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Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Work Session

6:00 PM

The City Council Work Session will be held in the Studio Theatre at Sandy Springs City Hall
(1 Galambos Way, Sandy Springs, GA 30328).

Live-stream: www.SandySpringsGA.gov/stream

I. Perimeter Center Improvement Districts

- A. **2024-268** Perimeter Center Bridge Enhancements - Design Update
(Presented by Ann Hanlon, Executive Director, PCIDs & Winston Mitchell, Kimley-Horn)

II. Public Works

- B. **2024-269** Street Functional Classification Changes for Georgia Department of
Transportation (GDOT) Consideration
(Presented by Kristen Wescott, Traffic / Transportation Unit Manager)

III. City Council Discussion Items

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DESIGN UPDATE

PERIMETER CENTER BRIDGE ENHANCEMENTS

November 2024



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MMIP PROGRAM



ENCROACHMENT PERMIT



PCIDS BOUNDARY

MT. VERNON
HIGHWAY

HAMMOND
DRIVE

JOHNSON
FERRY ROAD

GLENRIDGE
CONNECTOR

CITY OF
DUNWOODY

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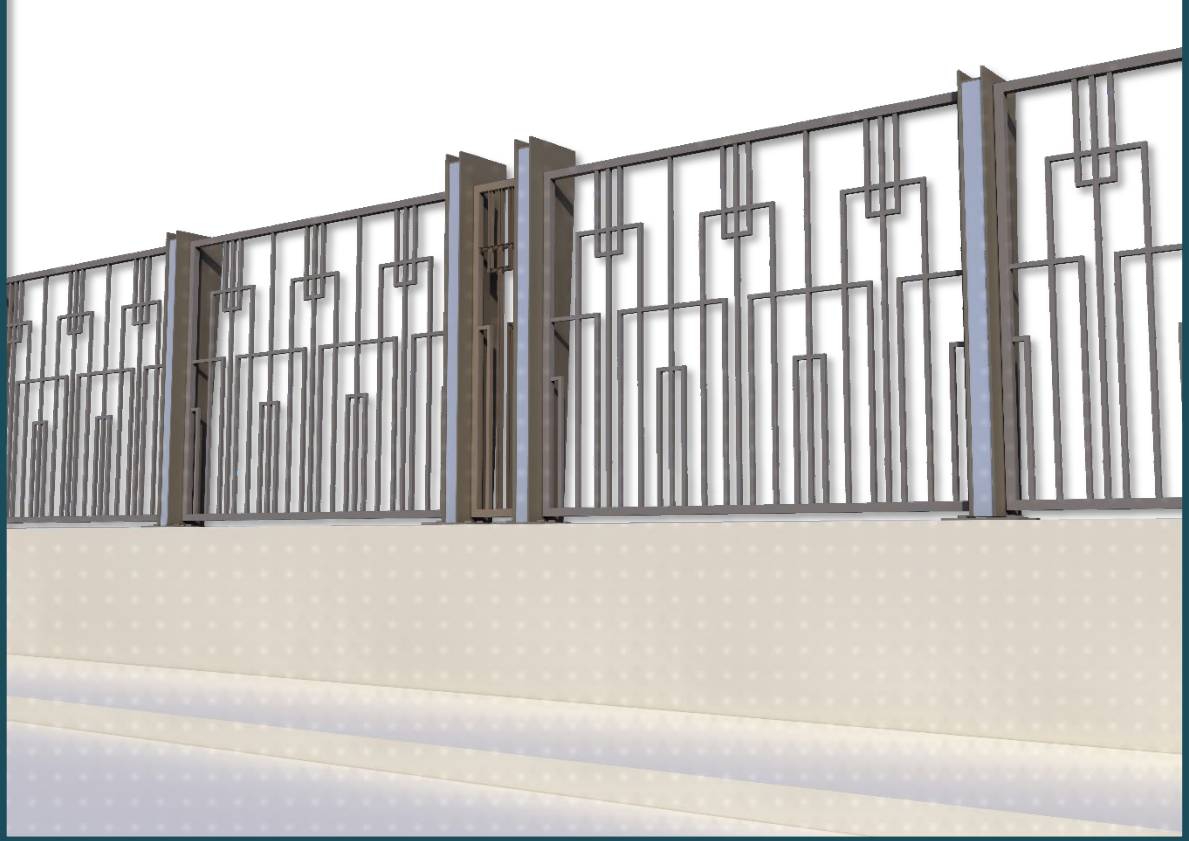
PERIMETER CENTER PARKWAY

