Budgets Activate Plans...

The essence of any organization's progress are its planning documents. As required for all cities and counties within the State of Georgia, the City of Brookhaven developed a comprehensive plan to help guide land use decisions, transportation improvements, recreational facilities, etc.

The City's *Comprehensive Plan 2034* was originally adopted on November 18, 2014 and incorporates the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Comprehensive Transportation Plan, which were both previously adopted by the City Council on September 9, 2014.

Per Georgia state statute, the comprehensive plan must be periodically updated. For 2023, funding was budgeted within the Community Development Department for this major update. Additionally, per Georgia state statute, the City must provide an annual update to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs on progress toward *Comprehensive Plan 2034* goals identified in the Community Work Program (CWP). The workplan is available on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/commdev/page/comprehensive-plan-2034

The City's planning documents provide guidance to the City Administration to prioritize limited resources during the budget development process and then guide City departments' work efforts. The City of Brookhaven's major planning documents include:

- Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Comprehensive Transportation Plan
- Buford Highway Improvement Plan & Economic Development Strategy
- Comprehensive Plan 2034
- Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan
- Nancy Creek Watershed Improvement Plan
- Peachtree Creek Greenway Master Plan
- Ashford Dunwoody Corridor Study
- North Fork Peachtree Creek Improvement Plan
- North Druid Hills Corridor Study
- Arts & Culture Master Plan
- City Centre Master Plan

While each of these documents are available on the City website, the following pages provide summary information on the findings and recommendations as well as summary progress to date.

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes specific recommendations to make progress on these planning documents; however, the estimated funding requirements in totality for these master plans exceeds fiscal capacity. The City Administration will continue to seek non-City funding (i.e., grants and partnerships) for the implementation of these plans.



Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Approved: September 9, 2014

GOAL

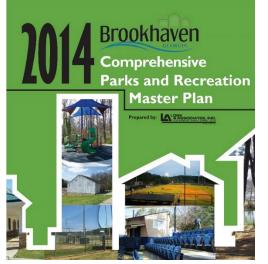
The purpose of the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan was to provide a full analysis of the parks and recreation system including operations and facilities upon incorporation of Brookhaven in December 2012.

STUDY RESULTS

- Staffing, operations, and budget
- Programming
- Facility assessment and recommendations
- Park and greenway development
- Funding

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Meet NRPA Guidelines
- Park and greenway needs and opportunities
- Traditional primary funding and grant methods



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Complete individual park master plan for each individual park in Brookhaven
- Acquire land in Planning Areas 2 & 3 and develop neighborhood parks, and find a large parcel near the Buford Highway Corridor to develop a new community park
- Do major renovations throughout the park system to improve safety, ADA compliance and create a unified appearance for park architecture, signage, and site furnishings
- Create more walking trails in existing parks
- Create a major east-west greenway corridor that will begin a regional trail system connecting with surrounding communities
- Create a major north-south greenway corridor connecting community parks and neighborhoods to the adopted regional greenway

2024 PROPROSED FUNDING

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes \$1,972,047 for operations and \$941,500 for asset preservation capital improvements. Additionally, during 2024 work will continue completing capital improvement projects within the \$40 million Park Bond approved by the voters in November 2018. Please see the Parks and Recreation Department budget narrative in this budget document for additional details.

PROGRESS TO DATE

Based on the 2024 budget, the Parks and Recreation Department will be staffed with 12 full-time staff (FTE) and 7 (FTE) part-time staff. The operating budget has increased from \$939,950 (\$17 per capita) in 2014 to \$1,972,047 in 2024 (\$36 per capita). Land surveys were completed for each park and are posted on the department's website. Park facilities were assessed for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Greenspace acquisition since the City's incorporation includes:

- 2248 Drew Valley Road (0.24 acres)
- 1611 Johnson Ferry Road (5.15 acres)
- 1621 Johnson Ferry Road (9.04 acres)
- 1739 Tobey Road (4.81 acres)
- Ashford Forest Preserve (31 acres)
- Langford Park (0.84 Acres)
- LaVista Park (3.5 Acres) Due to Annexation
- 1664 Remington Road (1.75 acres)
- 1206 Gail Drive (1.16 acres)
- 1621 North Druid Hills Road (2.54 acres)
- Peachtree Creek Greenway acquisitions totaling 25.00 acres.
- Brookhaven Park (11.65)

Park maintenance standards were established and are posted on the department's website. The parks are maintained in a joint effort with the City's Facilities Services Department. Master plans for each park were developed with extensive public input.

The Parks and Recreation Department's Asset Preservation Program is a systematic approach to ensure performance accountability by maintaining facilities to their design capacity. The Parks and Recreation Department's Asset Preservation projects in 2024 include installing fire sprinkler systems at Lynwood and Briarwood recreations centers, Briarwood Recreation Center sound system, playground sunshades at Lynwood Park, and a facility assessment of the Blackburn Tennis Center.

The Murphey Candler II Trail Project was included in the City's Master Plan documents that were approved by the City Council in February 2016. The trail will connect Murphey Candler Park to the City owned green space located on the south side of Nancy Creek. Murphey Candler Park II trail project is currently in the bidding process and soon to be followed by construction.

City Council developed a \$40 million Park Bond referendum for capital improvements that was approved by the voters in November 2018. Progress to date includes:

• Year four of the invasive plant removal project within the Park Bond was completed in the spring of 2023.

• The Lynwood Park Splash Pad, Swimming Pool and Turf Field opened in June 2023



Lynwood – Pool Improvements



Lynwood Park Turf Field

- System Wide Security improvements include installation of eight new security camera at Ashford Forest Preserve parking lot. New cameras will be installed at Langford Park, Skyland Park, Murphey Candler Park, and Blackburn Park.
- The ADA accessible playground at Blackburn Park opened in June 2023.
- Brookhaven Park Project began construction in July, 2023 anticipated to be completed in the first half of 2024.
- Briarwood Park Improvement Project began in October, 2023 and will be completed in the first half of 2024.
- The Community Green project at Murphey Candler Park was completed and opened to the public in September 2022.



Murphey Candler - Community Green

• The Murphey Candler Park Horseshoe Road project was completed and open to the public for use in July 2022.



Murphey Candler - Horseshoe Road Paving and Parking Improvements

• The Murphey Candler Park Pool parking lot project was completed in March of 2022.





Murphey Candler – Pool Parking Lot Improvements

- System Wide Security improvements include installation of a new security camera at Ashford Forest Preserve parking lot. New cameras installed at Georgian Hills, Skyland, and Ashford Park in 2023.
- The North Board Walk Trail Project was started in August of 2021 and was opened in the 3rd quarter of 2022.



Murphey Candler Park - North Boardwalk Trail

• Construction on the Lakehouse at Murphey Candler Park is slated to begin in early 2024



• The construction of a new community park-- Langford Park in May 2023.

Activities of the Parks and Recreation Department are summarized in the monthly operations report submitted to the City Council and available on the City website at: <u>https://www.brookhavenga.gov/citymanager/page/monthly-departmental-reports</u>

Park Bond capital improvement projects and status can be found on the City website at: <u>https://www.brookhavenga.gov/parks-bond-ref</u>

The Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan can be found on the City website at: <u>http://www.brookhavenga.gov/city-departments/parks-recreation/park-plans</u>

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Comprehensive Transportation Plan

Approved: September 9, 2014 Updated: October 13, 2020

GOAL

The purpose of the Comprehensive Transportation Plan is to establish a long-term vision of the City's multimodal transportation system consistent with the overall vision as expressed in the Comprehensive Plan.

