

AGENDA

CITIZENS ADVISORY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 26, 2022 - 6:00 PM
DUNWOODY CITY HALL - DUNWOODY HALL
4800 ASHFORD DUNWOODY ROAD
DUNWOODY, GEORGIA 30338

CITIZENS ADVISORY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT Public Comment allows the Committee the opportunity to</u> listen to the public (3 minutes per speaker/15 minutes total)
- C. CONSENT AGENDA
 - Approval of October 12, 2022 Citizens Advisory Capital Improvements Committee Meeting Minutes

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2. Review of Parks Scoring
- 3. Trails
- 4. PATH Foundation Presentation
- E. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS Public Comment allows the City Committee the</u> opportunity to listen to the public (3 minutes per speaker)
- F. ADJOURN

City of Dunwoody Citizens Advisory Capital Improvements Committee Meeting Minutes October 12, 2022

The City Council of the City of Dunwoody held a meeting on October 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held in the City of Dunwoody City Hall, Dunwoody Hall, 4800 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Dunwoody, Georgia 30338. Present for the meeting were the following:

Present: Tom Lambert, Chair

Remi Bullard

Su Ellis
Steve Ellet
Bob Fiscella
Brian Gee
Joe Martinez
Sarah Smith
Abby Lesorgen
Mereca Smith

Also Present: Jay Vinicki, Assistant City Manager

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk

Brent Walker, Parks & Recreation Director

Richard McLeod, Community Development Director

Jessica Holmes, Deputy City Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT - Public Comment allows the City Council the opportunity to</u> listen to the public (3 minutes per speaker/30 minutes total)

Todd Helton spoke in opposition to a roundabout at Vermack Road and Womack Road, commenting that it would be a bad idea. He said this has come up in the past and was vehemently opposed. Mr. Helton said a roundabout would be dangerous for pedestrians, adding that Vermack Park will add more pedestrians.

Robert Hein said he represents three homeowner's associations on the topic of parks connectivity. Mr. Hein said he sent an email to the city manager voicing their concerns with the proposed multi-use path on Tilly Mill Road. He said it appears there is already have connectivity along Tilly Mill Road. Mr. Hein said the homeowners were never directly contacted by the city regarding the project and they feel the priority is off. He noted that there is already a structural budget deficit. Mr. Hein said there is an extensive list of parks projects and we need to focus on roads, intersections, and infrastructure first. He said the homeowners object to the multiuse path on Tilly Mill Road.

Council Member John Heneghan said there is a park project missing in the agenda packet, the Peachtree Middle School fields. He said the city has total control of those fields. City Council approved the installation of lights on the fields so they could be used at night and added a storage facility. Council Member Heneghan said the fields are used all the time at night and be community groups on the weekend. He said the city should be thinking about installing turf on those fields for maximum play hours. He said there is an opportunity for football and lacrosse to be played on those fields.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Sue Ellis motioned to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Bob Fiscella.

Passed: For: 9; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

1. <u>Approval of September 28, 2022, Citizens Advisory Capital Improvements Committee Meeting Minutes</u>

D. <u>DISCUSSION ITEMS</u>

Jay Vinicki presented the Committee's scoring of the transportation projects, with Dunwoody Village ranking number one.

Chair Lambert announced that the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association recognized Dunwoody Parks and Recreation as District 6 Agency of the Year.

2. <u>Parks</u>

Brent Walker presented an overview of 15 parks projects to give the Committee and idea of what the projects are and where they are located.

Chair Lambert pointed out that the Roberts Drive and Vermack parks have not been approved by City Council yet.

Some of the comments/suggestions from the Committee are as follows:

- Rotate the at the Roberts Drive Park 90 degrees and push the tennis courts and activity areas closer to the street
- Add a splash pad at Brook Run Park
- Look at the potential to use the green space at Peachtree Middle School for softball fields
- Turf the grass field at Peachtree Middle School

 Add library renovations to the list: front façade improvements to the Arts Center and down to Stage Door

Jay Vinicki said he will email the Parks projects list to the Committee on Thursday with instructions for editing the list. The list will be sent back out and will then be scored by the Committee.

Council Member Lambert reminded that the next meeting will be discussion on the trails projects list.

E21. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS - Public Comment allows the City Council the opportunity to listen to the public (3 minutes per speaker)</u>

Peter Fritz commented on Vermack Park. He said Heritage Commons residents does not want a path from their park into the Heritage of Dunwoody community and does not want the path from the proposed Vermack park into their community. Mr. Fritz said this came out of nowhere and he is very disappointed.

