



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

PLANNING AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2025

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEETING MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Committee Chair Jacob Tzegaegbe called the meeting to order at 10:24 A.M.

Board Members

Present:

Al Pond
Freda Hardage
James Durrett
Kathryn Powers
Roderick Frierson
Thomas Worthy
Rita Scott
Valencia Williamson
Jennifer Ide
Jacob Tzegaegbe
Sagirah Jones

Board Members

Absent:

Russell McMurry
Jannine Miller

Staff Members Present:

Collie Greenwood
Carrie Rocha
Steven Parker
LaShanda Dawkins
Rhonda Allen
George Wright
Ralph McKinney
Jonathan Hunt
Kevin Hurley

Michael Kreher

Also in Attendance:

Peter Crofton [for Justice Sears], Eddie Eades, Paula Nash, Jacqueline Holland, Kenya Hammond, Tyrene Huff; Phyllis Bryant

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from November 21, 2024, Planning and Capital Programs Committee Meeting.

Approval of the Minutes from the November 21, 2024, Planning and Capital Programs Committee Meeting. On a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Worthy, the motion passed by a vote of 11 to 0 with 11 members present.

3. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Disposal of Land Parcel D4138 – Surface Area, IFB B50513

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Disposal of Land Parcel D4138 – Surface Area, IFB B50513. On a motion by Board Member Worthy, seconded by Board Member Hardage, the resolution passed by a vote of 11 to 0 with 11 members present.

Resolution Authorizing a Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement with NCWPCS MPL 27-YEAR Sites Tower Holdings LLC in the amount of \$699,574.01 for continued operation of the AT&T Statewood Cell Tower, MARTA Parcel D7012Y, Fulton County, Atlanta GA

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Resolution Authorizing a Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement with Crown Castle South, LLC in the amount of \$404,190.41 for continued operation of the Arts Center Cell Tower, MARTA Parcel D3079Y, Fulton County, Atlanta, GA

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Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Professional Consultant Services for Clayton County Southlake BRT Transit-Oriented Development Planning Study, RFP P50484.

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Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Design/Build Services for NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure, RFP P50669

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Design/Build Services for NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure, RFP P50669. On a

motion by Board Member Pond, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the resolution by a vote of 11 to 0 with 11 members present.

Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant (PMC) Services for the GA 400 BRT, RFP P50661

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant (PMC) Services for the GA 400 BRT, RFP P50661. On a motion by Board Member Worthy, seconded by Board Member Frierson, the resolution passed by a vote of 11 to 0 with 11 members present.

Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant (PMC) Services for Communications Based Train Control (CBTC), RFP P50662

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant (PMC) Services for Communications Based Train Control (CBTC), RFP P50662. On a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Williamson, the resolution passed by a vote of 9 to 0 with 9 members present.

4. BRIEFING

Dekalb ART to BRT Feasibility Study

Andrew Pofahl, Project Manager I, provided an update on the Dekalb ART to BRT Feasibility Study.

Streetcar East Preliminary Study Updates

Abhay Joshi, the Director of Expansion Program Management, provided an update on the preliminary updates for the Streetcar East.

5. OTHER MATTERS

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee meeting adjourned at 11:44 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Tyrene L. Huff
Assistant Secretary to the Board

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MARTA Board of Directors

Real Estate Matter

Robin Boyd
Director of Real Estate

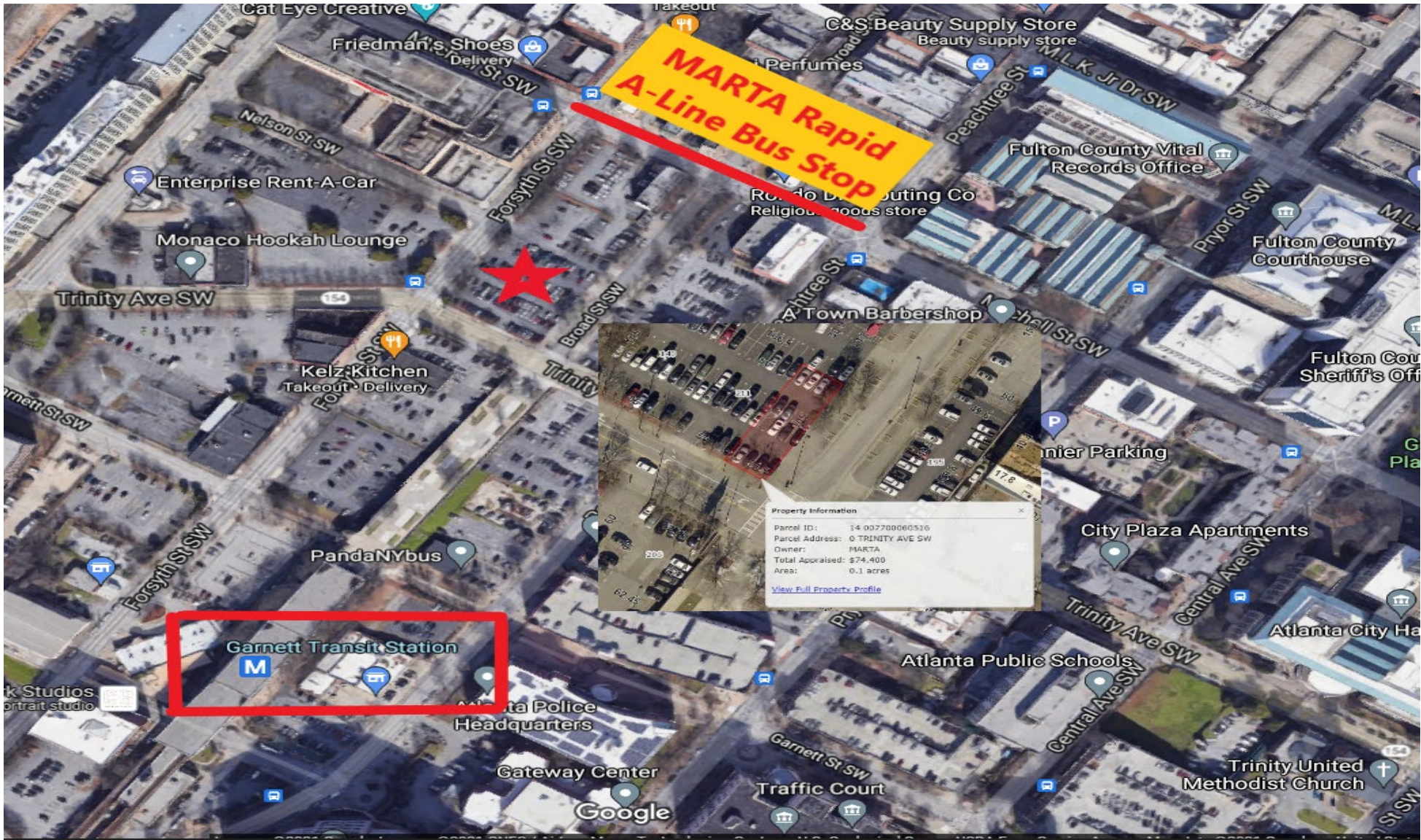


**Resolution Authorizing Award
of a Contract for the
Procurement of Disposal of
Land Parcel D4138-Surface
Area, IFB No. B50513**

**Planning & Capital Programs
Committee**

January 23, 2025

Transaction Map



Transaction Overview

Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parcel consists of 3,279 square feet (.075 acres). It is excess property no longer needed for operation or maintenance and is the remnant of real property acquired for construction of an underground Tunnel Box between the Garnett and Five Points Stations. • MARTA licenses use of the parcel as 16 parking spaces under a ground agreement with annual rental income of \$9,441.12 (\$786.76/month). Agreement expired in July 2024 and is currently in a month-to-month status. • Appraised value is \$258,135.00. Received One Bid for \$401,000.00 • Sale will be deed restricted via a Limited Warranty Deed with MARTA retaining the following rights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noise, vibration, traffic, congestion or other adverse circumstances or conditions caused by the Grantor's transit system - Reservation of a Permanent Subsurface Easement containing approximately 226 square feet and Permanent Utility Easement containing approximately 1,831 square feet, both of which will be retained by MARTA after the sale.
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Property	MARTA Parcel D4138
Structure	Purchase Sale Agreement
Appraisal	\$258,135.00
Term	Sell Fee Interest w/deed restrictions
Acquisition History	Parcel S252 in March 1978 for \$19,800.00
FTA Interest	Grant GA-03-0008 with 79% federal participation

BOARD BRIEFING

Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Disposal of Land Parcel D4138-Surface Area, IFB No. B50513

Thank You



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF
DISPOSAL OF LAND PARCEL D4138 – SURFACE AREA, IFB B50513**

WHEREAS, the Department of Capital Programs Delivery has identified the need for the Disposal of Land Parcel 4138, Invitation for Bid Number B50513; and

WHEREAS, on November 05, 2024, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority duly sent advance notice of the Invitation for Bid to potential Bidders; and

WHEREAS, in addition, notice of the said Invitation for Bid was advertised in the local newspaper of the largest circulation in the Atlanta metropolitan area, once in each of the two weeks prior to opening bids; and

WHEREAS, all Bidders were given an opportunity to protest the bid instructions, specifications, and/or procedures; and

WHEREAS, on December 06, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., local time, one (1) bid was publicly opened and read aloud; and

WHEREAS, the single bid submitted by SoDo Atlanta Holdings, LLC, is responsive and responsible and the bidder is capable of performing the Contract.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to execute a Contract on substantially the same terms and conditions as contained in the Invitation of Bid Number B50513, Disposal of Land Parcel 4138 – Surface Area between the Authority and SoDo Atlanta Holdings, LLC, in the amount of \$401,000.00.

Approved as to Legal Form:

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**Interim Chief Counsel,
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority**



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Robin Boyd
Director of Real Estate

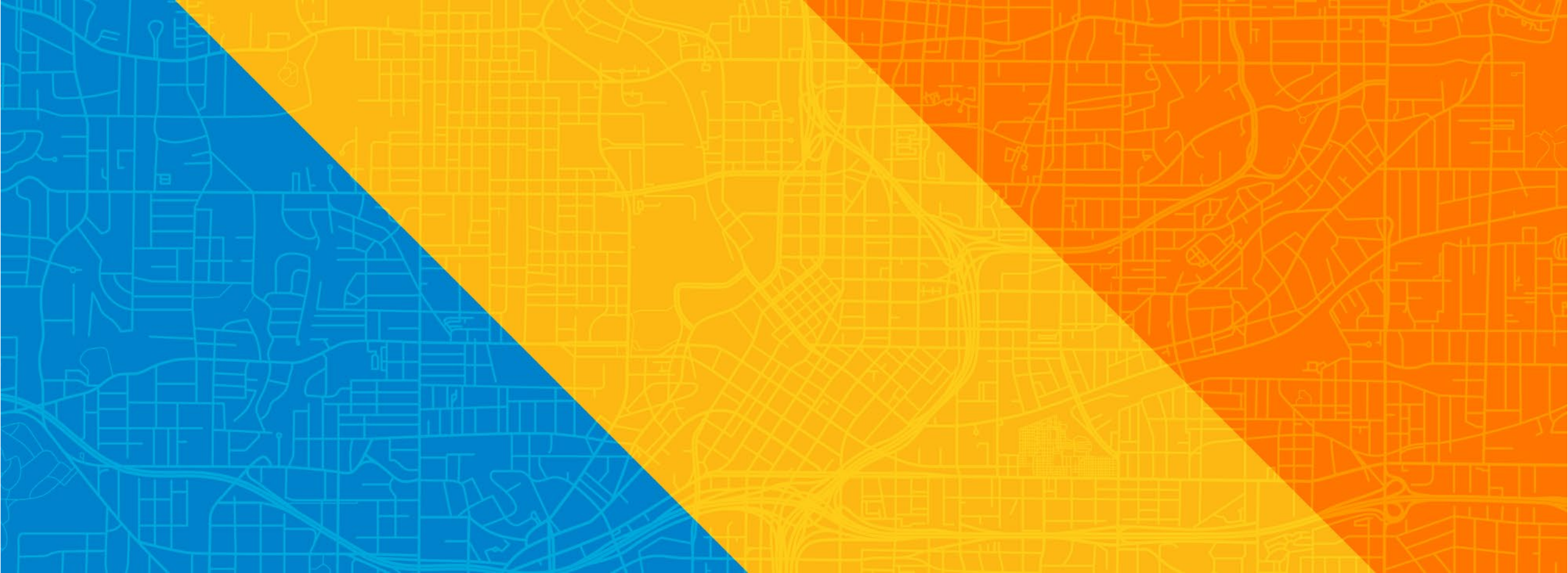


Transaction Overview

Purpose	<p>AT&T has had a cell tower at this location since 1999 under a prior lease agreement with MARTA and wishes to continue operation.</p> <p><u>4115 Statewood Road NE, Atlanta, Fulton County, GA (adjacent GA 400):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MARTA Acquisition Parcel F101/F185, MARTA Disposal Parcel D7102Y, Tax Id N/A: • 3,780 square feet license area • Negotiated estimated value of license = \$699,574.01 • 67,366 sf was acquired in acquired from Fulton County in July 1996 for \$1.00 • No Federal Interest
Property	MARTA Parcel D7012Y
Structure	License Agreement
Appraisal	Fair Market Valuation \$699,574.01
Term	5-Year Non-Exclusive Revocable
Acquisition History	F101/F185 – July 1996
FTA Interest	There is no FA Interest