STUDY RESULTS

- Analysis of the current and future system
- Identification of transportation improvements
- Transportation Policy Framework
- Phased approach for plan implementation

DESIRED OUTCOMES

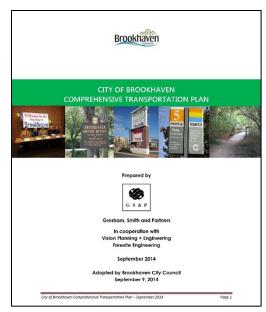
- Meet requirements of Georgia Planning Act
- Establish community goals to guide the improvements to the transportation system
- Identify needed improvement projects
- Coordinate with the Comprehensive Plan, Park Master Plan, and Buford Highway Redevelopment Plan

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish a transportation vision with six major elements, including Safety, Economic Prosperity, Public Health, Sustainability, Mobility and Access, and State of Good Repair
- A balanced, multimodal transportation system for all residents of Brookhaven
- List Corridor Scoping and Concept Projects for Priority Corridors and Community Connectors
- List of Intersection Improvement Projects
- Development of a master plan for Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trail Improvements
- Study to examine the feasibility for a community bus circulator linking MARTA stations
- List of Transportation Operations and Management Projects

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

Several connectivity projects were initiated in 2023 via the Special Service District (SSD) and will continue into 2024. Also during 2024, design and engineering work will continue on the I-85 Vehicular Bridge and I-85 Pedestrian Bridge. Bridge inspection and preventative maintenance is funded through other sources.



PROGRESS TO DATE

Public Works Department completed the 2020 Comprehensive Transportation Plan update in October 2020.

PART I - Studies:

The City has completed two Corridor Studies:Ashford Dunwoody Road Corridor Study (2014-C-1)Adopted by Council in April 2016North Druid Hills Corridor StudyAdopted by Council in April 2019

Additional Studies include: Dresden Drive Intersection Improvement Study (2020-I-1) Adopted by Council July 26, 2022

PART II - Intersection improvement projects:

Ashford Dunwoody Road/Windsor Parkway (2014-I-8): Engineering Design started, Summer 2020, Currently in progress Ashford Dunwoody Road/Peachtree Road (2014-I-1): Completed Summer 2023 Buford Highway/Briarwood Road (2014-I-4): Completed Summer 2023 Ashford Dunwoody Road/Johnson Ferry Road (2014-I-7): Construction completed Summer 2020 Windsor Pkwy/Osborne Rd. Intersection Improvement: Roundabout construction completed December 2021

PART III – Transportation Projects

North Fork Peachtree Creek Trail (2014-AT-2) "Peachtree Creek Greenway": Phase I (Briarwood Road to N. Druid Hills Road): Opened for Public use in Fall 2019 Phase II (N. Druid Hills Road to Atlanta line): Design started in Summer 2020 Phase III (Chamblee line to Briarwood Road): Design Consultant selection, Fall 2023 Peachtree Road, N. Druid Hills Road to Ashford Dunwoody Road (2014-AT-5): One of the ARC funded TIP Projects, Project removed by Council on 07/28/2020 Nancy Creek Trail (2014-AT-8): Design underway

PART IV – Public Transit Projects

Neighborhood Bus Circular Study (2014-PT-1): Transit planning efforts underway include the I-285 Top End Express Lanes Project and a potential bus rapid transit (BRT) route on Buford Highway from the Lindbergh MARTA station to the Doraville MARTA station.

PART V – Transportation Operations and Management Projects

Ashford Dunwoody-Dresden ATMS (2014-OP-1): Installation of new fiber optics cables connecting the signals along Ashford Dunwoody and Dresden Drive. Completed 2022.

Ashford Dunwoody Rd – North entrance drive to W. Nancy Creek Dr (2014-OP-3): Pedestrian crossing and signal improvements at Montgomery Elementary School entrance. Completed

PART VI – Special Projects and Programs

Development of a Multi-modal Plan – This plan will be an update to the current Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trail Plan and will include a focus on multi-modal options. To be complete in 2023.

State of Good Repair Program (2014-SP-5): On-going. Five-Year (2017-2021) Pavement Management Program was adopted by Council in February 2017. Pavement analysis updated Summer 2020 and Spring 2023.

Development of Active Transportation Master Plan addressing Bicycle, Pedestrian & Trail System (2014-SP-2): Adopted by Council on April 12, 2016.

Buford Highway Concept Study (2014-SP-3): Adopted by City Council October 14, 2014 Traffic Calming Program (2014-SP-4): Adopted by City Council on August 22, 2017

Additional Categories from the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update:

Bridge Projects

Vehicular bridge over I-85 into Executive Park (2020-B-1): Conceptual layout and preliminary construction cost estimate prepared 2021. The engineering design vendor selection in late 2023 and engineering design to begin 2024.

Pedestrian flyover bridge over I-85 into Executive Park (2020-B-2): Conceptual layout and preliminary construction cost prepared 2021. Contract award to Micheal Baker International was October 24, 2023.

Bridge Preventative Maintenance (2020-B-4): Bi-annual inspection of bridges in Brookhaven in July 2022 resulting in the closure of the existing bridge on W. Nancy Creek Drive at Nancy Creek Tributary. New bridge constructed Summer 2023. Bridge maintenance of other bridges in City to be performed 4th Quarter 2023 / 1st Quarter 2024.

Pedestrian Flyover Bridge over N. Druid Hills Rd. (2020-B-3): Concept for bridge prepared December 2020.

The Comprehensive Transportation Plan report can be found on the City website at:

http://brookhavenga.gov/city-government/boards-commissions/steering-committees

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Buford Highway Improvement Plan and Economic Development Strategy

Approved: October 14, 2014 Updated: February 9, 2021

GOAL

The Buford Highway Improvement Plan and Economic Development Strategy's goal is to provide an attractive, safe, and trafficable environment, with an emphasis on pedestrian accessibility and an action plan to stimulate the area to its full potential and long-range sustainability.

STUDY RESULTS

- Buford Highway's natural resources are compromised by surrounding economically obsolete development
- Highly sought-after view corridors are muted by the lack of vegetation to buffer views into strip centers
- Need to upgrade pedestrian and transit amenities
- Many undeveloped / underdeveloped commercial parcels

DESIRED OUTCOMES

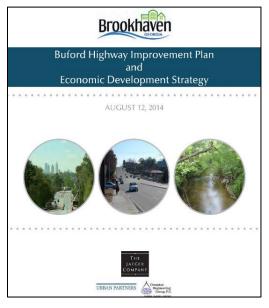
- Leverage Peachtree Creek and Skyland Trail for multi-use trails
- Established gateways, improved transit amenities, and retain international character
- Redevelopment with more open space, multi-modal transportation, and affordable housing

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Buford Highway improvements segmented into five zones
- 5-year Community Work Program (CWP) 2015-2019
- Long-range projects for redevelopment, transportation, and open space

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS: 2021 ADOPTED UPDATE

- Encourage redevelopment of older commercial properties in favor of mixed use, to support live-work-shop environments and concentrate high density near transit locations.
- Support safe and attractive pedestrian spaces to increase pedestrian activity.
- Encourage parcel consolidation to support adopted redevelopment.
- Complete adopted pedestrian improvements including sidewalk links and Peachtree Creek Greenway.



