthetic, but the landscaping along the median is nice.

Areas could be much worse, but I do not feel safe with my fiance working in this area late at night.

To many stores too much clutter

The reason for not shopping on the Golden Mile, is the safety. We have allowed a beautiful part of Frederick County go down the tube. It’s time that we take care of the eye sore of Frederick City. The city is the most beautiful city in maryland, all have done a wonderful job over the years. Now we need to bring the Golden Mall up to being as nice as the city. A place that we can be proud of. It can be done.

SWome store fronts could use some updaing.After all, it is 2010 and hopefully the town can advertise and promote better, to get much needed business in that we do not already have in Carrol Creek and at Westview,they are still not full,not to change the subject,but the places that are placed have to have a draw and be promoted,so that they won’t just become a bunch of empty buildings with soap and signs in the windows.We need progress and change to happen.

the only thing hurting it is the crime. that area used to be nice when i lived there in the 1980’s but it has gone down hill. It needs revitalization and cleaning up!
i rarely go there because i live on the other side of town and find it difficult to locate businesses while driving

Has anyone driven this on a Saturday Afternoon?

What landscaping?

We all know it is a bit tired looking. But each property standing alone is ok. It is just that everything except Home Depot and Boscovs has been there for a pretty long time.

There are a lot of empty buildings which do not look good.
The right-of-ways are very attractive.
Frederick Towne Mall area is scary!
The buildings are dated. Not that that can really be helped, but it definitely adds to the visual clutter.
Crime and the Frederick Town Mall are the biggest draw backs.

The demographics have changed substantially. There are some areas where loitering is terrible. The Frederick Town mall is no longer viable. I drive across town to lowes and home depot rather than use the one at Frederick town mall. I have seen what appears to have been drug exchanges and noticed people hanging out looking for “something”. The adjoining neighborhoods are going down hill.

Crime seems more of a concern in the residential areas

Fredericktowne Mall does not feel safe

Someone needs to maintain the road behind Denny’s from McCain to Willowdale

It’s the residential along the Golden Mile that is the problem. The laws and rules are on the books. City not enforcing them.

the center areas of rt. 40 look terrible—FIX THE LANDSCAPING! The centers themselves are well maintained; the areas that the city/county/state maintains look dirty, and overgrown.

Appearance is tacky. Not at all in keeping with Frederick’s image.
some areas look great - others terrible - also, more trees needed in parking lots, etc.
good luck on improving this area

In general, the Golden Mile is not a place that stands out, it looks cheap and neglected

50too many questionable people hanging around
51Meh. Could be a lot worse, could be better.
52Connect the existing strip malls from Baughman’s lane to Waverly and make them into pedestrian traffic area
53Sign clutter, installations in parking lots look terrible
54the only businesses i frequent at the Mall are Boscovs and Home Depot, I never go inside anymore
55I never feel safe in the parking lots of the stores I patronize.
56Need more police presence.
57get rid of the crappy shops that weigh down the anchors in the mall
58Sometimes too many signs along highway
59the mall needs good business not hispanics one
60When the plants are blooming in the median, it looks quite nice. Other than that, most of the businesses look run down.
61I would shop more if traffic was not such a nightmare
62Mostly traffic is an issue and the mall and Costco are easier to get to
63the outside looks kind of run down, but the businesses do a nice job inside
64It’s very hard to get into the plaza with Starbucks
65can’t grow mature trees instantly, but planning for decent caliper shade and flowering trees will help over time
66It is visually poor. run down, not welcoming.
67The question and solution is the same to refill Frederick mall. Or do we use a newer approach of the open spaced shopping area with easy pedestrian traffic. Just a plain old shopping center yet unique.
68too many robberies
69Safety is a concern at the mall.
70Cleanliness, upkeep, safety of most commercial areas is poor. Safety an issue especially at night.
71I would never walk there at night. I wouldn’t let my children go there at night unaccompanied.
72The problem is access, not appearance.
73Again crime is the reason I never go there, and won’t.
74During the day safety is ok, but not at night.
75CRIME is TOO HIGH VERY BAD!, illegal immigrants VERY BAD!
76The downward appearance of the area shows that people don’t care anymore out there.
77The gold mile is an award winning example of urban sprawl, designed around the automobile.
78The illegal immagrants and the mix of people have been bringing the golden mile down for years it will not change until something is done about that.
79Update the mall!!!!
80Appears unplanned and not easy to move from one area to another
81I rarely go to Golden mile - don’t feel safe!
82It’s outdated, dirty, cluttered and has no charm or character, needs a major rennovation to create a community atmosphere
83The stores (most) need to do a paint job, landscaping, regular repairs, so that their businesses ARE appealing. Some businesses need bigger spaces (VERIZON). Every time I go in there, there is 1000 people, with only 15 parking places. MAKES NO SENSE!!!!!
84The mall is not safe-gangs everywhere.
85The mall is trashy, smelly and stores are closed up. Could use some quality stores.
86Traffic is very congested, time the lights better
I believe the stigma of section 6 housing poses a problem bringing in businesses that will boost overall confidence in the Golden Mile once again. Until that is addressed with regards to crime, etc. I don’t feel that you have a fighting chance.

COME ON! EVERYONE KNOWS KEY PARKWAY IS NOT SAFE AND ALL THOSE PEOPLE SPILL OVER ON TO 40

As a young woman, I do not feel comfortable or safe in many of the shopping centers - would certainly never go after dark.

Too many places where the illegals wait to be picked up for a job. It’s scary to go into those businesses with those types of people in the parking lot.

There are good place in the G.M but generally we would rather go to the westview area to eat simply because of the lack of visual appeal of the G.M. There should be an overwhelming police presence on the beat not in cars around the G.M.

I would like to see more businesses that cater to middle income, not discount or bargain stores

It is a DUMP!! The business centers also are not connected to each other so you have to keep going on and off route 40 if you go to more than one.

Just not a safe area anymore. Very sad that such a once upon a time great place has the most crime in Frederick.

High Crime keeps me away

Obiously there was no actual or legitimate planning for previous Golden Mile development. The sight lines are “visual clutter” taken to the max. There are a hodge podge of designs, set backs, access roads and no consideration to foot/pedal traffic.

It looks messy with cheap stores

need to keep and update the indoor mall

The Mall, and most of the strip malls are the biggest eye sores

Crime / Safety is #1 concern. More police.

It could be a great area - without the communities that have been created.

I am SO tired of all the grocery carts strewn throughout the area!! Again, where are our police patrols? Isn’t this theft???

It is hard to answer these. The big names like Home Depot is kept very nice, but mall area very unsafe - Kmart shopping area - not too bad, Smaller store fronts around Wolfs & Geissers & Off broadway - kind of a mess and scary. Giant Eagle area - just plain ugly

Safety here is pretty serious right now

The littered areas of the medians could be picked up.

need more upscale shops and restaurants

bad surrounding areas

You get a lot of bad press from that part of town. Police need to up patrols

I’d rather use the term “somewhat bad” instead of “mostly bad”

rarely limit my travel to the Golden Mile and will drive farther away to go to the same stores just because of the headache of congestion and inability of centers to be connected. The selection of stores is terrible.

The potential to have this as a premier shopping area is possible if the crime/safety factors are improved and the appearance is upgraded.

Lots of rif-raf

Most people are afraid at night. Large number of hispanic people walking in area speaking Spanish.

Needs New Mall - Fredericktown is just funky and rundown

I recognize that the City is trying to beautify the Golden Mile. The medians are alive with color. Well done. I’d like to see those big trees again. They were beautiful and created a canopy over the road that I believe helped to slow down drivers. I am nervous about the crime I am hearing/reading about on the Mile. I think there is a nice mix of businesses, but the empty buildings are becoming an eye sore, especially the State Police barracks. The mall is a shame. I don’t feel comfortable going there. I think the time has come to reuse that land. I checke “mostly bad” for the safety of the commercial areas, but I’m not sure that is true of the entire Golden Mile. Just some sections.

Safety at night needs to improve

As long as there is increasing crime in this area, shoppers are going to leave in droves. Myself and many of my acquaintances have said for years that it is very important that a Police Station come back to the Golden Mile area. We need police presence in this western sector of Frederick City/County.

Safety depends on the time of day nowadays.
there is a mix and there is some good quality. just overall needs a lift.
Mainly it is the traffic getting in and out that keeps me away.
not many businesses around but the few are good
The quality of roads in this area are extremely poor.
latinos have ruined the area
The Golden Mile has a lot to offer as far as a mix of businesses, however, because some of the businesses are in the side malls, and out of the view of drivers, I’m not so sure a lot of people realize the true mix of stores along the Golden Mile
needs redeveloped and much more landscaping
Giant Eagle is the best thing on the Golden Mile
As a person who doesn’t own a car, the thought of going down there scares me, and I’m a 24-year-old male who would otherwise utilize the services the area offers
to many mexicans
Looks unsafe and junky
more softening by trees/shrubs never hurts ! !
We need more cafes to be able to sit outside.
The crime rate is EXTREMELY high and needs MUCH improvement. The Frederick Towne Mall could also use a lot of work.
It hs too many discount stores, cheap restaurants
The mall is soooo bad.
Any kind of open, connecting walkways- would be beautiful along a restored stream, if one exists-- benches, trees/shade would bring more walkers/bikers out & improve both safety & aesthetics.
Personal security is a concern.
Mostly run-down businesses, not nice to look at, slow traffic, and plazas that are a headache to get to. Lots of unmanaged pedestrian traffic- people will walk in median and step in front of cars. Crime is concerning.
can’t find the stores I’m looking for so I leave frustrated.
The buildings are older and the buildings and, really, in general on the left as you drive out of town are not good at all. It looks cluttered and junky/run down.
The overall appearance is sorely lacking. Just dreary, even on a bright sunny day. The buildings look old, outdated. A very old Rockville, Rt. 355 feel. Desperately in need of revitalizing done right. Again, bringing in junk shops will never help an area improve. Period.
Lose the gaudy signage, Michelin Man, etc. Bury wires
try to stay away from the golden mile
There isn’t enough landscaping but what is there is nice. Sad the large tree went...
need greater density!
Hillcrest Liquor traffic holds up traffic leaving Hillcrest because sensors change light causing backups
Would not go to the Mall at night alone.
ever visit this area alone.
by “neutral” I mean some good, some bad
The buildings need to be updated like the 7th st shopping center was.
dont feel unsafe personally but hear stories...
vacant lots need to be kept clean
10. How safe does it feel to travel to and from businesses on the Golden Mile?

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12. How would you describe the parking areas along the Golden Mile? (check all that apply)

