



Renew Atlanta Bond/TSPLOST Program City Council Transportation Committee Update February 2019

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# Agenda

Progress update

Community meeting recap

Preliminary staff recommendation review

Next steps



# Since our last update, work has continued to move forward



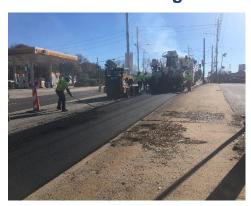
County Line Road Resurfacing



Northwest Drive Resurfacing



Collier Heights Recreation
Center Upgrades



Metropolitan Parkway Resurfacing



Buckhead Signals Upgrades



Atlanta Fire Rescue Station 23 Window Upgrades

### **Projects in design**

### **Complete Streets**

- Cascade Phase I
- JE Lowery
- Piedmont Ave
- Ralph D Abernathy
- University Ave

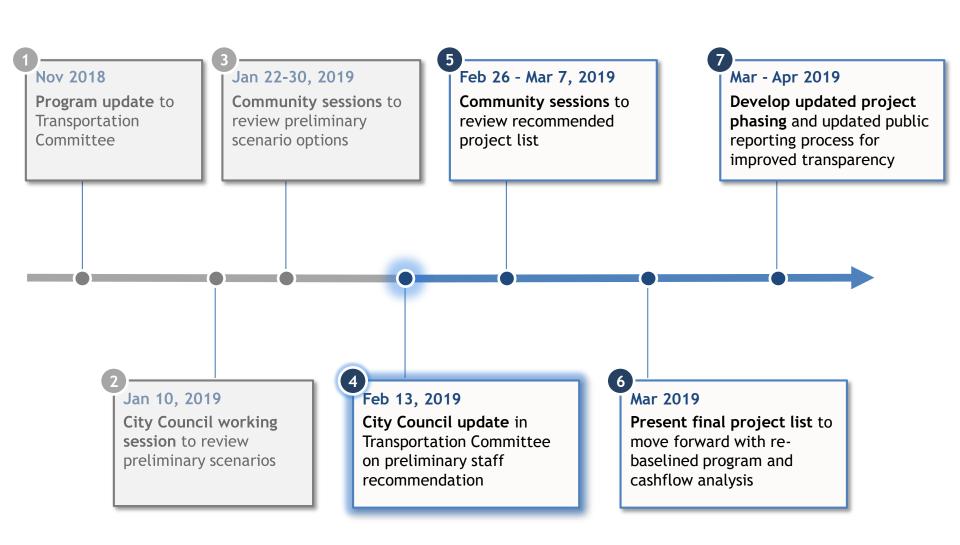
#### Pedestrian safety

- North Highland Ave.
   Pedestrian Safety
- Piedmont Ave.Pedestrian Safety

### Signals & TCC

- Habersham Rd@ West Wesley Rd
- Hamilton E. Holmes@ Burton Rd
- Hollywood RdØ Johnson Rd
- Howell Mill Rd@ Peachtree Battle
- Lakewood Ave@ Claire Dr
- Lakewood Ave@ Sylvan Rd

# **REMINDER:** Where are we in our re-baselining process?



# **REMINDER:** We went to the community with three prioritization scenarios for feedback

**SCENARIO 1** 

**SCENARIO 2** 

**SCENARIO 3** 



or



or



**Complete Streets** 

Foundational Investments

Max Leveraged Funding

**Primary** focus:

Funding for complete street project implementation and designs Funding roadway repaving and core signal improvements

Funding projects that maximize leveraged funding to get "bang for the buck"



Prioritizing complete streets on the high injury network

- Prioritizing improved operational assets to improve vehicle safety
- Investing in large funded projects requiring longterm replacement



**Equity** 

- Focusing investments on roads in close proximity to Equitable Target Areas (ETA) <sup>1</sup> communities
- Focusing on roadways in close proximity to ETA communities
- Balancing partner funding with addressing ETA communities



