

TSPLOST 2016

Sandy Springs

May 2016



Background

- Transportation identified as single most important issue facing metro region (source: 2015 ARC / Metro Atlanta Speaks Survey)
- Fulton County and 14 cities working together to initiate referendum to allow voters to consider Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for Transportation (T-SPLOST)
- Voters outside city of Atlanta will consider 0.75 cent sales tax to authorize transportation projects
 - Providing Sandy Springs with approximately \$101M

TSPLOST Project Identification Process

- Staff review of City Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as well as adopted Transportation and Subarea Plans
 - Transportation Master Plan
 - North Fulton Comprehensive Transportation Plan
 - Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trail Plan
 - Perimeter Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) Study
 - Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Community Engagement

- Three (3) Community Forums were held
 - May 10 (HOA leadership)
 - May 11
 - May 12
- 90 attended
- An additional 33 provided input through an online survey (www.sandyspringsga.gov/tsplost)
- Participants provided opportunity to give feedback:
 - Strongly Agree (inclusion in T-SPLOST)
 - Strongly Disagree
 - Neutral
 - Plus, participants could write-in additional ideas



Polling

- Green dots = Agree
- Orange dots = Disagree
- Blue dots – Neutral

Web poll provides similar option

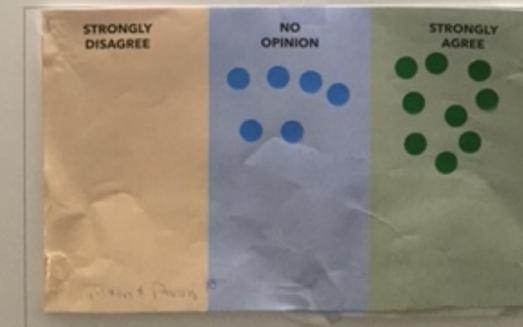
SANDY SPRINGS ROADWAY MAINTENANCE AND PAVING

- **Project Description:** The project will provide for paving and roadway maintenance throughout the city.

- **Estimated TSPLOST Funding:** up to \$5,000,000

- **Project Benefits:**
 - » Maintain city-owned infrastructure to performance standards.

- **Plan Origin:** Sandy Springs Pavement Condition Index, Bridge Inspection Report, Master Transportation Plan



Johnson Ferry Road Efficiency Improvements

Project Description:

The project will construct dual roundabouts at Johnson Ferry Road and Mt. Vernon Hwy intersections, add sidewalks, and will return streets to two-way traffic operations between Roswell Road and Hunting Creek Drive

Meeting Attendees:

74% Agree

17% Disagree

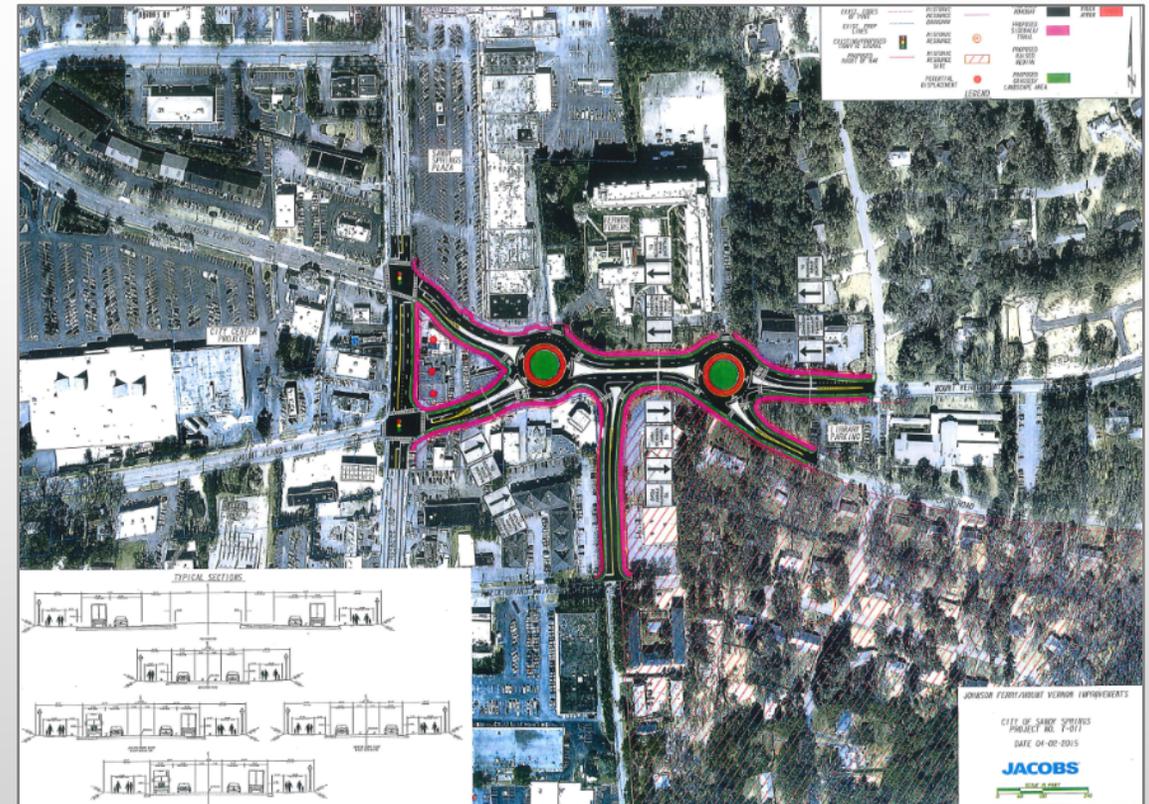
9%: Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

63% Agree

27% Disagree

10% Neutral



Sandy Springs Traffic Efficiency Improvements

Project Description:

The project will provide for local intersection and traffic operations upgrades throughout the city.

Meeting Attendees:

87% Agree

1% Disagree

12% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

75% Agree

11% Disagree

14% Neutral

Representative Projects (FY 2017 Intersection Improvement Program)	
Location	Description
I-285 at Glenridge Drive	Turning lane capacity
Spalding Drive/Dalrymple Road and Trowbridge Drive	Intersection upgrade
Glenridge Drive from Roswell Road to Greenland Road	Restriping and complete street
Spalding Drive at Pitts Road	Add turning lanes
Roswell Road/SR 9 at Trowbridge Drive	Turning lane capacity
Roswell Road/SR 9 at Grogans Ferry Rd	Intersection realignment and signalization
Roswell Road/SR 9 at Dalrymple Road	Turning lane capacity
Powers Ferry Road/Interstate North Parkway	Operational upgrades
Northside Drive at Riverview Road	Operational and safety improvement
Adaptive Signal upgrades	Add adaptive signal timing to additional intersections

Mt. Vernon Highway and Roberts Drive Multiuse Path – Phase 1

Project Description:

These projects will add separated bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure along Mt. Vernon Highway (2.0 mi) and Roberts Drive (1.6 mi) corridors

Meeting Attendees:

