

Special Called Work Session of the Sandy Springs City Council was held Tuesday, August 29, 2006 at 6:00 PM Mayor Eva Galambos presiding.

Councilmember Jenkins was absent, excused.

Transportation Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Review and Review of Atlanta Regional Commission Projects.

City Manager John McDonough stated that the transportation staff has prepared an update for the Council. He explained that the Capital Improvement Program consists of several elements in addition to transportation; however, this presentation will focus on transportation. The other elements are facilities, parks, drainage, fleet, and other categories such as sidewalks. Staff will be bringing forward at the first meeting of each quarter, a briefing and update on the Capital Improvement Projects. This will align us with the Atlanta Regional Commission Transportation Improvement Program projects.

The goals for tonight are to focus the transportation funding on the priority projects, rebalance the available funding in order to get the most out of the available resources, and to formally establish the Capital Improvement Program for Transportation.

Mayor Galambos clarified that the \$6,512,409 is what was approved by Council in the budget for transportation projects.

Transportation Planning Manager Jon Drysdale gave the following presentation:

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE - AUGUST 29, 2006

▪ **Items To Be Covered**

• **Upcoming Project Calls – ARC and GDOT**

• **Update on Projects In This Order**

- **GDOT Projects**

- T-0001 Johnson Ferry - Abernathy Widening
- T-0002 Greenway – Abernathy Road Section – Land Acquisition/Design
- T-0003 Roswell Rd at Dunwoody Place Intersection Improvement
- T-0004 Roswell Rd at Northridge Rd Intersection Improvement

- **SSRI Projects**

- T-0005 River Valley Road Sidewalks
- T-0006 Sandy Springs Cir and Hammond Dr Pedestrian Enhancements (Phase I)
- T-0007 Mt. Vernon Pkwy Sidewalk and Traffic Calming
- T-0008 Roswell Rd Streetscape (Cliftwood to Hammond)
- T-0009 Roswell Rd & Johnson Ferry Pedestrian Link

- **Other CIP Projects**

- T-0010 Johnson Ferry Rd at Sandy Springs Circle Intersection Improvement
- T-0011 Johnson Ferry - Glenridge - Earmark
- T-0012 Roswell Road Streetscape (Johnson Ferry to Abernathy)
- T-0013 Roswell Road Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS)
- T-0014 Sandy Springs Cir Pedestrian Enhancements (Phase II)
- T-0015 Sandy Springs Cir Pedestrian Enhancements (Phase III)
- T-0016 Dunwoody Club at Spalding Drive Intersection Improvement

- T-0018 Riverside Drive Sidewalks (Heards Ferry to Old Riverside)

- T-0019 Mt. Vernon Highway Sidewalks (Powers Ferry to Lake Forrest)
- T-0020 Roswell Road Streetscape (I-285 to Atlanta City Limits)
- T-0021 Windsor Parkway Sidewalks (Roswell to High Point)
- T-0022 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd at Lake Hearn Intersection Improvement

- **New Projects for Consideration**

- I-285 Tunnel - Sandy Springs Circle Underpass
- Hammond Widening (Roswell to Glenridge)
- Dunwoody Place Improvements
- Peachtree-Dunwoody Road Improvements (Abernathy to Spalding)

▪ **Call for projects and other funding opportunities:**

• **ARC – TIP**

- Sep-Oct 06, new on-line process
- Funds neutral projects and earmarks only
- Fall 07 to be next major call
- Admin changes quarterly

• **ARC – LCI**

- **New process:**

- Prequalification of foundation projects Sep-Oct application
- Announce approved Winter 07
- Concept study Winter-Spring 07 application
- Concept study 2007-2008, then compete for funding

• **GDOT**

- GDOT call not expected
- Safe Routes to School Program
- Safety funds
- Intersection improvements

GDOT PROJECTS UPDATE - AUGUST 29, 2006

T-0001 JOHNSON FERRY - ABERNATHY WIDENING

Status:

- Construction plans 90% complete
- R/W acquisition 50% complete
- Utility relocation plans 80% complete

▪ **Recommendation:**

- Continue to support GDOT

▪ **Schedule:**

- R/W certification December, 2006
- Utility certification December, 2006
- FFPR December, 2006
- Contractors bid February 23, 2007
- Construction completion March, 2010

T-0002 GREENWAY - ABERNATHY ROAD SECTION

- **Status:**
 - Consultant recommendation completed by staff and Conservancy
 - COSS is requesting additional funding for R/W acquisition
 - Draft of consultant contract and scope of work under review
- **Recommendation:**
 - Proceed with design consultant process and concept design
- **Schedule:**
 - Consultant kick-off meeting October, 2006
 - Approved concept January, 2007
 - Construction plans December, 2007
 - Award construction contract Spring, 2008

Mayor Galambos announced that Commission Member Olens, Cobb County Board of Commissioners, proposed to Commissioner Linnenkohl, Georgia Department of Transportation, that they would carry us. Sandy Springs will be indebted to Cobb County, but by then the City will be in a better place to repay them.

T-0003 ROSWELL ROAD AT DUNWOODY PLACE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

- **Status:**
 - Currently under construction
 - Review of lane assignment change request underway at GDOT
- **Recommendation:**
 - Continue to support GDOT
 - Continue to follow-up on traffic study
 - Monitor utility cost requests
- **Schedule:**
 - Construction completion December 31, 2006

Councilmember Fries questioned the completion date stating that it was her understanding that it was to be completed November 1. Transportation Planning Manager Drysdale stated that contractually it is scheduled for completion by December 31.

T-0004 ROSWELL RD AT NORTHRIDGE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

- **Status:**
 - Currently under construction
- **Recommendation:**
 - Continue to support GDOT
 - Monitor utility cost requests
- **Schedule:**
 - Construction completion December 31, 2006

SSRI PROJECTS UPDATE - AUGUST 29, 2006

- **SSRI Projects**
 - Proceed with consultant contracts and construction related activities in FY07
 - T0005. River Valley Road Sidewalks
 - T0006. Sandy Springs Cir and Hammond Dr Pedestrian Enhancements (Phase I)
 - T0007. Mt. Vernon Pkwy Sidewalk and Traffic Calming
 - T0008. Roswell Rd Streetscape (Cliftwood to Hammond)
 - Merge project with Earmark and move to new design
 - T0009. Roswell Rd & Johnson Ferry Pedestrian Link

T-0005 RIVER VALLEY ROAD SIDEWALKS

- **Status:**
 - Construction plans 85% complete, R/W plans complete
 - PMA approved by City and transmitted to GDOT
 - Contract can be signed with the previous consultant, Pond & Company, once SSRI MOU and contract are approved
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction
- **Recommendation:**
 - Proceed with consultant contract and FY07 construction
- **Schedule:**
 - Consultant kick-off meeting October, 2006
 - R/W certification December, 2006
 - Utility plan certification December, 2006
 - Construction plans December, 2006
 - Construction May-Nov, 2007

T-0006 SANDY SPRINGS CIR AND HAMMOND DR PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS (PHASE I)

- **Status:**
 - Construction plans and R/W plans 80% complete
 - Utility plans 80% complete
 - PMA in progress, awaiting receipt from GDOT
 - Contract can be signed with the previous consultant, QK4, once SSRI MOU and contract are approved
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction
- **Recommendation:**
 - Proceed with consultant contract and FY07 construction
- **Schedule**
 - Consultant kick-off meeting October, 2006
 - R/W certification March, 2007
 - Utility plan certification March, 2007
 - Construction plans March, 2007
 - Construction May - Oct, 2007
 - This project to be let with Roswell Rd Streetscape (Cliftwood to Hammond)