- Building multi-modal streets on key corridors that supports the City's future transportation network
- Improving vehicle capacity while balancing investment in other mobility options
- Improving mobility via key projects identified by partners across the city

<sup>1</sup> ETA is an index developed by the Atlanta Regional Commission to identify communities with large minority and low-income populations

# Over four nights we captured a lot of community feedback

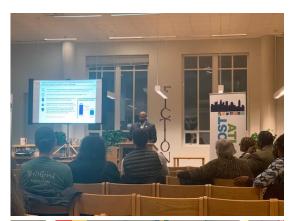
4 community meetings

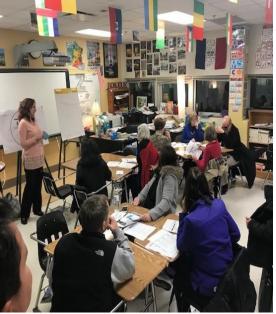
15+ staff members per night

100+ questions submitted

300+ attendees

1,500+ surveys submitted



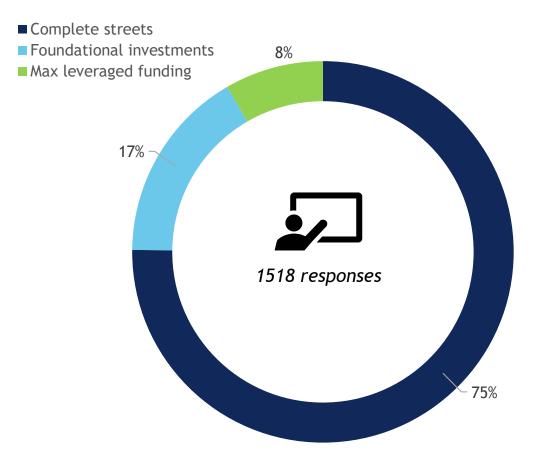






## What we heard across all sessions

## Scenario feedback



# **Qualitative feedback**

- Safety is a major priority across all communities
- Not enough funds to address all the issues in each community
- A lot of request for projects not in the project list or the scope of Renew/TSPLOST (e.g., transit)
- Clear desire for more delivery by the program
- A want for more information and details prior to making a decision

# What we heard in each community meeting

## Southeast - 01.23.2019

- Focus on safety and equity
- Strong desire for more projects in the southeast portion of the city
- DeKalb Ave improvements and bike lanes are a high priority
- Monroe/Boulevard and extension of complete street south of I-20 were priorities

## Southwest - 01.24.2019

- Focus on safety and equity
- Strong desire for more projects in the southwest portion of the city
- Feels that projects promised in past had not been delivered, including (and prior to) this program
- Major concerns with lack of transparency
- Interest in data behind decision making

## Northwest - 01.25.2019

- Focus on safety, mobility, and improving quality of life concerns
- Strong desire for more projects in the northwest portion of the city
- Desire more information to make an informed preference choice
- Feels that current project list is outdated and doesn't fit emerging community issues
- Increasing traffic is a major concern

## Northeast - 01.30.2019

- Focus on safety
- Strong North Highland contingent in support of the Pedestrian improvement project (signals)
- Monroe/Boulevard & Dekalb Avenue major projects with strong support
- Need for improved signal timing/maintenance; better management of traffic for cars and pedestrians
- Concerns on final project list decision accountability

## How what we heard informed the path forward

## We're working hard to continue public engagement/education

- Across the meetings, awareness and knowledge on the program varied
- We've collected ~100 questions that we'll be responding to directly
- All question responses will be compiled into an FAQ pack and published for all online

## Feedback collected directly drove our preliminary staff recommendation

- All survey responses and feedback during engagement sessions have informed our preliminary staff recommendation
- This recommendation is anchored on feedback supporting Complete Streets Scenario with adjustments to address:
  - Used community feedback on values to determine key investment areas
  - Captured projects that consistently came up as concern areas during community engagement
  - Conducted prioritization analysis of each project category to determine trade-offs

# Preliminary staff recommendation is an augmentation of the Complete Streets Scenario (1/2)



# Preliminary staff recommendation

Making heavy investments in complete streets while maintaining a focus on resurfacing, traffic signalization, and leveraging outside funds. While complete streets are cornerstone, noticeable progress will be made across various transportation priorities.