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Plenty of pkg now due to vacant businesses.
2Needs connections and better designed lots. LOOKS like there is too much some places because of vast expanses with no green space inserted.
3I say too much because no one goes to the mall.
4there need to be more connections and a few are poorly designed
5messy, pot-holed and patchy pavement visually
6not enough lighting
7some lots are great and others are horrible- the Giant grocer shopping center is horrible.
8need to have cart corrals in each store’s lot (Giant, etc)
9Some areas are sufficient, others are not.
10Not enough parking for some of the smaller business areas (such as Verizon Wireless). Too much parking in other business areas (such as Wolf Furniture).
11Lots of Parking but not much interest in going there.
12Not well maintained
13put the buildings closer to the street, parking behind.
14Parking lots are not well maintained and have a lot of faded paint and potholes.
15Lots of parking, just hard to navigate and can’t get to one place from another.
16kmart’s parking lot does not connect to anything else
17lack of integrated green space within and surround parking lots
18parking surfaces at some shopping centers are in disrepair
19 parking is okay but not sufficient
20 better lighting at night -- replacing lamps more often
21 Need more green areas. Very unpleasant to look at.
22 Most of the parking areas are connected, except for example, in my opinion, it would be easier and leave the top of West Patrick less congested, if the Giant and Kmart lots were connected. The end that comes out to Baughman should either be closed, or get a red light. You can not get safely back onto Baughman, if you are making a left hand turn.
23 Parking lots are in poor shape!
24 vast expanses of asphalt
25 In some areas, there is too much parking and in others where there is a lot of traffic, not enough.
26 Some areas have no connections between parking lots
27 It disturbs me that I have to get back out on 40 to go from one parking lot to the other when they could be easily connected.
28 The parking is so haphazard, and the inlets into the parking lots from the highway are so confusing. I often can’t tell that I’m at a turn-in until I’m passing it. Some lots are fine. I’m not generalizing for them all.
29 It's quite a mix! The smaller shopping centers (Starbucks, etc.) are a real pain. Grocery store lots are for the most part efficient enough.
30 depends on where - Starbucks area is horrible
31 Some have poor lighting
32 Awful paving conditions of most/all lots
33 Horrible and excessive lighting
34 Connect the lots! Keep traffic off Patrick St!
35 Some of them are lit very poorly for nighttime shopping
36 Parking lots could have more trees and be designed to prevent too much runoff of water
37 They all need to be integrated per a master plan.
38 All is very chopped up, no easy flow from one place to the other
39 The town mall itself is shabby and unkept.
40 RT 40 looks like a giant parking lot.
41 Some places have plenty of parking and others do not
42 Owners must repave some lots
43
Parking lot at Starbucks/Subway strip is horrible! Not nearly enough parking spaces and difficult to exit back into traffic. The design of the lot is terrible as well since you can’t circle around the back of the building if you can find a parking space the first time through. I once parked at the adjacent 7-11 due to the poor parking lot at Starbucks - my husband was getting coffee at Starbucks and then I was going to get something at 7-11. After returning from Starbucks and before we walked together to the 7-11, my vehicle was being lifted by a towtruck. The cost by Grimms to get the driver to “drop” my vehicle was $200 even though I explained that I was patronizing the 7-11. As a result, I have NEVER been back to that 7-11 nor will I - and I almost never go to the Starbucks/Subway shopping center.
44 Not safe in parking lots at Giant Eagle, Toys R Us, Wonder Book
45 In some areas, parking is insufficient.
46 Why are commercial areas not built around parking lots, rather than in 1 long row that discourages walking between businesses?
47 It would be better if they were connected.
48 It depends on the time of day and if it is a weekend or holiday; then I go to PA
49 Hard to tell due to a lack of available businesses
50 Except for the Starbucks plaza
51 Consider a well planned side road that connects business in a village type, promenade, bike friendly way.
Without adding cost except a few cuts and minimal paving I would love to drive along a parallel service road from say The exit off 15 to the mall. This without having to go in and out of each lot. This would encourage shoppers to be a bit more experimental in there adventure.

Unsafe

Parking is sufficient, but only because of the empty storefronts

Would like some connections between business. Parking in some places is good (Westridge) in others is terrible (Giant Eagle, K-Mart)!

Would prefer either underground parking or a deck. Too much black top.

Kinko and some others on the south side is poorly designed

There is too much paved area & poorly designed parking

The development of shared use garages would allow the area to function with a lot less parking.

too much parking in some areas and not enough in others

Parking areas need more security patrolling, good lighting, need to be better maintained

Mall parking is fine...if the mall has any customers. Bring back some of the stuff that used to be there (or the latest trendy stores-bring the people back!) an Old Navy would be AWESOME!!! We go to the beach or Rockville-where the road is HORRIBLE now, just to go there.

Poorly designed = Giant / Burlington parking lot

The worst parking is in the new strip mall with Starbucks & Kinkos. Everywhere else is adequate. (Home Depot spaces are too close together, too).

Parking lots are not kept up and have tons of potholes

Some areas (most large strip centers) have too much parking, other areas (such as Carabbas, and smaller strip centers) don’t have enough parking

When businesses die, like Sunoco replace w/ green areas

some places are very poor, others very good

Except for the Verizon store

Not safe.

For most places it is sufficient

Areas like the shopping center where Starbucks and Kinko’s are located are RIDICULOUS in terms of parking and where extremely poorly planned. Having to circle the block here and route back onto Route 40 is inconvenient and dangerous

The area around Wolf’s furniture is a vast wasteland - and behind the mall by Ollie’s

If you connect the parking lots then you create another problem with speeders, essentially you will be creating another road.

dirty

It would be nice to not have to get back onto the golden mile to just get to the next set of businesses right next to where I just was.

Some are really easy and some are not

The Home Depot lot is horrible...lanes are too narrow for all the large work vans/trucks.

Too many crazy entry’s and exit points - See blockbuster parking lot

Dirty

some areas need to be better lit at night

definitely need connections between parking lots!

dont feel safe walking from a parking spot to a store

Pot holes/ rough pavement

Need walking connections between business areas so one could walk and would not have to get in the car to go back out onto Route 40 to turn in to the next shopping strip.

Not enough lighting. Sketchy to walk into a parking lot after dark

As I said, waaaay too much asphalt/pavement.

Poor mix with too much pavement in some areas and not enough parking in others.
One of my pet peaves about the Golden Mile is that the various strip malls are not connected. This adds to the traffic congestion along the Golden Mile. The KMart lot is a good example. In order to get to the Chevy Chase Bank, you have to leave the KMart lot, get back on 40, only to make the next right to get to Chevy Chase Bank.

The focus is entirely on the parking lot instead of the buildings, require parking lots to be behind buildings
to many mexicans
connection between Giant Egale and other shopping centers is integral
maybe some of parking lots never ‘filled’ could be borrowed for 2-Lane Access Road?
insane they don’t connect! could keep much off 40!
Why was the mongolian grill building razed and turned into a parking lot??
Too much at the mall, not enough at Giant Eagle

Parking works best if there is a walkway on the median between rows, and if cars are shaded by trees. Continuous shuttles would cut back on the need to drive, park, drive, park, drive... the current case.

parking decks would add to, not detract from, the element of crime in the area.

better exit strategies when leaving the parking lots. 5 people need to turn right on red, but are all stuck for minutes because the car in front has to go straight so no one can move.

Many parking lots are poorly maintained
Because of the high crime I only shop on the rare occasion at Boscov’s and Bon Ton, otherwise I avoid the area.
The lots are designed for cars, with little thought to how people might walk from car to store, or from sidewalk to store.
abuse of handicapped parking by temp tag holders

13. Do you think that mixed-use buildings (i.e. buildings with both commercial/office and residential uses) would be appropriate along the Golden Mile corridor?

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15. How important are these possible actions to improve the Golden Mile/US-40 Corridor?

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1. the overall look is run down, that has to change
2. Get a great mall (old Navy and REAL stores) in there and they will come!
3. “Golden Mile” is connected directly to Frederick Town Mall. Fix FTM and you will do a lot to fix the “Golden Mile” image. Landscaping is important because it is the gateway to Frederick from the western highways. Draw upon the natural beauty that exists in the foothills.
4. MORE police presence in the areas that line the GMile
5. Get tough on blighted properties!
6. better quality of stores
7. reduce places that draw crowds hanging outside
8. We need to start fresh, change the design, be creative, with office, shopping and living. A place you can live, shop, and hang out on the weekend. Another place is White Marsh Mall
9. Keep out the “cheap Shops”. Make them be more responsible, stop the monopoly of certain owners pulling the property down.
10. Frederick is a strong market. the Fredericktowne Mall needs to be re done in a city scape like the Washingtonian Center in Gaithersburg.
11. Better marketing and branding will only help once you can back it up by completing some significant improvements.
12. add more businesses
13. The area is ugly and depressing
14. People seem to think of that area as old and Westview/Target/Walmart/Kohl’s area as much better
15. Need services for youth in the area
16. slow down the traffic
17. I feel that the image rt. 40 has among women is that it’s dangerous to shop there—THE CITY MUST WORK TO OVERCOME THIS IMAGE
18 Reduce people hanging out
19 no more development!
20 get some new unique business in that they don’t have over at FSK area to draw people, instead of the same old, same old. However, we could use a good bookstore like Books a Million, although I wouldn’t want to hurt Wonder.
21 CRIME REDUCTION, CRIME REDUCTION, CRIME REDUCTION
22 have a ‘buffer’ area from the road to the shopping areas. with greens space and landscaping
23 Signage on street listing where stores a located to be seen from a car so you know where to go easier
24 Needs modernization.
25 Improve quality or retail and restaurants
26 Yes! All of the above!!!!!
27 something for the kids to do.
28 Need to get some NAMES on the Mile.
29 Branding won’t help is the property owners won’t ante up and invest in exterior improvements
30 Institute a complete streets policy
31 you have enough restuants, gas & grocery- need others
32 I feel this area has been left alone for so long that the appearance is “run down” and that turns off new businesses
33 a youth center would be nice
34 The Golden Mile is not finished. We as citizens and businesses must be willing to give and take a bit that is all. Why not a open spaced Mall? Why not a high rise mixed building on back side of mall?
35 Reduction of crime is of prime importance!!!! – Refuse to shop in many stores after dark!
36 Great example is the Washingtonian Center off Sam Eig Blvd in Gaithersburg. I love to shop there, even though most of the stores are similar to what we have in Frederick.
37 This is my natural entrance to Frederick, but as I said earlier, I tend to avoid it because of all the stoplights. While it is my shortest route to downtown Frederick, taking the Golden Mile seems to add 10 to 12 minutes of frustrating sitting in traffic, waiting for lights to change. I do not use this time to look around at the various stores and say, “Gee, I must come back and visit this or that store.”
38 No Hispanic Stores - while it may appeal to the growing population... it definitely turns me off of going out that way.
39 GOLEDN MILE USE TO HAVE POSITIVE MEANING
40 I would enforce a new rule to limit the overwhelming signage follow the westview or leesburg model
41 Better businesses would help tremendously.
42 It needs to be cleaned up and lose the dumpsy feeling
43 Do Something with Frederick Towne Mall do not feel safe inside mall.
44 High end residential and retail!
45 Build police station or ICE building on Golden Mile
46 The signage policy for businesses needs to be reviewed to address the appearance issues
47 Remove the true problems - which is what gives ‘Golden Mile’ a bad name
48 More upscale dining and retail options
49 until the crime is improved, none of the other suggestions will be effective :)
50 Go look at the new shopping centers around the area - they are with it and got the idea...
51 The hinge pin seems to be bringing the Frederick Town Mall back to life.
52 More upscale housing is needed to put consumers in the area
53 Bring in better stores, please!!!
Impose and Enforce loitering laws!!!

Dont rebrand until you fix it or it will surely flop!

Need more aggressive law enforcement PRIORITY 1

Crime and Safety is by far the biggest issue here

Previous city planning is the main problem with most of bad areas of town. We are taking the worst of Rockville and importing it to Frederick. Concrete, lack of pedestrian/cycling considerations, and car is king mentality have made 40 a sad testament to what Frederick is becoming. Rte 85 is an even uglier blight on the city. Moving the blight to the North would be a disaster as that is the last nice suburban area of Frederick, yet I see it happening. It is so sad that a once beautiful town has only the downtown historic district left as an attractive locale.

Again, my main problem is that it is a pain to drive down that strip. I’d rather go to FSK mall and that surrounding area. Make it easier to get in and out from 15 or other routes.

Bring the mall and theater back to life!!!

With so many young people, there is not a positive place for them to go to. Hanging out in parking lots and at stores only creates trouble. If there was somewhere for them to walk to that had activities where they were safe, that would help reduce crime a great deal.

I don’t believe the Golden Mile needs more green space. There are quite a few businesses that do a beautiful job landscaping the areas in front of their businesses -- The Shell Station, Denny’s, the hillside by the Diner. I think the businesses should take pride in their store fronts and do some inexpensive landscaping. It’s not expensive, and it draws your eye to the storefronts. I also think their should be better marketing of the businesses along the Golden Mile. Perhaps an ad in the Sunday Frederick Post featuring several businesses each week would alert residents in the area to what the Golden Mile has to offer.

If crime is not reduced, nothing else will matter.

get rid of the mexicans

maybe Access Roads (complex to complex paralleling 40 could lessen the Long wait for L turns/etc. keep 40 traffic moving better ?

A lot of the stores and businesses you see on the Golden Mile are run-down or out-dated. We need new businesses and more security to attract a better flow of customers.

Hanging out at the liquor store, cat calls walking near the town houses - there is a reason for the Mexican mile nickname

Update dated buildings, plant more trees and flowers

Overall sense of interconnectedness & visual appeal needed.

looks outdated; can tell heyday was in the 70’s.

Need some community services for those neighborhoods- they are in bad shape!

Traffic, while heavy, does flow. What I have seen from the latest road “improvements” is that they are unsafe and poorly designed/planned. Please do not change the roads, as they would undoubtedly be worse.