- Create public spaces throughout the corridor encourage redevelopment efforts to include greenspace and public plazas that connect to new pedestrian and bicycle amenities.
- Protect the environment, leverage natural resources and unused/underused property to create valuable spaces and experiences.
- Commission public art throughout the corridor including, but not limited to, murals and sculptures that would serve to connect the various gateways.

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes continuation funding of the state route beautification program approved in 2022 as part of the Special Service District (SSD). The Adopted Budget also includes funding for the annual International Festival held in the Buford Highway Corridor. Additionally, design and engineering work continues for the SSD projects associated with Buford Highway streetscape improvements from Afton Lane to the City of Chamblee limits and corridor improvements on North Druid Hills Road from Buford Highway to Gail Drive as well as bridge concepts for a vehicular bridge and a pedestrian bridge across I-85.

PROGRESS TO DATE

During 2023, the Buford Highway Activity Nodes Master Plan (Nodal Plan) was completed in collaboration with HKS. The Nodal Plan is expected to give prospective developers, as well as current property owners, visioning possibilities for the Plan area in the hope that it will be a further catalyst for development. A community forum is planned for Q4 to gain feedback on the Nodal plan.

The 2023 Adopted Budget included \$200,000 for an international festival called for in the Brookhaven Arts and Culture Master Plan. The inaugural International Festival was held October 21st and 22nd.

Progress continued on the Briarwood Road multi-use path that will ultimately connect the Brookhaven MARTA station to the Peachtree Creek Greenway.

During 2022 the City attracted its first public art exhibit with the Wings of the City exhibit by world renowned Mexican artist Jorge Marin. The exhibit includes the outdoor installation of nine large scale bronze sculptures across the City. More information about the exhibit can be found on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/arts/page/%E2%80%9Cwings-city%E2%80%9D-exhibition-world-renowned-mexican-artist-lands-brookhaven

In 2022, the Georgia Department of Transportation approved the design for PCG - Phase II and the right-of-way acquisition plan is being developed.

In Q1 of 2021, the 5-year Comprehensive Plan updates were finalized and formally voted on and adopted by City Council. The City Council established an Arts and Culture Commission to advance the Arts and Culture Master Plan adopted in 2020, and to further advance the City's arts and

cultural offerings; especially in the Buford Highway corridor. The City Council established a dedicated funding mechanism for public arts and culture efforts. Councilman Joe Gebbia, along with the Planning Commission, requested recommendations to protect and retain small businesses that cater to the residents along Buford Highway, as well as development policies to attract new and preserve existing affordable housing units throughout the corridor. A presentation on best practices was provided at the Planning Commission Retreat in late 2021.

2021 also saw a further emphasis placed on advancing connectivity efforts throughout the Buford Highway corridor. The North Druid Hills Pedestrian Bridge conceptual design was completed and approved by City Council in Q1, design conceptual and construction estimates began for the I-85 pedestrian bridge, and a funding structure strategy is underway for the completion of the adopted pedestrian and vehicular bridges in the City's Southern gateway. Additionally, the Briarwood Road multi-use path was commissioned for design, Phase II of the Peachtree Creek Greenway's Preliminary Plan design process was activated, and the RFQ for Phase III was advertised and a review team selected. Lastly, a contractor was selected for the Northeast Expressway frontage road multi-use path and construction is slated to begin in Q4 of 2021.

The 2020 Adopted Budget included funding within the Economic Development Department to update the Buford Highway Improvement Plan and Economic Development Strategy document to account for the significant redevelopment announcements of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Emory University impacting the City's southern gateway, the Buford Highway Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) study, the City-wide zoning rewrite that included a Buford Highway overlay district, and development of the Peachtree Creek Greenway plan.

In 2020, Economic Development began working with WLA Studio, formerly the Jaeger Group, to complete the 5-year Buford Highway Economic Development and Strategic Plan update. The updates include an amended list of strategic parcels throughout the corridor, affordable housing recommendations, and new safety improvements, to name a few.

The Peachtree Creek Greenway Master Plan was approved by the City Council in the fall of 2016. By the end of 2019, the Peachtree Creek Greenway (PCG) segment from North Druid Hills Road to Briarwood Road was completed. In 2020, the funding program for planning and engineering for Phase II from North Druid Hills Road to the City of Atlanta border, was awarded. Implementation of the PCG has spurned redevelopment interest in the Buford Highway corridor.

In April 2019, the City Council approved the North Druid Hills Road corridor study to improve transportation efficiency and safety on North Druid Hills Road from Buford Highway to Peachtree Road. This includes intersection improvement recommendations for the major intersection of Buford Highway and North Druid Hills Road.

In early 2019, a transit consulting firm was engaged to study the feasibility of a BRT route on Buford Highway from the Lindbergh MARTA station within the City of Atlanta to the Doraville MARTA station. This study will be completed in early 2020. A Buford Highway BRT route was included in the approved DeKalb County transit Plan.

In November 2018, the City-wide zoning rewrite was completed and included an overlay district for Buford Highway. This updated zoning will assist in guiding redevelopment of Buford Highway. Information on the Buford Highway overlay can be found on the City website at:

https://library.municode.com/ga/brookhaven/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR_C H27ZO_ARTVOVDI_DIV2BHBUHIOV

In 2017, the City Council empaneled an Affordable Housing Task Force to explore policy options to protect and encourage affordable housing across the City. Results of this effort were included in the City-wide zoning rewrite. Specifically, Brookhaven is the only city in the Atlanta metropolitan area with required inclusionary zoning for affordable housing within multi-family redevelopment projects.

The Buford Highway Improvement Plan and Economic Development Strategy can be found on the City website at:

http://www.brookhavenga.gov/city-government/boards-commissions/steeringcommitees/buford-hwy

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Comprehensive Plan 2034

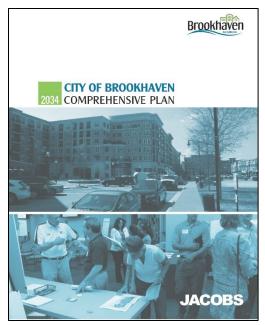
Approved: November 18, 2014 Updated: September 24, 2019

GOAL

The Comprehensive Plan establishes a City vision for long- and short-term goals to guide growth and investment. The completion of the Plan is a requirement of the State, and by its adoption, the City has been designated as a Qualified Local Government, eligible to seek specific Federal and State programs and grants. The City is required to provide an update to the Comprehensive Plan every 5 years.

STUDY RESULTS

- Identification of priority needs for the City's future
- Community Work Program (identifies specific actions the City should pursue within a 5-year timeframe)



• Establishment of Character Areas

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Alignment of Zoning and Development regulations with the Comprehensive Plan
- To better manage growth and density increase
- To preserve and make available safe and affordable housing in the community

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5-year Community Work Program
- Specific projects related to Land Use; Community Facilities and Resources; Economic Development; and Population and Housing.

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes \$100,000 for the Special Area Plans.