**Complete streets** 



Multi-use trails



Resurfaced roadway



Traffic communication corridors



Signalized intersection improvements



# Preliminary staff recommendation is an augmentation of the Complete Streets Scenario (2/2)

Funding by project category, \$USD N	Million	SCENARIO 1	SCENARIO 2	SCENARIO 3
Project category	Current Funding	Complete streets	Foundational investments	Max leveraged funding

	Prioritized investment area
X	See appendix for details

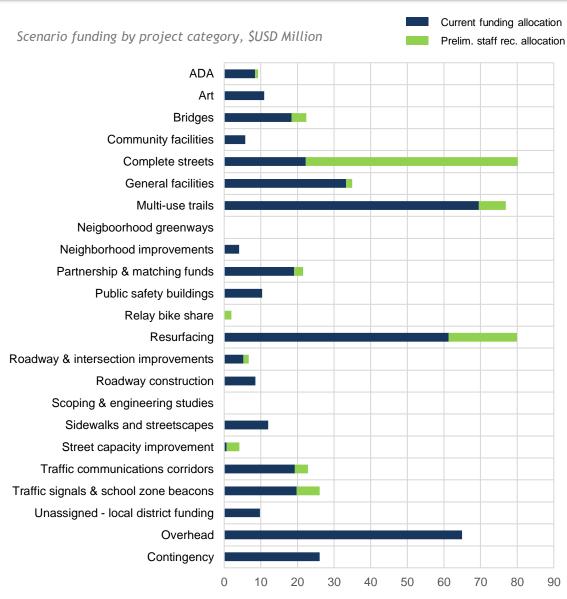
Project category	Current Funding Allocation	Complete streets	Foundational investments	Max leveraged funding
ADA	\$8.5	\$9.3	\$8.9	\$9.3
Art	\$10.9	\$10.9	\$10.9	\$10.9
Bridges	\$18.4	\$23.4	\$23.4	\$28.9
Community facilities	\$5.8	\$5.8	\$5.8	\$5.8
Complete streets	\$22.3	\$81.7	\$68.6	\$66.9
General facilities	\$33.2	\$35.0	\$35.0	\$35.0
Multi-use trails <sup>1</sup>	\$69.5	\$76.9	\$76.9	\$76.9
Neighborhood greenways	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Neighborhood improvements	\$4.1	\$4.1	\$4.1	\$4.:
Partnership & matching funds	\$19.0	\$21.5	\$21.5	\$21.
Public safety buildings	\$10.3	\$10.4	\$10.4	\$10. <sub></sub>
Relay bike share	\$0.0	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$3.0
Resurfacing	\$61.3	\$78.7	\$82.3	\$78.0
Roadway & intersection improvements	\$5.2	\$5.2	\$5.2	\$9. <sup>-</sup>
Roadway construction	\$8.5	\$8.5	\$8.5	\$8.
Scoping & engineering studies	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Sidewalks and streetscapes	\$12.0	\$12.0	\$12.0	\$14.0
Street capacity improvement	\$0.6	\$4.4	\$4.4	\$7.:
Traffic communications corridors	\$19.3	\$22.9	\$32.6	\$28.2
Traffic signals & school zone beacons	\$19.8	\$26.1	\$26.2	\$20.4
Unassigned - local district funding	\$9.8	\$9.8	\$9.8	\$9.
Unassigned - citywide funding	\$108.6	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Overhead	\$65.0	\$65.0	\$65.0	\$65.0
Contingency <sup>2</sup>	\$27.3	\$26.1	\$26.1	\$26.
Total	\$539.6	\$539.6	\$539.6	\$539.6

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<sup>1</sup> Multi-use trails includes \$65.9M Atlanta Beltline Right of Way acquisitions

