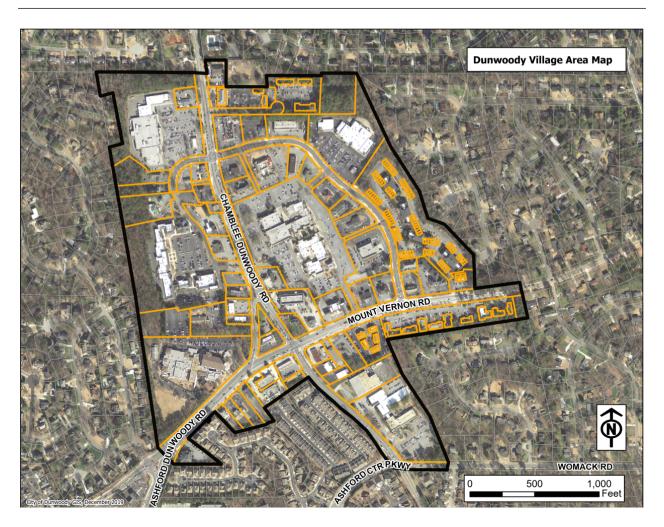
### **MEMORANDUM**

To: City Council

From: John Olson, AICP

Date: August 10, 2020

**Subject:** Dunwoody Village Master Plan Update



#### **ITEM DESCRIPTION**

The 2011 Dunwoody Village Master Plan presented a comprehensive vision for the future of the Village, including proposed improvements to Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Mount Vernon Road, as described on pages 43-44 of that plan. The 2011 plan was developed with significant input from the community and officially adopted by Dunwoody City Council in 2011. The plan was updated in 2016, but this update did not include any changes to the proposed street improvements.

In 2019, the City began to update the zoning regulations for the Village. As a part of this process, street improvements were revisited and updated designs were shared with the community at a public workshop on June 29th, 2019. The updated improvements are now shown in graphic (rather than narrative) form. They now include designs for the road area between the curb, in addition to sidewalk and landscaping improvements, in order to include the full width of the right-of-way and show lane widths. The width of sidewalks and landscape areas have been clarified (they were described as ranges in the previous plan).

The goal of these proposed changes is to provide clarity, ensure adequate and safe spaces for pedestrians and bicyclists, and slow traffic to be consistent with the character of an urban village. The updated designs are aspirational and will need to remain flexible as funding is available to implement them, given the varying width of rights-of-way, unique conditions at intersections, and other site conditions. The following street sections are recommended to replace those in the 2011 Master Plan.





#### **RECOMMENDATION**

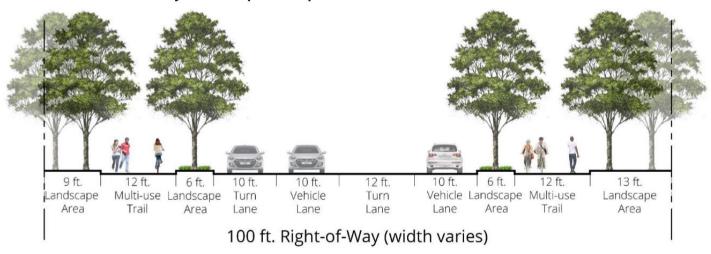
Staff recommends approval of updates to the Dunwoody Village Master Plan with Exhibits A and B replacing the street designs in the 2011 Master Plan.

