

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Michelle Hirose, Deputy Public Works Director

Date: July 13, 2026

Subject: **Design Contract with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc. for Ashford Connector Project**

ACTION

Authorize the Mayor, City Manager, or designee to execute all documents necessary and proper for a design contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (KHA). This concept design contract for the Ashford Connector project, which begins at the intersection of Ashford Center Parkway and Ashford Dunwoody Road and extends along the Ashford Center Parkway corridor to the intersection with Chamblee Dunwoody Road.

SUMMARY

The Ashford Connector, designated as W6 in the City’s Trail Master Plan, will connect key destinations such as Dunwoody Village, Perimeter Center, Georgia State University (GSU), and Dunwoody High School. The 5-year capital budget currently allocates \$294,601 in the FY2026 budget, funded through local SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) funds. KHA has proposed a fee of \$75,000 for the concept design, which will include alternative analysis, traffic analysis, drainage analysis, and public engagement.

DETAILS

The city issued a Request for Proposals (RFP 26-04) for design and engineering services. Seven firms submitted responsive proposals.

After evaluating the project qualifications and cost, the two (2) firms with the highest ratings were selected to provide their best and final concept design fees. Following a thorough assessment of qualifications, technical proposals, and concept design fees, KHA was determined to be the most qualified firm.

Proposal Evaluation RFP 26-04, Ashford Connector			
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ALTA Planning + Design, Inc.	55		
Bridgfarmer & Associates, Inc.	62.5		
KCI Technologies, Inc.	80	85	\$ 178,000.00
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.	77.5	87.5	\$ 75,000.00
NV5 Engineers and Consultants, Inc.	67.5		
Toole Design Group, LLC	57.5		

TTL, Inc.	47.5		
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RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the Mayor, City Manager, or designee to execute all documents necessary and proper for a design contract for \$75,000 with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc. and authorize a 10% contingency for a total project budget of \$82,500 for the concept design and engineering of Ashford Connector.

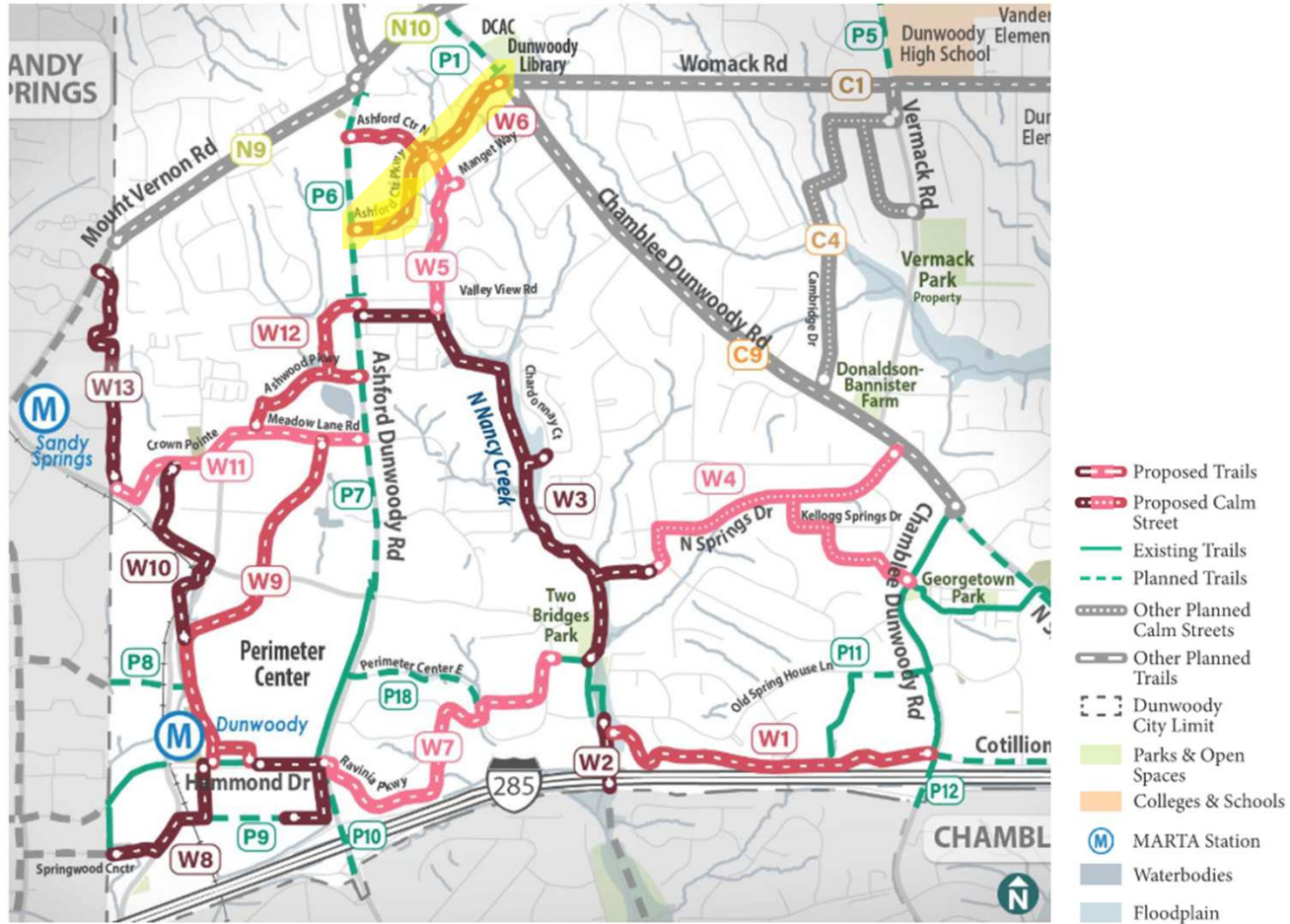


City of
Dunwoody
Georgia

**Award of a Concept Design Contract
For Ashford Connector**

July 13, 2026

Background/Timeline



Corridor Typical Section

TWO-WAY CYCLE TRACK



ONE-WAY CYCLE TRACK



Project Schedule

- Public Meeting – Winter 2027
- Concept Presentation – Spring 2027
- Final Design – Summer 2027

Consultant Selection Process

Seven Firms (7) Responded to RFP 26-04. Top 2 Firms proposed a Final Concept Only Design Fee.

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Staff Recommendation

- Recommend award of a concept design contract to Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for concept design and engineering services in the amount of \$75,000 and establish a project budget of \$82,500.