Yes, better marketing and branding for sure. It is a very important action to improve the golden mile with businesses occupying vacant properties only if it is the right business. A new dollar general or beer store/calling cards/lottery shop will not help.

Updated chains and businesses that reflect a younger population

Get better anchor stores, more upscale stores.

I want to see brand name anchor tenants, such as Bestbuy, Costco, Loews, TJMax, Bed&beyond, Pets Mart, etc.

Make the building permit process cheaper and faster(water taps)

There is a lot of opportunity to capture the boulevard and upgrade the looks and atmosphere

its old .not appealing to me at all

Adding entertainment facilities, i.e. Movie theaters, etc., park and playgrounds, housing especially including senior housing
16. What other ideas or comments do you have about the Golden Mile Corridor that might assist us in this planning study?

Answer Options | Response Count
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answered question | 391
skipped question | 374

Number | Response Text
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1 | Need high scale grocery store & pharmacy that delivers due to high rate of pedestrians without cars.
2 | I avoid going to the Golden Mile if at all possible. Travel time can be very long and traffic can be very congested, depending on the time of day.
3 | Please recruit better shopping options: Trader Joe’s, Old Navy, Nordstrom, etc.
4 | There is a great opportunity to create something exceptional through redevelopment, but there needs to be the political mindset to do it right and not half way. Mixed use with higher density should be allowed in order to achieve the correct vision.
5 | you can fill vacant stores all you want, but if it’s not a store anyone needs, they’ll go out of business. Except somehow the few remaining stores at the mall. I don’t know how they stay open w/ 5 customers a day. Frederick apparently needs more sit dow restaurants. it’s very hard to get into a lot of places w/o a 90 minute wait on weekends.
6 | It has a reputation for gangs and troubled youth. Need to clean up the neighborhoods or provide more policing.
7 | People have to feel safe and be safe.
8 | There is a playground on Falls Road that is FANTASTIC. I cannot remember the name exactly (Hidely Park maybe)...its fantastic, all rubber play area, wooden things to climb on, etc. This would be GREAT around here amongst some better shopping. There are SOOOO many stay at home Moms around here who would shop a LOT more if there were somewhere to “bribe” their kids with......need coffee shop over there too! :)
9 | Reduce crime/ make us feel safer & want to shop there.
10 | NYC transformed 42nd St. into an economic boom. Look for lessons learned. Start by getting rid of trash -crime an unkept businesses. They will also deter quality customers from spending money. Next, plan a visually appealing mile that speaks to Frederick’s history and natural beauty. Don’t make rt 40 an office park because we have enough space elsewhere. Greater value to the city will come by creating a vibrant community that is an extension of downtown although a mix of “chain” an “boutique” will step up the variety.
11 | Please do something about the horrible quality of Fredericktowne Mall...
12 | Locate all chain stores (such as Five Guys, Ben & Jerry’s, Starbucks) to the Golden Mile area and away from the Historic District. Those stores are well frequented and belong more in the frenetic traffic area of the Golden Mile. Another nice movie theater along Golden Mile to take off the overcrowding at Westview. Also bus service from Middletown to Frederick Train Station to encourage families from Middletown (and especially teens) to come to the stores in Frederick, the Skate Park, the VFW Pool (which will now be open to the public).
13 | Please update the entire area. It appears to be just a hodge/podge of development. No real planning.
14 | Doing this is a step in the right direction...Thank you!
15 | The real problem is the decay in the neighborhoods. I go to Evergreen Point to shop because there are a lot fewer of the riff-raff just hanging around.
16 | The Frederick Towne should be renovated, not torn down. The population in tha area is large compared to many other areas in Frederick, so a lot of revenue could be generated if the right stores were placed into the mall. Many people are sad to see the mall being torn down because it has been here for many, many years.
17 | You have to give people a reason to want to go there. Now there are mostly lost of convenience stores, with some anchor names. Think about how to differentiate from downtown and FSK.
Forming an alliance for the corridor similar to the Downtown Frederick Partnership would unite folks towards common goals, etc.

Demographics drive what stores are coming/staying. The demographics are changing and not for the better. Too much low-income housing is killing us and our schools. Aldi is not the type of store we need to improve the GM. FTowne Mall is a dead zone and is bordered by troubled areas. It should attract Mtown and Myersville folks, but they stay away, it is unattractive and out of style. We need trendy and low-income can not afford that.

Create an overall merchants’ association

Frederick Town Mall is in floodplain. The mall used to have Montgomery Wards as a anchor store, but Home Depot has turned its back on the mall. It’s kind of a wasteland between the Bon Ton and Home Depot, which would be no loss if it were all torn down to create green space and a path for floodwaters from Clifton Branch and Orchard Ridge to reach Rock Creek. The remainder, from Boscov’s to the Bon Ton could be a nice little mall.

We could restore the “Golden Mile” and mark it as a destination by building a “gated” brick wall with lettering that says “Welcome to the Golden Mile”. Pick a central focal point along the corridor and concentrate on making this intersection have the very best mix of quality retail, restaurants, and entertainment. “Mark” this intersection as a focal point by using brick paving and special lighting and landscaping for this intersection only.

This area of route 40 is overly congested with traffic volume. I travel it daily and live off the Golden Mile behind Wolf Furniture. I cringe anytime I have to go on to it during the core hours of the day. This has, at times, prevented me from visiting businesses along this route for that very reason. I grew up in Dallas and it doesn’t compare to this one section of 40.

Connect the existing parking lots (Kmart, Eagle and Giant Eagle)

Some cities are using empty mall space for schools. Others are renting out empty stores and retrofitting them as office space.

The Golden Mile is easier and less congested then all most all other shopping areas I go to. I rather drive to the Golden Mile but it is getting so run down with so few shoppers that no body wants to go there. The last thing the Golden Mile needs is anything low end. It has the majority of low end in Frederick County.

Not sure what the “adoption of new guidelines” would entail, but you need to be sure it allows some level of creativity.

Redesign/redevelop the North Side of the Golden Mile for commercial/office & the South Side with residential. North side commercial properties appear to have more & consistent space. South side has higher elevation & could be nicely developed into modern townhomes & condos. The Golden Mile could be slightly shifted to the Southern side, after removing existing aged commercial development. Having all commercial/office/retail on the Northern side only could greatly improve traffic flow.

Attract National Chains stores to the mall, create Mixed use of Office and retail at the mall. No more retail centers like at state police station more culture or residential

Clean up the area! Many of the residents living in the downtown frederick area think of our original shopping area as something that is dirty and crime filled and do not want to extend a few extra miles to come our way. It is extremely narrow minded of our Frederick County residents as a whole to discontinue the use and upkeep of a once innovative shopping area. Please update our shopping area and invite the county to the area! We do exist and we want our area to be beautiful and useful again!

More police patrol in dangerous neighborhood.

Nice bars and restaurants like in downtown.

Somewhere attractive to go walk on a nice day like Baker Park or Carroll Creek

Thanks for this survey.

Crime is a huge issue as well as the upkeep of the buildings and mall. The parking lots are riddle with pot holes. The businesses are old and run down. And the Mall was allowed to fail, adding a HomeDepot to it was a horrible choice. Bring back that grandure that was the Golden Mile, that will bring the people back there and allow businesses to flourish.

Add bike and bus lanes like in Ocean City

This area of the city needs a police substation. The crime is on the rise on the west side and needs attention before it is too much to handle. prevention is always easier and less expensive than reacting to a problem.

Lose the Golden Mile nickname - if possible. What does that mean? I am 30 years old and never remember the Golden Mile being “Golden”. Its hard to get there because of the insufficient exits that dump onto it and it looks dirty and commercial. What is “Golden” about that.

The traffic pattern is fine. Being a duel highway design, the traffic flows unless the road it packed.
Management did not deter the loiterers and loiterers made consumers uncomfortable. The good stores moved out, low end shops were allowed to move in which exacerbated the problem. Now Motel 6 has brought problems and contributed to the decline of the area. We need Penny’s Home store back and stores like Old Navy, a book store, etc. Benches in the mall should only be for the elderly or take them out.

need to get some better well known chains like
dicks sporting goods
chilis
cheesecake factory
and so onnn

Considering that the Golden Mile is such a large part of Frederick that has “unused potential”, I’m glad to see such issues are being addressed. Right now, it is called the “Ghetto Mile”.

The “Golden Mile” could be the place you go to get everything you need, but instead it’s just a place you try to get through as quickly as possible to go somewhere else. If it were nicer and easier to get around people would spend their money there because it’s conveniently located. I drive all the way out to the FSK Mall/Target area to get what I need now, but I’d much prefer to shop nearer my home if there were stores I wanted to go to and if it weren’t such a hassle to get between them.

Start with the Frederick Towne Mall and work out...inter-connect the various areas.

What about adding a streetcar to run up and down the corridor? Many cities across the USA are doing this successfully and it would be a unique feature to Frederick. Check out this article at http://bulletin.aarp.org check the April 2010 issue.

Take the excellent work done on Carroll Creek and make the golden mile look and feel like an extension of the downtown area. Create incentive plans to bring professional corporations to the golden mile. Promote proximity to Ft. Detrick to professional companies looking to do business with the Fort.

The branding needs to bring it back into the City of Frederick and make it more a part of the City

Motel 6 is a problem. Too many liquor stores. Get rid of the porn shop.

It needs a major sprucing up. This city should focus more on re-using existing building instead of creating new ones.

Redesign the entire area using existing buildings but not existing concept. Think outside the box with respect to moving people around between Baughman Lane and the golf course. Think of that whole area as an urban center like downtown Frederick where people park and walk, or can hop on a shuttle to get to west Golden Mile.

The general appearance and image of the area needs to be improved

most people who do not live around here refuse to come this way to shop. they do not feel safe in the mall or other areas. there is not enough retail shopping to appeal to people who want quality items. people prefer to deal with sales people and customer service people who speak very good english.

Use the radio to advertise “The New Golden Mile”

Call me 240 405 7027

Richard Stewart w/ KEY 103 and 106.9 the Eagle

We’d love to see actual green spaces within and surrounding parking lots, and please find some appropriate use for that prime real estate and cool old building at the corner of Baughman’s and 40.

believe the perception is that only people living in the area shop along the Golden Mile. That is probably true, however, better stores would attract more people. People in Frederick County are commuters--they commute to work and they will drive to Tysons or Columbia for their favorite stores. If the Golden Mile would actively seek out higher end stores, people would shop. The crime in the area is overrated as far as making shopping unsafe.

The area is ridden with so much crime, that I would never consider walking around between shopping centers. Usually, I have a specific destination, go there and leave. The stores in the area are pretty junky and lack appeal for shopping purposes.

It is critical to reinvigorate this area rather than allow new development.
Allow/encourage/require residential uses above/incorporated into all retail and other compatible uses. Break up paved areas with usable ACTIVE (not passive) parks.

The term Golden Mile is very dated. I think a rename of the area would be best.

This area will not be transformed overnight, nor is it the city’s responsibility to “fix” everything; rather, the city should focus on creating guidelines and ordinances that will allow a thriving, diverse mixed-use community to develop organically - and continue to evolve - over time.

Making a distinct and convenient public transportation connection to the downtown area from the furthest reaches of the “Golden Mile Corridor” could have an economic benefit for both areas and certainly would provide social and cultural benefits for the residents in both areas.

I feel that many of my concerns were addressed with this survey. Chain stores that would improve this area would be Marshall’s/TJ Maxx/Homegoods, Old Navy, just to name a few...

Area need to be branded/marketed as a uniform commercial area that has unique shopping, entertainment, restaurant venues not found in the area (FSK and downtown). A uniform signage, landscaping, and facade effort along the corridor would go along way to making the area fresh. The mall needs to be redone - maybe a second level, or all big box stores, or a restaurant/entertainment complex with office/residential uses.

This whole area was destroyed by independent rentals. It was or is overcrowded, but no one can prove it is overcrowding.

The term has failed to protect the businesses and home owners in this area.

Having only been in the area for about 2 years, I view the Golden mile as a pit stop for either gas or food. I don’t think of it as a place to “hang out” or shop for two reasons: most establishments there are gas stations and fast food, and there is too much traffic volume to stop and just enjoy walking around. The area needs recreational spots such as park(s), miniature golf/fun centers, or retail shopping in order to attract more tourism and compete with the newer areas of Frederick.

Thank you for undertaking a survey!

No more residential development. “Smart growth” is not possible in an area like Frederick where the vast majority of new residents will have to drive to work and/or to stores and other destinations.