T-0007 MT. VERNON PKWY SIDEWALK AND TRAFFIC CALMING

- **Status:**
 - Contract will be signed with previous consultant, Street Smarts, once the SSRI MOU and contract are approved
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction
- **Recommendation:**
 - Proceed with consultant contract and FY07 construction
- **Schedule:**
 - Consultant kick-off meeting October, 2006
 - Construction plans February, 2007
 - R/W certification April, 2007
 - Utility plan certification April, 2007
 - Construction Jun - Oct, 2007

T-0008 ROSWELL RD STREETSCAPE (CLIFTWOOD TO HAMMOND)

- **Status:**
 - Construction plans 90% complete, need to verify certification of R/W
 - Utility conflicts need to be resolved
 - PMA in progress

- Contract will be signed with previous consultant, QK4, once the SSRI MOU and contract are approved
- Funding programmed for FY07 construction
- Recommendation:
 - Proceed with consultant contract and FY07 construction
- Schedule:
 - Consultant kick-off meeting October, 2006
 - Construction plans December, 2006
 - Verify R/W certification February, 2007
 - Utility plan certification February, 2007
 - Construction May - Oct, 2007
 - This project to be let with Sandy Springs Circle Ped Enhancements (Phase I)

T-0009 ROSWELL RD & JOHNSON FERRY PEDESTRIAN LINK

- Status:
 - Discussing project with GDOT, FHWA, and ARC
 - Funding programmed for FY06 construction
 - Submitted concept change to GDOT to move funding to FY07
- Recommendation:
 - Request ARC to move the scope/funds to the Earmark project
 - Close this project down
- Schedule:
 - Working out funding details with GDOT, FHWA, ARC
 - Need City approval/funding
 - Advertise for design consultant
 - After concept, finalize funding estimates and sources
 - Finalize programming of funds

OTHER CIP PROJECTS UPDATE - AUGUST 29, 2006

T-0010 JOHNSON FERRY RD AT SANDY SPRINGS CIRCLE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT UPDATE - AUGUST 29, 2006

- Status:
 - Discussing project with GDOT, FHWA, and ARC
 - Funding programmed for FY09 construction
- Recommendation:
 - Combine activities with Earmark Project
 - Initiate design consultant activities
- Schedule:
 - Working out funding details with GDOT, FHWA, ARC
 - Need City approval/funding
 - Advertise for design consultant
 - After concept, finalize funding estimates and sources
 - Finalize programming of funds

T-0011 JOHNSON FERRY-GLENRIDGE - EARMARK

- Status:
 - Discussing project with GDOT, FHWA, and ARC
 - Earmark funds partially available now
 - We have indicated desire to sponsor, GDOT agrees
 - Combine the involved projects
- Recommendation:
 - Submit formally to ARC in Sep for TIP inclusion

- Schedule:
 - Work out funding details with GDOT, FHWA, ARC
 - Need City approval/funding
 - Advertise for design consultant to get three concepts
 - After concept, finalize funding estimates and sources
 - Finalize programming of funds

T-0012 ROSWELL ROAD STREETSCAPE (JOHNSON FERRY TO ABERNATHY)

- Status:
 - To be advertised for consultant design
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction, need to reprogram
- Recommendation:
 - Request ARC to re-program construction funds to FY08
 - Initiate design consultant activities
- Schedule:
 - Pending approval by City of design consultant advertisement

T-0013 ROSWELL ROAD ADVANCED TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ATMS)

- Status:
 - Discussing project with GDOT, Fulton County, Roswell, and Alpharetta, future City of Milton
 - Project funds availability at GDOT questioned by Fulton
 - Fulton does not want to take the lead
- Recommendation:
 - Continue sponsor role
 - Request ARC to re-program construction funds to FY09
 - Initiate design consultant activities
- Schedule:
 - Pending City agreement, meeting to be set up with all the Cities

T-0014 SANDY SPRINGS CIR PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS (PHASE II) UPDATE

