

Dunwoody Village Parkway Improvements

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Maintain Efficient Automobile Flow
- ✓ Implement the Dunwoody Village Master Plan's Vision for a Vibrant Village
- ✓ Provide Sidewalks and Bike Lanes
- ✓ Leverage Grant Funding to Multiply City Investment

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Dunwoody Village Master Plan and Comprehensive Transportation Plan both prioritize pedestrian improvements for Dunwoody Village Parkway. Converting the Parkway into a two lane street is the most cost-effective means to accomplish this goal in a manner that is consistent with the Master Plan and existing zoning with on-street bicycle lanes, wide sidewalks, and landscape buffers.

PROJECT LOCATION

The improvements will be completed along the length of Dunwoody Village Parkway, from its southern terminus at Mount Vernon Road to its intersection with Chamblee Dunwoody Road. Dunwoody Village Parkway is indicated in red on the map to the right.



TRAFFIC

Q How will reducing the number of travel lanes affect automobile traffic?

A Traffic studies and traffic analysis of current and future demands on Dunwoody Village Parkway indicate the capacity of the current roadway significantly exceeds the traffic volume. With one automobile travel lane in each direction and left turn lanes at major intersections, traffic studies have concluded that it will continue to efficiently move both current and future traffic.

PRIORITIZATION

Q Why are we working on Dunwoody Village Parkway? Don't other streets need work?

A Addressing Dunwoody Village Parkway was identified as a top priority in the Dunwoody Village Master Plan as well as the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. The City is committed to implementing these community-based plans. Additionally, implementing this project now allows the City to leverage \$1.1 million in grant funding to multiply the City's investment. This funding is specifically designated for Dunwoody Village Parkway and can't be reallocated.

TIMING

Q When is this project scheduled to begin?

A Meetings with neighboring businesses and an Open House for the community was conducted in the Spring of 2011 after the adoption of the Master Plans. Construction is now scheduled to begin as early as the second half of 2013.

BUSINESSES

Q How will the project affect businesses along Dunwoody Village Parkway?

A The Parkway will remain open to traffic during construction. Existing access driveways to businesses will be maintained. Feedback from businesses has been very positive. They recognize that the construction of sidewalks, bike lanes, and landscaping will improve the business environment.

ALTERNATIVES

Q Why not just add sidewalks and bike lanes along the existing roadway?

A The City-owned right-of-way is too narrow to accommodate bike lanes, landscaping, and sidewalks without reducing the existing roadway. Adding to the existing roadway would likely add another \$350,000 to the project cost, destroy several stands of mature trees, and remove several key drive aisles and parking areas for neighboring businesses.

FUNDING

Q How much will this project cost?

A Total project costs are \$2.4 million but the City has secured \$1.1 million in grant funding from state and federal sources. The remaining funds have been budgeted as part of the City's Capital Improvements Plan.

Dunwoody Village Parkway

✓ MAINTAIN EFFICIENT AUTOMOBILE FLOW ✓ ADD SIDEWALKS AND BIKE LANES ✓ CREATE A MORE VIBRANT DUNWOODY VILLAGE



Dunwoody Village Parkway Improvements

- 11' Automobile Travel Lanes
- 5' On-street Bicycles Lanes
- 6' Landscape Buffer
- 6' Sidewalks (to be expanded to 12' if and when redevelopment occurs)
- Street Trees
- Pedestrian Lighting
- Benches
- Roadway Lighting