PROGRESS TO DATE

During 2023, the following Comprehensive Plan milestones were completed:

- Kicked-off the 10-year update to the Comprehensive Plan 2034 including review and update to the City's Mission and Vision statements in alignment with the recommendations of the Social Justice, Race, and Equity Commission (SJREC)
- Completion of 10-year history project

- Continue historic and archeological resource survey (including cemeteries) and develop historic guidelines for identified resources, as needed
- Installed historic Lynwood monument on at the intersection of Osborne Road and Windsor Parkway
- Continue workforce housing and business requirements and incentives
- Continue Code Enforcement efforts
- Continue to expand Arts and Cultural efforts throughout the City
- Continue the tree rescue program and develop a tree nursery to preserve the tree canopy: First 170 seedling planted spring 2023 and 80 more planted fall 2023
- Provide educational opportunities for tree canopy preservation
- Continue the front yard tree program
- Creating uniform streetscape furniture throughout the City
- Adoption of public art ordinance based on the plan adopted by City Council as a result of the work completed by the Arts Advisory Committee for adoption in 2021
- Completion of the Buford Highway Node Study

Community Work Program initiatives for 2024 include:

- Completion of the 10-year update to the Comprehensive Plan 2034 including review and update to the City's Mission and Vision statements in alignment with the recommendations of the Social Justice, Race, and Equity Commission (SJREC)
- Revisit workforce housing and business requirements and incentives
- Continue Code Enforcement efforts
- Continue to expand Arts and Cultural efforts throughout the City
- Continue the tree rescue program and develop a tree nursery to preserve the tree canopy
- Provide educational opportunities for tree canopy preservation
- Continue the front yard tree program

The Comprehensive Plan 2034 and the annual updates are available on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/commdev/page/comprehensive-plan-2034

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Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan

Approved: April 12, 2016

GOAL

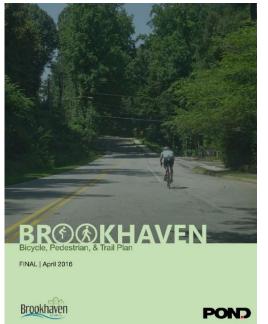
The goal of the Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan is a vision that will establish a thorough network of trails, lanes and paths for transportation and recreation.

STUDY RESULTS

- Lack of provisions for both bicyclists and pedestrians
- Current City policy does not take an active role in promoting bicycle and pedestrian travel
- A comprehensive map with target recommendations

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Address "fragmented" sidewalk system
- Significantly increase bicycle-friendly routes reflecting strong community desire active transport options



- Support incidental active transportation considering neighboring plans and public transportation access
- Connect network with MARTA transit options and the Atlanta Beltline

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 39 Short-term Projects
- 36 Mid-term Projects
- 41 Long-term Projects

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

Funding for an updated Bicycle, Pedestrian & Trail plan, which is to include a multi-modal element, in the amount of \$180,000 was budgeted in 2022. This funding will provide for the engagement of an outside firm that specializes in multi-modal analysis and planning. The multi-modal plan is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2023.

Based on the results of the 2019 citywide sidewalk assessment, \$50,000 is provided annually in the CIP for sidewalk capital maintenance and ADA compliance. (This is in addition to the Public Works Department annual operating budget for sidewalk repair.)

Additional funding in the Capital Improvement Plan is adopted for a sidewalk / multi-use path infill project on Briarwood Road from North Druid Hills Road to Buford Highway consistent with

project 109-LT in the Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan. Funding will be based on actual design, right-of-way acquisition and construction costs. Periodic appropriations, as needed, will occur from the Sidewalk Fund as this progress progresses.

PROGRESS TO DATE

MT-105:	N. Druid Hills Road (Lenox Park Blvd. to Ashton Town Homes) – completed in 2016
MT-130:	Donaldson Drive (Bubbling Creek to Runny Mead Way) – completed in 2016
ST-126:	Old Johnson Ferry Road (Existing to Brooklawn Road) – completed in 2017
ST-155:	Coosawattee Drive (2390 Coosawattee to 2416 Coosawattee) – completed in 2017
ST-159:	Thompson Road (Dresden Drive to Grant Drive) – completed in 2017
MT-114:	Dresden Drive (Camille Drive to N. Thompson Road) – completed in 2017
MT-152:	Ellijay Drive (2472 Ellijay to 2478 Ellijay) – completed in 2017
MT-189:	Woodrow Way (Lanier Drive to Oglethorpe Entrance) – completed in 2017
	Woodrow Way (Breton Circle to Inman Drive) – completed in 2017
LT-120:	Hermance Drive (Croswycke Forest Drive to Path) – completed in 2017
ST-116:	Caldwell Road (Sunland Drive to E. Osborne Drive) – completed in 2018
ST-118:	Lanier Drive (Peachtree Road to Woodrow Way) – completed in 2018
	Lanier Drive (Woodrow Way to Windsor Parkway) – completed in 2018
	Lanier Drive (Windsor Parkway to Hearst Drive) – completed in 2018
ST-126:	Old Johnson Ferry Rd. (Brooklawn Rd. to W. Nancy Creek Dr.) – completed in 2018
ST-127:	Ashford Dunwoody Road (Brookhaven Hill to Kadelston) – completed in 2018
ST-171:	Skyland Drive (S. Bamby Road to Tryon Road) – completed in 2018
ST-184:	Cartecay Drive (Sylvan Circle to Ellijay Drive) – completed in 2018
MT-105:	N. Druid Hills Road (Arrington Place to Colonial Drive) – completed in 2018
MT-164:	Tullie Road/Tullie Circle – Road abandoned to CHOA in 2018
MT-189	Woodrow Way (Windsor Parkway to Inman Drive) – completed in 2018
LT-116:	Caldwell Road (E. Osborne Road to Cheshire Way) – completed in 2018
LT-138:	Drew Valley Road (Birch Circle to E. Drew Valley Road) – completed in 2018
ST-109:	Briarwood Road (1599 Briarwood to existing) – Design completed in 2019
MT-106:	Curtis Drive (Buford Highway to existing) – completed in September 2019
MT-152:	PC Greenway (Briarwood Rd. to N. Druid Hills Rd.) – completed in October 2019
	Cortez Lane (1447 Cortez Lane to Drew Valley Road) – Completed in October 2019
	Redding Road (2957 Redding Road to Caldwell Road) – Completed in October 2019
	E. Drew Valley Road (Drew Valley Rd to Drew Valley Rd) – Completed in July 2019
MT-156:	Cheshire Way (Caldwell Road to Green Meadow) – completed in August 2019
ST-110:	Briarwood Road (Buford Hwy to PCG) MUP – Completed in July 2020
LT-109:	Briarwood Road (N. Druid Hills to Buford Hwy) Construction of infill sections where
	no additional right-of-way was required - completed in 2021
	Infill sections requiring additional right-of-way - Design complete in 2022.
	Right-of-way Acquisition in progress – 2023

LT-163	Construction to commence 4 th quarter of 2023 / 1 st quarter 2024. Frontage Road(Druid Hill Reserve Dr. to Corporate Blvd.) – Completed September 2022

LT-109: Briarwood Road (Buford Highway to 1599 Briarwood) – Completed in August 2023

Council adopted changes to the sidewalk policy for new developments on April 24, 2018. The policy requires any new development to install sidewalks or multiuse paths consistent with the Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan. Modifications to the plan may be done by Council members during the fourth quarter of each year. A listing of required sidewalks and multiuse paths can be found on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/publicworks/page/sidewalk-program

The City hired Lowe Engineers to perform sidewalk inspection and Evaluation in 2019. Sidewalk evaluation was completed, and the Report identified sidewalks sections that would have to be repaired, ADA ramps that have to be re-built to meet the ADA Standards and the missing ADA Ramps at the Sidewalk termini. Public Works Department solicited bids from construction firms and awarded the first contracts to complete the repair work and bring the sidewalks and ramps to ADA standards to an amount of \$50,000. A separate contract was awarded for the same improvements for the newly annexed LaVista Park area. In addition, Public Works Department will complete additional repair work for \$50,000 in every year following 2021.

