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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Jonathan DiGioia, Safe Streets Program Manager
Date: April 29th, 2024
Subject: Safe Streets Program Annual Update

ITEM DESCRIPTION

This presentation provides an overview of accomplishments and progress of the Safe Streets Program over the past year and next steps going forward.

DISCUSSION

The Safe Streets Program kicked off in spring of 2023 with the hiring of Jonathan DiGioia as the Safe Streets Program Manager and the start of the Dunwoody Road Safety Action Plan development. Goals of the program include driving progress toward the City’s goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries on city streets, and collaborating across City departments on initiatives to promote safe and equitable transportation options in Dunwoody.

ATTACHMENTS

- Safe Streets Program Annual Update



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City of Dunwoody Georgia

Safe Streets Program Annual Update

April 29, 2024

Program Goals

- Drive progress toward the City's goal of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries on city streets
- Collaborate across City departments on initiatives to promote safe and equitable transportation options in Dunwoody



Road Safety Action Plan

- Kicked Off April 2023
- Significant Public and Stakeholder Engagement
 - 7 virtual stakeholder & working group meetings
 - 3 in-person public meetings
 - Over 350 survey responses
- City-Wide Safety and Equity Data Analysis
- Data-Driven Strategy Recommendations
- Adopted November 2023



Plan, dashboard, and appendices published to:
<https://www.dunwoodyga.gov/government/master-plans/road-safety-action-plan>

Quick Build Projects

Womack Road at Dunwoody Elementary School

- Opportunity identified by school parents
- Addressed speed, pedestrian crossing distance, and visibility concerns
- Pilot period ran October 3 – November 2, 2023
- Discontinued at end of pilot period due to driver behavior concerns



Quick Build Projects

Vanderlyn Drive Sidewalk Extension

- Opportunity identified by residents
- Fills a sidewalk gap on a neighborhood walk-to-school route
- Separates pedestrians from carpool traffic
- Completed August 2023



Quick Build Projects

Brook Run Park

- Opportunity identified by a citizen
- Speed humps, crosswalk, warning signs, and path connection to athletic fields to promote pedestrian safety during drop-off and pick-up traffic
- Completed September 2023



Since Plan Adoption

- Established Road Safety Committee
- Developed Fatal and Severe Injury Crash Review Process
- Completed Engineering and Traffic Investigation (ETI) to expand the existing Dunwoody Elementary School speed zone
- Collaborated with Public Works to develop a public input channel on road safety concerns and opportunities via SeeClickFix
- Coordination with Doraville & GDOT on addressing pedestrian conditions along the SR 141/Peachtree Boulevard southbound access road
- Developed prioritized project list