Establishment of a central multi cultural community center to create a neighborhood feel so that the people feel like members of the community and are invested in the success. Partner with police to provide a presence and the merchants to participate also. But you cannot be connected if you don’t solve the sidewalk and bike issue!

need to upgrade or get rid of the Old Frederick Town Mall. Add more attractive businesses to bring more people to this side of town. Outlet shopping wouldn’t be such a horrible idea.

The Fredericktowne Mall needs a lot of work. It has such potential. Maybe if it was more attractive mall then more people would come to it and the area.

Have to have something happen with Frederick Town Mall. Its embarrassing.

The pedestrian and bicycle traffic has increased greatly but is very dangerous to drivers in the area as well. Often times the pedestrian/bicycle cross in non-crosswalk areas and they get tired of waiting for the light to change and the crossing time appears too short to cross all eight lanes. Something needs to be done to reduce everyones risk of either being hit or hitting someone.

Talking to the residents that live around the area.

Perception issues

Overall the problem is there is not enough diversification in business, which is an old problem. It is natural that many of the businesses that are opening up now only cater to the small, immobile population that lives and works in the area. This is exasperated by the continual sprawl throughout Frederick County. There can be no serious effort to revitalize any area unless sprawl is stopped, because there is no incentive to live in an area which needs improvement when better areas with no reputation, existing crime, and other depreciating qualities are being built.

You need to have the property/store owners involved in this, or it is a total waste of time.

Just attract more/better businesses than present.

People like to eat out. Just look at all the restaurants around FSK - they’re waiting in lines out the doors. So clean up the loafers hanging out and put in good restaurants, then people will go shop at the stores/shops that are up and down the “mile”.

This survey is one step in the right direction.

The city needs to visit other areas that have been where Frederick City is presently, see what they did to improve the area. Believe me, if it’s done right, the crime will leave, the community will come back to life. One that we can all be proud of.
In my opinion, you need a focal point, or draw, to get people to want to visit and shop there. Here are some of my ideas. I wish I could be more involved but I can only give you my ideas. The main big stores need to stay. Add the CVS, to be a new 24-hour store; the design should be similar to the Washingtonian Rio or Congressional Plaza. Have Town houses or condos all around the perimeter with garages to alleviate the problem with parking. Have a large fountain in the middle and a staging area for events. Bring in much-needed other store such as: Trader Joe’s, TJ Maxx, a few restaurant’s such as Panera and the Cheesecake Factory, Children’s Shops (clothing, toy’s). For Entertainment a 300 Club (bowling, games, it stems from New York), There is one in Gaithersburg. They can keep the Joey’s for kid’s in one of the store fronts, (bouncy rides and birthday party place for kid’s, if they want, but it needs updated and made safer for kids, it is unsupervised, except for the parents. It needs to have a Cartoon Cut’s, (haircut place for kids), and more family-oriented activity shops, like an ice cream shop. It should have an area where you can take walks around the perimeter and have decorative shrubs and trees with twinkling lights so people could enjoy taking a walk or a bike ride or with their children and/or dogs. Maybe you could get a WAWA or Sonic to come to that location, or a Safeway, because we need another grocery store there besides Giant. And it would be fantastic for the economy because everyone needs jobs plus we need better quality businesses. Thank you for your time. My email is soozieq3@verizon.net. Hope we can eventually have some of this come about in the near future.

I really want to see the Fredericktowne mall project done soon. I have have liked the proposed plans that I have seen thus far. Carrabba’s is proof that it is still a strong area. We need more places like that on pad sites in front to the old mall area and less banks. This property still has great potential. We need a new and exciting retail mix there as well. Frederick can support anything. Frederick is where Columbia was about 30 years ago. I know Frederick could even support a Nordstrom’s now, but the FSK Mall is not suitable.

I’m looking forward to the new development planned along east street and the rt 15, 355, 26 junction.

Who is going to pay for this? The city of Frederick has enough problems taking care of what they already have. All this money will be spent, and twenty years from today, you will be asking us how to improve your Golden Mile” again.

It’s a great area, but I feel very un-safe. Many vacant businesses. Do not feel safe around residential areas or living off Route 40. No singularity to the area. No concept.

Trying to make it somewhere where the people want to go.

Don’t overthink too much!

Build 3D models to better plan the revitalization

continued outreach to community

Add more professional offices like TJ Drive has and less crappy little storefronts.

There is nothing really wrong with it, it just feels “old” and out of date. Interconnectivity between shopping areas would be great. Better safety along Key Parkway at night. Some enticements to bring some newer businesses there, like GAP or Old Navy.

I’ve heard it said that the Golden Mile is mainly like “Little Mexico”, which is not a great thing. I think that if you brought in some new businesses that add to the beauty and design of the Corridor, it would help.

Questions 8: How about a choice for 2-3 times/week?

Do not feel there is a need for more shopping areas to be built with the exception of renovating/re-designing the mall to make the storefronts visible.

More upscale business within the mall. It is now basically dead.

In general, I love Frederick, go to Baker Park for summer concerts, down Market Street to eat & shop, but the Golden Mile I go to for specific things, like to Joanne Fabrics.

If you were to include mixed use residential/commercial/retail, you would 100% have to work out pedestrian access. I’ve lived in downtown Frederick for 6 years - moved here from NJ - and the Golden Mile was one element of Frederick that drew me into town. (My first time here, my mother and I stayed at the Comfort Inn Red Horse, right on the Mile). I loved that I could live in downtown Frederick, surrounded by a rural area, and not give up living by any of the commercial business that I loved from back home in Jersey. That was a major part of me feeling comfortable about leaving my life in Jersey & moving down here.

Entertainment very important and lacking

Frederick in general is seriously outclassed by other local areas for shopping Columbia and Hagerstown both have cleaner stores with more variety and quality. For Frederick to make the transition to a hub, places like the Golden Mile and FSK will require significant renovation, improvement, and higher quality stores.

It’s got a bad rep now, which is stating the obvious to you. The dead mall does not help, and the restaurants are ALL chain and generally low-end. I drive through every night on the way home and don’t really want to stop anyplace for a quality dinner. It’s all junk. I don’t envy your task—a lot of the buildings are eyesores. The new shopping center with Planet Fitness looks nice and helps, but it is so far set back it does not make an impact on the appearance of the rest of the road. It seems like there are SO many traffic lights, signs and wires—if underground cabling were an option, it would go a long way in improving the appearance (believe me, I know that’s not cheap!) Also, maybe some regulated signage might help the appearance...at least for stuff that is within a certain distance from the road. Good luck with the project and thanks for soliciting comments—I look forward to the results! :-)

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Visual clutter is distracting and an eyesore. Many people drive too fast, others too slow and the cars with loud sound systems should be ticketed for loosening my fillings!

Bring in large anchor chains. Bring back a movie theater. Look at Columbia Mall as an example.

Wal-Mart SuperCenter would be ideal there. Rt.85 is too crowded and Rt. 26 is not a super center. Wal-Mart is shopped by all income levels. I believe Wal-Mart as the anchor store would be enough to resurge the life blood of the Golden Mile. I am skeptical about mixed-use there because of the slow “buy-in” by some types of businesses to locate there due to questions of ample customer base and if there is no confidence, there would be little improvement.

Clean up the crime first before anything else. Put a police station, (NOT a sub-station) in or near the Mall.

Areas nearby are turning into “projects”. If that happens, it will kill the golden mile with regard to any hope of improvement.

Move the food bank etc. from downtown to the old police headquarters

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The mall feels like a ghost town. I wouldn’t walk to my car in the dark. Losing the movie theatres really moved entertainment to Westview. The housing area around the mall has constant reports of burglaries, shootings, etc. so it doesn’t encourage me to go there.

I know Barbara Fritchie and some of the other places are Frederick Mainstays but think of the business and traffic you’d generate with The Cheesecake Factory, PF Chang’s or some of the other hot restaurants.

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I live downtown and only shop the Golden Mile when I cannot get what I need anywhere else.

Needs to be unique....if one were to be dropped from an airplane there, one would not know where in America he/she is - “Generica”

Need more activites to occupy youth in positive ways.

Find the best way to bring in more businesses

I hate to say this, but most people I know don’t like shopping on the mile because of the heavy concentration of Hispanics there. It’s just the sad truth!

Crime must be reduced in order for me to feel safer. Utilize: Fredericktown Mall and Ollies area and the Hillcrest (Aldi) area.

Think that the term “Golden Mile” invites scorn since people now jest that the gold has been “tarnished”. It’s just not the vital place it was when the term was coined. The demise of the FT Mall is big part of this, as are as struggling schools and impoverished neighborhoods.

Good Luck. I look forward to your efforts.

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Reduce crime

Improve the mall. It is so easy to get to and from.

The name Golden Mile doesn’t seem to correlate to the area that is not very attractive, known for crime and has mediocre stores.

For pete’s sake, it’s a commercial area. As such, it’s pretty darned good, nicely done landscape along 40 center, good traffic light flow, really well done as it is with the exception that the mall sure needs improvement, poor thing.

If you make it safe and visually-appealing people will treat it better, businesses will locate there, shoppers will be more comfortable. It has been car-centric since inception and that has brought us to where we are now. No one cares about miles of ugly parking lots and strip malls - it’s time to try something different.

Crime is the number one issue!!

Past zoning practices make it difficult to improve this commercial slum

The safety issue is the most important - we who frequent the area just sometimes hear often about so much crime much of the time and that is very scary for women and children, especially. I NEVER go there after dark for that reason.+++++

A great architect could do wonders with the tremendously wasted space. It could become a place people (families) like to hang out at on Friday and Saturday evenings.

The area needs a big draw, like a Wegmans.

As long as the city tolerates the appearance of a getto on both sides of 40 the area will not flourish. This is not the fault of the people there as they must live somewhere but the crime rate in that areas is documented almost daily in the FNP. The public does not view this area as safe, especially after dark. The most logical result of your survey is what the Spanish people want as it is their area to shop and what they desire is what should go there.

Nothing you can control really -- but some of the businesses not only look bad on the outside but are bad inside as well -- the mall is AWFUL on both counts, KMart is an embarrassment. Home Depot area is not safe. Superpetz etc. It is one thing to clean up the outside and improve traffic but doesn't help if no one wants to visit these establishments. There is no reason to go to the mall, or any of the above-mentioned stores. It is a shame. I often wonder where their corporate offices are at and why not upholding some standards.

The mile has a fairly positive brand but it is losing it quickly. Its becoming a joke. I believe there is still time to remedy it but not much. Also, we need a police substation back in this area. Why is it all the way across town when all the crime is here?!!

Replace some of the stop lights with roundabouts and create less stopping and starting on the main highway. Pedestrian bridges would eliminate the need to run across the busy highway.

Don’t like most of the general layouts of the shopping areas, especially the old Hillcrest shopping center and Toys R Us center, where you can’t hardly tell what’s there. The most important thing is doing something with Fredericktown Mall. We have to bring business back there.

Crime is the biggest problem. The neighborhoods surrounding the “Golden Mile” are riddled with criminals. I’m not sure how this problem is correctable. Until the crime issue is solved, all other efforts are a waste of time and money.

An upscale department store, restaurant, and movie complex would help greatly.

Demolish the mall and create a mixed use, pedestrian friendly, New Urbanism development.

I love shopping on the golden mile because it is so convenient to my home but it needs to be updated and modernized and made safer. It seems to me the location is still ideal for the northern Frederick population as well as all of Frederick city. Perhaps a medical office would take some of the congestion off of TJ Drive.

I have already stated them

Make a pedestrian mall from two/three strip malls each. Conceivably, we could build three pedestrian malls, with upscale shops, restaurants, and other services.

Build a community center to provide a safe haven/outlet for the youth and a resource center for families of the Rt. 40 area. They aren’t all English speaking or US Citizens and need to understand how to become part of the community. If we don’t include them or assist them to our services, they will create their own subcultures and resent being excluded from the community. This will result in higher crime and make it a less attractive place to live, work and shop.

I like the idea of Round-abouts with the continued traffic flow (like at the Rio in Gaithersburg). If there were to be a build up of green space between the road and the shopping districts. More like individual towns... instead of a MILE of shopping.