<sup>2</sup> Program contingency includes remaining Bond Premium in the amount of \$7,590,688

# Preliminary Staff Recommendation Overview



#### Staff recommendation overview

- Focuses on delivery complete street projects investing more than \$80M in total to the project category
- Provides sizeable investments in resurfacing, signals, and multi-use trails
- Prioritizes complete streets in design and aligned to ATP

### **Project summary**

**207** resurfacing projects

15 complete street projects

113 traffic signal improvement projects

**13** traffic communication corridors

**121** other projects

469 total projects



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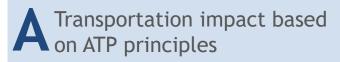
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# REMINDER: Our preliminary staff recommendation is based on four guiding prioritization principles

## Guiding prioritization principles

# ATP Criteria

## **Analysis conducted**





Ability to leverage outside

Community feedback



## SAFETY

Can this project improve our highest injury roads?

 Amount of High Injury Network (HIN) addressed by project



## **EQUITY**

Can this project impact our most vulnerable residents?

 Project impact or proximity to Atlanta Regional Commission Equitable Target Areas (ETAs)



## **MOBILITY**

Can this project improve mobility and modal shift?

- Proximity to MARTA rail transit
- Alignment with Atlanta City Design growth corridors and nature network

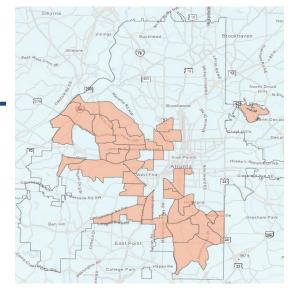
# COMPLETE STREET ANALYSIS EXAMPLE: Each project was scored and mapped to inform prioritization decisions

# 50% safety score



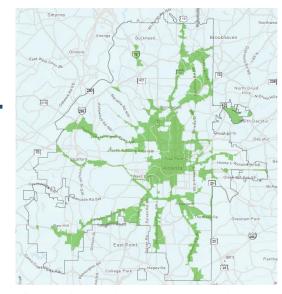
How much of the HIN will be addressed to make our roads safer?

# 25% equity score



How much of the project provides mobility for ETAs to prioritize equity into investments?

# **25%** mobility score



Does the project connect residents to public transport, overlap with the growth corridors, or provide access to nature assets to improve mobility in Atlanta?

# Overall ATP prioritization score

# COMPLETE STREET ANALYSIS EXAMPLE: Additional factors from prioritization guiding principles were incorporated for final decision

Scoring legend									
Poor	Okay	Good							

		ATP principles analysis							
Project name	Preliminary funding recommendation	Safety score	Equity	Mobility score	Overall score	OVERALL RATING			
Campbellton Rd - Smart Transit Corridor	Design-only	1.00	0.92	0.71	91%	5 - Very high			
Dekalb Ave	Design-only	0.97	0.00	0.97	73%	5 - Very high			
Cascade Rd: Phase I / Phase II	Fully-funded / Design-only	0.90	0.84	0.18	70%	5 - Very high			
Monroe Dr / Boulevard	Fully-funded	0.91	0.00	0.73	64%	4 - High			
W. Peachtree St	Design-only	0.84	0.00	0.85	63%	4 - High			
Spring St	Design-only	0.83	0.00	0.83	62%	4 - High			
University Ave	Fully-funded	0.74	0.73	0.30	63%	4 - High			
Howell Mill Rd	Fully-funded	0.85	0.40	0.32	60%	4 - High			
Fairburn Rd	Fully-funded	0.79	0.53	0.06	54%	4 - High			
Monroe Dr	Fully-funded	0.89	0.00	0.32	53%	3 - Medium			
J E Lowery Boulevard	Fully-funded	0.53	0.34	0.53	48%	3 - Medium			
Piedmont Ave	Fully-funded	0.63	0.00	0.62	47%	3 - Medium			
RD Abernathy Dr  - Work by CID	Fully-funded	0.54	0.52	0.26	46%	3 - Medium			
N. Highland Ave	Not-funded	0.63	0.00	0.43	42%	3 - Medium			
Forsyth St	Not-funded	0.39	0.03	0.70	38%	3 - Medium			
5th St	Fully-funded	0.48	0.00	0.54	38%	3 - Medium			
North Ave	Design-only	0.58	0.00	0.19	33%	2 - Low			
Peachtree Center Ave	Not-funded	0.35	0.00	0.58	32%	2 - Low			
Chappell Rd	Not-funded	0.23	0.44	0.39	32%	2 - Low			
Gilmer St	Not-funded	0.32	0.00	0.30	24%	2 - Low			
LaFrance/ Marion PI	Not-funded	0.01	0.00	0.67	17%	2 - Low			
Euclid Ave	Design-only	0.16	0.00	0.19	13%	1 - Very low			
Langhorn St	Not-funded	0.11	0.21	0.07	12%	1 - Very low			
Westland Blvd	Not-funded	0.08	0.19	0.14	12%	1 - Very low			