- Status:
 - Phase 1 consultant, QK4, completed survey database
 - Concept initiated
- Recommendation:
 - Continue design consultant activities
 - Prepare submittal for LCI funding
- Schedule:
 - Pending City approval of design contract

T-0015 SANDY SPRINGS CIR PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS (PHASE III) UPDATE

- Status:
 - Phase 1 consultant, QK4, completed survey database
 - Concept initiated
- Recommendation:
 - Continue design consultant activities
 - Prepare submittal for LCI funding
- Schedule:
 - Pending City approval of design contract

T-0016 DUNWOODY CLUB AT SPALDING DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

- Status:
 - Need funding
 - Need authorization to move forward with consultant selection for concept design
 - After concept, finalize funding opportunities
- Recommendation
 - Initiate design consultant activities for concept design
 - Investigate funding

T-0018 RIVERSIDE DRIVE SIDEWALKS (OLD RIVERSIDE TO HEARDS FERRY)

- Status:
 - Construction plans and R/W plans complete
 - COSS needs to hire consultant to acquire R/W
 - Utility conflicts need to be resolved
 - PMA in progress, City approved and transmitted to GDOT
 - Contract will be signed with previous consultant, Clark-Patterson, once the contract is approved
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction
- Recommendation
 - Request ARC to re-program for FY08 or 09 funding
 - Re-evaluate at a later date

T-0019 MT. VERNON HIGHWAY SIDEWALKS (POWERS FERRY TO LAKE FORREST)

- Status:
 - Construction plans and R/W plans complete
 - Utility conflicts need to be resolved
 - PMA in progress, City approved and transmitted to GDOT
 - Contract can be negotiated once the contract is approved
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction, need to reprogram to FY08
- Recommendation
 - Request ARC to re-program for FY08 or 09 funding
 - Re-evaluate at a later date

T-0020 ROSWELL ROAD STREETSCAPE (I-285 TO ATLANTA CITY LIMITS) UPDATE

- Status:
 - To be re-advertised for consultant design
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction, need to reprogram
- Recommendation
 - Request ARC to re-program for FY08 or 09 funding
 - Re-evaluate at a later date

T-0021 WINDSOR PARKWAY SIDEWALKS (ROSWELL TO HIGH POINT)

- Status:
 - To be re-advertised for consultant design
 - Funding programmed for FY07 construction, need to reprogram
- Recommendation
 - Request ARC to re-program for FY08 or 09 funding
 - Re-evaluate at a later date

T-0022 PEACHTREE DUNWOODY RD AT LAKE HEARN INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

- Status:
 - To be advertised for consultant design
 - Need to coordinate with PCID
 - Palisades DRI studying this intersection
 - May be impacted by I-285
- Recommendation
 - Request ARC to re-program for FY09 funding
 - Await DRI and I-285 Study results
- Re-evaluate at later date

NEW PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION I-285 TUNNEL – SANDY SPRINGS CIRCLE UNDERPASS

- Status:
 - Need funding
- Recommendation:
 - Initiate consultant selection for concept design
 - After concept, finalize funding opportunities
 - Submit to ARC in call for projects in Fall 07
 - Need to coordinate with BRT project

Mayor Galambos stated that Congressman Price needed to know this week if the City wanted to move earmark money to this project.

HAMMOND WIDENING (ROSWELL TO GLENRIDGE)

- Status:
 - Need funding
- Recommendation:
 - Initiate consultant selection for concept design
 - After concept, finalize funding opportunities
 - Submit to ARC in call for projects in Fall 07
 - Need to coordinate with BRT project

DUNWOODY PLACE IMPROVEMENTS

- Status:
 - Need funding
- Recommendation:
 - Initiate consultant selection for concept design
 - After concept, finalize funding opportunities
 - Submit to ARC in call for projects in Fall 07

PEACHTREE-DUNWOODY RD IMPROVEMENTS (ABERNATHY TO SPALDING)