It would be great if there was a big family attraction, such as a small water park, Children’s please-touch-style museum, or large park.
I would like to see the mall demolished with only Boscov and Bonton left standing. A breezeway or food court could join the two buildings and bring more people to the area. Most women do not walk inside the mall because it is so creepy and vacant.

Right now, it’s fundamentally flawed, an area based upon 50-year-old ideas of auto-centric development that no one likes anymore and that won’t work in the future. Band-aids won’t work--to become a pleasant community and thriving commercial area, the Golden Mile must be completely rebuilt along the lines of www.eastfrederickrising.org.

Pedestrian bridges. Make the Police Station a themed restaurant and/or local museum honoring all those who served. If the restaurant, name sandwiches after famous police officers, Keep the jail cells if possible and put tables in them, etc. Bring back some of the old artifacts that might still exist.

More of a feel of a town center we need some major anchor stores.

I am concerned about people on foot and bicycle crossing RT 40. I worry that people from other countries may not realize the danger of crossing the road and may not know the rules here. I don’t want anyone hurt on this corridor that I use everyday!!!

I think higher end chain stores and complete renovation of the Frederick Towne Mall would be fantastic! It’s currently such a missed opportunity.

The city needs a pool, especially in light of the budget cuts threatening the high school pools and the swimmers (high school and club) need a place to practice that does not take them down 270.

The blighted neighborhood is a big minus - if you don’t clean up the surrounding area the Golden Mile will never be GOLD.

It’s hard to know what’s there. Maybe a directory would be helpful.

In general things look run down and like it is a low rent district. The stores I go to though are nice.

Look for a major entertainment draw: Medieval Times, performance space for large venue concerts, or small theme park.

Calling this the Golden Mile is a joke. Truly, whose idea was this? There is absolutely nothing apt about it. Get rid of the name.

An important aspect which will improve the quality of life for all residents along the Golden Mile is to create a safe place for our youth. The young people in our community need a safe, fun place to play games and hang out with friends that is supervised by caring adults. A community center with sports and children centered activities would make an enormous difference in the lives of children, families and the community as a whole. While making your plans for the Golden Mile corridor, please remember to take into consideration the young children and the families who live in the community. These families desperately need a reliable and safe place which will protect and help to mold our amazing upcoming citizens of our future.

Do something with the Frederick Towne Mall--please!! If not, bulldoze it and put a park there.

I think there needs to be more places for the kids to go outside of school hours - somewhere they would like to be with some form of supervision. Perhaps a youth center and swimming pool. There are many neighborhoods along the Golden Mile but no activity centers. I believe that is a huge need but should be convenient so that older kids could walk and not need a ride to get to the center - and the younger kids could have a parent or older sibling walk them to and from the center. Also, having a bus stop at/near the center would be most ideal.

I think you’ve pretty much covered it here. It is important to create better connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists between the Golden Mile and downtown Frederick.

Bigger and bolder police presence, better policing of rentals and or conditions of rentals. Rental licensing or regulations for overcrowding.

I don’t think it is so much the “corridor” - The area for major improvement needed is the mall. And to make walking/biking safer. Decrease crime. As far as the name change goes, a change in name does not change what is happening out here.

I do not believe more residential or professional would be a good mix because of traffic and purpose. The Golden Mile should remain commercial.
I believe it's vital for the health of the Golden Mile to increase the quality of the businesses, not just the quantity or the appearance. Again, providing access between commercial areas, particularly on the north side of 40, is crucial not only to shoppers' convenience, but it would help alleviate traffic flow and congestion on 40.

Create more jobs and industry coming into the area to stimulate the economy.

Covered walkways, like a tube or bridge, would join businesses.

Need a youth center and more activities for youth and families.

A youth center would be great! A safe place where kids can go for activities. But please be sure to remember the kids with special needs and kids at risk.

Create both inside and outside space (large enough) for youth. Ask churches to manage. Not be preachy, but give good values and guidance. Be open late. Provide light food, free or low cost entertainment. Charge a minimal monthly fee with ID cards to be on site.

I think it could be a great part of town. If the current businesses take better care of their property, and if new “trendy” businesses were to join. I would like to see a Cheesecake Factory, Trader Joe's, something like that. It would pull in more people to that part of town.

Demolishing Fredericktowne Mall and getting anchor stores will help.

Take the survey to the businesses along the Golden Mile and don’t just depend on people doing it online. If you are really going to make a change, talk to the people that are there every day!

Not raising the taxes to do this. The businesses that want to come should have the necessary funds and plans to build on. The local citizens should not have to pay for this. The taxes will be collected as the customers will use the shops and travel increases to the area.

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There need to be more things for kids and families to do - entertainment, services, etc.

Fredericktowne Mall is associated with negative connotations. The area behind the mall is considered a bad area. The mall itself is starting to fall apart. It needs redone, and marketable companies to move in.

TARGET would be a great addition to this side of town. Would bring people in, or an Old Navy. Traffic is also a big factor. To avoid Rte 40, I use Key Parkway.

Vacant properties will infill over time if the people start coming and sticking longer, especially if residential is brought closer to the blvd instead of tucked away behind commercial/retail uses.

Brand the area the Golden Mile and create a community with a walking, biking path.

Traffic lights are unavoidable. It seems though access on both sides of US 40 needs a simple service road. The businesses need to decide together how to best do this or in 10 years they will be lost.

The crime rate is so high. It is scary to go to the Golden Mile after dark. Even driving is scary much less walking or riding a bike. Needs a movie theater to compete with Rt.85.

More Police Appearance

I believe the biggest concern is the crime. McCory's was once a very good store to shop in. Wouldn’t mine seeing a store something similar to that.

Put a police sub-station on the Golden Mile. Offer tax breaks / incentives to businesses looking to move to the area. A business paying reduced taxes is better than an empty store front. Look at the model for the Carroll Creek and downtown revitalization project. That seems to be working well. Also, offer incentives for the shopping center owners / management companies to hire private security, install security cameras and take steps to make the area safer for the customers. There is a perceived lack of law enforcement on Rte 40. The shopping area on 355 & 85 is a specific shopping area meaning they are not a mix of stores and residential areas like 40. Since less people can walk to the 355/85 shopping areas, there is less loitering and young groups “hanging out” like there is on 40. People go to the 355/85 area specifically to shop. It is clean, has large chain stores fewer non-shopping groups of people loitering and creating an unattractive environment.
Consider some type of residential/office use for the mall with Boscov’s and BonTons as anchors. Baltimore County did a great job with downtown Towson connecting it to offices and hotels. A hotel would be a good use for the mall. Hunt Valley Mall also went through the same decline as the Town Mall and they did a great job revitalizing it.

I think that downtown Frederick has the same issues but with greater urgency to be addressed. Crime and empty store fronts are driving people away.

I like the live/shop/work idea. Look at the Washingtonian Center in Gaithersburg. They use a “Main Street” plan. Works well.

Connecting the parking lots would be a HUGE convenience.

I don’t think Frederick Towne Mall can compete with Scott Key Mall any more unless it changes its focus. An outlet mall would be a huge draw. Closest malls like that are Hagerstown and Gettysburg. Why not Ever since the apartments behind the mall was taken over by Hispanics and the area looks like Mexico, it is not a safe nor does anyone want to shop there. It has become just like the Wheaton Plaza in wheaton which is crime infested with hispanics and low income housing.

I think you should build a sonic. This would ensure more traffic to the golden mile.

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MUST have increased police presence in the area, reduction in crime, loitering, etc., or nothing good can come of Golden Mile, in my opinion! Golden Mile needs an overall “facelift” of its aging shopping centers/buildings/parking. Some more upscale businesses (not overly so but no “Dollar Store” type of businesses!). Fredericktowne Mall should be brought back, not gotten rid of. Would love to see if become a smaller mall with some nice stores (not too upscale so as to exclude shoppers but please no more “Dollar Store” type of shopping!)

2001 just think Route 40 needs popular restaurants and department stores that will bring people to that side of town.

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I would like to see a Green Dragon type facility adopted. You can’t demolish the entire mall but how about that “park” that the prior administration bought. The Green Dragon in PA is very popular to out of town visitors and is only open one day a week! If we had a similar facility, open to local and regional vendors, that is open say Tuesday thru Saturday, we might start something new!

A good book store such as Borders or Barnes & Noble would be good, also a good family restaurant such as Chik-fil-A or A&W Root Beer, need a family outlet such as roller skating

New stores new resturants

Look at cities that have transformed their areas. Rockville, Silver Spring, Gaithersburg. DO YOUR HOMEWORK. HIRE GOOD PEOPLE. YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR.

I’m afraid a lot of this is the surrounding area which has totally ruined the “golden mile.” Their attitudes, feeling that they can do/say anything they want - rob, beat, steal - well, as a single woman there is no way I’d go there for any reason. Only exception was 4 years ago when I bought furniture at Wolf’s and then I took a friend with me. I’d love to be able to go to Boscov’s, but don’t want to risk it.
A better mix of business & residential blending is needed. Plus a traffic redesign.

Get rid of two things and they will come... what are those two things? Crime and illegal immigrants.

The end of the Golden Mile seems to be 90% hispanic. Hillcrest and the apartments along Key Parkway seem to be all Hispanic people. I feel that this is the cause of decline of the GM. The mall was never the “best” mall, however now when you walk into it, it is empty and uninviting and full of Hispanic people. I used to work in that mall and Hispanics would frequent and be unable to speak English and barely understand English. While I know that this is not really fixable, that is the problem. It’s not the design of GM or the parking...it’s the Hispanics. People do not feel safe there and they feel out-numbered. Notice that it’s not as bad at the beginning of 40 where there is less of a Hispanic population. In my opinion, you need to focus less on the parking lots and landscaping and figure out how to make people feel safe. As I said, I used to work at the mall and when we would take phone numbers from the people it would bring up at least 15 other people that had the same phone number. They would develop photos of ALL of the people living in their apartments with hardly any furniture. At least 5 people in a 1 bedroom apartment is crazy. If you could somehow address that I think that it would help the GM most of all. Perhaps living guidelines for current owners/landlords. Perhaps get INS involved. I’ve never had an issue parking. You can get to places from Key Parkway. The parking issue is on the other side where you usually have to wrap around the buildings (verizon, kinkos)... there’s no real fix there b/c of the land/layout. Focus on other things. Also, traffic needs to be fixed back up to Jefferson. That’s where is starts to get backed up. I don’t know if longer green lights would help or perhaps expanding to 3 lanes sooner if possible, but something needs to be done there.

I stopped shopping there because of the CRIME. You have to remove all the low income apartments next door, or no business would want to be there.

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Vagrants living behind the mall in the woods, day laborers loitering around Home Depot, people living in motor-homes in the mall parking lot, boarded up stores inside the mall, crime in nearly every parking lot on the GM...gee...I can’t imagine why people have a negative opinion of the golden mile. Teens and women are the target demographic when designing shopping areas. If women don’t feel safe in the area, they aren’t going to shop there and no parent in their right mind would drop their kids off at a shopping center on the GM. Clear out the dangerous elements and people will come back to shop. Otherwise, you are wasting time and taxpayer’s money.

Take a look in downtown frederick for ideas. (mixed use, shared parking garages, residence within close proximity to retail and office). A dedicated transit-way in the middle of Route 40 (rapid bus or lightrail) into downtown. The transit way would allow people to live, work or shop in the Golden Mile or Downtown without the dependence of automobiles. It would also give residence within the golden mile direct access to marc train. It may even be a good idea to have a “commuter parking garage” on the north end of route 40. That would allow commuters to park and take the transit way downtown (or marc train). This would also eliviate the parking pressures downtown.

Put same kind of businesses here that are like fsk area.

Desperate need on this side of town for duplication of store located in FSK area (ie. Borders or Barnes & Nobles, Yankee Candles, Bath & Bodyworks, Claire’s, clothing chains such as Deb, Baby Gap, Limited, Lane Bryant, etc.) If these existed, much of the traffic on 355 & 85 would decrease to normal & proper amts. Unfortunately, there is a high crime rate in that area (shoplifting, robberies) so there would be a need initially (for 1yr or more) for extensive security to regain control. Perhaps the city may consider enforcing illegal immigration laws in that area................. Definitely a need to remove drug trafficking from certain neighborhoods!!

It has no catch for people wanting to go there. Now it is eaiser to drive to FSK mall than to navigate around Golden Mile - Security is really poor. Maybe take a lesson from what they did in Fort Worth TX downtown area. They added bicycle patrol security police hired/paid by the business and it went from not being able to walk around after dark to being able to walk even after midnight.