Mr. Helton commented that if it's made easier for people to get through the intersection at Vermack Road and Womack Road they will fit it up and it will be dangerous. He suggested the use of flashing stop signs, improving the crosswalks at that location, and reducing the speed limit from 35 mph to 30 mph. Mr. Helton said the city should talk to the neighborhood regarding the plan for artwork along the path where Womack Road comes into Chamblee Dunwoody Road.

F. ADJOURN

Bob Fiscella motioned to adjourn. Joe Martinez seconded.

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PA006	Parks	34	7	Brook Run Park Phase 2 Construction - Maintenance Yard Renovations	
PA017	Parks	29	7	Peachtree Middle School Turf	
PA013	Parks	16	6	Vermack Rd Propety - Implement Master Plan	
PA014	Parks	18	5	Waterford Park Property - Connector Bridges, Trails, Playground	
PA009	Parks	20	4	Dunwoody Cultural Arts Center and Library - Parking lot repaving and drive lane modifications	
PA011	Parks	17	4	Future Greenspace Land Acquisition and Construction	
PA002	Parks	14	4	Brook Run Park - Playground Replacement	
PA016	Parks	12	4	Splash Pad - Brook Run Park	
PA010	Parks	9	4	Foot Bridge Replacements - Foot Bridge Replacements	
PA005	Parks	14	3	Brook Run Park Phase 2 Construction - Dog Park/Community Garden Restroom	
PA019	Parks	14	3	Library/Arts Center Façade and Improvements	
PA018	Parks	9	2	Indoor Batting Facility	
PA007	Parks	4	1	Brook Run Park Phase 2 Construction - Picnic/Parking Area	
PA004	Parks	3	1	Brook Run Park - Multi-Use Field Playground	
PA003	Parks	2	1	Brook Run Park - Baseball Field Playground	
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DISCLAIMER The City is considering financing the types of projects listed. Any specific projects listed are meant to be illustrative of the types of projects that may be financed. The City may or may not finance the specific project. Furthermore, the order of the projects does not indicate their priority. The City may finance the projects in any order or not at all. Should the City decide to call a referendum on the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance all or a portion of the projects, Citizens should not vote for the issuance of general obligation bonds on the assumption that any of the listed projects will be financed with the proceeds of such bonds.

No.	Project Description	Primary Category
TL 001	Ashford Dunwoody Road shared-use path from Perimeter Center East to Mount Vernon Rd (PCID Commuter Trails Projects # A31, A39, and A42)	Shared Use Path
TL 002	Ashwood Pkwy-Meadow Lane Trail (PCID Commuter Trails Project #I3)	Shared Use Path
TL 003	Central Mall Trail from Central Parkway to Perimeter Center Parkway (PCID Commuter Trails Project #I5)	Shared Use Path
TL 004	East side Perimeter Multi-Use Trail, North Fork Nancy Creek Trail	Shared Use Path
TL 005	SR 141/Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Access Road, shared-use path	Shared Use Path
TL 006	Multi-use trail connections between the Withmere neighborhood (Witham Drive), Dunwoody Park, and Austin Elementary School	Shared Use Path
TL 007	Tilly Mill Road shared-use path from Mt. Vernon Road to Womack Road	Shared Use Path
TL 008	Nancy Creek Tributary Trail	Shared Use Path
TL 009	New path connections connecting Ridgeview Road (north), Ridgeview Road (south) and Ashford Gables Drive (formerly 2011 CTP Project # 32)	Shared Use Path
TL 010	Peeler Road Path Phase 1 from Winters Chapel Road to Windwood Hollow Park	Shared Use Path
TL 011	Perimeter Center N road diet for buffered bike lanes/bus lane or side path EB from Ashford Dunwoody to Perimeter Center E (PCID Commuter Trails Project #A41)	Shared Use Path
TL 012	Perimeter Mall West Side Path from Hammond Drive to Perimeter Center W. (PCID Commuter Trails Project #I6)	Shared Use Path
TL 013	Ravinia East Path Between Ravinia Drive and Perimeter Center East (PCID Commuter Trails Project #18)	Shared Use Path
TL 014	Ashford Dunwoody Road shared-use path over I-285 on west side from city limit to Hammond Drive and along east side of Ashford Dunwoody Road from Perimeter Center E to Mount Vernon Rd (PCID Commuter Trails Projects #A30)	Shared Use Path

PHASES OF PLACEMAKING PLAN







PHASE

- Perimeter Center East Park
- Ashford Dunwoody Road Trail Phase I From Hammond Drive to Perimeter Center West
- Flyover Bridge Park
- Westside Connector Trail
 From Dunwoody MARTA Platform to Ashford Dunwoody Road
- Perimeter Park @ Dunwoody
 MARTA Station North Plaza
- Ashford Dunwoody Road Trail Phase II From Perimeter Center West to Mount Vernon Road