Peachtree Creek Greenway Phase I (Briarwood Road to North Druid Hills Road): This segment of the PCG is completed and opened for public use in Fall 2019. Three additional pocket parks are scheduled to complete construction in the Fall of 2022.

Peachtree Creek Greenway Phase II (North Druid Hills Road to the Atlanta City Limits): This portion of Peachtree Creek Greenway is a federally funded project and the City is required to follow the GDOT Plan Development Process. The City consultant Heath & Lineback is currently in the Preliminary Design Phase. Phase II P&E funding (\$600,000) was approved and the contract awarded with work initiated in August 2020. R/W acquisition is schedule to begin 4th Quarter 2023.

Peachtree Creek Greenway Phase III (Briarwood Road to the Chamblee City Limits): The City received federal funding for this portion of the Peachtree Creek Greenway. The City will engage a firm for design and engineering in the Fall of 2023.

In 2022 a Special Service District was created to allow for funding of Capital Projects within the City. Improvements include the following Pedestrian and MUP Projects :

- LT-112 Apple Valley Road (Extension from existing MUP between Oaklawn and Parkside to E. Osborne) MUP moved to south, east side. Project Design 2023. Construction anticipated 2024
- MT-112 Dresden Drive (Sidewalk on north side of Dresden between Parkside Drive to Clairmont Drive) Project design stated in 2023. Construction schedule not established.
- LT-117 Caldwell Road (Includes realignment of Caldwell Rd and Redding Rd intersection) MUP along north side of Caldwell between Redding Rd and Cravenridge Drive) Project Design in 2023. Construction anticipated in 2024.
- MT-127 Ashford Dunwoody Road (continuation of MUP between W. Nancy Creek Drive and I-285) Project Design in 2023. Construction anticipated in 2024.
- MT-146 Ashford Dunwoody Road (continuation of MUP between Peachtree Road and Johnson Ferry Road along east side) Project design in 2023. Anticipated construction in 2024.
- MT-151 North Druid Hills Road (MUP between Buford Highway and Gail Drive) Project design in 2023. Construction dated undetermined.

The current Bicycle, Pedestrian, & Trail Plan can be found on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/publicworks/page/bicycle-pedestrian-and-trail-plan

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Nancy Creek Watershed Improvement Plan

Approved: August 23, 2016

GOAL

The Nancy Creek Watershed Improvement Plan was commissioned by City of Brookhaven leaders in 2015 to evaluate watershed conditions in Nancy Creek on a regional scale with a special focus on evaluating the health of Murphey Candler Lake, as it is the focal point of the City-owned Murphey Candler Park.

STUDY RESULTS

- Threatened shoreline
- Few stormwater controls
- Elevated contamination levels
- Built-out watershed

DESIRED OUTCOMES

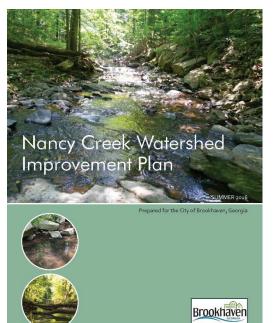
- Restore stream buffers to prevent the loss of soil/ stream buffer
- Improve streams to "sub-optimal" habitat condition or better
- Meet state water quality standards
- Support projects that promote wildlife diversity and aesthetics

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10-year implementation plan
- 16 stream enhancement projects
- 21 best management practice projects
- 6 projects specific to Murphey Candler Lake
- 28 retrofit study areas
- 7 programs (5 existing, 2 new)

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

No additional funding is adopted for 2024. The Public Works Department will continue implementation of the grant-funded streambank stabilization and habitat enhancement project from I-285 to Murphey Candler Lake and complete the lake's primary spillway / low water drain rehabilitation (30" drainpipe near the center of the dam). Recommendations to rehabilitate the emergency overflow spillway (now used as the principal spillway) were completed in 2022 and will be implemented in 2024.



PROGRESS TO DATE Biochar

The University of Georgia teamed with Public Works to evaluate water quality improvements and native habitat through the use of a locally produced biochar. Biochar, similar to the charcoal found in fish tank and air purification filters, is being evaluated as a soil additive and for erosion control best management practice (BMP) applications. UGA scientists collected wet and dry weather baseline water quality samples, evaluated the chemical characteristics of the existing biochar source, completed *in situ* evaluations for biochar as a soil amendment, and other baseline activities in preparation for deployment of the biochar filter bags in late 2023 and 2034. Once complete the UGA researchers will evaluate the effectiveness of biochar used in the natural environment.

Construction of the North Fork Nancy Creek Stream Restoration Project: I-285 to Murphey Candler Lake (UFNC), funded by the 2018 319(h) Water Quality Cost Share Grant, went to construction in the fall of 2023. While the primary construction materials for the lower stream restoration project were rock and boulders, woody materials consisting of tree root balls and tree boughs will be the primary construction materials on the upper project. When complete, focused stakeholder educational tours will highlight different stream restoration approaches to enhance water quality, create habitat, and control bank erosion.

Murphey Candler Lake Ecology Study

The City partnered with the Department of Natural Resources and Oglethorpe University to allow analysis of Murphey Candler Lake on how to sample fish to better understand the health of aquatic ecosystems and introduce students to careers in the field of ecology. For the lake, the class identified largemouth bass, crappy, and blue gill. For the stream, the class found snail bullhead catfish, yellow bullhead catfish, white sucker, hognose sucker, stoneroller, blackbanded darter, mosquito fish, red breast sunfish, green sunfish, and two-lined salamander.

Reporting on Bandalong Litter Trap System

As part of the continued the Oglethorpe University Sustainability Intern program, the 2023 intern completed a presentation to City Council on the Bandalong Litter Trap System in September.

NC7-002: Stream restoration of North Fork Nancy Creek from Dam to Nancy Creek

The project was completed in December 2021. The City of Brookhaven successfully applied and received a 319(h) Grant (2017) from the Georgia Environmental Protection Department (GA EPD) for streambank restoration of the North Folk Nancy Creek from south of the dam to Nancy Creek.

NC4-010: Stream restoration of North Fork Nancy Creek from I-285 to Murphey Candler Lake

The City of Brookhaven successfully applied and received a 319(h) Grant (2018) from GA EPD to restore the streambank north of Murphey Candler Lake to I-285. City received the Notice to Proceed from GA EPD in August 2019. The design was completed in late 2020, with regulatory mandated updates in 2021-2023. The final Corps of Engineers permit was awarded in 2022. Public Works received City LDP permit approval in fall 2023, followed by bidding and construction commenced the Winter of 2023/2024.

NC4-001, NC4-002, NC4-003 & NC4-004: Installation of Trash Rack

Based on the field assessment by one of the City's Consultants, Public Works staff implemented recommendations to combine the four trash rack locations identified in the WIP, NC4-001, NC4-002, NC4-003 & NC4-004, into a single trash rack just upstream of the mouth of N Fork Nancy Creek in Murphey Candler Lake. This decision was based on the channel cross sections, flow rate and accessibility for maintenance. Installation of the Trash Rack was completed in July 2020.