Request Approval of the Board

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (Board) of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) adopted on August 9th, 1982 a policy regarding the disposition of MARTA property rights; and

WHEREAS, NCWPCS MPL 27 - YEAR SITES TOWER HOLDINGS, LLC has requested a non-exclusive, revocable License Agreement from MARTA in order to operate and maintain a cell tower; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that a non-exclusive, revocable License Agreement will not interfere with rapid transit system construction, operation or maintenance; and

WHEREAS, License Term for incidental use will be for sixty months or less; and

WHEREAS, Parcel D7012Y has been value for a total fair market license fee of \$699,574.01; and

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate is hereby authorized to do all acts, perform all things, and execute on behalf of the Authority all instruments of conveyance, other instruments and agreements as necessary to effectuate the execution of a non-exclusive, revocable License Agreement for Parcel D7012Y to NCWPCS MPL 27-YEAR SITES TOWER HOLDINGS, LLC in the amount of \$699,574.01, equal to the appraised value of the property rights.

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**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**



Resolution Authorizing a non-exclusive revocable License Agreement with CROWN CASTLE SOUTH, LLC in the amount of \$404,190.41 for continued operation of the Arts Center Cell Tower, MARTA Parcel D3079Y, Fulton County, Atlanta GA

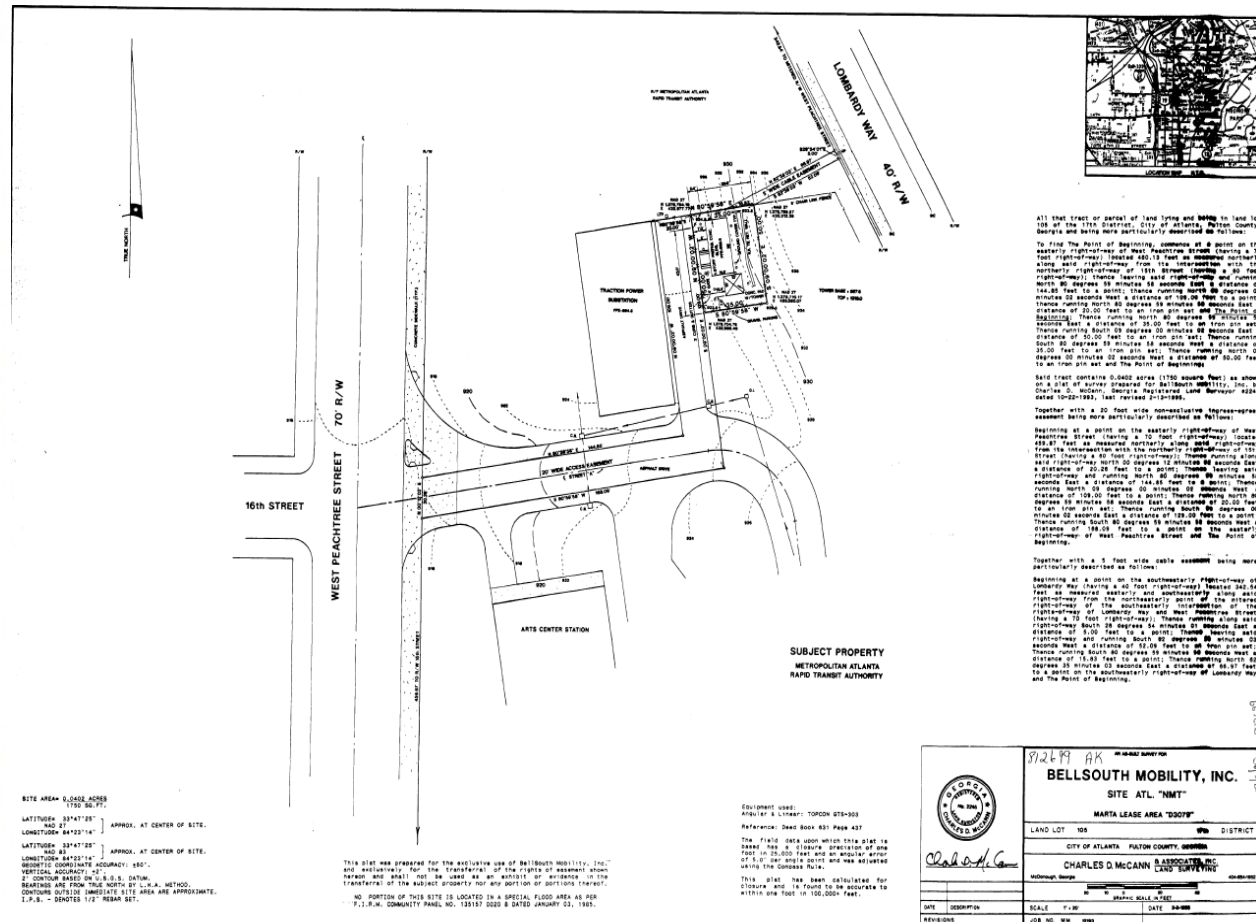
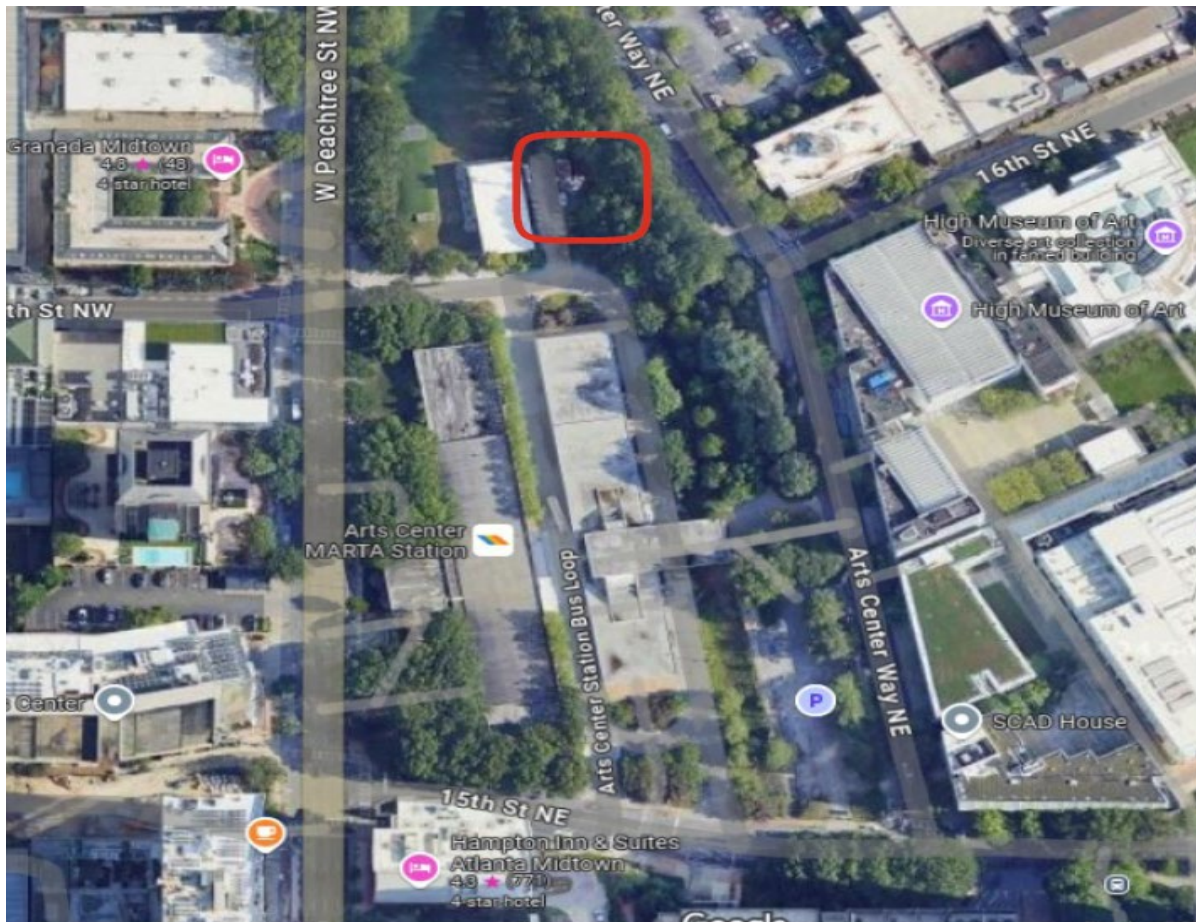
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Location Map 1