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Gateway Pylon



Internal Fencing View



Pylon with Panel Type E

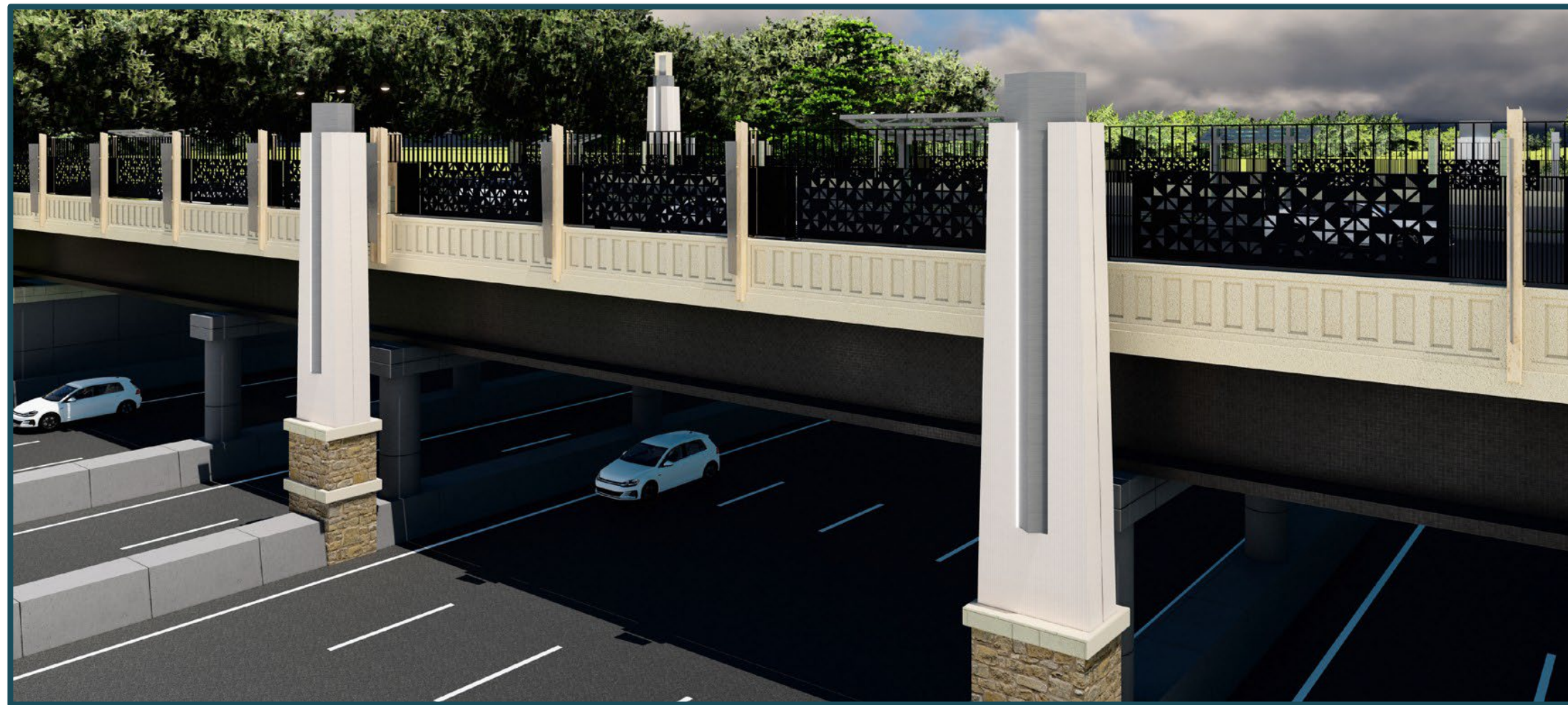


Roadway Name Signage



PCID Standard Lighting





















MMIP (2 in Sandy Springs)