71% Agree

10% Disagree

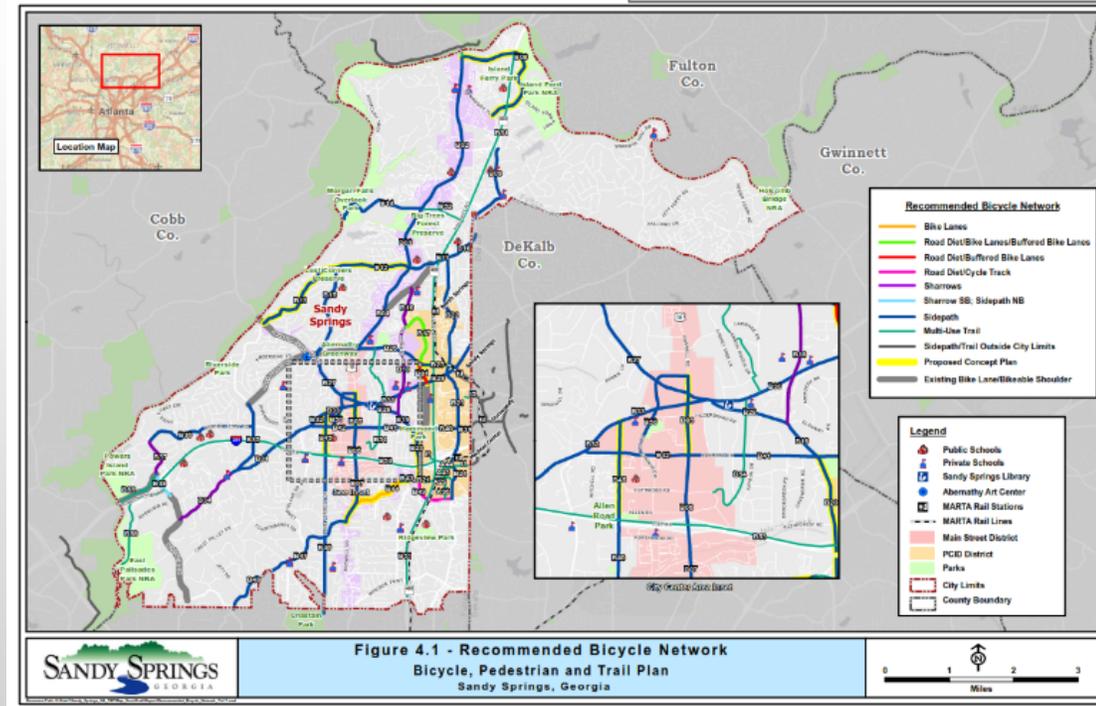
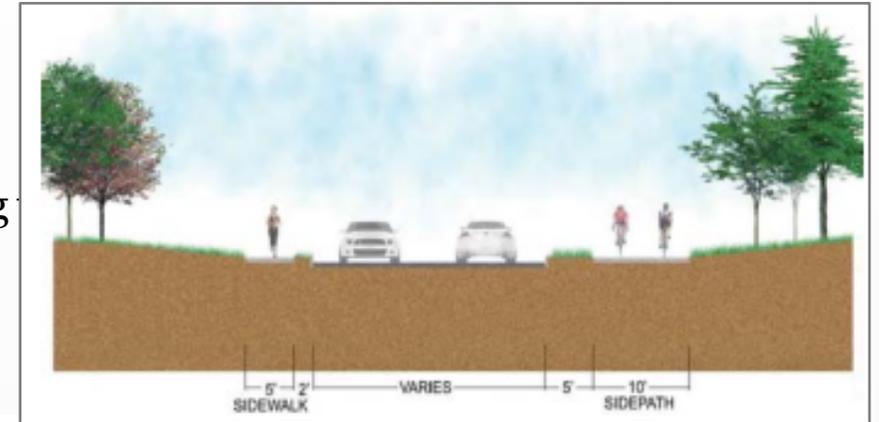
19% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

60% Agree

14% Disagree

26% Neutral



Note: Minimum sidepath width is 10 feet; optimal width is 12 feet; Other cross-sections with separated bicycle facilities can be considered

SR 400 Trail System

Project Description:

The project will connect Path400 Trail from its terminus at Loridans Drive to the I-285/SR 400 interchange trail.