A mix of more “brand” name retailers. To make it a place people in Northern Frederick Co. can get their errands done and don’t have to travel to the opposit end of town to do them. examples...book store, higher end clothing stores, home stores (bed bath and beyond / home goods), Movie theater, more restraunts. Provide Frederick Co a safe and useful area to do its shopping.

A standardized appearance for building, making a more pedestrian friendly shopping experience to encourage shoppers to walk from business to business to explore all the golden mile has to offer, create a safe/secure atmosphere for pedestrians, parked cars and drivers, get new/fresh businesses that will draw more sophisticated shoppers to the mile.
Keep it like strip malls. The Frederick Town Mall is fine—where it is located, but like I said, needs more fashion (geared toward teens) sense.

Old Navy
Starbucks—in the Mall
a pizza/wings place—in the mall
Christmas Tree Hill
Cheesecake Factory—near the end, by Boscov’s—where that restaurant was that closed twice
Ben & Jerry’s or something
Friendly’s Restaurant—there is NONE even near here
Little Caesars Pizza

Put a NEW theatre in—not at the mall. Bring families back, so they feel SAFE enough to take their kids there for a movie.

Put new/brighter lights down that hallway where the theatre used to be—put something inviting down there.

Restaurants with outdoor seating—so you can have a girls night on the patio, light music, family friendly, karaoke one night, kids night—will bring the families out.

Chick-fil-a

Staples

Make the area SAFER!!!

The biggest concerns I have regarding the golden mile is the crime and the low quality of shops. reduce the crime, get the shops, and the golden mile will be profitable again!

The main reason we stopped coming to the area is because of the increase in crime. Also, the entire area just looks dirty and messy. Pick your demographic for the area and update to fit that group. The mall is not “happening,” so I say tear it all down and try to bring in something that would generate tax dollars for the community. Though we do not live near the area, if there was something there that was nowhere else, we would.

I think the major issue with the Golden Mile is crime and fear. When you have lower income housing crime is going to exist. The housing around the Golden Mile needs to revampped before the Golden Mile can thrive again. Most people are afraid of venturing out to the Golden Mile for the fear of something happening to them or their family. When going to the grocery store you always need to “watch your back” and know your surroundings, it is sometimes not safe at night. I don’t understand why Frederick County is just now looking at the Golden Mile it has been going down hill for many years. Many business owners are scared to open up any type of new business because of fear of being vandalized, fear for the customers and the ultimate worst thing for a business owner being robbed. Westview Promenade on the other hand is thriving because of the Golden Miles failure to recognize these issues and act upon them quickly. Fear for the public is the number one enemy for the Golden Mile.

Crime is the issue that keeps me from going there as much as I used to.

No amount of redevelopment will be successful on the Golden Mile without also addressing problems and perceptions associated with the adjacent residential areas that border the Golden Mile on both sides.

Something needs to be done about the extreme influx of Robberies and Crimes that are being committed

Even though I don’t like the term “the Golden Mile”, I think it’s here to stay. Because of that, I think there are two options: (1) renovate all properties and storefronts to a consistent (affluent) image (e.g., stone/brick facades, quality landscaping, integrated signage and lighting), or (2) embrace the Golden Mile “era” and encourage artistic/retro renovation (e.g., anything goes, eclectic).

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Safety is HUGE!! Surrounding areas are full of crime (woman once robbed in front of Boscov’s at 2:00 in the afternoon, I believe... violence outside of the movie theatre... etc). I’ve lived in Braddock Heights my entire life; minutes from the Golden Mile. I remember the mall being a fantastic place to go - when it had a Friendly’s, JC Penny, Hair Cuttery, Claire’s, Bath & Body Works, Theatre, etc... and when The Ground Round was decent. Boscov’s is a great store, as is Home Depot, but the current state of the remainder of the mall is atrocious. Bring in good stores and restaurants, perhaps a nice theatre... and do something to make the people feel safe.

Get an OLD NAVY (Clothing) and SONIC (Fast Food)

It needs to be safer. Too much gang activity. I won’t travel there at night because I don’t feel safe.

Honestly the G.M needs a complete overhaul to bring in a very nice shopping and eating environment where the mall is now.

It needs restaurants not available in Frederick that would make people want to go to the Golden Mile, like Sonic DriveThru, Dave & Busters, Red Robin and Long John Silvers. It is frustrating to see commercials on the television for places that are not in Frederick.

I live in Jefferson and work in Frederick so I would go to businesses on the Golden Mile more often if there were better stores. How about something like Old Navy, Moe’s, Cheeseburger in Paradise, Chili’s, another Target -- mid-range nationally known names to draw people in. Also, get rid of the Fredericktowne Mall except for the 3 anchor stores. Use the current vacant storefronts/gas stations instead of building brand new strip malls. What about a Park & Ride location along here? And when traveling east on I-70, a lot of out-of-town drivers get off on the first Rt. 40 exit and the first things they see in Frederick are dingy trailer parks and boarded up businesses. Not a great first impression.

I think we need more than one mall in a city the size of Frederick so I would like to see Frederick town mall turned back into the mall that it once was but with new stores.

We need a kitchen store such as Crate and Barrell.

As long as there is low income housing all round you, you will not drop the crime. I don’t like shopping places where I’m the only one speaking english.

Make it look like the rest of Frederick-- new/trendy/young.

Loved living on McCain because it was so close but between the economy, the horrendous mall operator/owner who let the frederick towne mall just fall apart, and the general dumpy feeling...it has gotten a reputation of being the “bad” part of town.

Would like to see better retail and restaurants on this side of town. I live close to the “Golden Mile” but there is not much appeal to my family. We tend to travel across town and many times up to Hagerstown for better choices. A Target, Panera Bread, and other better class choices would be wonderful.

The criminal element, vagrants, & illegals need to be cleared out before this area will thrive again. I used to shop around this area all the time. Now, I don’t because it’s not safe at all! I am a 42 yr. old woman with an 18 yr. old daughter. Until it’s safe to get out of my car at any time, day or night, I will not be shopping here no matter how pretty you may make the area look. You can’t fix this problem with a cosmetic bandage. I can’t imagine many reputable businesses opening around this area until these issues are resolved either!

First cleaning up the demographics should be the first step before any money is spent. If not, the City is basically giving those that already make that area look bad a better place to live. Making the Golden Mile look better will not help the crime rate etc..

Get rid of the “cheap” businesses that brings in the low-income people (hispansics). I can just remember when that mall was THE THING in town...then the hispanic population started coming and took over with the cheap stores...crime would and could improve...not so many straglers would roam around the businesses. We need a safe place that kids could go to and parents would feel okay... I would NOT drop them off there at the mall now. I would have in the past, but not now. Maybe even bring outlet stores to the mall. Have am indoor outlet strip.

Due to the crime and the decrease in GOOD commerical stores, I ONLY go to this area to eat at Outback Steakhouse. I have lived in Frederick County for 35 years and would always utilize that area of town until about 6 years ago. Too bad too because it was a nice area at one point.

The ‘Golden Mile’ has indeed become the ‘Tarnished Mile’ - that is the sole reason for the negative connotation to the current name. The surrounding residential area has declined to the point of making this one of the least desirable and most embarrassing areas of Frederick County. In fact, the ONLY reason our family frequents any Golden Mile business is its proximity to Middletown.

Think there needs to be a big “pop” or “wow” factor - perhaps by doing a big upgrade all at once - not piecemeal over time.

The mall is a good idea but the stores are too limited and the outside building ugly. Need stores that appeal to young people -- Old Navy, Gap, Toy store was good before and restaurants and banks.

Sometimes more convenient to shop there that FSK

Have Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) sweep the neighborhood(s) for illegal immigrants. Have the City/County locate a police sub-station in the area to help reduce the crime rate.

Youth Center
Again, bring in high end to attract mid to upper level income. Make it safer. Lived here since 1989 and there have been so many negative changes to the golden mile. Frederick Towne used to be very nice. now, it is a ghost town. Need to have a positive input on this section of town. People are afraid to go to this section of town because of the hispanic gangs and now all the robberies.

The Golden Mile has tarnished from its heyday in the 70's & early 80's. It is more like a run-down rusted “Steel Mile”. ALL the items above in # 15 need to be implemented to revive this commercial/service/residential corridor.

revitalize Fredericktowne Mall. Frederick can support the business in 2 malls and the east side has no alternative but FSK.

Crime is a major issue, unless it is under control this area will not do well

Rename it Spanish Corridor.

How about a telecommuting office complex for the people heading down county?? They spend money too.-------

Use the back of the mall for flea markets or farmers markets on weekends

I like the format of Hagerstown, Leesburg outlet stores. Golden mile has stores spread out and not positioned for easy access. Would consolidate doctors offices/restaurants/entertainment..etc.

City government needs to influence the owners of Fredericktowne mall to keep the mall as an inside mall and not a strip mall. We need a mini golf or amusement center. High end residential,retail. Police presence.

Do something with Frederick Towne mall. The only stores there are Home Depot, Bonton and Boscov’s. The rest of the mall is a complete disaster. There is no traffic which encourages the wrong type of element to hang out at the mall. I do not feel safe shopping at Frederick Towne mall after dark. It is a shame the way the mall has been able to languish. A site plan needs to be adopted an executed. What is the reason behind letting an economic center like the mall languish?

keep the mall as an indoor mall

I work in an area of Silver Spring that once had the same problems. It was not safe to walk anywhere and it was very dirty. They started a revitalization effort several years ago and brought in several well known chain shops (DSW, Borders, Ann Taylor Loft) and restaurants (Starbucks, Baja Fresh, Austin Grill etc.) and the crime rate has gone down and the streets are always crowded with people shopping and going out to eat. These are the types of stores and restaurants that need to brought to Frederick and once that happens, property values will go up and rent will not be as affordable and the people who are committing the crimes will not be able to afford to live in that area any longer which will make it safer for consumers which will lead to higher foot traffic in the stores. I have seen the results first hand in Silver Spring. http://www.silverspringdowntown.com/

fix the Frederick town mall area, which is not doing anything but be an eye sore

Do something about the loitering near the Home Depot.

The most important thing is to work on public safety. I already moved from an apartment in the Hillcrest area where I had lived for 14 years. The crime became overwhelming. I now live somewhat near the area, and am worried about the crime spreading outside the Golden Mile to the outlying areas. Please take care of crime!

Better police presence on west end by Mall. I don’t even like to drive down there by key parkway at night, much less get out and walk.

Use the funding for the local police department, after the streets are cleaned up the market will fix the Golden Mile.

Need to clean up neighborhoods around the area and reduce crime / illegals. I won’t let my wife shop there after dark and I’m concerned after dark without being armed. Truly concerned. The area used to be a great place to shop.

Great survey, but the success of the Golden Mile has more to do with the nearby residential communities than any of the possible improvements listed in #15. If the communities remain the same, people will not shop in the area. I live 5 miles from the area and don’t shop there. I prefer to drive 15 miles to cleaner and safer places - an increased security and police presence would do a lot to improve thoughts about the Golden Mile.

Obviously, a lot needs to be done to make the GM an attractive destination. Most of us shop there because it is convenient to where we live. I waited a long time to shop at Home Depot after Hechingers closed. I do not want to go across town to shop because it wastes time and gasoline. I’m concerned about property values as well, so the sooner improvements can be made to the GM, the better. Some new thinking is also needed for the FrederickTowne Mall. It’s like a ghost town there during the day.

THIS MALL MUST BE UPDATED AND SOMEWHERE PEOPLE WANT TO GO!

Please consider updating or demolishing the Frederick Towne Mall. I like only a couple stores in there, but I feel unsafe walking through the mall by myself.

Bring more attractive, non-fast food restaurants to this area. Open upscale boutiques and shopping options.
I have lived here for 14 years and have seen the area become so terribly depressed. I love having Home Depot, Kmart and grocery stores here and prefer to do as many of my errands here rather than going to the other end of town. We have seen far too many discount stores and such move into the area which just depresses the area even more.

I do not go west of super pet to shop. I do not feel safe in that area. Some of the locals that hang around make the businesses look bad.

I would love to see the GM return to what it once was and be a nice place to shop again. Personal safety is a big issue there. So many apartments with all kinds of people and kid gangs running around, it would be hard to have shoppers mix well. The GM could use a police station in the back of the mall - that might help to police the crime issues that are a constraint issue.