Proposed Licensed Agreement – 1255 W. Peachtree Street NW

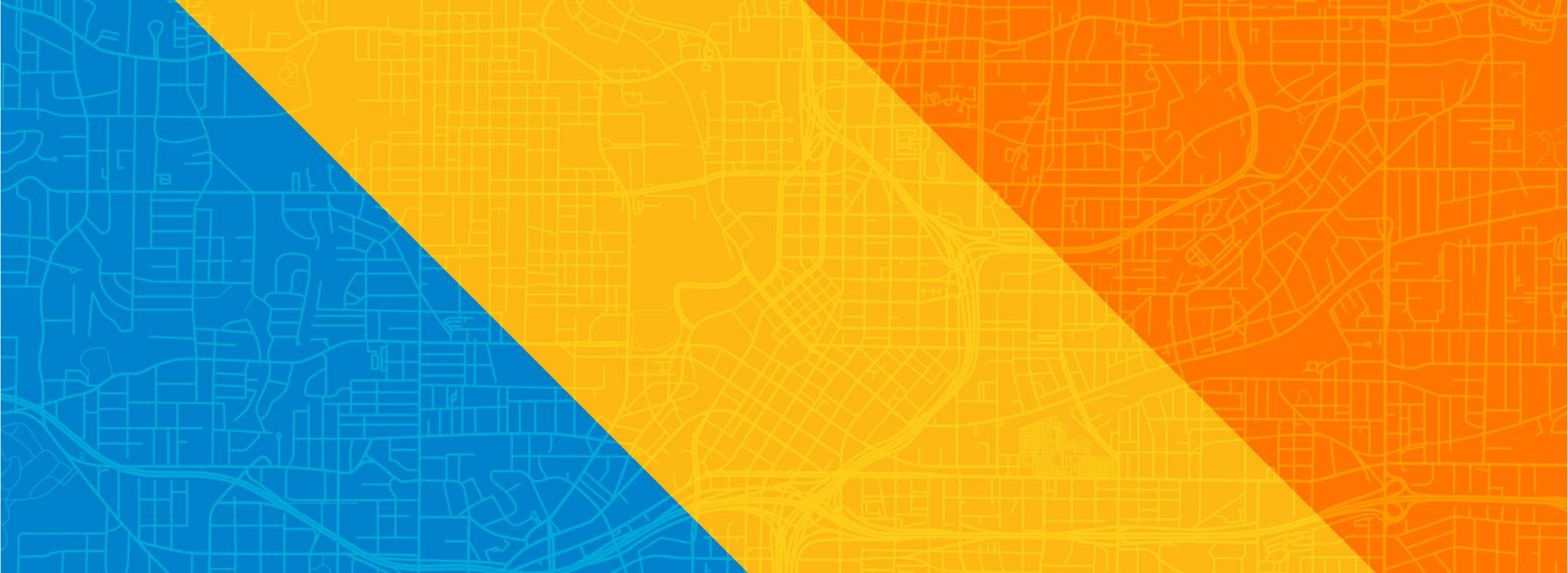


Transaction Overview

Purpose	<p>AT&T has had a cell tower antenna at this location since 1994 under a prior license agreement with MARTA and wishes to continue operation.</p> <p><u>1255 W. Peachtree Street NW (Arts Center Station):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twenty-five (25) individual MARTA Acquisition Parcels • MARTA Disposal Parcel D3079Y • Tax Id N/A:17-0105-0009-0587 • 1,750 square feet license area • Negotiated estimated value of license = \$404,190.41 • 270,594.72sf (6.212 ac) was comprised of 25 individual parcels that MARTA acquired over multiple years, concluding in 1982 for \$1.9M
Property	MARTA Parcel D3079Y
Structure	License Agreement
Appraisal	Fair Market License Fee \$404,190.41
Term	5-Year Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement
Acquisition History	Twenty-Five (25) Individual Parcels acquired over multiple years, concluding in 1982 for \$1.9M
FTA Interest	Grants GA-03-0008 and GA-03-0023 with 79% and 77% interest respectively

Request Approval of the Board

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WHEREAS, CROWN CASTLE SOUTH, LLC has requested a Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement from MARTA in order to operate and maintain existing antennas; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement will not interfere with rapid transit system construction, operation or maintenance; and

WHEREAS, License Term for incidental use will be for sixty months or less; and

WHEREAS, Antenna operations have been valued for a total fair market license of \$404,190.41 for D3079Y; and

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate is hereby authorized to do all acts, perform all things, and execute on behalf of the Authority all instruments of conveyance, other instruments and agreements as necessary to effectuate the disposal of Non-Exclusive Revocable License Agreement for Parcel D3079Y to CROWN CASTLE SOUTH, LLC in the amount of \$404,190.41 equal to the fair market value of the property rights.

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**A Resolution Authorizing
the Contract Award for
the Procurement of
Professional Consulting
Services for Clayton
County Southlake BRT
Transit-Oriented
Development Planning
Study, RFP P50484.**

**Planning & Capital Programs Committee
January 23, 2025**

Agenda

- Background
- Scope of Work
- Contract Status
- SEC Recommendation



Background – Grant Details

- **Southlake BRT TOD Planning Study**
- To help advance transportation, economic development, land use, and resilience planning for the MARTA Rapid Southlake Corridor.
- Grant Award - \$1,212,500
 - Federal - \$970,000
 - Local - \$242,500
- Grant Remaining Balance - \$923,130
- Grant Period – June 2022 through March 2030

ORDINANCE IN ACTION: WHAT COULD DEVELOPMENT LOOK LIKE?

Figure 4: Norman Drive Concept - Aerial View



BIG FIVE ELEMENTS IN CONCEPT:

- Density/Intensity**
 - 35 dwelling units (du)/acre
- Mixed Use**
 - Exempted because of reduced block sizes (see Ordinance page 72)
- Walkability**
 - Streetscape improvements
 - Interior walking path in site
 - Pedestrian connection to adjacent school
- People-Friendly Design**
 - Neighborhood green space/dog park
 - Street trees
 - Human-scaled housing
- Managed Parking**
 - Reduced requirements for surface parking
 - Parking is located behind buildings

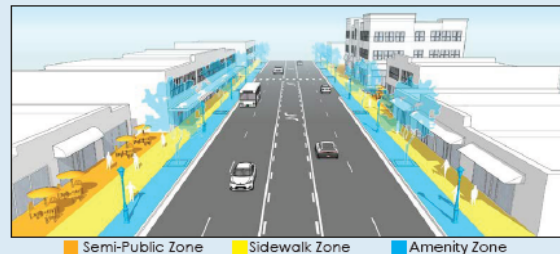
Ordinance

TCR-15. Street Design

Street design standards are regulated by the street types shown in the [Station Area Network Map] and detailed in Table 3.

Table 3. Street Design Standards by Roadway Type

	Roadway Type		
	Major	Minor	Local
Right-of-Way	(GDOT)	60-75 feet	50-65 feet
Travel lane		10-11 feet	9-10 feet
Parking lane		8-9 feet	8 feet
Amenity Zone	Minimum 8 feet	Minimum 8 feet	Minimum 6 feet
Pedestrian Lighting	Pedestrian-scaled lighting is required at consistent intervals of every 40 to 50 feet	Pedestrian-scaled lighting is required at consistent intervals of every 50 to 60 feet	Pedestrian-scaled lighting is required at consistent intervals of every 50 to 60 feet
Street Trees	1 large maturing tree for every 40 feet, minimum 3 in caliper; or 1 medium maturing tree for every 30 feet minimum 2 in caliper; if speed over 45mph, see GDOT rules	1 large maturing tree for every 50 feet, minimum 3 in caliper; or 1 medium maturing tree for every 50 feet minimum 2 in caliper	1 large maturing tree for every 50 feet, minimum 3 in caliper; or 1 medium maturing tree for every 50 feet minimum 2 in caliper
Sidewalk (unobstructed)	Minimum 10 feet	Minimum 8 feet	Minimum 6 feet
Semi-Public Zone	0-15 feet		



Background – Grant Details

- FTA Pilot Program for TOD Planning Grant – Awarded in 2021
- Transit Supportive Land Use Study – Completed 2021
 - Model TOD land use and zoning policies for each jurisdiction.
- Work started under previous GPC contract with AECOM & VHB
- Procurement approved by PCP in February 2024.

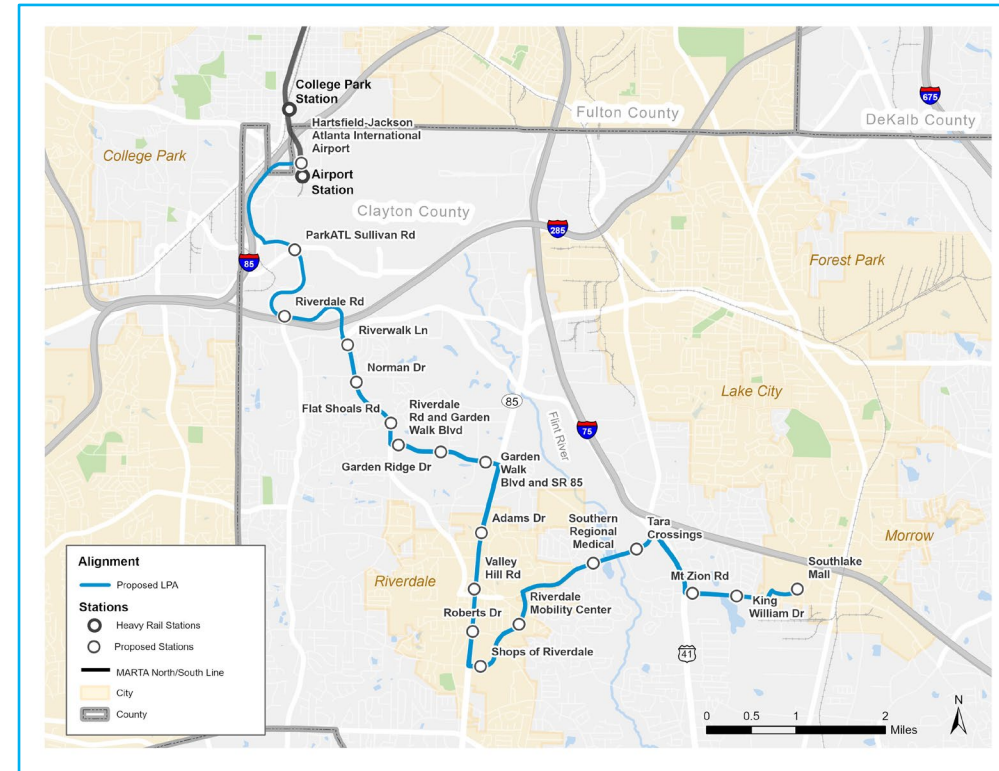
Contract Scope of Work

- Update 2023 Market Analysis and Equitable Development Strategy
 - Amended LPA
 - Equitable Development focus
- Corridor-wide Stormwater and resilience Strategy
- Complete Corridor Pilot Studies (CCPS)
 - Focus on SR 85 & Tara Blvd Segments
- Specific Small Area Plans for Proposed Station Areas



Contract Process

- RFP was solicited in August 2024.
- The Source Evaluation Committee (SEC) received two proposals in October 2024.
- The SEC met and completed the proposal scoring on November 15, 2024.



SEC Recommendation

- The SEC recommended Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc (VHB).
- The contract value is \$818K.
- The DBE goal is 25%.
 - Aulick Engineering
 - The Collaborative Firm
 - Perez Planning + Design, LLC



Recommended Board Action

Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Contract Award for Professional Consultant Services for Clayton County Southlake BRT Transit-Oriented Development Planning Study, RFP P50484 to Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

Thank You



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR CLAYTON COUNTY SOUTHLAKE BRT TRANSIT-
ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING STUDY REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NUMBER
P50484**

WHEREAS, the Authority's Department of Capital Programs has identified the need for Professional Consultant Services for Clayton County Southlake BRT Transit-Oriented Development Planning Study, Request for Proposals Number P50484; and

WHEREAS, On August 27, 2024, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority duly sent to potential Offerors notice of its Request for Proposals for the Professional Consultant Services for Clayton County Southlake BRT Transit-Oriented Development Planning Study, RFP P50484; and

WHEREAS, notice of the said Request for Proposals was advertised in the local newspaper of the largest circulation in the Atlanta metropolitan area once in each of the two weeks prior to the proposal deadline; and

WHEREAS, all Proponents were given the opportunity to protest the proposal instructions, specifications, and/or procedures; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., local time, two (2) proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's staff determined that Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. submitted the most advantageous offer and other factors considered and is technically and financially capable of providing the services.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to execute a Contract on substantially the same terms and conditions as contained in the Request for Proposals Number P50484, between the Authority and Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. for Professional Consultant Services for Clayton County Southlake BRT Transit-Oriented Development Planning Study in the amount of \$818,000.00.

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**Interim Chief Legal Counsel, Metropolitan
Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority**



A Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals (RFP) for Design/Build Services for NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure

Planning & Capital Programs Committee
January 23, 2025



Background

- The NextGen Bus Network Redesign will be MARTA's largest and most comprehensive network plan since the Authority's founding.
- Supporting infrastructure work aims to complete a series of improvements that will allow safe and efficient operation of the redesigned bus system.
- This initiative will involve design and construction of critical infrastructure across Fulton County, DeKalb County, and the City of Atlanta.