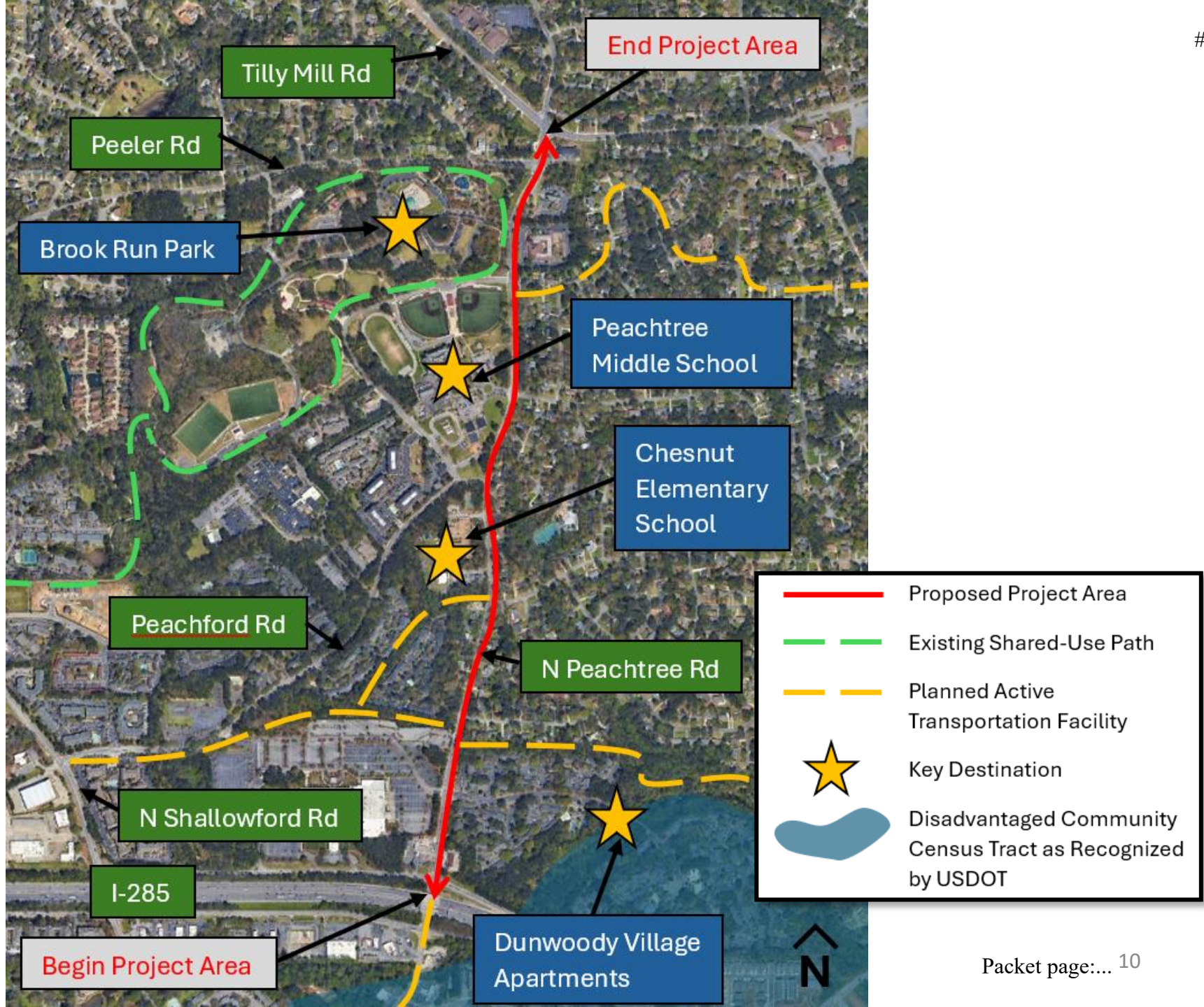
Road Safety Committee

- Interdisciplinary working group made up of Police, Public Works, and Community Development staff
- Fatal and Severe Injury Crash Review
 - Ad hoc meetings to review circumstances and potential contributing factors
 - Identify short- and long-term opportunities in response
 - First review was held February 20, 2024
- Guides implementation of the Road Safety Action Plan
- Developed list of potential short-term safety projects to address Road Safety Action Plan goals
 - E.g., crosswalk enhancements, roadway lighting, minor intersection modifications



Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Implementation Grant

- The completion and adoption of the Road Safety Action Plan makes us eligible to apply for this grant
- Request to fund multimodal corridor safety improvements on North Peachtree Road between I-285 and Tilly Mill Road
- Key objectives:
 - Improve sidewalks and pedestrian crossing opportunities along the corridor
 - Address safety opportunities for all modes at intersections and segments along the corridor
 - Construct a key connection in the Dunwoody Trail Master Plan
 - Connect Chesnut Elementary School, Peachtree Middle School, Brook Run Park, neighborhoods, apartment complexes, and other key destinations



What's Next

- Finalize and submit SS4A Implementation Grant application
- Continue implementing short-term project opportunities
 - E.g., pilot project to address pedestrian safety and visibility at the intersection of Nandina Lane and Mt. Vernon Road
- Conduct speed studies to identify opportunities to reduce speed limits where appropriate
- Staff walks on High-Injury Network (HIN) corridors as identified in the Road Safety Action Plan