I thought I read where the City had benchmarked with other locations that had successfully revitalized areas, such as what we currently have with the Golden Mile. I did not read any lessons learned in the paper, so I’m not sure. If we haven’t done that, I would suggest doing so. Many cities Harrisburg, etc have successfully revitalized areas that were once vital and are now less than dynamic.

It’s not about the "safety " of pedestrians that is the issue, It is the fact that there are not enough stores that people are attracted to and the crime is high in the area. The “Illegal” population in the area has made it undesirable for most people to patronize. You are IGNORING that fact, Being “politically correct” is NOT going to solve this problem. Look at the real issues, NONE of which are reflected in this survey.

There are already some great businesses in place: Famous Dave’s, Red Lobster, Carrabbas, Payless Shoes, Giant, Boscovs, Starbucks, Ruby Tuesdays and Bonton. Highlight these businesses. Create landscape and parking around these places. Relocate ‘cheaper’ businesses (i.e. Fast food) into a mall area, like a fast food court. If possible, have a police station on that side of town. Close down the Motel 6. That entire strip needs work. Highlight the Holiday Cinemas and clean up the outside. It is a wonderful family place but there are no family businesses in that strip. Add in family friendly businesses to co-exist with the cheap cinemas (like a Friendly’s Restaurant).

Close down the movies at the mall completely. Westview in Frederick is much nicer and there is no need to compete with them.

Relocate Workforce Services to this side of town so that those citizens who may be creating crime may find real jobs. Give them the opportunity to contribute positively and reduce crime at the same time.
Give businesses some sort of incentive to have their businesses there. More police patrols maybe, more serious conciquences for people who commit crimes in this area.

1. Use some of the space for a police satellite center to reduce crime - visible police presence is very important
   2. Police should also use bicycle/foot patrols in this area
   3. Install “911” safety call boxes at multiple locations
   4. Increase parking lot lighting and install working cameras (CCTV) at various angles
   5. Establish citizen patrol groups to report suspicious activity
   6. Require business to clean up their parking areas from debris/shopping carts on a regular basis or issue fines
   7. Alternate events such as marathons, music festivals, Alive@5, etc., from downtown, Baker Park, Carroll Creek areas to show that the city is committed to success of this project
   8. Offer 1-5 yr incentives to businesses that utilize space along Golden Mile
   9. Change the name from Golden Mile to something new and refreshing.
   10. Attract business such as Cheesecake Factory, Whole Foods, Bass Pro Shop Outdoor World, Medieval Times, Uncle Julio’s, etc.
   11. Colleges/Universities might have interest in leasing space at this location
   12. Internet cafe/coffee shop
   13. Relaxing outdoor seating areas with lighted path/walkways
   14. DC recently brought back the “barnes dance” pedestrian crossing areas. Maybe we need something similar because walking along or trying to cross Rt 40 is risky.
   15. No matter the final outcome, if frequent crime and an unsafe area is the perception, consumers will spend their money elsewhere. I live close to Rt 40 but I shop and dine in Westview Shopping Center because it’s safer.

Thanks for the opportunity to offer suggestions!

Make it look more like the south st and carroll creek renovations.

I feel VERY unsafe shopping at the Frederick Towne Mall...there are people living in motorhomes...day laborers standing around...vagrants living in the woods...the inside of the mall looks like a ghost town. I don’t shop on the GM without my husband with me unless...too many robberies and too many sketchy looking people loitering in the shopping areas. It’s sad...I grew up here and I live close by...but I spend most of my shopping dollars in Hagerstown...I feel safer at the shopping centers there. I want to see the GM be safe for women and teens to shop here again. Please impose loitering laws and enforce them...and ticket the people who cross the road wherever they choose...so dangerous. Lastly, get rid of the people living in motorhomes and in the woods near the mall and all the tacky signs in front of the mall. It looks cheap and scares away customers. Thanks for all your hard work!!!

Please do something soon. Mall is so ugly

I don’t think you can improve the Golden Mile until there is a substantial reduction in crime. I used to be a member of Fitness First, one becuase it is so crowded you have to park a mile away and then I’m too afraid to walk the distance for fear of being robbed, etc.

Remove the crime element and the homeless colonies (behind Frederick Towne Mall and in the woods on the Northbound Ramp to US 15 North) before anything is completed. No one wants to go where they feel unsafe, much less live there.

The bigger issue that you are missing is the areas one block north/south of the golden mile. Both neighborhoods are old and house mostly low income and until you fix that issue you the battle will be uphill to get people to come back into the area. Also the simple economic principal of the “law of substitutes” is at play...its safer, cleaner and easier to go two exits south for dinner, shopping and a movie. Nothing on the golden mile is “new”, maybe a new retailer in the same ugly store front package.

Get names like Old Navy, affordable well known companies to come to the old mall and that should help draw other companies

I think the GM needs a face lift with new stores, Resturants. Maybe something for the teens or pre teens can enjoy doing on the GM. But I love that some places are still around from when I was a kid and can still enjoy them. My big proplem is the feel of safety when walking from the car to the store. I live in myersville so I would like there to more choses of shopping close to home. but all and all the secucry I think is the big problem.
Demographics have changed drastically in the area since the downfall of the golden mile --- may have impact on area.

The neighborhoods in the area have a highly concentrated hispanic residency. Its become the “slum” area of Frederick. Recommend trying to get back to home ownership instead of so many rental properties. People don’t shop at night because of the hispanic youth in the mall. If I can’t understand what you’re saying I don’t feel safe walking out the door with three of you!

Area has bad reputation for shady activity/crime. There is almost an unspoken “curfew” for the area and that is not to go when it is too early in the morning or starting to get dark at night. Better to travel in a group then alone in and out of establishments. The Golden Mile looks like a commercial ghost town and is certainly not a place most would like to frequent often.

Mostly, the Golden Mile is just rundown, outdated, and lacks attractive shopping. The crime rate is terrible and scares me and most everyone I know away from that general area. We all call it the “Ghetto” because that is what it has become. The Frederick Town Mall is a crying shame and an embarrassment to Frederick County. It saddens me to say this because, as a child, the Golden Mile was where “it” was at! Today, it is a very, very far cry from what it once was. It’s hard for me to imagine that things can be turned around; you have your work cut out and I truly hope you succeed in taking out the crime and bringing back the livelyhood!

Connections between parking lots would be most important for customers and businesses.

when Kohl’s first went in, there was no connection to Walmart’s until finally it was done - it made for a big improvement in getting from one location to the other.

Perception (right or wrong) that it is the crime capital of Frederick is the biggest obstacle to overcome. Also, abandoned shopping carts a big factor in my negative perception of the area. Also loitering laws could be better enforced.

Overall: Find ways to separate the Golden Mile from the city; they seem to blend together which turns off the many suburbanites that like to shop (thus they go to FSK area instead).

EVERYONE KNOWS THE NEIGHBORHOODS ON EITHER SIDE OF 40 BEHIND THE BUSINESSES ARE FULL OF CRIME AND DRUGS. START INCREASING POLICE PRESENCE IN THOSE AREAS, CLEAN UP 40 AND IT WILL START LOOKING BETTER.

I work off of rt 40 (united healthcare) and i dont feel safe to go to 40 for lunch i go to ballenger creek or 85... 40 is so dangerous for a female until the safety issue is cleared up i will not be going on rt 40

Need in-demand businesses (restaurants/retail) that aren’t available in other Frederick locations.

Re-design for a ‘Town Center feel’ Model after the Reston Town Center in Virginia as an example. Mix residential, retail and light business. Trees, soften the area- lower the commercial signs- currently looks like a cheap Vegas strip.

I would like to see continued growth in the number of ethnic restaurants located along the Golden Mile - similar to the revitalization of Downtown.

Make this survey easier to find. The link from the Frederick News Post didn’t work and it wasn’t on the front page of the City’s website. No wonder participation is so low.

Repair Waverly Drive in front of the Elementary School. What an absolute DISASTER that road has become! This will promote better access from Whittier and other developments during the evenings and weekends.

There should also be a concerted effort to enforce the existing laws regarding illegal aliens (i.e. multiple families in a single-family dwelling). I think this will improve the perception of safety. The reason for illegals to be in Frederick County needs to be eliminated. This may also help reduce the significant overcrowding at Hillcrest Elementary.

Connect parking lots (i.e. Kmart to Giant Eagle). It will allow for easier flow from one shopping center to the next.

I have lived in Frederick since 1976 and used to frequent the Golden Mile weekly for grocery or retail shopping. Now, there are 3-4 store I visit and that’s it. With the closing of many stores in the Mall, the place looks deserted and unsafe. Even the FSK Mall has “lower end” chain stores. Macy’s for example has cheaper quality and not the selection that Columbia Mall or Montgomery Mall has. If you’re going to bring in chain stores please make the the higher quality variety. Many of my dollars are spent in other counties due to this. How about a Container Store, Crate and Barrel, maybe even Nordstrom’s?

GET RIDE OF THE OLLIES/Old Grocery store!
Interconnections of the commercial areas are essential - particularly for bikes and peds.

US 40 needs a road diet - full ped and bike lanes allong the entire length.

Looking at downtown Silver spring, they created like an outdoor mall with courtyard. Looks very nice.

Fix the crime problems so shoppers feel safe.

Have lived in the Braddock/Middletown area for over 24 years. I have never felt unsafe around the Golden Mile like I do now. Even during the day I watch my back. Now, I would never shop the area in the late afternoon or evening. This also applies to my friends.

We feel it imperative to bring a police station back to the Golden Mile area as soon as possible. When the MD. State Police Barrack was occupied there was not the present environment of crime. There is no west-end police presence.

Those of us over Braddock Mt. feel that soon our property values will plummet not just because of the real estate crash but because there is no decent and safe shopping area for the Middletown, Myersville, Braddock - west end residents.

Please bring some of the great retail shopping that is on the east side of town to the Golden Mile.

We need a Walmart or Sam’s Club or Costco. K-Mart has steadily been going downhill and is not a go-to place anymore. We also need a Target or Kohls, and a Borders or Barnes and Noble Bookstore again.

For the first time in almost 25 years I feel like I would like to move away.

Footbridge/Bike Bridge as above. I think you could redo the look like the one downtown and it would give some life back to it for appeal to shoppers. Right now, everything looks like it’s ready to go downhill.

Better stores mostly clothing stores. I hate traveling to find good clothes.

Too many of the same type of stores - how many grocery stores do we really need on one street??

I truly hope that the area can incorporate mixed use development that integrates diverse housing opportunity, businesses, recreation amenities, and other functions of community. The area has accepted all of the multifamily units and rentals and as such has concentrations of poverty and low to moderate income working families. I am tired of hearing the so-called Frederick natives (who sound very racist to me) complain about the area. Let’s revitalize the Golden Mile and make it a safe enjoyable place for those who live, work and shop there. I am glad to see our county grow and diversify and hope to engage in the rich culture that becomes ours over time.

Develop an area more like the Kentlands in Germantown. But realize, NOTHING will work along the Golden Mile UNTIL or IF crime is reduced! People feel intimidated by going to these areas and therefore choose not to!

Until the housing problems along McCain and Hillcrest areas, as well as better law enforcement, 40 will not be a place that I want to visit after dark. I only visit Home Depot, Giant, and Il Forno during the day as it is. I have nothing against others of different nationalities, but I would like to see more enforcement by INS or local police if possible. The illegals are making it harder on the legal immigrants as they are discriminated against because of the "sins of their brethren."

Don’t tear down the mall. we need it. We also need the movie theater back in the mall. Bring some good stores in like JCPennys, Claire, justice, a food court.

Attract a big name store like Old Navy, support it with incentives and permitting ease; take the gamble with them to turn around this once shopping and dining mecca in Frederick.

Crime seems to be really high on the golden mile. I moved away from it because of the crime and gangs. Business parks and professional buildings could help generate more business. Fredericktowne mall is aghost town and is plagued by vandalism. It may be a possibility for redevelopment.

Make sure there is outreach to the many pockets of different cultures since that is the population living within walking distance.