Meeting Attendees:

77% Agree

16% Disagree

7% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

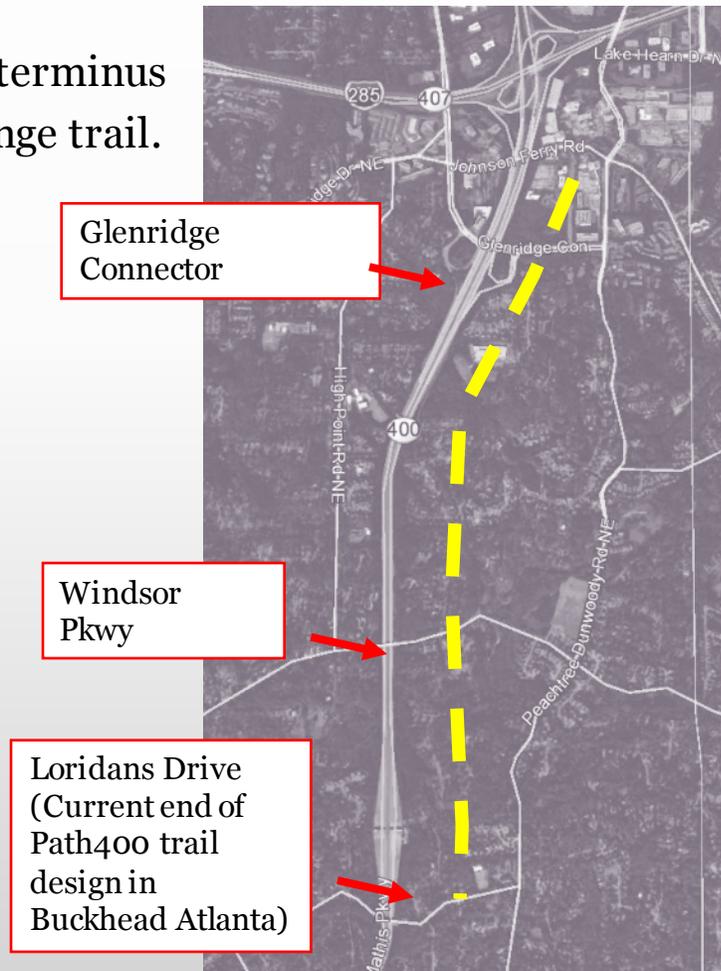
65% Agree

15% Disagree

13% Neutral

Proposed Design Extension

Georgia DOT I-285/SR 400 Path



Sandy Springs Sidewalk Program

Project Description:

The project will continue filling sidewalk gaps throughout Sandy Springs.

Meeting Attendees:

85% Agree

7% Disagree

7% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

87% Agree

6% Disagree

7% Neutral

Representative Projects (FY 2016 Sidewalk Program Scoring)	
Location	From/To
Dudley Lane	Stella Dr. to Mt. Paran Road
Spalding Dr	Dunwoody Rd. to existing Drive near Dunwoody City Limits
Johnson Ferry Rd.	Glenridge Connector to existing sidewalk at Wells Fargo Site
Windsor Pkwy	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd. to City Limit
Northwood	Kingsport to Roswell Road
Spalding Dr.	Spalding Lake Ct. to Publix
Brandon Mill Road	Marsh Creek to Lost Forest Dr.
Dunwoody Club Dr.	Spalding Dr. to existing Walk at Fenimore Cir.
Interstate North Pkwy	City limit to Northside Drive
Roberts Drive	Existing Walk S of Northridge Rd to existing Walk at Davis Academy
Brandon Mill Road	Lost Forest Dr. to Brandon Ridge Dr.
Dalrymple Road	Existing sidewalk at Princeton Sq (@ Princeton Way) to Duncourtney Dr.
Dalrymple Road	605 Dalrymple Road (near Roswell Rd) to Duncourtney Dr.
Spalding Dr.	Stables Dr. to N. Spalding Lake Dr.
Heards Ferry Rd.	Cameron Glen to Winterthur
Roberts Drive	Roswell Rd. to GA 400
Spalding Dr.	Jett Ferry Rd. (Jett Ferry Ct.) to existing sidewalk @ Spalding Heights Dr.
Nesbit Ferry	Coles Way south to existing sidewalk
Riverside Dr.	Old Riverside to Blackwater
Riverside Dr.	Edgewater to River Valley
Riverside Dr.	North Harbor Dr. to Johnson Ferry Rd.
Carpenter Drive	Allen Road to Cliftwood Dr.
Lake Forrest Drive	Forrest Lake to City Limit
Riverside Dr.	I-285 south to Mt. Vernon Highway

Perimeter Last Mile Connectivity

Project Description:

The project will construct Perimeter trails and acquire right-of-way for future high capacity transit linking the Perimeter Community Improvement District.