Project Purpose

Support the new bus network by addressing infrastructure challenges and modernizing facilities to improve passenger experiences and operational efficiency.

Scope



Improve bus bay capacity at (2) key stations



Improve accessibility at (3) Park & Ride facilities



Improve intersection geometry at (15) locations to allow bus to make safer turns



Improve accessibility at (130) pedestrian safety sites by connecting missing sidewalks, installing ADA ramps and striping crosswalks





Example Infrastructure Needs

Barge Road Park and Ride Improvements



Deteriorating sidewalk and missing ADA Ramps at Barge Road Park and Ride

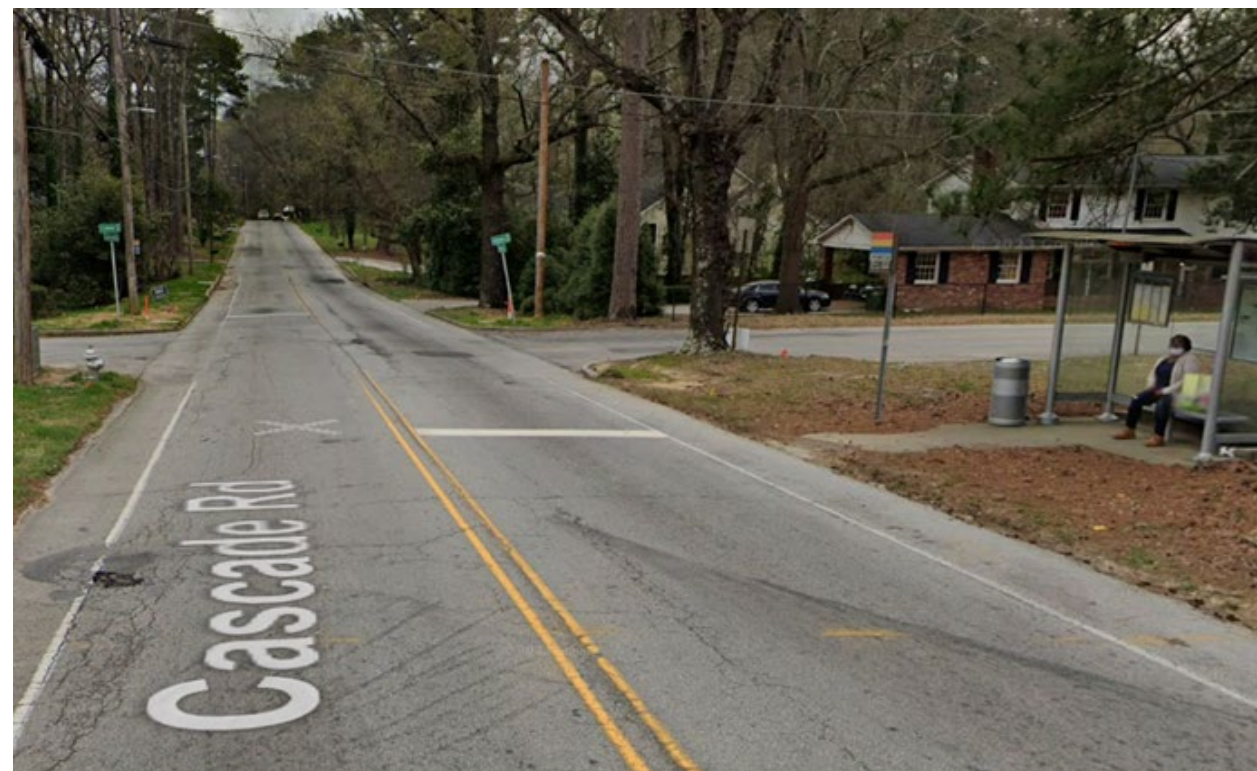
Mansell Road Park and Ride Improvements



Pedestrian access needed for heavy foot traffic at NW corner of Mansell Road Park and Ride

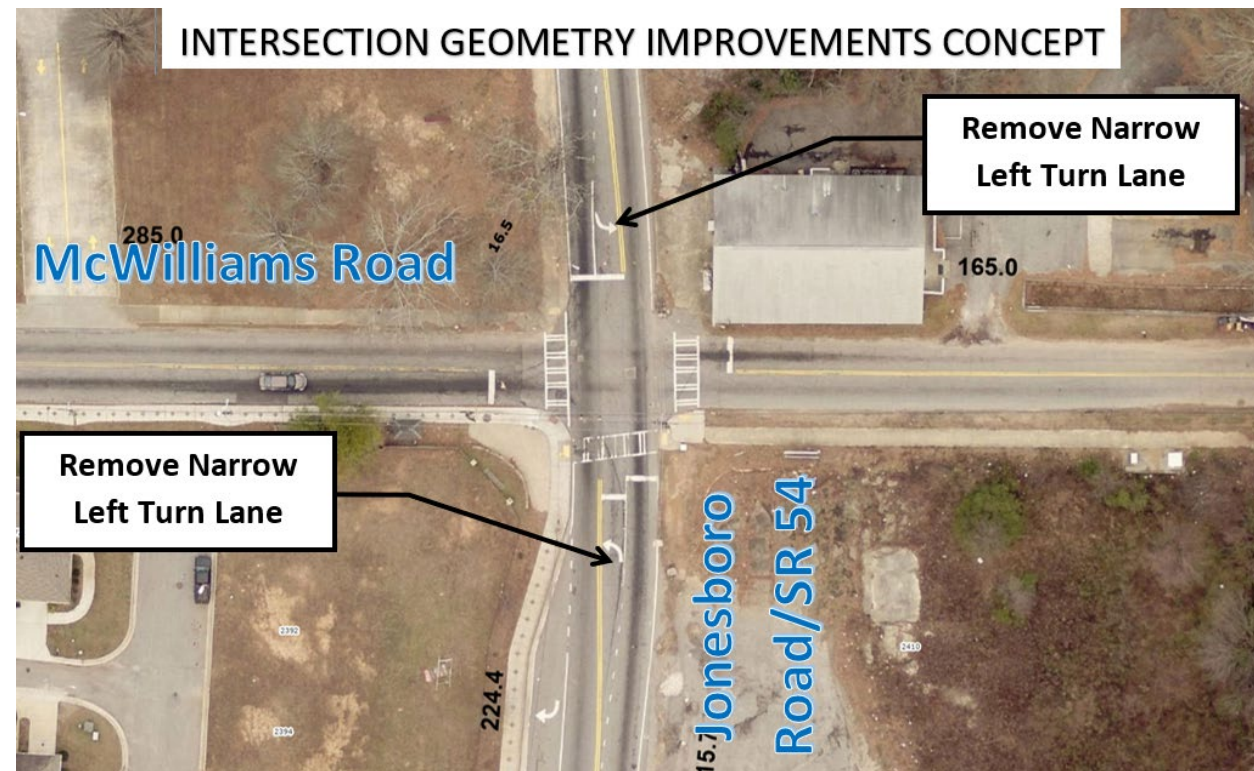
Example Infrastructure Needs

Pedestrian Safety Improvements



Missing Sidewalk, Crosswalk and ADA Ramps at Cascade Road and Adams Drive & Lynway Lane

Intersection Geometry Improvements

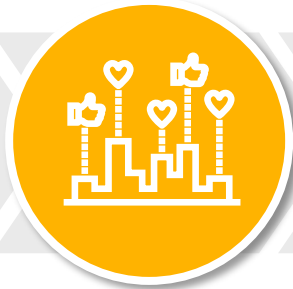


Narrow Lanes at Jonesboro Road/SR 54 and McWilliams Road pose challenges to bus turns

Solicitation Details

- The NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure project will require a **Design/Build vendor** for the construction of all sites.
- The proposed Design/Build vendor will require specific expertise (but will not be limited) to the following:
 1. Project Management
 2. Architectural and Engineering Design Services
 3. Safety Certification Support Services
 4. Full Construction Services
- The Office of Diversity and Inclusion will review the proposal document during the pre-planning phase of the solicitation process to identify opportunities for disadvantaged, small, and minority business participation to assign a value for the proponent to attempt to achieve.

Procurement Next Steps



Solicitation

Winter 2024-Spring 2025

- Prepare RFP Documents
- Board Approval to Solicit
- Source Evaluation Committee (SEC)



Award

Spring-Summer 2025

- Board Approval to Award Solicitation
- Board Approval of Final Redesigned Network



Implementation

Summer-Fall 2025

- Begin Construction

**Requesting a Resolution Authorizing
the Solicitation of Proposals (RFP)
for Design/Build Services for
NextGen Bus Network Redesign
Infrastructure**

Thank You



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE
PROCUREMENT OF DESIGN/BUILD SERVICES FOR NEXTGEN BUS NETWORK
REDESIGN INFRASTRUCTURE,
RFP P50669**

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized by Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act to acquire property or services without competitive bidding if it is impracticable to prepare adequate specifications and an adequate description on the basis of which to solicit competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/CEO has certified, in accordance with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, that the Procurement of Design/Build Services for NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure, is impracticable through the solicitation of competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, award of a Contract for the Procurement of Design/Build Services for NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure, after the solicitation of proposals and selection of a preferred proponent pursuant to Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, is subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO, or his designee be, and hereby is, authorized to Solicit Proposals for the Procurement of Design/Build Services for

NextGen Bus Network Redesign Infrastructure, by means other than competitive bidding, in accordance with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, through the use of Request for Proposals.

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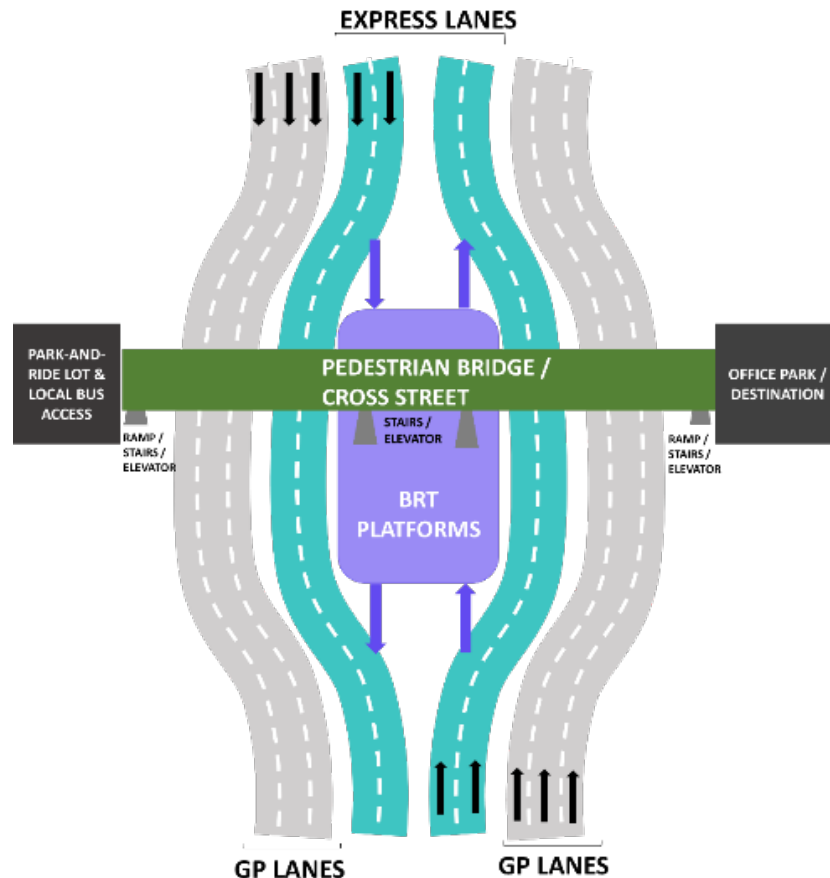
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Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant Services for the GA 400 BRT, RFP P50661