Get rid of the crime

Remove the illegals
I really believe that bringing a store like IKEA to the area would serve Frederick, Germantown, Gaithersburg, Hagerstown and Middletown very well. The closest IKEA is 50 miles from Frederick and not a place most people want to drive to on the weekends because many of us travel the roads to get there on a daily basis. The fact that the communities mentioned above are comprised of both older and newer homes, IKEA allows for ingenious space saving ideas at excellent prices. I realize they would compete with Lowes and Home Depot, but they offer a more eclectic type of home decor/ideas with very competitive pricing. There’s something for everyone at IKEA. Unless you have ever shopped there, you have no idea of what they have to offer. Perhaps someone on the Planning Council should look into this store. I do believe it would draw a lot of business to the Golden Mile.

334 we need an old navy!

335 Quality Landscaping and design of new/existing buildings is so important

336 Low income housing and retail don’t mix. As long as there is crime there will be no business. Too many other options.

337 In re Question 8. I shop on the golden mile more than once a week but not every day. Thank you for allowing input.

338 City encourage Hispanic culture

339 You need places that people will get excited to visit such as a Chipotle or Chili’s or a Sonic restaurant. That will lead to people running their errands on that part of town just like they do on 85.

340 I know this seems pie in the sky, but I would love to see bus rapid transit run down the middle of 40 from a transit center downtown. Look at an example in Eugene, OR. I know it’s expensive and would be far in the future, but with Frederick’s growing population, it would be wise to invest in transit services that people would actually use. I would use it every day if it was available.

341 Tear down Frederick town mall

342 deport all the mexicans

343 * Frederick Town Mall -

needs more prestigious stores that are well known and convenient. should incorporate an attractive and unique feature to the mall that can whet peoples interest: ex. medevil times, big arcade, big food court, ect.

* Get Go station -

needs to be more commodious and well.......fit its name! hard to get gas, too bussy.

344 Golden Mile needs a face lift.. should be called Frederick’s Magnificent Mile. Somewhere families can go and have easy access to stores and gas stations... and restaurants... also community places, programs...

345 Need more upscale businesses. Follow the plan that was put in place for Westview/Buckeystown.

346 an indoor Farmers Market of the COUNTY (or 3 neighboring Cos., Carroll, Wash., Mont.) produce - not trucked in, approach Catoctin Orch., South Mt.Creamery ++ who might have ‘areas’ in a F M.

in center of FiowneMall area where now some vacant sm.stores, keep the two dept.stores & HomeDepot ... have people park more to rear (n side) of FiowneMall where I have NEVER seen it full.

less a sea of blacktop in front side, facing 40, of this Mall .....

347 More outside cafes.

348 MORE SECURITY!!!!!!

MORE BICYCLIST AND WALKING SAFETY!!!!!!

Again, newer, more popular businesses with less chain businesses and more single businesses.

349 The retail and restaurants in this area leave a lot to be desired. The current mall is nearly vacant and doesn’t feel safe, there are a few stores that are desirable, but I feel more comfortable going to the other side of town, i.e. the Home Depot or Department stores. As a Kid I remember going to the “Golden Mile” often, but today its a part of town that I rarely visit. I hope that we can find a plan to bring the area back to what it used to be.
The Golden Mile needs at least one decent shopping area like Westview where nice, related shops are clustered together (and not just a place where cheapo tenants are being rented to just so they fill the space). You can eat in a decent restaurant, buy an outfit, pick up some organic food, go to a very nice movie theater, then grab a cup of coffee at Starbucks—walking to everything. Running errands involving stores on the Golden Mile stinks—is an ordeal. Most of the stores where I want to go are well off 40, so I have to drive back to the store, park, run inside, pay, run back outside, then drive to the next place and do it again. I would rather go the Home Depot by Target than the one on 40 (and I live in Middletown!) because I can do multiple things at the shopping center out there without having to move my car.

Thank you for working to improve this eyesore and traffic congested area. Safety needs improvement, and more of a community feeling needs to be included.

Ever since the Dutchess Daughter left it has been a sliding commercial area. Convert the apartments into Condos and upgrade those living near the area.

Walkersville does not have the problems and they have condos near the stores - Check out what they are doing right.

Again, look to cities that have done this. Ft. Lauderdale, Alexandria, VA., D.C., Chicago, San Francisco, etc. Think big. Look to the area’s history as part of the original National Pike/National Historic Road. Use that as a theme for the span (a la Colonial Williamsburg). Green up the roadsides so it appears more desireable and more environmentally friendly. Establish standards for businesses to maintain (flower pots, etc.). If you go with chain stores, please bring in better stores--Crate & Barrel, Pottery Barn, etc.

Essentially, the biggest different will be made when the mall is demolished and restarted with a beautiful facade and new stores (leave Boscov’s), landscape, update the oldest, dated buildings, get a Whole Foods

Keep these large commercial concentrations in this area: do not allow zoning laws to accommodate similar malls west of Braddock Heights.

reduce crime and gang influences like tagging

golden mile name is outdated. Specialty food stores, other than just mexican, aisan. For example, there is no place to buy delicious italian baked goods, no cafe other than starbucks.

To improve the businesses and appearance, you need to pay attention to the surrounding communities since they are a good part of the reason for the negative reputation for the area. If some community services (particularly for families) are put into place- we would hopefully see a reduction in crime and a rejuvenation of the area.

MORE UPSCALE CLOTHING STORES!!!

There is no coherent theme to the area - it is just a mish-mash of trashy looking commerical properties surrounded by mostly degraded housing. Frederick should think big, as they did with the Carroll Creek Canal, and try to do something to upgrade the area. Consider extensive trees, linear parkland, traffic re-routing, water themes. Check out areas like The Falls in Miami - does not need to be that upscale, but it is an attractive destination in an area of mixed quality housing. Will be difficult to upgrade the area given the existing housing stock and usage. Might have to start at one end - perhaps the mall, and work towards the other.

the whole area looks like 1970’s and is way too congested - rockville pike in rockville is more stylish, has a better mix of businesses, and has better traffic flow with lots of trees - plus the term “golden mile” is awful - nothing “golden” about it, except for the people who sold the land for malls and the businesses that monopolized the area before the new ramps to I-70 west

Plan to eradicate crime. If crime goes and the quality of stores improves, then shoppers will come back. Interestingly enough we were just talking about the “golden mile” the other day. The biggest issue I have found, when talking with coworkers and friends, is that it is now so unsafe to shop there, especially the Frederick Towne Mall, that no one is willing to shop there under any circumstances. It would be great to have a nice place to shop in Frederick with some nice stores, as we currently have no options, but on the golden mile they would go to waste as no one will go there out of fear.

I’d like to see the Mall razed and totally rejuvenated from the ground up. Get rid of the churches in strip mall frontage windows. Overall, I think the Golden Mile corridor is an extreme challenge. Not sure how it will ever thrive when it is sandwiched by low cost housing on all sides. Difficult to do.

People on this side of Frederick are DESPERATE for the rejuvenation of this area, the traffic at FSK is unbearable and the drive to Hagerstown is too long...Interview people coming in and out of the golden mile businesses and hagerstown and FSK area....

There is a definite need for a youth center and more activities for youth and services for youth and families in this part of Frederick. Thank you for remembering our youth!!

Trader Joe’s, some decent D.C. food stores/restaurants, upscale clothing stores, good restaurants would be welcome.

Re: landscape -- nicest (median) tree in Co. was taken down. Signage is eye pollution. A master plan is needed.

put a major chain on the mile do something about the ugly mall with th security who are bothering shoppers because they have nothing to do.
I live in the Braddock Community and shop several days during the week. Inevitably, I will shop in Hagerstown (which seems to have an abundance of shopping compared to Frederick) or on the FSK side of Frederick for the variety of stores offered. My opinion for the Golden Mile Mall would be to include stores such as Home Goods, Marshalls, TJ Maxx, Christmas Tree Store, Tuesday Morning, Big Lots just to name a few. Some of these stores may lure me to shop the Golden Mile.

The golden mile looks a lot like US 1 in northern Virginia looked like 30 years ago. Too many low line businesses and really lousy signage. There need to be standards, and they need to be enforced. This is not an easy fix, but it certainly can be done. People, for the most part like to shop at a well lighted and appealing location, and currently the G-Mile is not. The mall is about the worst I’ve ever seen. The ingress and egress is really lousy.

Rebuild the Frederick Towne Mall. Bring big brand stores to the mall. Make the mall better then the FSK.

Tear down the mall, open something similar to prime outlets

Do not have the transit buses weave in and out of parking lots - makes for a very long route and thus inconvenient. Have the bus stops on the street like in other cities. Please do make an overlay district with smart design standards!

look at 7th street shopping center for ideas--other than the awkward crossing of the road between stores and parking which still exists, it has greatly improved.

single most important thing needed is light rail down the center between the existing East/West roads connecting the golden mile to the train station in downtown Frederick. buses are no good, bad stigma, people don’t use them no matter how nice. Need greater density. Everything is only one story tall, looks like a collection of bad strip malls. Also, need more residential in the mix of uses!

Change access to stores to reduce the number of cars entering and exiting at odd places all along the corridor. I think creating a parallel access road as mentioned above would help with this.

better quality stores

Don’t have it take two years for building owners (Vista shops) to get approval to beautify their existing properties, and be lenient when it comes to required parking and green space if that would result in a great tenant moving in (Eckard or Chile’s Restaurant)

The Mall has got to be replaced. I have no idea how Boscov got conned into locating in that disaster of a Mall. Get a mall company like Simon to take the area over and we will have something that people will want to come to Frederick for.

More security, especially at the end of the road. It’s pretty rough in that area. Scary!

We need the shopping center to be up-dated with the nicer stores it once had. For senior citizens to travel to the FSK mall is not easy and the people living in this area-Clover hill, Whittier,etc. would like to have their original stores returned.

Come to terms with the fact that the mall is NOT working, and won’t work, no matter how many tax breaks you give the anchors. Think about a use that the REGION needs, and it isn’t yet another place to “shop”….create a destination...a convention center would do that. The flex space could be used for athletic events, concerts, trade shows, speakers, etc...

Tear down the Frederick Towne Mall.

There are many issues to be dealt with. Whether it’s true or not, the perception of a strong ethnic population and high crime discourages many people from frequenting the Golden Mile. I also think that the empty, decrepit old police station is an eyesore, it’s been there, empty and unattended for years.

give people a reason to come and shop, better retail shopping. maybe outlet stores?

I once rode the bus from downtown to pick up my car at a repair shop at the other end of the Golden Mile. The bus was WAY behind schedule because we kept stopping at every single parking lot, then getting back on Route 40. It would be much better to connect parking lots and/or make only a few stops and let everyone walk where they need to go. (That’s where the pedestrian/bicycle lanes would be very helpful.)

The 7th st shopping center has been here for YEARS and look how a face lift and a few stores and restaurant turned it around. The golden mile is in dire need of maintenance/ development plan that involves retail and restaurants. The population has grown such that route 85 can not be the primary place to shop any more.

We need an Old navy, we need a Trader Joe’s, Wegmans a Nordstroms...... We need more quality shopping so we don’t have to go to the outlets or Montgomery County to shop. We need a well thought out business improvement plan.

I support small business but successful chains bring people in -offer financial incentives

I feel that a large community center that gears towards activities for children/teens would be very helpful and much needed. Large/nice community pool w/lazy river etc. would draw the kind of people you want and need on to the golden mile and they would be more likely to have + associations and more likely to do their shopping there. Currently unpleasant/run down and just as easy to jump on interstate and go to a “nice area” to do regular shopping.

Reside off of old camp rd. there has to be something done about the crime and the lack of respect of personal property ie trespassing and vandalism
The whole area is poorly lit and some of the restaurants are locating awkwardly. Honestly I do not feel safe stopping at any of the restaurants along the Golden Mile. My husband and I go elsewhere to shop even though we have no other choice to live on the Golden Mile. There is really nothing done about loitering and among many other things that have led to the issues in that area.

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<td>Teenagers walk in groups during daytime &amp; use Transit some</td>
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<td>Currently I try to avoid the area</td>
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<td>I live 3 blocks behind rte 40 off of McCain drive</td>
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<td>I live so close but would never dream of walking - not safe</td>
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<td>I drive back and forth to Frederick everyday where my mom resides in a nursing home and our son is at NFES in the magnet program.</td>
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<td>If there was a regular bus from Middletown I would look into using it &amp; then moving about the Golden Mile by continuous shuttle. This would be especially helpful to those under 16, retirees, the elderly &amp; handicapped persons.</td>
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