NC-005: Shoreline restoration

A portion of shoreline on the eastside of the lake near the parking lot was completed in 2016. Additional 300 liner feet of shoreline restoration was completed in April 2020.



NC4-16: Dredging of Murphey Candler Lake (completed in March 2020)



The Nancy Creek Watershed Improvement Plan can be found on the City website at: <u>http://www.brookhavenga.gov/city-departments/public-works/nancy-creek-watershed-improvement-plan</u>

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Peachtree Creek Greenway

GOAL

The Peachtree Creek Greenway (PCG) is a 2.7 mile multi-use transportation project enhanced by trailheads and linear parks along the north fork of Peachtree Creek consisting of interwoven bicycle and pedestrian trails.

The PCG mission is to provide both residents and visitors with alternative means of

Approved: August 23, 2016



transportation that promote enhanced quality of life, responsible land conservation, improved environmental quality, connectivity with the broader regional trail system, and sustainable economic growth.

The PCG will also serve as a community gathering area with easy access to centers of employment, residential and commercial development.

STUDY RESULTS

The Peachtree Creek Greenway Master Plan includes a robust existing conditions analysis that identifies the multiple economic, environmental, and social benefits the project can enable. The primary work product is the adopted Peachtree Greenway Master Plan with designs that address typical trail cross sections by segment, recommended locations for trail heads, and the preferred route. The study concludes with an implementation strategy that groups the project into three phases and identifies several potential funding sources for consideration.

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Provide local and regional transportation alternatives and connectivity
- Enhance the natural environment
- Foster social, cultural and recreational interaction
- Preserve the international character of the Buford Highway Corridor
- Position Buford Highway for economic development

RECOMMENDATIONS

Construction of the PCG over three phases from the City of Atlanta corporate limits northeast toward the City of Chamblee corporate limits (Clairmont Road).

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

No additional funding is requested for 2024. Funding for right-of-way and/or easement acquisition, as well as utility relocation is in place for Phase II (Atlanta city line to North Druid Hills Rd) and will continue through this year. Phase III (Briarwood Rd to Chamblee city line) should complete preliminary engineering in 2024, with the final construction estimate to follow. Additional local and / or grant funding for Phase II or Phase III during the 2023 fiscal year will be updated accordingly based on guidance and approval from GDOT.

PROGRESS TO DATE

Phase I (North Druid Hills Rd to Briarwood Rd) is complete and operational, including phase IB completed in 2023 adding user amenities including slides and a picnic area. Community Development Block Grant funding (\$166,000) has been allocated for design and installation of a water line for maintenance and water fountain installation in 2024. The City has also plans construction of an athletic field in late 2023/early 2024, just below the Briarwood Road trailhead. Phase II entered right-of-way acquisition with \$4,559,544 in Grant funding awarded in 2023 and anticipates completion in 2024. Total federal awards for Phase II now total \$8,491,088. In 2023, Brookhaven was awarded an additional \$800,000 in Grant funding toward preliminary engineering (PE,) and \$2,120,000 for right-of-way acquisition for Phase III bringing the total awards for that phase to \$3,400,000.



The Peachtree Creek Greenway Master Plan including Updates on the PCG implementation can be found on the project webpage at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/parksrec/page/peachtree-creek-greenway

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Ashford Dunwoody Corridor Study

Adopted on: April 25, 2017

GOAL

The Ashford Dunwoody Corridor Study was commissioned by City of Brookhaven leaders to address traffic congestion and make operational improvements. The City's comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) recommended that a visioning process be undertaken to improve traffic operation and multimodal connectivity for several corridors including Ashford Dunwoody Road.

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

- Serve the need of all users
- Ensure harmony with existing developments and future growth along the corridor
- Minimize negative impacts to property owners and neighborhoods along the corridor
- Be cost effective and implementable
- Have broad community support from residents, stakeholders, and other partners

STUDY RESULTS

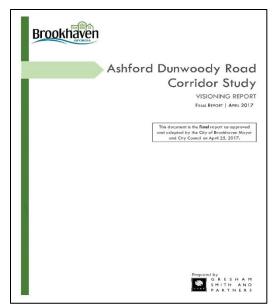
- Unsafe intersections (63% of the crashes)
- Lack of pedestrian facilities

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Address safety concerns
- Make the area more walkable
- Improve quality of life

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10 overarching recommendations
 - Design Ashford Dunwoody Road as a 35-mph roadway with 10-foot travel lanes and center turn lane where applicable
 - Provide a continuous network of pedestrian and bicycle facilities along the corridor that will improve access to area trails, recreational facilities, schools, public transportation, and other destinations
 - Ensure all pedestrian facilities comply with ADA Standards and follow GDOT's Pedestrian and Streetscape Guide as applicable
 - Provide sufficient landscaping to create a comfortable and welcoming environment



- Traffic congestion during AM & PM Peak hours
- Outdated School Zone improvements
- Enhance traffic flow
- Focus operational improvements rather than the capacity

- Work closely with property owners and stakeholders to discuss, review and solicit input on details of recommended projects
- Work with local police to enforce speed limits along Ashford Dunwoody Road and enforce the truck restrictions
- Work with homeowners' associations to discourage cut-through traffic
- Install cohesive streetscape elements
- Consider, where feasible, the option of relocating overhead utilities to underground
- Seek opportunities to accommodate public transit service

• 3 City-wide recommendations

- Develop a Complete Streets policy for City of Brookhaven that encourage the design and operation of streets that enable safe access for all users
- Establish citywide design guidelines to include a minimum street furniture, landscaping for public rights-of-way, and standards for pedestrian and bicycle facilities.
- Conduct a wayfinding study for the City of Brookhaven and design branded signage to guide residents and visitors throughout the City
 - 10 Short-Term (ST) Projects
 - 6 Mid-Term (MT) Projects
 - 1 Long-Term (LT) Project Turn lane and pedestrian improvements north of Johnson Ferry Road to Perimeter Summit Parkway/Oak Forest Drive

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

No additional funding is included in the 2024 Adopted Budget. During 2023, the Public Works Department continued progress on the MUP project approved on August 23, 2022 within the Special Service District. This project will construct a MUP from I-285 to Windsor Parkway. The project will be implemented in segments on the east side of Ashford Dunwoody Road: between I-285 and Oconee Pass; between W. Nancy Creek and the existing MUP constructed in front of Montgomery ES; between Harts Mills Road and Blackburn Park; and from the Publix south to Windsor Parkway (this phase identified as City Council priority project). Funding for this project includes a cost-share with the Perimeter Community Improvement Districts (PCID). Additionally, while no 2024 funding is included for the Ashford Dunwoody Road/Windsor Parkway Intersection Project (P2018.141-SPL, ARC DK-452, PI0016056), construction funding will be included in 2025 and 2026.