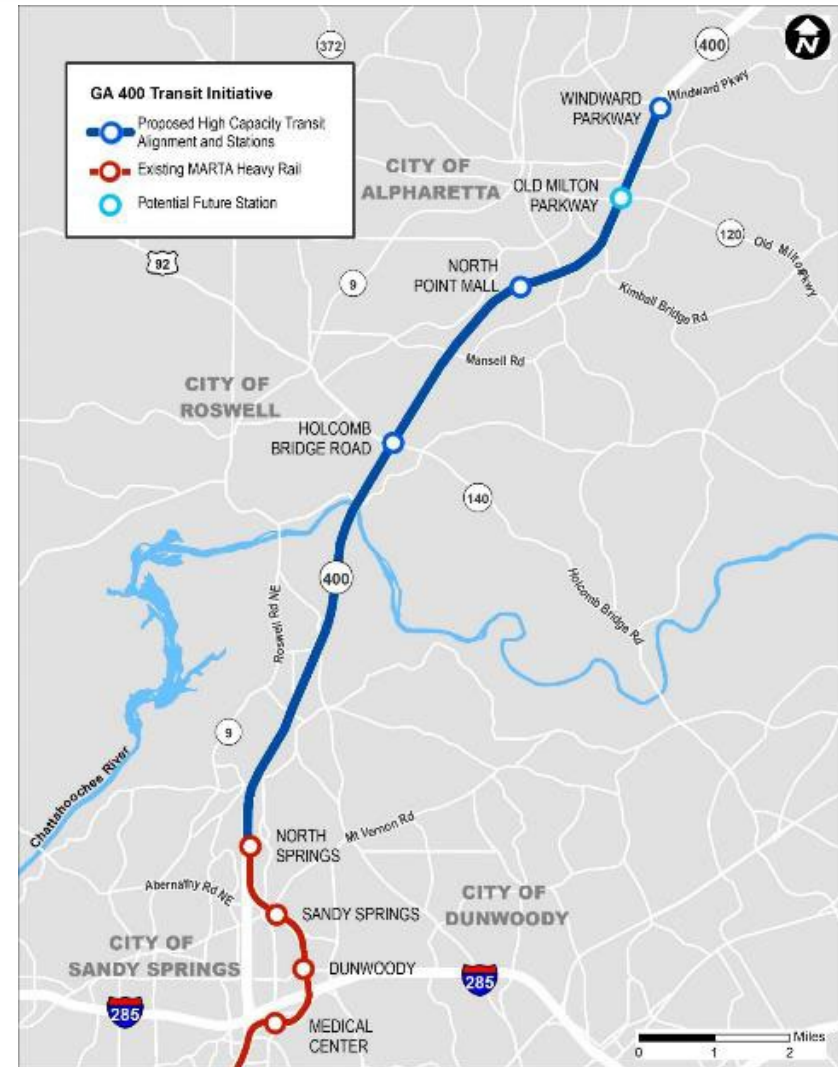
PROJECT STATUS – GA 400 BRT/EL

The objective of the GA 400 Express Lanes (EL) project is to provide Vendor operated/maintained express lanes along GA 400 from I-285 to Forsyth County as well as incorporating facilities for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) services.

The Georgia Department of Transportation has selected a GA 400 Express Lane Design-Build Vendor to provide the GA 400 EL/BRT project.

The current Conceptual design includes BRT service between North Spring Station and the Windward Parkway Park and Ride with inline stations at:

- Holcomb Bridge Road
- North Point Mall
- Old Milton Parkway (Potential future)



PURPOSE

Procurement of an Architectural and Engineering consultant to provide Program Management Consulting (PMC) support for the MARTA GA 400 EL/BRT Project, in conjunction with the Georgia Department of Transportation selected GA 400 Express Lane Design-Builder, that complies within FTA guidelines and reporting.

Services to include:

- Project Management
- Design Management
- Design-Builder Implementation Management
- Construction Management
- Operational Readiness
- Administrative Services

DBE

- The Office of Diversity and Inclusion will review the proposal document during the pre-planning phase of the solicitation process to identify opportunities for disadvantaged, small, and minority business participation.

Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant Services for the GA 400 BRT, RFP P50661

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE
PROCUREMENT OF PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR
THE GA 400 BRT, RFP P50661**

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized by Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act to acquire property or services without competitive bidding if it is impracticable to prepare adequate specifications and an adequate description on the basis of which to solicit competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/CEO has certified, in accordance with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, that the procurement of Program Management Consultant Services for the GA 400 BRT is impracticable through the solicitation of competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, award of a Contract for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant Services for the GA 400 BRT, after the solicitation of proposals and selection of a preferred proponent pursuant to Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, is subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO, or his designee be, and hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the procurement of Program Management Consultant Services for the GA 400 BRT by means other than competitive bidding, in

accordance with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, through the use of Request for Proposals.

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Jonathan J. Hunt

**Interim Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Program Management Consultant (PMC) Services for Communications Based Train Control (CBTC), RFP P50662

January 2025



— Background



The objective of the Communications Based Train Control (CBTC) project is to replace MARTA's current train control system with the latest state of the art CBTC technology to improve safety, reliability, availability, and scalability for future growth. The implementation and roll out of CBTC will provide noticeable benefits to MARTA and its customers.

Purpose

The CBTC project along with the complexity of implementation necessitates a PMC to ensure successful implementation of the CBTC project that complies within FTA guidelines and reporting, the base scope is comprised of the following support functions:

- 1) **Project Management** (*Scope, Schedule, Budget Monitoring and MARTA Stakeholder Communications*)
- 2) **Design Management** (*Verification of Vendor Compliance with RFP Criteria*)
- 3) **Implementation Management** (*Cutover planning, Commissioning/Test plans, Sustained performance analysis*)
- 4) **Construction Management** (*Construction compliance, Construction quality, Construction safety and security*)
- 5) **Operational Readiness** (*Training program, Maintenance program, SOP development, Staffing and Organizational recommendations*)
- 6) **Administrative Services** (*Monthly status reports, Issue reports, Conducting meetings and Meeting minutes*)

Solicitation Detail

- The PMC support service contract will be for a term of eight years.
- This procurement is being funded with Local Capital funds from the approved Fiscal Year annual budgets.
- The PMC team will be composed of individuals with the required technical capabilities, specialized experiences, project monitoring and controls experience.
- The Office of Diversity and Inclusion will review the proposal document during the pre-planning phase of the solicitation process to identify opportunities for disadvantaged, small, and minority business participation.

Resolution Authorizing the
Solicitation of Proposals for the
Procurement of Program
Management Consultant (PMC)
Services for Communications Based
Train Control (CBTC), RFP P50662



Thank You

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE
PROCUREMENT OF PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT (PMC) SERVICES
FOR COMMUNICATIONS BASED TRAIN CONTROL (CBTC)**

RFP P50662

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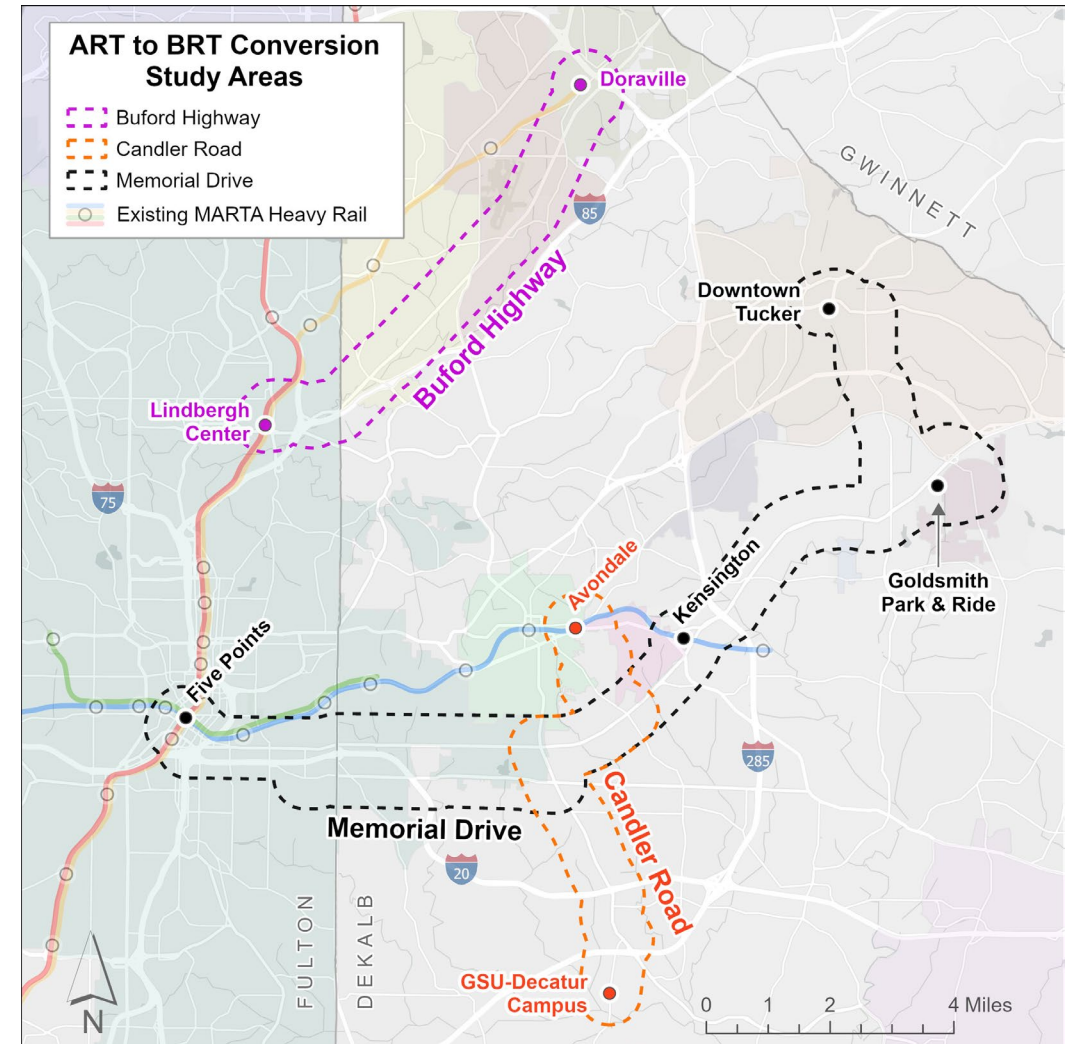


DeKalb ART to BRT Feasibility Study Results

January 23, 2025

DeKalb ART to BRT Feasibility Study

- Study effort began in July 2024 at the request of DeKalb County
- Analyze the feasibility of BRT along:
 - Buford Hwy & Candler Rd – ART to BRT conversion (*Only current ART projects are fully funded*)
 - Memorial Dr – ART or BRT corridor planning, design and implementation (*not currently funded beyond this study*)



Study Process

Existing Conditions Analysis – July 2024 to Aug 2024

- Analysis of Corridors
- Review of MARTA’s ART/BRT Guidelines
- Peer Agencies Interviews