Other factors considered								
Project	Project	Partnership						
cost	readiness	funding						
5 - Very high	1 - Very low	5 - Very high						
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Detailed prioritization analysis pack for all project categories will be uploaded to Renew Atlanta / TSPLOST website following February 13<sup>th</sup> council update

# What we'll discuss in the next round of public meetings

- 1. Recap feedback from the first round of meetings
- 2. Present staff recommended project list
- 3. Engage residents on outstanding questions regarding project prioritization and the program
- Capture feedback on potential adjustments to preliminary staff recommended scenario

Southeast	Southwest	Northwest	Northeast		
Carver Early College 55 McDonough Blvd. SE, Atlanta, GA 30315	C.T. Martin Recreation Center 3201 M.L.K. Jr. Dr. SW, Atlanta, GA 30331	Sutton Middle School 2875 Northside Dr. NW, Atlanta, GA 30305	Henry W. Grady High School 929 Charles Allen Dr. NE, Atlanta, GA 30309		
Round 2 Tuesday, February 26, 2019 6:30-8 PM	Round 2 Wednesday, February 27, 2019 6:30-8 PM	Round 2 Thursday, February 28, 2019 6:30-8 PM	Round 2 Thursday, March 7, 2019 6:30-8 PM		

# Stay Engaged



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# **Appendix**

# Preliminary Staff Recommendation Snapshot (citywide only)

## Complete streets

#### Fully funded

- √ 5th St
- Cascade Rd. Phase I
- East Paces Ferry Rd\*
- Fairburn Rd
- Howell Mill Rd
- J E Boone Blvd\*
- ✓ J E Lowery Boulevard
- ✓ Lvnhurst Dr\*
- MLK Jr. Dr\*

#### Design-only funded

- Campbellton Rd
- Cascade Rd Phase II
- Dekalb Ave
- **Euclid Ave**
- North Ave
- Spring Street
- West Peachtree St

Hapeville Rd\*

Hightower Rd\*

Harbin Rd\*

Hills Ave\*

Huber St

Huff Rd\*

Hills Place

Jackson St\*

Jefferson St, Phase 1\*

Jefferson St. Phase 2\*

John Portman Blvd\*

Johnson Rd, Phase 1 Johnson Rd. Phase 2

#### Not funded

- LaFrance/ Marion PI
- Gilmer St
- Forsyth St Complete Street Project
- Peachtree St / Rd
- N. Highland Ave
- Peachtree Center Ave
- Chappell Rd
- Langhorn St
- Westland Blvd

\*Completed or under construction

# Resurfacing

Other

Major

**Projects** 

#### Fully funded

- 8th St, Phase 2
- 10th St\*
- 14th St, Phase 2\*
- Andrew Young Int Blvd\*
- Auburn Ave\*
- Avon Ave\*
- Baker/Highland Connector
- Barnett St\*
- Beecher St\*
- Berne St\*
- Bohler Rd\*
- Bolton Rd\*
- Browntown Rd\*
- Buckhead Loop (Lenox Rd)
- Campbellton Rd \*
- Carnegie Way\* Cascade Rd - Phase 2
- Centennial Olympic Park Dr\*
- Cleveland Ave\*
- College Ave\*