Meeting Attendees:

89% Agree

5.5% Disagree

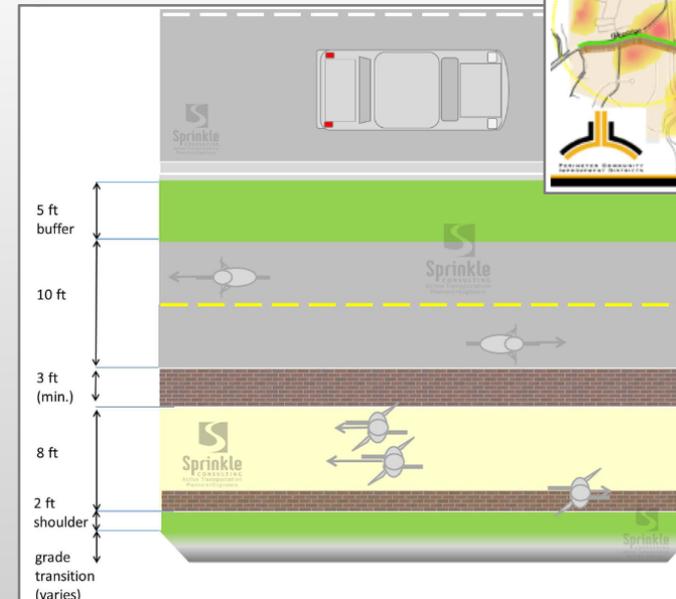
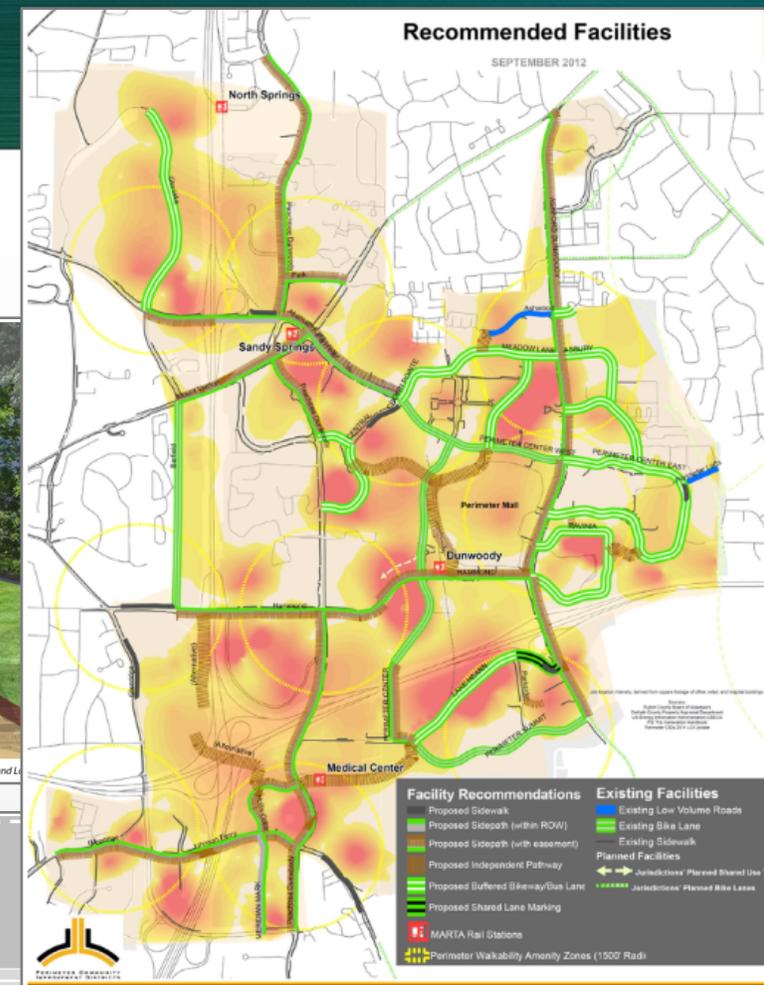
5.5% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

79% Agree

7% Disagree

13% Neutral



Sandy Springs Roadway Maintenance and Paving

Project Description:

The project will provide for paving and roadway maintenance throughout the city.