Short-Term City-Funded Project Opportunities

Crosswalk enhancements

Intersection modification, e.g., raised intersection

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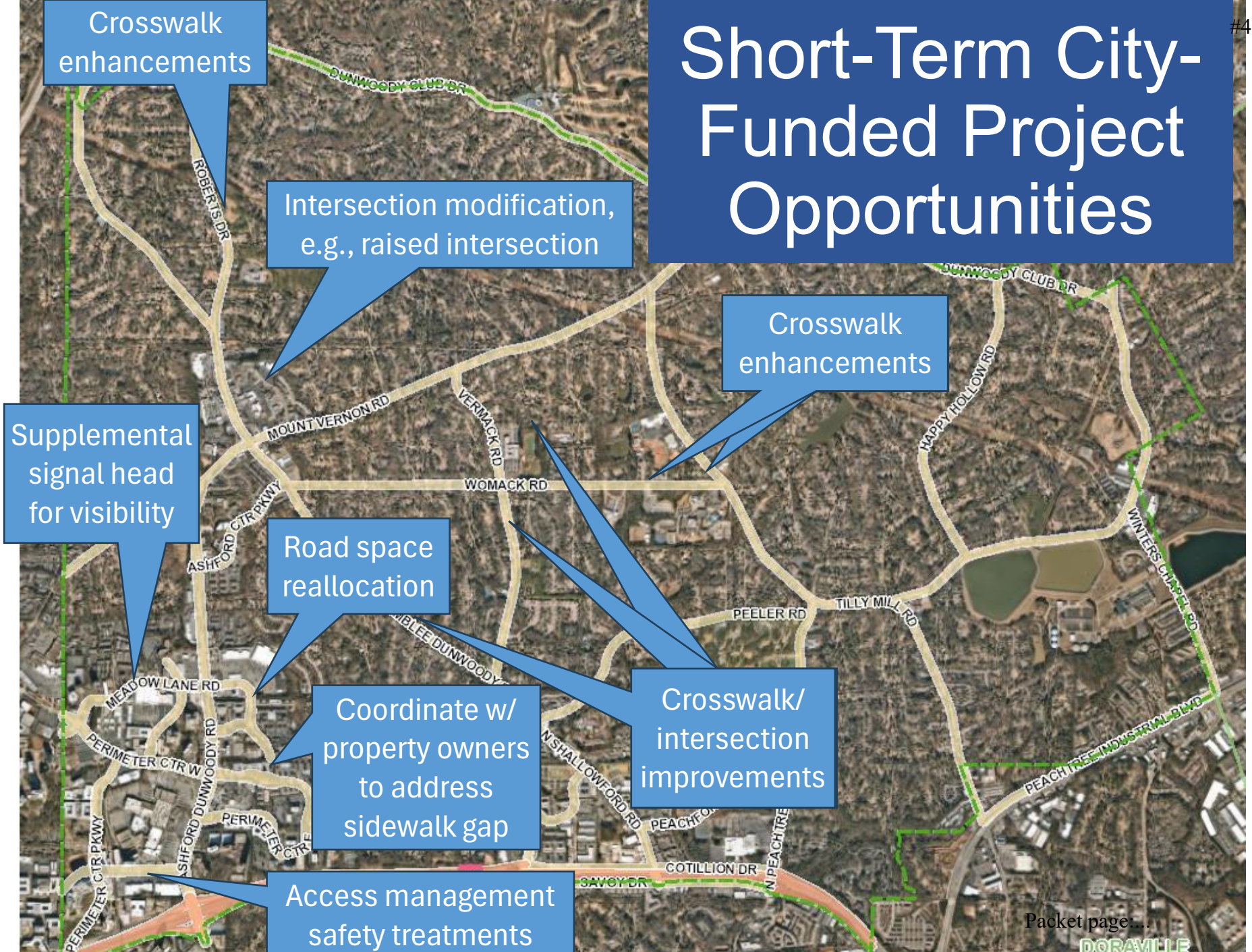
Supplemental signal head for visibility

Road space reallocation

Coordinate w/ property owners to address sidewalk gap

Crosswalk/ intersection improvements

Access management safety treatments



Short-Term City-Funded Project Opportunities

Location	Description
Roberts Dr	Crosswalk at former Austin Elementary School park entrance
Dunwoody Village Pkwy	Intersection modification at Dunwoody Village driveway, e.g., raised intersection
Hammond Dr	Access management safety treatments, e.g., median modifications for turning movement safety
Perimeter Center N	Coordinate with property owners to address sidewalk gap north of Perimeter Center E
Meadow Ln	Road space reallocation and pedestrian improvements east of Ashford Dunwoody Rd near Perimeter Village
Meadow Ln	Supplemental signal head for visibility at Olde Perimeter Way
Tilly Mill Rd	Crosswalk enhancement at Dunwoody Glen
Womack Rd	Crosswalk enhancement at Lakeland Woods Ct
Chamblee Dunwoody Rd	Intersection modification and pedestrian crossing improvements at Kings Down Rd
Vermack Road	Crosswalk improvements at Parliament Dr
Vanderlyn Drive	Crosswalk improvements at Trumbull Dr
Peeler Rd	New crosswalk at Cherring Ln