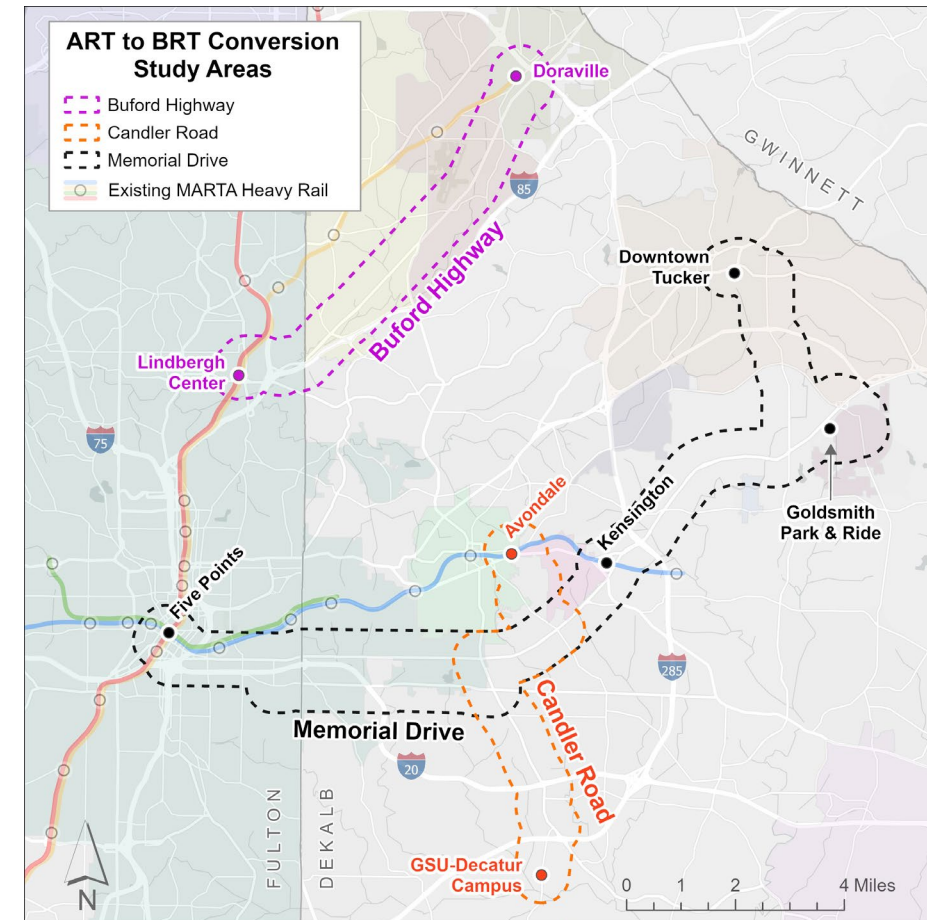
Development of Alternatives – Sept 2024 to Oct 2024

- Development of distinguishing ART and BRT Components
 - Alignment/Runningway
 - Stops/Stations
 - Operating Plans

Evaluation of ART to BRT Impacts – Nov 2024 to Dec 2024

- Estimated Impacts – Capital, Operating, and Schedule
- Estimated Benefits – Service Attraction, Vulnerable Communities, and Safety

Final Report – Jan 2025



ART to BRT Conversion Elements



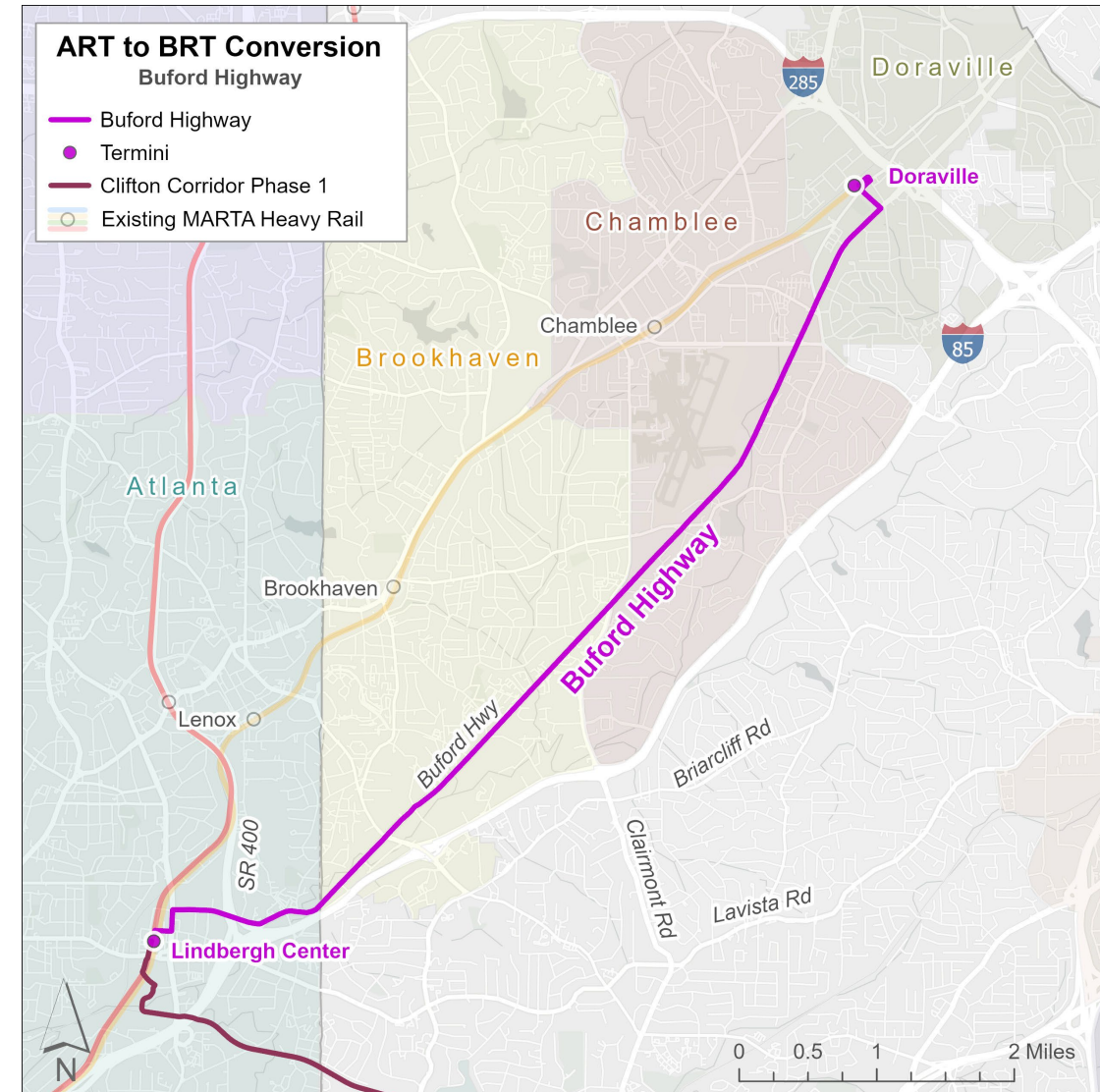
Safety Benefits

	ART	BRT
ADA Accessibility	✓	✓
Passenger Safety Improvements at Enhanced Stops	✓	✓
Improved Lighting at Stations and Major Intersections	✓	✓
Improved Pedestrian Crossings	✓	✓
Increased separation of different modes		✓
Additional Roadway Treatments and Traffic Calming		✓



Buford Highway Summary

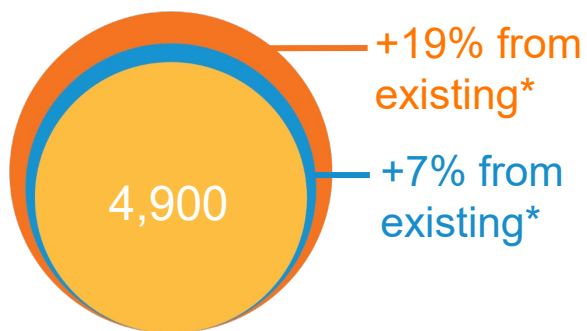
- Approximately 8.5 miles in length
- Lindbergh Center Station to Doraville Station
 - Connects to future Clifton Corridor Phase 1 at Lindbergh
- Served by Route 39 today, highest ridership route in MARTA system
- Passes through 4 municipalities:
 - Atlanta
 - Brookhaven
 - Chamblee
 - Doraville



Buford Highway Summary

- 12%** Households without a vehicle
- 31%** Low-income Households
- 61%** Renter-Occupied Households

SERVICE ATTRACTION



Existing ART BRT

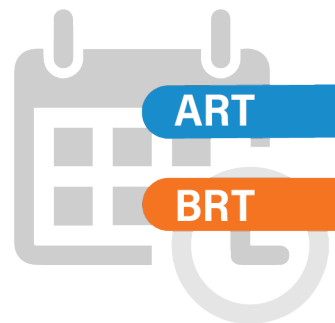
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CAPITAL COST



ANNUAL OPERATING COST

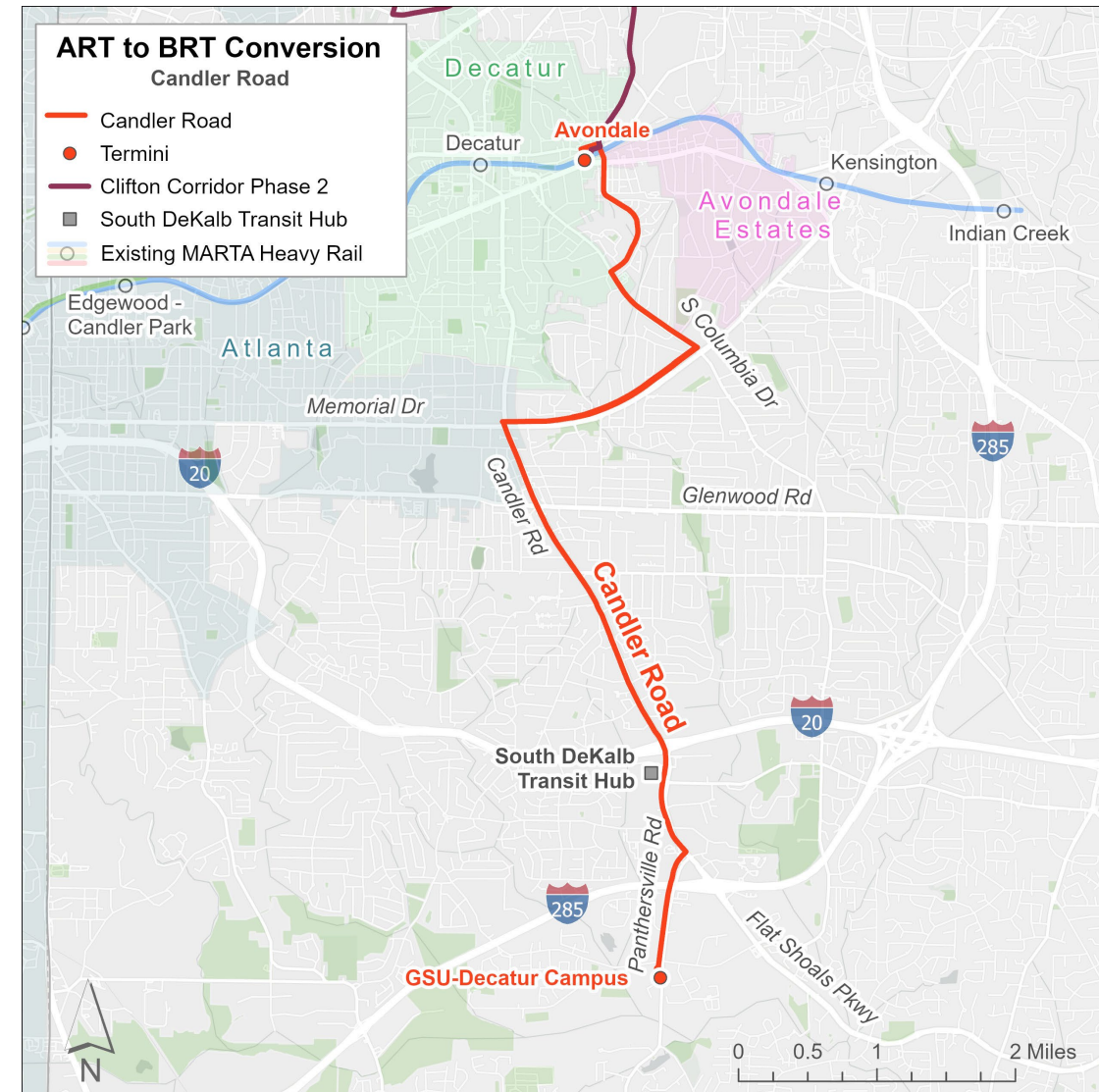


ART 4 YEARS TO COMPLETE

BRT 8 YEARS TO COMPLETE (FUNDING IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE)