November 2024 - City Updates

Nov – Dec 2024 - GDOT MMIP to review the guidelines

January 2025 - Finalize Guidelines including Technical Specifications

February 2025 - Finalized MMIP Costing

March 2025 - Potential design updates based on costing

Mar – June 2025 - Cities to finalize guidelines and specs as a basis for IGA through City Councils

June 2025 - GDOT finalize IGA

Encroachment Permit (2 in Sandy Springs)

Following Design Guideline approval by City Councils, move forward with final design/implementation





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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

TO: Eden Freeman, City Manager
FROM: William H. Martin, Jr AIA Public Works Director
DATE: October 15, 2024 Submission for the November 5, 2024 City Council Work Session
ITEM: Street Functional Classification Changes for Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Consideration

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve of the City submitting the proposed list of Roadway Functional Classification changes for Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) review and acceptance. The following roadways or portions of roadways are recommended for Functional Classification modifications: Roberts Drive, River Valley Road, Raider Drive, Heard's Drive, Brandon Mill Road, Glenridge Drive, Mount Vernon Highway, Meridian Mark Road, River Exchange Drive, Crestline Parkway, Central Parkway.

Discussion:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) directed the state departments of transportation to review its system-wide roadway functional classification network. On September 10, 2024, the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) emailed local jurisdictions to help identify any proposed modifications for the functional classification network for submission to GDOT and has asked for submissions by November 1, 2024. FHWA updated its "Highway Functional Classification Concepts, Criteria and Procedures" in 2023 to help guide the process. It is available at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/processes/statewide/related/hwy-functional-classification-2023.pdf>

Staff has identified categorization improvements based on criteria outlined by FHWA. In addition, staff has coordinated with the City of Dunwoody to examine concurrently reclassifying roadways traversing both jurisdictions.

Financial Impact:

There is no immediate financial impact to the City but classification may affect scoring or eligibility for certain regional, state or federal grants or funding sources.

Review:

Karen Lugassy, Executive Assistant
Marty Martin, Director of Public Works
Chris Owens, Assistant City Manager
Toni Carlisle, Chief Financial Officer
Dan Lee, City Attorney
Eden Freeman, City Manager

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Final Approval - 11/1/2024

Attachments:

1. MCC_Road_Classification_11_5_24

City Council Work Session Roadway Reclassification

November 5, 2024



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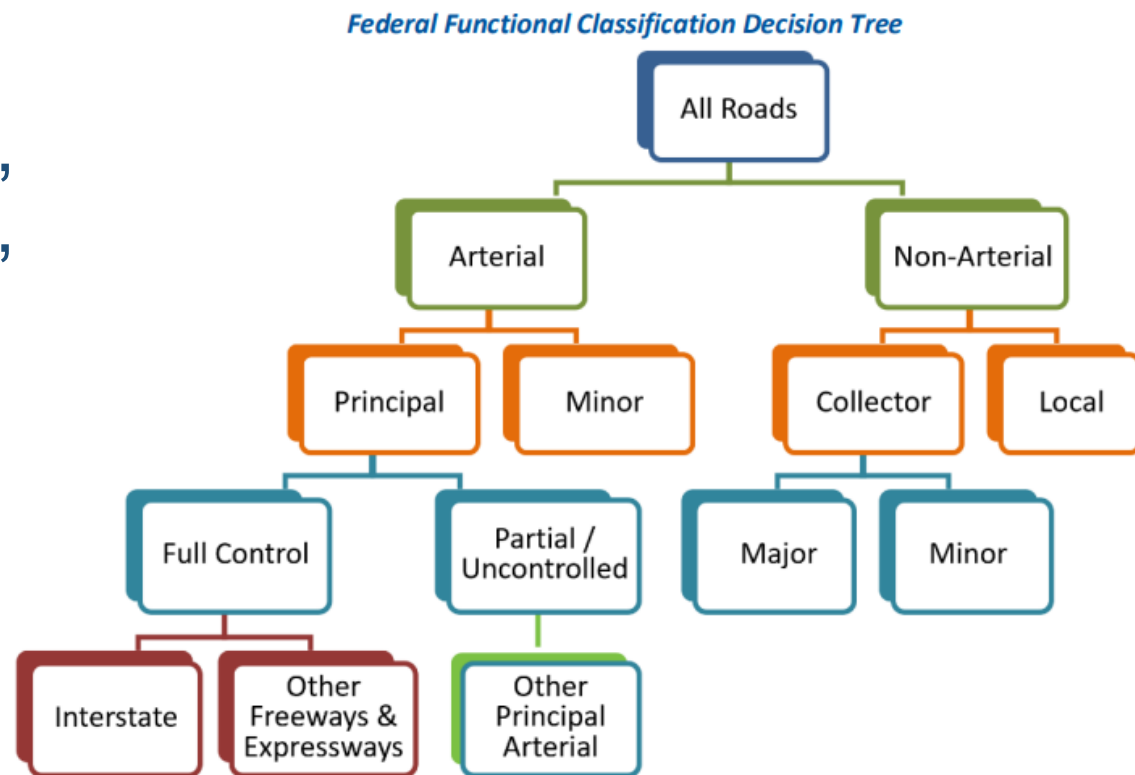
Roadway Classification – Background