EXHIBIT A: Chamblee Dunwoody Road Proposed Improvements

EXHIBIT B: Mount Vernon Road Proposed Improvements

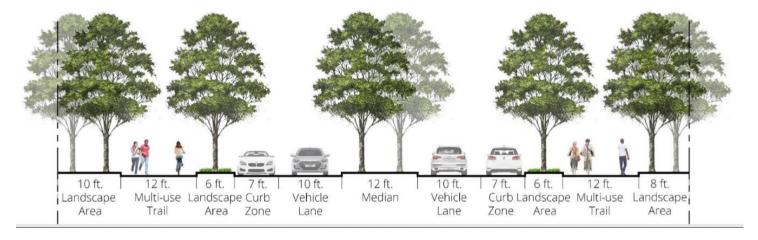
## **EXHIBIT A**

## **Chamblee Dunwoody Road Proposed Improvements**



# **EXHIBIT B**

## **Mount Vernon Road Proposed Improvements**



## A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CITY OF DUNWOODY VILLAGE MASTER PLAN

**WHEREAS:** The Dunwoody Village contains over 150 acres of property made up of eight individual zoning districts (C-1, C-2, O-I, RM-100, O-I-T, R-100,

R-150, and CR-1c) and one overlay district; and

WHEREAS: These districts consist of a combination of multi-family, office,

commercial, and institutional uses, which are isolated by zoning type;

and

**WHEREAS:** The development within Dunwoody Village consists of three suburban

scale shopping centers, a church, the Dunwoody Village Townhomes, which are currently under construction, and several auto-repair shops,

gas stations, office buildings and banks; and

**WHEREAS:** Most of the development within the Village was constructed in the 1970s

and 1980s and as automobile-oriented developments, the buildings are mostly one-story in height, contain large surface parking lots and have

minimal functional public open space; and

WHEREAS: The 2011 Dunwoody Village Master Plan presented a comprehensive

vision for the future of the Village. The 2011 plan was developed with significant input from the community and officially adopted by

Dunwoody City Council in 2011. The plan was updated in 2016

WHEREAS: The 2011 Dunwoody Village Master Plan included proposed

improvements to Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Mount Vernon Road as described on pages 43-44 of that plan and the 2016 update did not

include any changes to these proposed street improvements; and

**WHEREAS:** In January of 2019 City staff began working with TSW, an Atlanta-based

architecture and planning firm, to rewrite the regulations of the

Dunwoody Village Overlay and Master Plan; and

WHEREAS: The analysis and revisions sought to take into consideration

connectivity, public open space, and the future character of development in the areas of the Dunwoody Village Overlay and Master

Plan; and

WHEREAS: As a part of this process, the Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Mount

Vernon street improvements contained in the Dunwoody Village Master Plan were revisited, and updated designs were shared with the

community at a public workshop on June 29.

WHEREAS: Ultimately a revised plan of street improvements for improvements to

Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Mount Vernon was developed; and

**WHEREAS:** The updated improvements are now shown in graphic rather than narrative form. They now include designs for the road area between the

curb, in addition to sidewalk and landscaping improvements, in order to include the full width of the right-of-way and show lane widths. The

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width of sidewalks and landscape areas have been clarified being described as ranges in the previous plan; and

WHEREAS: The proposed revised street improvements to Chamblee Dunwoody

Road and Mount Vernon requirements improve the Dunwoody Master Plan by more closely reflecting the community vision and providing greater clarity in relation to the required street improvements; and

WHEREAS: By adopting these changes, the City of Dunwoody will help create a

vibrant shopping and entertainment area in which merchants and businesses thrive and grow, thereby helping to maintain property values and keeping vacancy rates low; and maintain and enhance the area's role as a place for civic activities and public gatherings within well-

designed open spaces; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor and City Council find that the proposed changes are

appropriate and will enhance the public health, safety, and welfare

within the City.

**NOW THEREFORE,** The Mayor and City Council of the City of Dunwoody hereby **RESOLVE AND APPROVE** the adoption of the revision to the Dunwoody Village Master Plan as set forth in the attachments hereto.

## **Attachments**

Dunwoody Village Master Plan with Exhibits A and B replacing the street designs in the 2011 Master Plan.

EXHIBIT A: Chamblee Dunwoody Road Proposed Improvements

**EXHIBIT B: Mount Vernon Road Proposed Improvements** 

SO ORDAINED AND EFFECTIVE, this the day of, 2020.	
Approved by:	Approved as to Form and Content
Lynn Deutsch, Mayor	City Attorney
Attest:	
Sharon Lowery, City Clerk	SEAL