Meeting Attendees:

74% Agree

11% Disagree

17% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

75% Agree

10% Disagree

16% Neutral



Hammond Drive Phase 1 Efficiency Improvements

Project Description:

Phase 1 will complete design for Hammond Drive to include 4 lanes with sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit lanes and acquire right-of-way.

Meeting Attendees:

82% Agree

12.5% Disagree

5% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

70% Agree

15% Disagree

14% Neutral



Flexible Shoulder Lanes on I-285

Project Description:

The project will convert existing shoulders on I-285 to transit lanes for Express Bus and shuttle service use.

Meeting Attendees:

89% Agree

8% Disagree

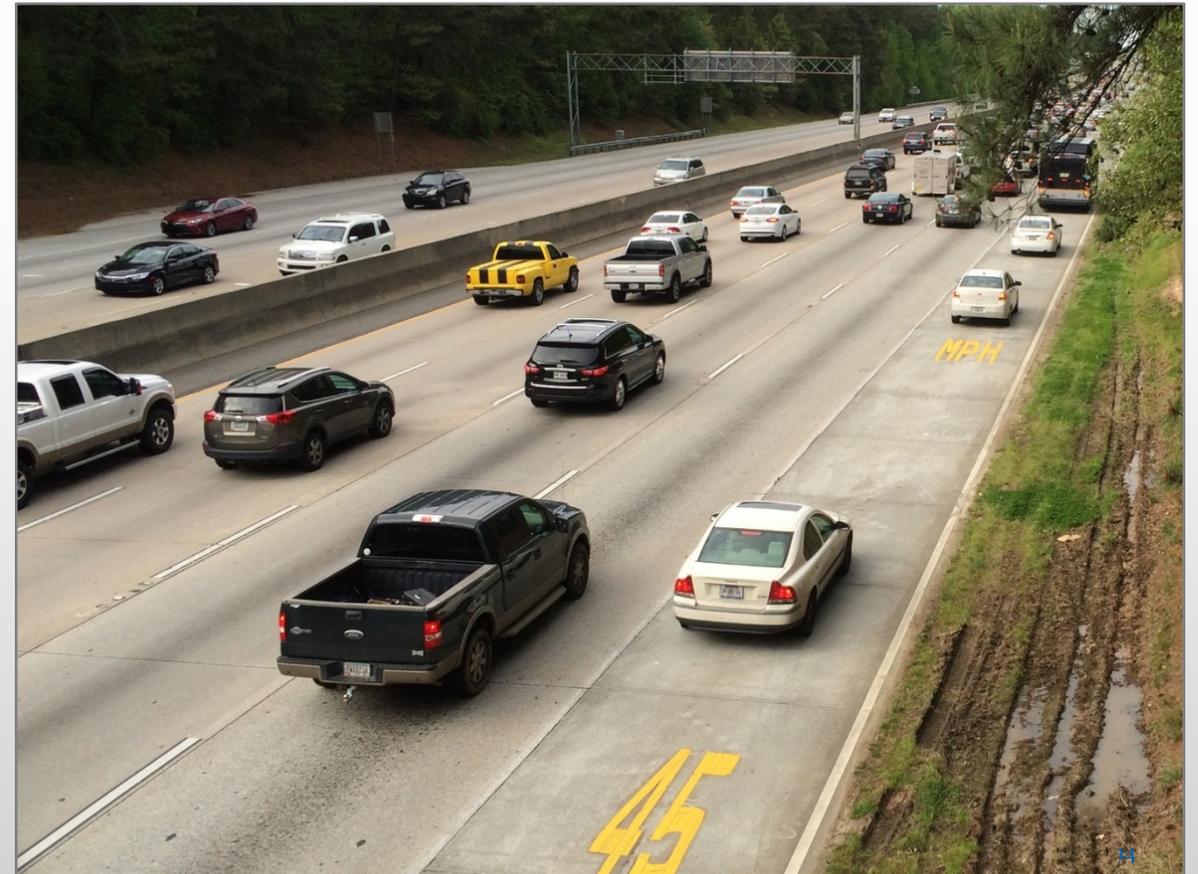
3% Neutral

Total with Web Survey:

79% Agree

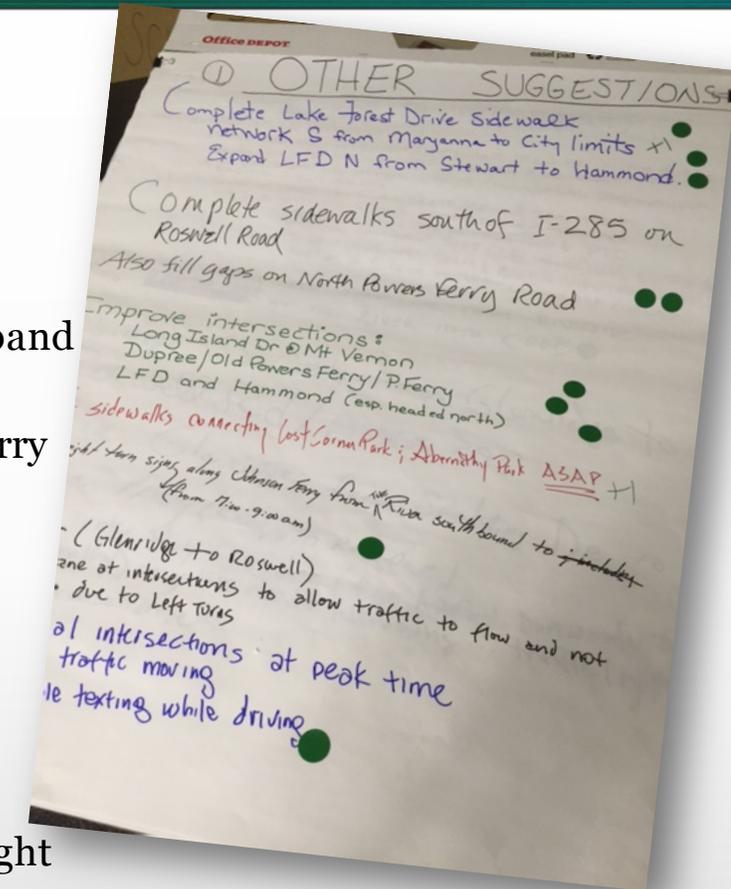
12% Disagree

8% Neutral



Public Suggestions:

- Sidewalks:
 - Complete Lake Forest Drive Sidewalk Network south from Maryann to City limits / Expand Lake Forrest from Stewart to Hammond
 - Complete sidewalks south of I-285 on Roswell Road / also fill gaps on North Powers Ferry Road
- Intersection Improvements:
 - Long Island Drive @ Mount Vernon
 - Dupree / Old Powers Ferry/ Powers Ferry
 - Lake Forest Drive and Hammond especially heading north
 - Hammond and Roswell Road (west to east) right lane (right turn only) center lane straight through
- Last Mile Connectivity:
 - Consider arrangement (easement, row or private/public assessment to “shortcut” through concourse of Palisades or other office/commercial property for easier public access. Some of these could alleviate / remove the need to take out existing green space/landscape.



