# Ashford Dunwoody Road Corridor Study

STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

MARCH 21 AND MARCH 23, 2016



#### **Project Need**

New residential and non-residential growth within and near the corridor is continuing to present traffic congestion and safety challenges along Ashford Dunwoody Road. These conditions are also making walking and bicycling more difficult.



# Project Need (cont'd)

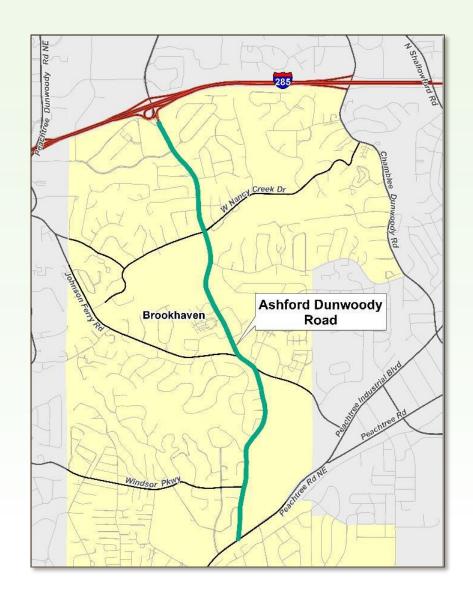


Business owners continue to need easy access for their customers.
Residents in the area are also concerned about the impacts to their neighborhoods.

#### **Project Purpose**

The purpose of the study is to develop a vision for a multimodal transportation corridor that...

- · Serves the needs of all users of the corridor;
- Is harmonious with the surrounding area;
- Minimizes negative impacts to property owners and neighborhoods;
- Is cost-effective and implementable; and
- Has broad community support



# **Corridor Advisory Committee**

The City has established a corridor advisory committee (CAC) to work with the project team and guide the study. Its role is to:

- Inform the project team about major issues and opportunities
- Help guide the corridor vision and design alternatives
- Serve as a sounding board for the project team
- Help the project team engage all sectors of the community





# **Project Schedule**

Phase 1

Assessment of Existing and Future Conditions Phase 2

Corridor Goals and Vision

Phase 3

Development and Refinement of Alternatives

#### Stakeholder and Public Outreach

February – March 2016

We are here

April – June 2016 July – September 2016

#### Project Activities | Phase 1

- Traffic Study (review of crash data for cars, bicyclists and pedestrians and study traffic operations of the corridor and its intersections)
- Review planning data (land use/development, traffic, zoning, and business/economic)
- Environmental scan (look at presence of wetlands, historic sites, endangered habitats, etc.)
- Gather input on issues and opportunities through public and stakeholder outreach/input

#### Phase 1

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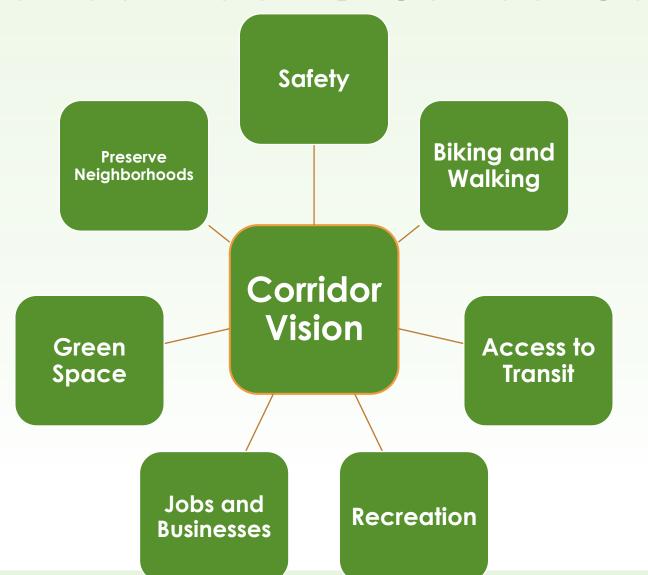
## Project Activities | Phase 2

- Based on input from the CAC and the public, the project team will develop a vision for how the corridor can meet the needs of all users in the future
- Working from the corridor vision, the team will develop goal statements to address a variety of topics
- The team will ask for public input on the vision and goals through stakeholder meetings and on-line surveys on the City's website.

Phase 2

Corridor Goals and Vision

#### Corridor Vision → Corridor Goals



#### **Example**

A Vision for the Future From Brookhaven's Comprehensive Plan:

"Brookhaven will be a national model for a walkable, urban community that preserves its unique character and history of neighborhoods, parks, and natural assets while welcoming higher density activity nodes that support transit use, biking, community hubs, sense of place, and diversity of residents and businesses."

#### Project Activities | Phase 3

- The project team will develop potential roadway cross-sections at key locations along Ashford Dunwoody Road
- The recommendations will address the movement of vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, and transit service through the corridor
- The recommendations will be aimed at creating harmony with the "character areas" along the corridor
- The project team will hold a community charrette to obtain input from the surrounding community everyone is invited
- The project team will refine the corridor recommendations based on public input.

Phase 3

Development and Refinement of Alternatives

## Opportunities for Public and Stakeholder Input



Three formal presentations



Works with project team to guide study



Meetings with key group and individuals, including businesses, property owners, neighborhood associations, schools, churches, etc.



Interactive community event for citizens to help develop design options for the corridor

# Your Role at Today's Meeting

- What are the major issues along the corridor?
- How can the corridor better accommodate all users?
- What kind of opportunities do you see for corridor improvements? Where are they?
- How can we best balance the various needs along the corridor with the need to protect established neighborhoods?



#### **Activities**

After viewing this presentation, visit each of the stations:

Station # 2

Tell us your vision for how to improve Ashford Dunwoody Road to meet the needs of all users.

Station # 3

Fill out a worksheet to help us understand what issues along Ashford Dunwoody Road are most important to you.

Station # 4

Use large maps to identify areas that should be preserved, enhanced, or transformed.

Please take time to fill out a comment card and leave it with us before you leave. Project team members are available to answer your questions.

#### **Next Steps**

- Compile input and prepare a draft corridor vision
- Create corridor goal statements
- Develop potential cross-sections and recommendations
- Hold the community charrette (a public design workshop) in mid-2016 – please plan to attend!



Please keep an eye out for information about the upcoming community charrette!

#### **Questions?** Comments?

Learn more on the City's website www.BrookhavenGA.gov

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