PHASE II

- Georgetown to Perimeter Trail
 From Perimeter Center East Park
 to Chamblee Dunwoody Road
- Highstreet Trail
 From Central Parkway to

 Perimeter Center Parkway
- Perimeter Mall Trail
 From Hammond Drive to
 Perimeter Center West
- Georgetown Gateway Trail
 From Georgetown Park to Cotillion Drive
- Ravinia Trail
 From Perimeter Center East Park to Ashford Dunwoody Road

All projects in the Placemaking Plan were taken directly from previously approved plans and meet the definition of tourism product development, which is the creation or expansion of physical attractions which are: available and open to the public; improve destination appeal to visitors; and are used by and support the visitor's experience. The scope and list of projects are subject to change.

PHASE III

- Ashford Gables Trail
 From Ashford Gables Drive to Ridgeview Road
- North Fork Nancy Creek Trail Phase I From Perimeter Center East Park to Valley View Road
- Perimeter Park @ Dunwoody
 MARTA Station South Plaza
- North Fork Nancy Creek Trail Phase II From Valley View Road to Ashford Center Parkway
- Winters Chapel Road Trail
 From Dunwoody Club Drive to Peeler Road
- Cotillion Trail
 From Chamblee Dunwoody Road to North Shallowford Road
- Windwood Hollow Trail (Peeler Road)
 From Brook Run Park to Winterschapel Road
- Perimeter Park @ Dunwoody
 MARTA Station South Phase II



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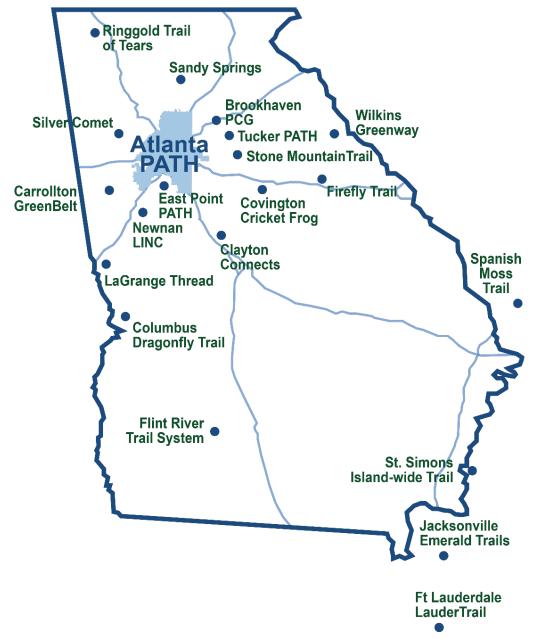


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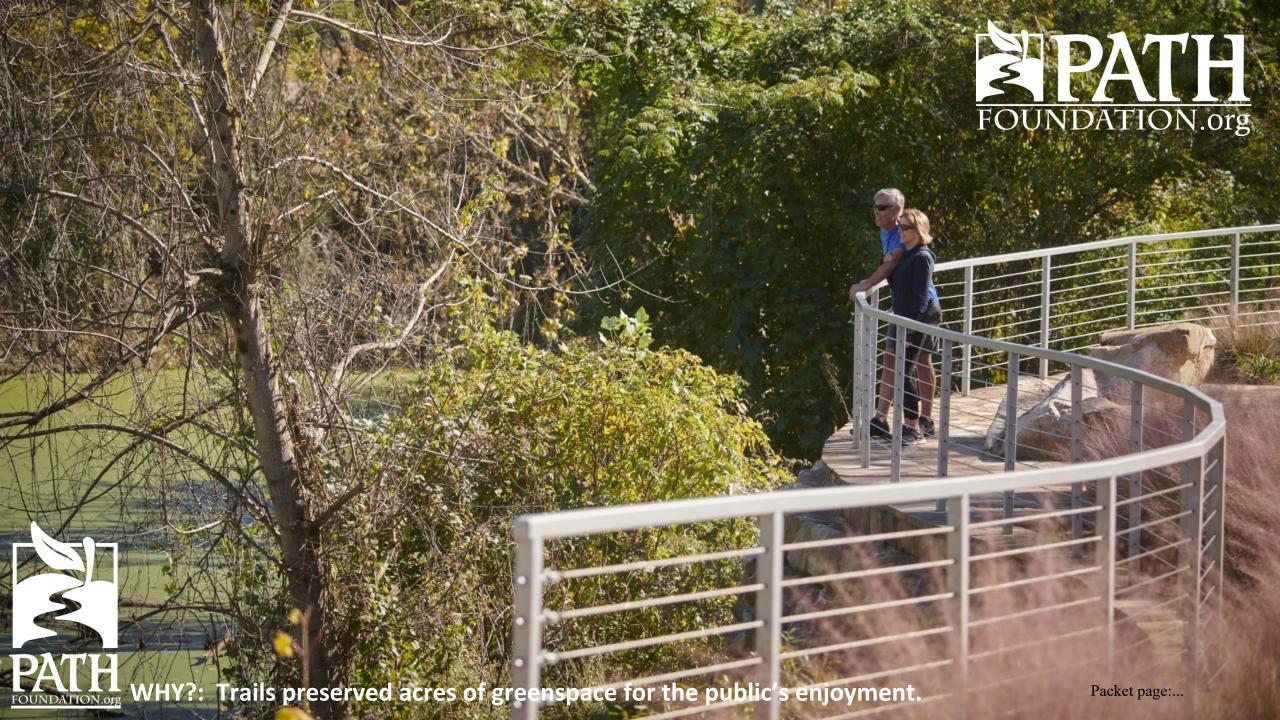
PATH Foundation