Candler Road Summary

- Approximately 8 miles in length
- Avondale Station to GSU-Decatur Campus off Panthersville Road
 - Connects to future Clifton Corridor Phase 2 at Avondale
- Served primarily by Route 15 today, 5th highest ridership route in DeKalb
- Mostly in unincorporated DeKalb with short segments in Atlanta and Decatur



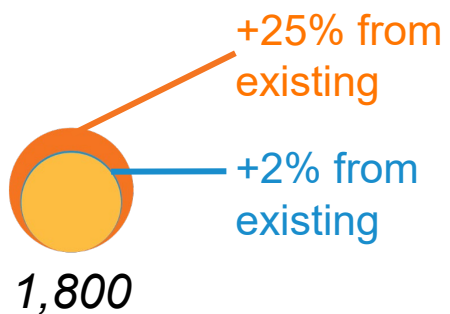
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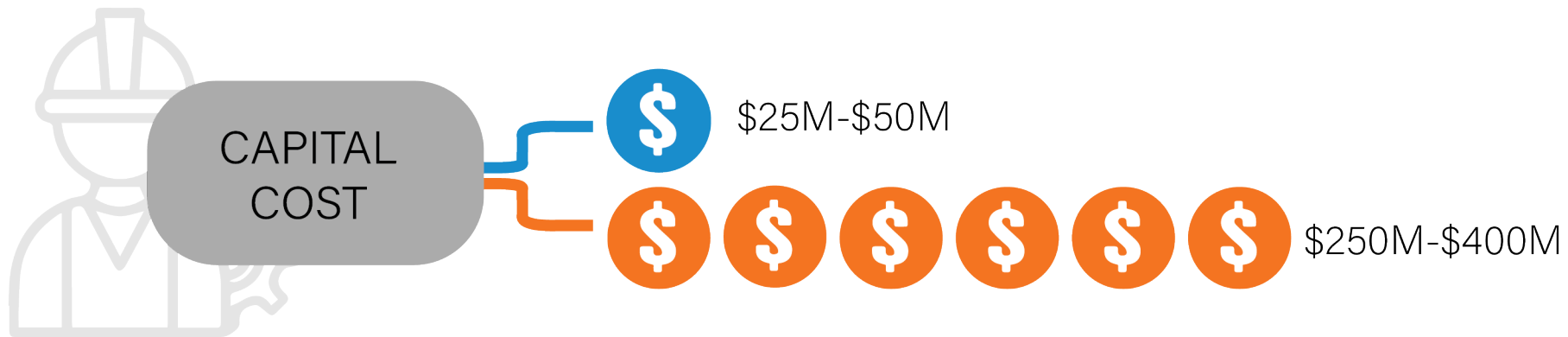
42% Renter-Occupied Households

SERVICE ATTRACTION



Existing ART BRT

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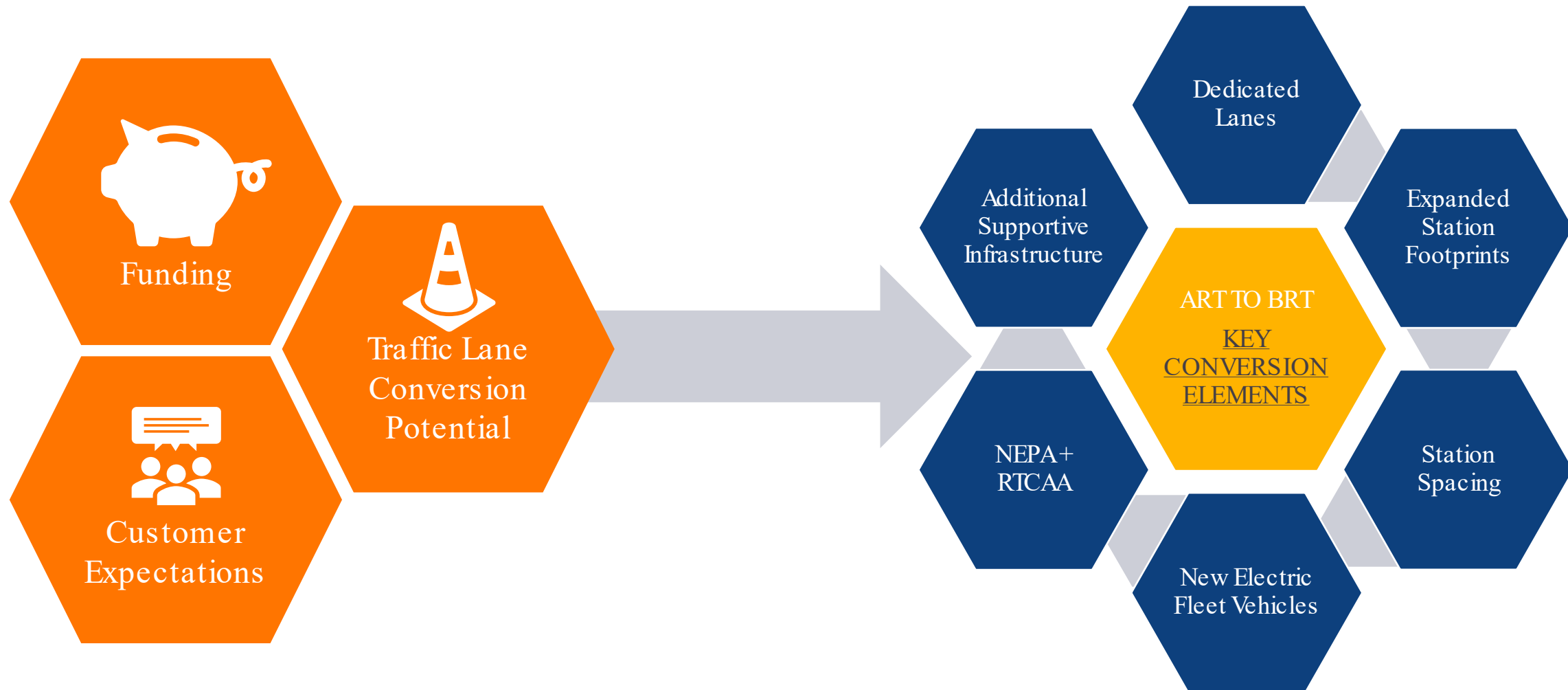


Key Takeaways

- Buford Highway has the highest potential to be a BRT candidate among the corridors studied
- Confirmation the current locally-preferred alternative (LPA) of ART for Candler Road is the appropriate service
- Memorial Drive requires more detailed analysis and coordination at a corridor-level before determining a preferred alternative
- Several hurdles exist in shifting ART projects to BRT



ART to BRT Hurdles



Roles

MARTA

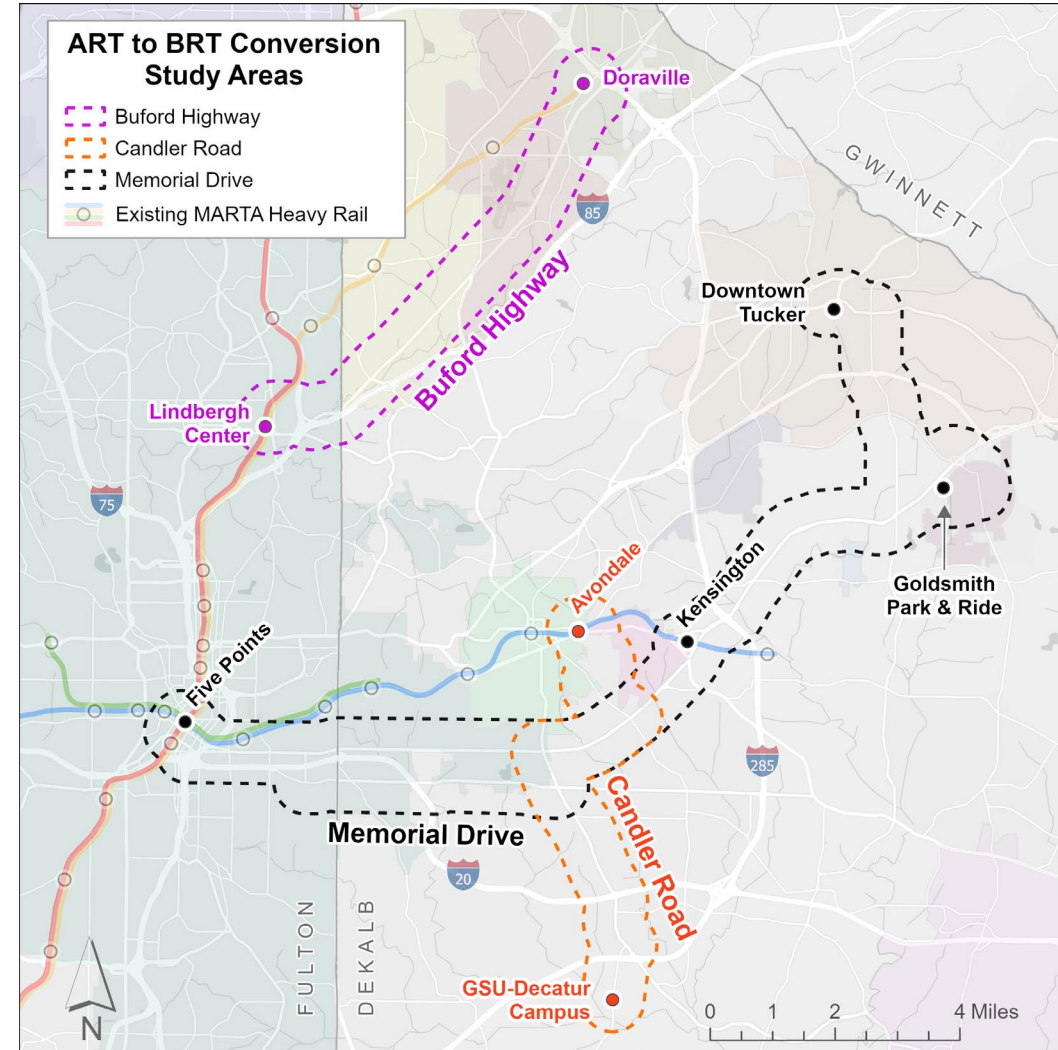
- Evaluation of transportation infrastructure and operating investments (short-, medium-, and long-term)
- Pursuing federal funding
- Communication of needs to municipalities (funding, supportive land use, etc.)
- Planning for transit-oriented communities

DeKalb/Municipalities

- Local funding
- Zoning and land use planning + implementation
- Private development incentives
- Supportive infrastructure