Public Suggestions Continued

- Bike-Ped:
 - Glenridge Drive from Glenridge Conn to Roswell Road
 - Roswell Road South of 285
 - High Point or Northland to Windsor Parkway
 - Windsor Parkway to Roswell Road
 - Connect Roswell Road to the Beltline with bike paths so all east of Glenridge connector can get on it. This will mean a lot less all to traffic to Buckhead, Pill Hill and north Sandy Springs. It will also increase desirability and value of real estate east of the Glenridge Connector
 - Proper signal buttons for bikers
- Hammond Drive:
 - One way with Johnson Ferry in opposite direction
 - Reversible center lane
 - Use Barfield for Roswell Road North traffic to alleviate delays at light – this light is 100% the cause of traffic on Hammond westbound
 - Fix Hammond/ Boylston intersection (re-align)

Public Suggestions Continued

- Develop Sandy Springs Circle from Glenridge to Roswell Road / Access 285 (new bridge)
- Add 285 exit/entrance from Lake Forrest or Sandy Springs Circle and make Roswell Road a single direction interchange – follow design of Powers Ferry
- New Northside Perimeter Center Parkway corridor from Ashford Dunwoody to Abernathy congestion needs addressing traffic light synchronization ([PTOP Program](#))
- Connect Roswell Road to the Beltline with bike paths so all east of Glenridge connector can get on it. This will mean a lot less all to traffic to Buckhead, pill hill and north Sandy Springs. It will also increase desirability and value of real estate east of the Glenridge Connector ([Part of Path 400/Bike-Ped](#))
- Road Entrance/Exit Improvements along Roswell Road ([Operational Planning](#))

Public Suggestions: Web

- Do all we can to ensure that MARTA Heavy Rail Transit is extended to Windward Parkway
- Free bus lines that circulate in Sandy Springs during the work week
- Alleviate problems on Heard's Ferry Rd when the Braves Stadium opens
- Add a lane on Riverside Drive that changes direction (am/pm)
- Address Hammond Drive between Glenridge and Roswell Road including consideration of higher density as part of redevelopment

Project Name/ Title	Project Description	TSPLOST Budget
TIER ONE		
Traffic Efficiency Improvements	Provide for local intersection and traffic efficiency upgrades throughout the city	\$18,000,000
Perimeter Transit Last Mile Connectivity	Construct Perimeter Trails and acquire right-of-way for future high capacity transit linking the Perimeter CID and other alternative transportation options	\$8,000,000
Sidewalk Program	Continue filling sidewalk gaps throughout Sandy Springs	\$11,000,000
Johnson Ferry/Mt Vernon Efficiency Improvements	Construct dual roundabouts at Johnson Ferry Road and Mt. Vernon Hwy intersections, sidewalks, and will return streets to two-way traffic operations.	\$26,000,000
Mt. Vernon Multiuse Path	City Springs to Sandy Springs MARTA	\$11,000,000
Hammond Drive, Phase 1 Efficiency Improvements	Phase 1: Complete design for Hammond Drive to include 4 lanes with sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and transit lanes and acquire right-of-way.	\$16,000,000
	Tier 1 Sub-Total	\$90,000,000
	Fulton County/State Administration Fee 1.5%	\$1,500,000
TIER TWO		
SR 400 Trail System	Connect Path400 Trail from terminus at Loridans Drive to I-285/SR 400 interchange trail	\$5,000,000
Roberts Drive Multiuse Path	Roswell Road to Island Ford Park	\$5,000,000
TIER THREE		
Flexible Shoulder Lanes on I-285	Convert existing shoulders on I-285 to transit lanes for Express Bus and shuttle service use	\$1,000,000
Roadway Maintenance and Paving	Provide for paving and roadway maintenance throughout the city	\$13,500,000
	TOTAL ALL TIERS	\$116,000,000

City Next Steps

- Present public feedback to Council with Project List Recommendations - May 17
- Council adopt Project List and Intergovernmental Agreement - June 7
- Submit Project List to Fulton County - June 8
- Intergovernmental Agreement discussed and signed at formal meeting – July 1
- Resolution signed by County and forwarded to Election Superintendent – Aug 3
- Voter Information Education – Aug – Nov
- Vote by Citizens – Nov 8

Questions