- Collier Drive\*
- Collier Rd\*

Monroe Dr

Piedmont Ave

✓ University Ave

Monroe Dr / Boulevard

Ralph David Abernathy

- Decatur St
- Defoors Ferry
- DeKalb Ave (includes reversible lane removal)
- Dill Ave\*
- East Andrews Dr\*
- East Cleveland Ave\*
- East Roxboro Rd\*
- Edgewood Ave\*
- Ellis St\*
- - Ellsworth Industrial Boulevard\*
- √ Fair Dr\*
- Fair St / ASM Blvd.\*
- ✓ Fairburn Rd Phase 1\*
- Fairburn Rd Phase 2\*
- Forrest Park Rd
- Fort St\*
- Empire Boulevard\*
- Lake Ave\*
  - Lakewood Ave
  - Lakewood Freeway
  - Lakewood Wav
  - Langston Ave\*

  - Lawton St\*
  - Lenox Rd. Phase 1

- Lenox Rd. Phase 2
- Loridans Dr
- Luckie St\*
- Macon Dr\*
- Marietta St\*
- Mayson St\*
- Metropolitan Pkwy\*
- Montgomery Ferry Dr, Phase 1
- Montgomery Ferry Dr. Phase 2
- Murphy Ave\*
- North Ave Resurfacing\*
- North Camp Creek Pkwy\*
- Northside Pkwy Phase 1\*
- Northside Pkwy Phase 2\*
- Northwest Dr\*
- Oakdale Rd
- Old Chattahoochee Ave
- Old Hapeville Rd\*
- Old Ivy Rd

- Peachtree Dunwoody Rd\*
- Peachtree Rd
- Peachtree St\*
- Polo Dr\*
- R.D. Abernathy Blvd\*
- Ruby Harper Boulevard\*
- Southside Industrial Court\*
- Southside Industrial Parkway\*
- Southside Industrial Way\*
- Spring St, Phase 1
- Spring St, Phase 2
- Stone Hogan Connector\*
- Sylvan Rd Resurfacing\*
- ✓ West Wieuca Rd, Phase 1
- ✓ West Wieuca Rd, Phase 2
- ✓ West Wieuca Rd. Phase 3
- √ W. Paces Ferry Rd\* (west of I-75)
- ✓ Wieuca Rd Resurfacing
- √ Williams St
- Wilson Rd\*

#### Fully funded

#### Multi-use trails

- ABI acquisition East Side Trolley Greenway Trail & Connector ✓
- Path 400
- ✓ Proctor Creek Greenway Phase 1\* ✓ S. Fork Conservancy Confluence Bridge

#### ✓ Westview Cemetery – W. Lake Station Trail **Bridges**

- ✓ Central Ave Bridge
- ✓ Childress Dr Bridge\*
- ✓ Courtland St Bridge\* ✓ Powers Ferry Rd Bridge\*

#### Partnership & Matching Funds

- Smart Cities Traffic Congestion Mitigation Program
- Peachtree Reactivation

### Street Capacity Improvements

- ✓ Piedmont Rd Capacity Improvement
  - Baker St Conversion to 2-way

#### Other

- Buckhead ADA
- Midtown ADA
- Moore's Mill @ West Wesley Intersection
- ✓ Wieuca Rd Roundabout

#### Not funded

#### Multi-use trails

- Blue Heron Blueway Trail
- Cascade Nature Preserve
- HE Holmes Neighborhood Trail Connection Lionel Hampton Trail Connection

- Nelson St- Pedestrian Bridge (funded

- Piedmont Park
- Westside Quarry Park
- √ 15th St Extension
- ✓ 10th Street Multimodal Bridge

Pryor St Bridge