- Master planned multi-use trail systems for over 30 communities
- Built 315+ miles of bike/ped facilities in the southeast
- Raised \$64.5M private to match \$255M public















Benefits of Trails

- Generates economic development
- Promotes health and wellness
- Provides active transportation
- Enhanced the quality of life
- Conserves greenspace while creating linear parks
- Creates a strong sense of community
- Transforms public rights-of-way for safe enjoyment of bicyclists and pedestrians



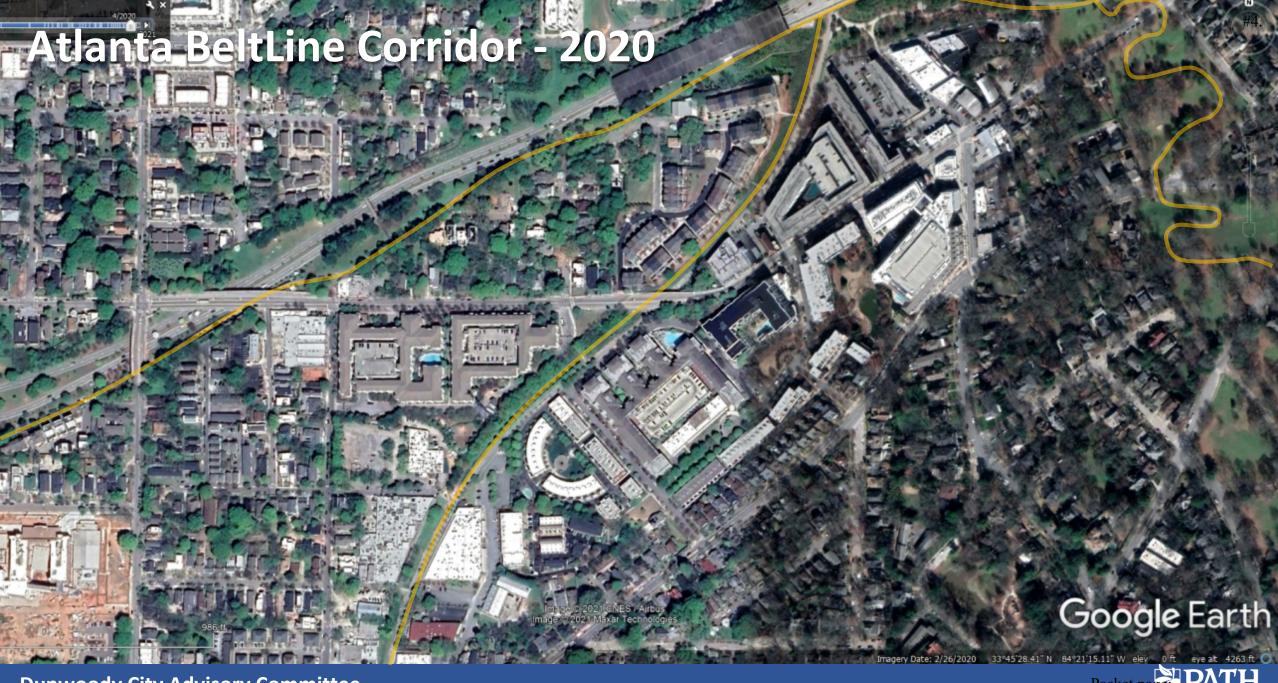


Economic Dev. – Example Atlanta BeltLine:

- The Atlanta BeltLine is a proven economic engine.
- It has generated more than \$1 billion of new development since 2005 representing new residential units and non-residential square feet.
- The completion will support a projected 50,000 jobs around the 22-mile trail loop.

























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