PROGRESS TO DATE

- Completed: 9 Projects (ST-01, ST-02, ST-03, ST-04, ST-05, ST-06, ST-07, ST-09, ST-10)
- Completed: 3 Mid-Term Projects (MT-01, MT-02 & MT-06)
- Design Underway: 1 Short-Term Project (ST-08)
- Design Underway: 2 Mid-Term Project (MT-05 PCID, MT-03)

The Ashford Dunwoody Corridor Study can be found on the City website at:

http://www.brookhavenga.gov/city-departments/public-works/ashford-dunwoody-road-corridor-study

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North Fork Peachtree Creek Watershed Improvement Plan

Approved: August 28, 2018

GOAL

The North Fork Peachtree Creek Watershed Improvement Plan was commissioned in 2017 to evaluate the health of the watershed and provide a roadmap to improvement. The City of Chamblee, located upstream of the creek, collaborated in the study to facilitate regional solutions.

STUDY RESULTS

- Threatened shoreline
- Few stormwater controls
- Elevated contamination levels
- Built-out watershed

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Meet state water quality standards
- Restore stream buffers to prevent the loss of soil/ stream buffer
- Improve streams to "sub-optimal" habitat condition or better
- Support projects that promote wildlife diversity and aesthetics

RECOMMENDATIONS

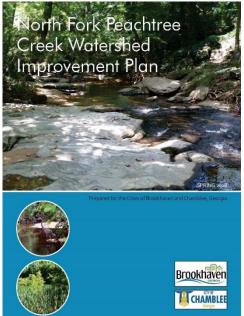
- 5-year implementation plan
- 25 new Best Management Practice (BMP) projects
- 4 BMP Retrofit projects
- 28 stream restoration projects

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes \$400,000 in grant-match funding to continue implementation of the North Fork Peachtree Creek Watershed Improvement Plan (WIP). However, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has put the project on hold pending commencement of land development activity for the Nancy Creek WIP, which is also funded through a 319(h) grant.

PROGRESS TO DATE

In 2019, the City of Brookhaven was awarded a 319(h) grant from GA EPD to restore portions the North Fork Peachtree Creek streambank from Briarwood Rd to N Druid Hills Reserve. During



Scope negotiations, EPA required more focus on Green Infrastructure and Runoff Reduction practices than restoration. Negotiations for the Final Scope of Work are expected to be complete late Summer 2023. The revised project focused on water quality treatment is expected to be substantially complete by the end of 2024.

In 2024, the City will apply for additional 319(h) Water Quality Grant Project funding in the NFPC basin to design and construct other projects identified in the North Fork Peachtree Creek WIP that are on properties owned by the City. The requested project funding for \$800,000 will be split 50/50 between the City and the \$400,000 State/EPA Grant.

The U.S. Geological Service (USGS) and the City of Brookhaven continue the partnership in the operation of the stream and rain gauges at the Briarwood bridge to monitor precipitation, water depths, and the potential for downstream flooding. In 2022, the City renewed the contract with the USGS through 2025. Links to these live data are available in the City's Public Works web pages.

Volunteer cleanups of the creek occur several times a year. Several volunteer organizations conducted clean-ups for the entire length of the North Fork of Peachtree Creek from the Atlanta city limits to the Gwinnett County line.

Phase I of the Peachtree Creek Greenway project (from North Druid Hills Road to Briarwood Rd) also included the removal of invasive species along the creek and removed downed trees blocking the creek.

The City will continue to seek grants and partnership opportunities, specifically regarding economic development along the Buford Highway corridor. As future Phases of the Peachtree Creek Greenway project are implemented, every effort will be made to incorporate recommendations and projects from the watershed improvement plan.

Phases II and III of the Peachtree Creek Greenway are currently under design. In September 2020, the ARC Board approved funding for Planning and Engineering work for Peachtree Creek Greenway Phase III.

The North Fork Peachtree Creek Watershed Improvement Plan can be found on the City website at:

http://www.brookhavenga.gov/city-departments/public-works/northforkpeachtree-creekwatershed-improvement-plan

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North Druid Hills Corridor Study

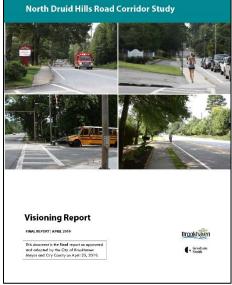
Adopted on: April 23, 2019

GOAL

The North Druid Hills Corridor Study was commissioned by City of Brookhaven leaders in late 2018 to address traffic congestion and make operational and safety improvements. The North Druid Hills corridor was designated a priority corridor in the Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Improve Connectivity between the eastern and western part of the City and facilitate north-south travel
- Improve biking and walking conditions of the corridor
- Enhance access to key destinations and expand options for how to reach those locations, including on foot, by bike, and by transit as well as by car



- Improve traffic operations at key intersections along the corridor
- Accommodate changes in traffic patterns from DeKalb County school redistricting

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Eight Short-Term (ST) Projects
 - 1. ST-01: Convert southbound left-turn from NDH Road to northbound Buford Hwy to a protected only movement. Prohibit right-turns on red from southbound Buford Hwy to northbound NDH Road
 - 2. ST-02: Signage and pavement parking at NDH Road/Buford Hwy intersection
 - 3. ST-03: Intersection improvements at Briarwood Road and Oglethorpe Road intersections and road section improvements between these two intersections
 - 4. ST-04: Intersection improvements at Apple Valley Road and road section improvements Apple Valley Road to Sylvan Circle
 - 5. ST-05: Safety improvements (Signage) at MARTA Access Road
 - 6. ST-06: MATRA Bus stop consolidation
 - 7. ST-07: Design and install Art/Mural at MARTA retaining wall
 - 8. ST-08: Traffic /signal improvements including installation of fiber optic cable, CCTV at five intersections, cabinet upgrades from Buford Highway to Apple Valley Road
- Five Mid-Term (MT) Projects
 - 1. MT-01: Section improvements from south of Gail Drive to Curtis Drive including midblock crossings, center left turn lane, sidewalk & multiuse paths
 - 2. MT-02: Realign Curtis Drive intersection and section improvements from Curtis Drive to Lennox Park Blvd/N. Cliff Valley way
 - 3. MT-03: Intersection improvements at North Cliff Valley Way/Lenox Park Blvd.

- 4. MT-04: Road section improvements from 1548 NDH Road to 1390 NDH Road to include two travel lanes, two-way center left lane, Multiuse path, sidewalk and two mid-block crossings
- 5. MT-05: Road section improvements from 1333 NDH Road to 1242 NDH Road to include two travel lanes, two-way center left lane, Multiuse path, sidewalk, and a mid-block crossing
- Two Long-Term (LT) Projects
 - 1. LT-01: Road section improvements from 1960 NDH Road to 1118 NDH Road to include four travel lanes, two-way center left lane, Multiuse path, sidewalk, and a raised median in the center lane just south of Red Roof inn Driveway
 - 2. LT-02: Road section improvements from 1118 NDH Road to 1776 NDH Road to include a three-legged multi-lane roundabout with a central landscape island and other improvements.

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

No additional funding is included in the 2024 Adopted Budget. Design funding was approved in late 2022 within the Special Services District (SSD) to complete the multi-use path (MUP) on the east side of North Druid Hills Road from the existing MUP south of Sylvan Circle to the MARTA Station at Apple Valley Road and for streetscape improvements on North Druid Hills Road from Buford Highway to Gail Drive. As these projects come out of design and are put out to bid, additional funding will be identified and recommended to the City Council.

PROGRESS TO DATE

City of Brookhaven Arts Advisory Commission is working on establishing public art standards that would apply to the MARTA wall on North Druid Hills Road (ST-07). Additionally, a portion of recommendations have been implemented through a private development at the intersection of N. Druid Hills Road and Briarwood Road (ST-03) in 2019 and 2020. The City is pursuing Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank Grant funding for ST-03.