- Status:
 - Need funding
- Recommendation:
 - Initiate consultant selection for concept design
 - After concept, finalize funding opportunities
 - Submit to ARC in call for projects in Fall 07

Final Staff Recommendations

- City Council approve the redistribution of approved FY06 & FY07 funds as reflected under the "Staff Proposed Adjustments" column.
- City Council approve the establishment of a Capital Contingency funding line item using available funding as outlined under the BUDGETARY POLICIES; SECTION IV. CAPITAL PROJECT IMPROVEMENT PLAN Section F; this funding is needed in order to accommodate expenditures that may not have been expected during the duration of a capital project.
- City Council authorize the City Manager to transfer up to \$250,000 between similar capital projects from the Capital Contingency given the nature of these projects. (higher threshold)
Note: Purchasing Policy Section 6b authorizes the City Manager to approve budgeted capital purchases or contracts up to \$100,000.

There was a consensus to add these items to the Special Called Meeting Agenda for approval.

Councilmember Paul questioned the status of a traffic light at Weber School. Public Works Director Parham stated that the state does not feel it is warranted.

Councilmember Paul questioned the status of the LARP projects.

Councilmember Meinzen McEnery questioned the process for the Sidewalk Policy. Transportation Planning Manager Drysdale explained that a policy is being developed in the Comprehensive Plan review process.

City Manager McDonough explained that there is no funding for these projects at this time.

Councilmember Fries stated that it was her understanding that if the City found something to be a safety issue, funds could be made available in the Capital Funding.

A Resolution approving the 2006 LARP Contracts, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

Public Works Director Angelia Parham explained that these contracts are for projects submitted last year by Fulton County. She stated that the roads to be repaved include Benita Trace from Riverside Trace to Riverside Trace Cul de Sac; Bridge Water Drive from Winding Creek Trail to Winding Creek Trail Cul de Sac; Dunwoody Place from Roswell Road to Northridge Road; Hope Road from Roswell Road to Dunwoody Place; Mountain Brook Way from Edgewater Drive to Edgewater Cul de Sac; Old Creek Trail from Mount Brook Way to Heards Creek Drive; Old Riverside Drive from Riverside Drive to Riverside Drive; Tanacrest Circle from Tanacrest Court to Tanacrest Court Cul de Sac; and Bridge Water Drive from Bridge Water Drive to River Valley Road.

Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated that the selection of the roads has to do with the condition of the roads.

Staff presentation for roads to be resurfaced through the FY07 LARP program.

Public Works Director Angelia Parham explained that the roads staff is requesting be submitted for the 2007 LARP funding. Councilmember Meinzen McEnery stated that she was impressed to see Mystic Drive on this list. Public Works Director Parham explained that there may be roadways in greater need of repair. She explained that this funding is for resurfacing only.

Assistant City Manager Crace explained that three times more roadways are submitted and only about one third will be approved.

Update on Barfield Road triangle property.

City Attorney Willard reminded everyone of the recent approval of a Limited Warranty Deed for the transfer of the triangle property on Barfield Road. It has been brought to our attention that Ackerman cannot get a title policy based on our deeding this property to them. The title companies raised issue as to whether or not it qualifies strictly as right-of-way. Without this triangle, Ackerman cannot meet the land use development standards. Fulton County has claimed that this is not right-of-way, but surplus property. It is on the historical plats as right-of-way. Fulton

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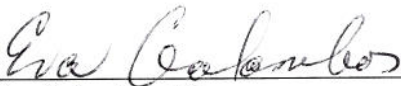
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County is expecting some compensation. Ackerman has agreed to pay \$72,000 if both sides agree to split the funds. He recommended that the Council accept this and move forward.

After no further discussion, Mayor Galambos adjourned the Special Called Work Session at 7:45 PM

Approved: September 19, 2006


Jeanette R. Marchiafava, City Clerk


Eva Galambos, Mayor