MARTA + DeKalb/Municipalities

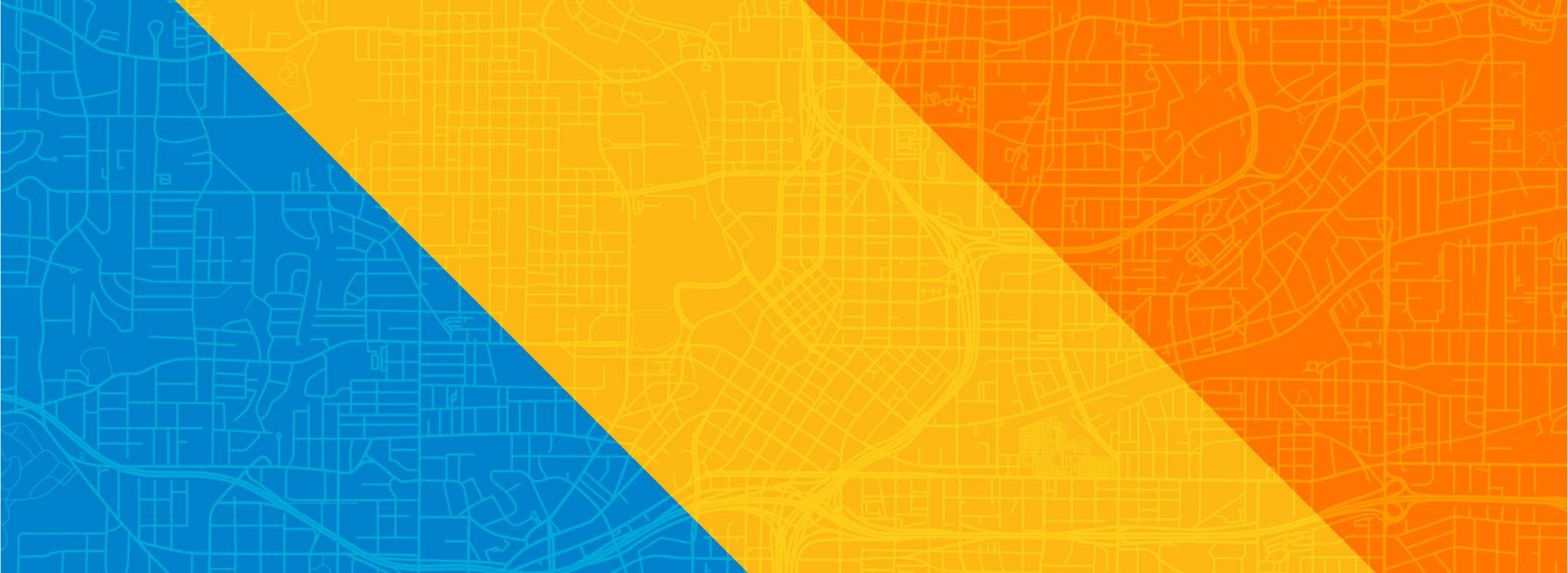
- Unified community approach and engagement in managing expectations



Next Steps

- Complete development of Final Report/Executive Summary – *End of January*
- Report findings to MARTA Planning & Capital Programs Committee – *January 23*
- Report findings to DeKalb Public Works & Infrastructure Committee – *February 18*





Thank You





**PLANNING AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS
COMMITTEE - BRIEFING**

**ATLANTA STREETCAR EAST EXTENSION
PROJECT AE50293**

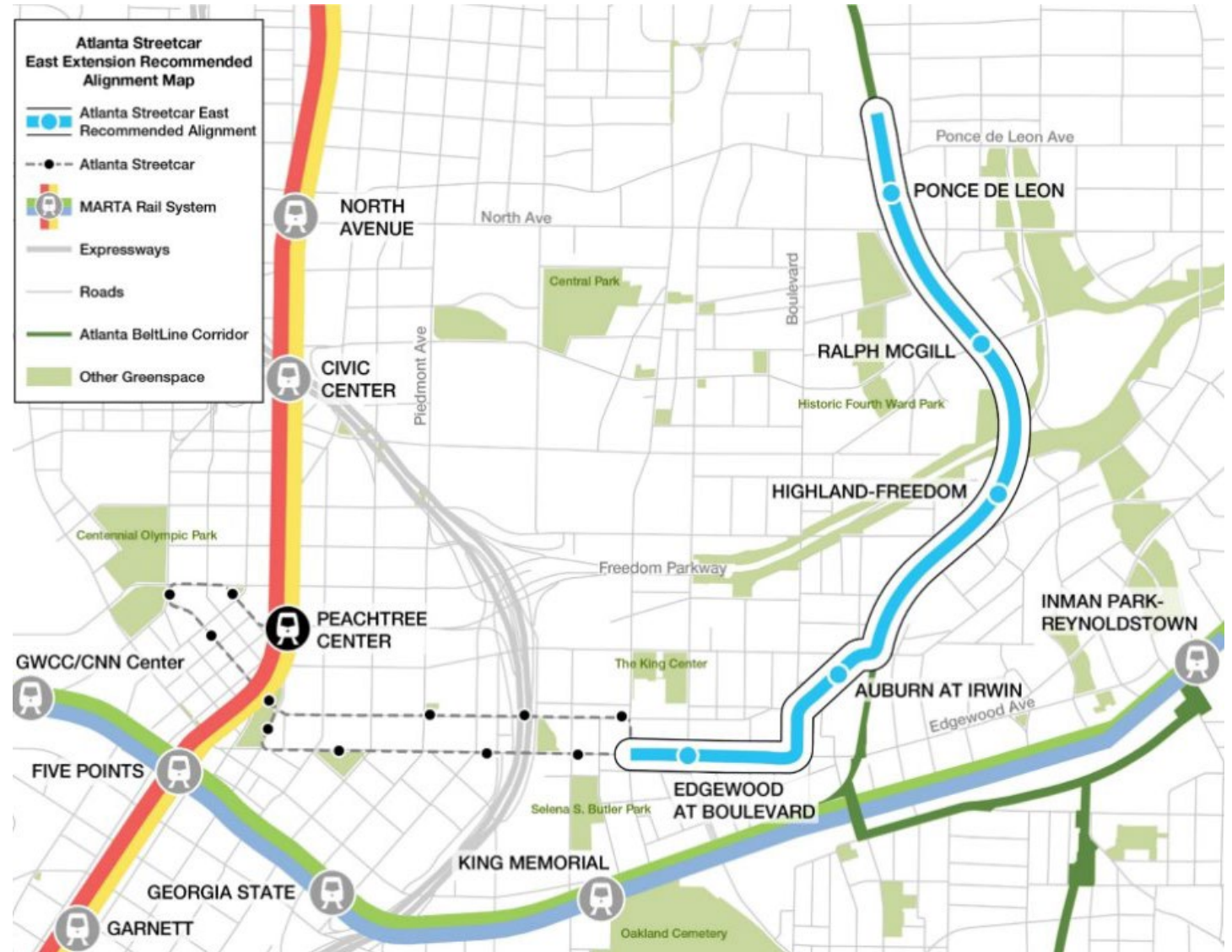
PRELIMINARY STUDIES UPDATE

January 23, 2025

Project Overview

Atlanta Streetcar East Extension - Locally Preferred Alignment

- Adds a 2-mile extension to MARTA's streetcar network
- Connects neighborhoods, supports local businesses, and enhances public transit appeal
- Reduces car dependence
- Supports walkable neighborhoods



MARTA's Board Request for Preliminary Studies

To assist in evaluating the next steps for the Atlanta Streetcar East Extension, the MARTA board requested three preliminary studies focusing on key aspects of the project:

- Existing System Enhancements:** Analyze and recommend improvements for safety, customer experience, and operations of the current streetcar system.
- Vehicle Analysis:** Evaluate fleet needs, including the feasibility of hybrid vehicles and options for replacing or reselling the existing fleet.
- Turf Track Feasibility:** Assess the practicality of embedding turf tracks to align with the Atlanta Beltline's design and environmental goals.

MARTA's design consultant HDR conducted these studies, delivering essential insights and actionable recommendations to guide decision-making which includes a **Public Engagement** strategy.

1

Existing System
Enhancements

2

Vehicle
Analysis

3

Turf Track
Recommendation

4

Public
Engagement
Plan

Key Findings and Recommendations

1

Existing System Enhancements

Recommendations

Forty-eight (**48**) Infrastructure and Operational Improvements were listed focusing on:

- Putting Safety First (18)
- Customer Experience Improvements (17)
- Building Strong Partnerships for Seamless Operations (13)

2

Vehicle Analysis

Recommendations

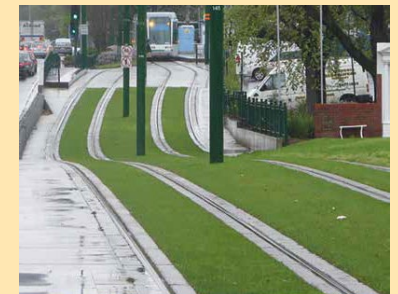
- Use a Hybrid Vehicle to reduce infrastructure needs and protect viewshed of Beltline
- Purchase a new hybrid fleet;
- Resale old fleet (4 vehicles, 2 have remaining FTA interest to be repaid)
- Identify new VMF site

3

Turf Track Recommendation

Recommendations

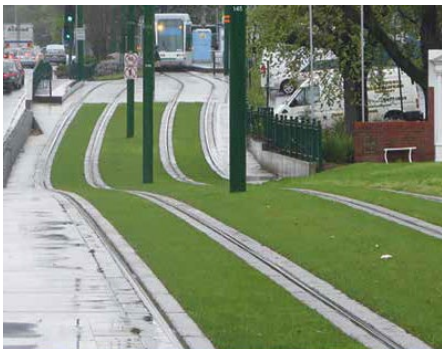
- Embedded track with trough allows for both current track inspection protocol and autonomous inspection technologies combining aesthetics with safety.



Consensus Building and Next Steps

Key Element	City of Atlanta (CoA) Position	MARTA Position	Atlanta Beltline (ABI) Position
Existing System Enhancements	Agrees with Recommendations	Agrees with Recommendations	Agrees with Recommendations
Vehicle Analysis (On-Wire/ Hybrid Off-Wire/Off-Wire)	TBD	Hybrid Off-Wire	Hybrid Off-Wire
Turf Track Feasibility (on the Beltline alignment only)	TBD	Embedded Track – Vegetation at top of rail	Plinth with rail boot only – Vegetation at top of rail
Public Engagement Plan and Outreach Approach	Pause Engagement	Continue with Current Approach	Agrees with Current Approach

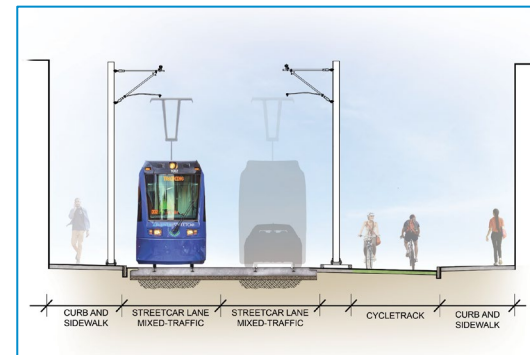
Embedded Track –
Vegetation at top of rail
**MARTA's recommendation*



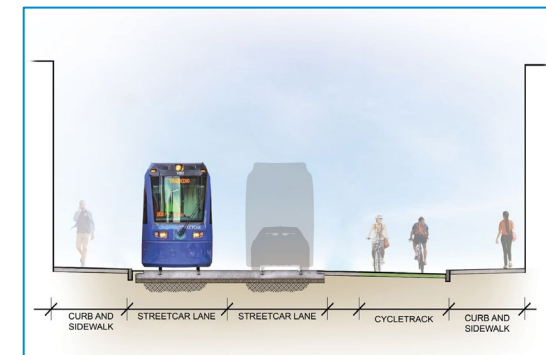
Plinth with rail boot only
– Vegetation at top of rail
**ABI's preference*



EXISTING ALIGNMENT
(with Overhead Contact
Poles and Wire)



BELTLINE ALIGNMENT
(without Overhead Contact
Poles and Wire)



Next Steps and Decision Points (Phase II Study)

- **Vehicle Analysis:** Evaluate fleet expansion costs, resale guidelines, and potential VMF sites.
- **Turf Track Feasibility:** Compare maintenance and operations costs for track options; consult with the University of Georgia on specialized grass seed feasibility.
- **Further Investigation:**
 - Address outstanding issues to align all stakeholders.
 - Refine cost estimates and operational feasibility.
 - Coordinate outreach approach

MARTA is committed to resolving open questions and advancing collaboratively toward final design and implementation