ST-02: City is pursuing funding or implementation with GDOT

- ST-03: PW is incorporating survey for required rights-of-way with the ongoing Multiuse path project along southwest side of Briarwood Road
- ST-04 The design of improvements along the south side of North Druid Hills Road between Sylvan Circle and Apple Valley including a MUP began in 2023 as part of the SSD projects. Construction will begin when funds are made available.
- MT-01 The design of improvements along North Druid Hills Road between Curtis Drive and Gail Drive as part of the SSD. Construction will begin when funds are available.
- LT-01 The design of improvements along North Druis Hills Road between Buford Highway and Gail Drive as part of the SSD projects. Construction will begin when funds are made available.

The North Druid Hills Corridor Study can be found on the City website at: <u>https://www.brookhavenga.gov/publicworks/page/north-druid-hills-road-corridor-study-0</u>

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Arts & Culture Master Plan

GOAL

Arts Brookhaven: A Plan for Culture and Creativity in our Community was developed by the Brookhaven Arts Advisory Committee throughout a 2-year process that included robust community outreach and comment. The master plan, which will serve as a roadmap to realizing the Committee's shared vision was approved by the Brookhaven City Council in September 2020.

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Goal #1 Create Robust Arts + Culture Organizational Infrastructure and a Network of Resources
- Goal #2 Support, Celebrate, and Promote City Diversity Through Arts and Cultural Initiatives

Adopted on: September 22, 2020

Arts Brookhaven: A Vision for Culture and Creativity in our Community City of Brookhaven Arts+Culture Strategic Plan



- Goal #3 Strengthen and Increase Brookhaven's Cultural Facilities and Spaces
- Goal #4 Create a Public Art and Public Space Activation and Programming Program
- Goal #5 Provide enhanced access to arts and cultural educational opportunities for all
- Goal #6 Support Economic Development through Arts and Cultural Development Strategies and Collaborations

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

The 2024 Adopted Budget includes 3% percent of 2023 permit fee revenue to support implementation of the Arts and Culture Master Plan per City policy. For 2024, this totals \$94,500 and is reflected within the Community Development Department General Fund budget. Additionally, as part of the building of the permanent Brookhaven City Hall at the Brookhaven MARTA site, an amount of \$450,000 or 1% of the original estimated construction value, will be used for public art in and around City Hall.

Work Program initiatives for 2024 include:

- MARTA wall and bridge at North Druid Hills
- Continue City Hall Art coordination
- Continue to commit to equity in arts + Cultural in the City
- Continue to seek collaborative partnerships and opportunities

- Selection of a sculpture for the Public Safety Building
- Selection of an artist for a mural on the wall behind the parking lot at the Public Safety Building
- Continue the art crosswalk program
- Continue working on multi-prong approach to funding arts and cultural incentives; showcase art throughout City-owned buildings and facilities and work on mural process and functional art programs.
- Continue to update interactive public art map

PROGRESS TO DATE

As recommended by the master plan, the Arts & Culture Commission was formed on January 26, 2021, by a resolution unanimously approved by the City Council. The first meeting was held on September 8, 2021. The Commission will drive forward the Arts and Culture Master Plan work program. The Commission includes nine voting members and up to ten ex-officio members. Members consist of both community members and regional experts with advisory roles for high school and university students.

In 2022, the Commission created their mission statement "Enriching Brookhaven through arts and cultural events." The Commission unanimously voted to bring the first sculpture exhibit "Wings of the City" by Jorge Marin to the Brookhaven. They adopted amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to address arts and private development. The Commission drafted a Buford Highway Cultural Corridor resolution for City Council approval. The City Council unanimously approved the resolution on January 11, 2022, official designating Burford Highway as a Cultural Corridor. The Commission began work on procurement and funding policies to address public art projects.

During 2023, the following Arts & Culture Master Plan milestones were completed:

- Held an International Festival on Buford Highway in recognition of the multi-city designation of Buford Highway as a "Cultural Corridor" October 21 & 22.
- Partnered with Dashboard nonprofit to have a temporary art display at the international festival on the Peachtree Creek Greenway
- Began working on multi-prong approach to funding arts and cultural incentives; showcase art throughout City-owned buildings and facilities; implement the City's first art crosswalk program in Historic Lynwood Park; and work on mural process and functional art programs.
- Closed out the Jorge Marin *Wings of the City* Sculpture exhibit in April
- Installed three Poem Boxes at Murphy Candler, Lynwood Park and Peachtree Creek Greenway
- Installed three Pantry Boxes.
- Installation of Historic Lynwood Monuments at the Osborne Road entrance to Lynwood Park
- Continue working on art for City Hall
- Continue to seek collaborative partnerships and opportunities

- Continue to commit to equity in Arts + Cultural in the City
- Created interactive public art web-based map

The Arts & Culture Master Plan can be found on the City website at:

https://www.brookhavenga.gov/arts/page/arts-culture-master-plan

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City Centre Master Plan

Adopted on: August 9, 2022

GOAL

The City Centre master plan study is intended to serve as a development guide for the City of Brookhaven. The document's goal is to identify existing conditions and obstacles within the study corridor and provide suggestions that would enhance the area's aesthetics and functionality. The City Centre Master Plan was approved by the Brookhaven City Council in August 2022.

Guiding Principals

- Establish Unique and Authentic Identity
- Improve Connectivity
- Create Inclusive Experience
- Deliver an Achievable Plan

2024 ADOPTED FUNDING

No additional funding is adopted in 2024. On August 23, 2022, the City Council approved a permanent City Hall project at the Brookhaven MARTA station that will be funded from the newly created Special Service District (SSD). (The City of Brookhaven is currently renting its City Hall facility and has reached its growth capacity in its present space.) In September 2022, the City engaged and an architectural firm to design and engineer the building. Expected groundbreaking will be in the fall of 2023.

PROGRESS TO DATE

As recommended by the Master Plan, the City entered into a lease-purchase agreement in July 2022 with MARTA for the location of the permanent City Hall. The City has begun community outreach for the new City Hall. Additionally, the City took ownership of Brookhaven Park and immediately began park improvements including removing the existing fence and trimming trees along Peachtree Road. A project has been approved in the Special Services District for the Peachtree Road LCI streetscape in front of Brookhaven Park.

During 2023, the following City Centre Master Plan milestones were completed:

- Completed public outreach for new City Hall
- Approved new City Hall design
- Completed Brookhaven Park entrance improvements including removing the existing fence and trimming trees along Peachtree Road.



- Approved of the Special Service District for the Peachtree Road LCI streetscape in front of Brookhaven Park.
- Began Brookhaven Park improvements
- Adoption of City Centre Master Plan recommended text amendments

Work Program initiatives for 2024 include:

- Continue construction of City Hall
- Continue Brookhaven Park improvements
- Continue design of Dresden Drive Sidewalk and Apple Valley Road Multiuse Path projects, including underground utilities
- Complete North Druid Hills Road (Sylvan Circle to Apple Valley Road) Multiuse Path

The City Centre Master Plan can be found on the City website at: <u>https://www.brookhavenga.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/community_development/</u> <u>page/23381/2022-08-</u> <u>23 brookhaven_city_centre_masterplan_presentation_booklet_20035_final.pdf</u>

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