7 Classification Buckets:

Interstates, Other Freeways & Expressways, Principal Arterials, Minor Arterials, Major Collectors, Minor Collectors, Locals

Previous Updates by City Staff:

- 2010
- 2014

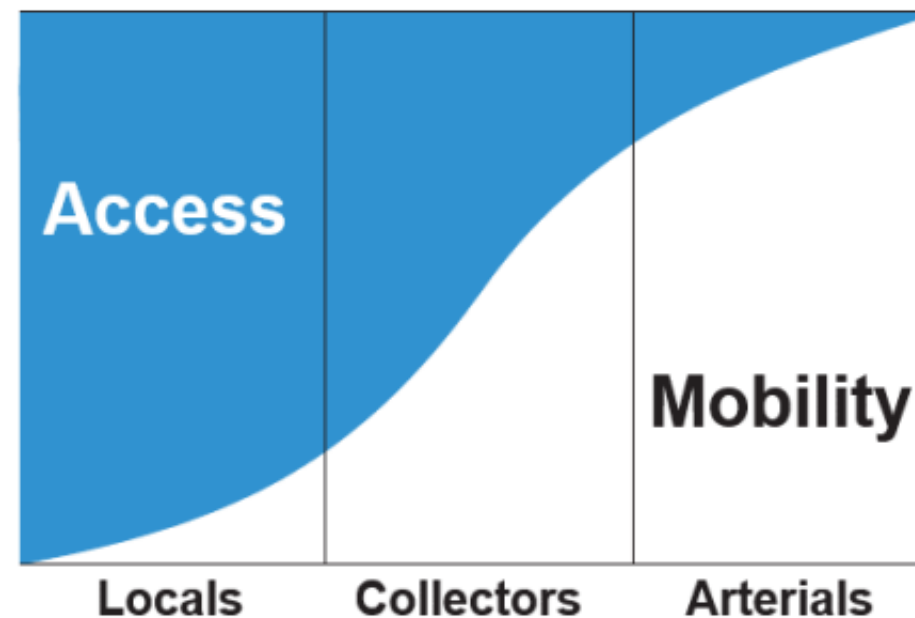


Source: Highway Functional Classification Concepts, Criteria and Procedures 2023 Edition

Roadway Classification – Background

Overview of Criteria

- Provision of Mobility vs Access
 - Mobility function: Provides few opportunities for entry and exit and therefore low travel friction from vehicle access/egress
 - Accessibility function: Provides many opportunities for entry and exit, which creates potentially higher friction from vehicle access/egress
- Efficiency of Travel
- Usage (Average Daily Traffic)
- Route Spacing
- Speed Limit
- Number of Travel Lanes
- Regional and Statewide Significance



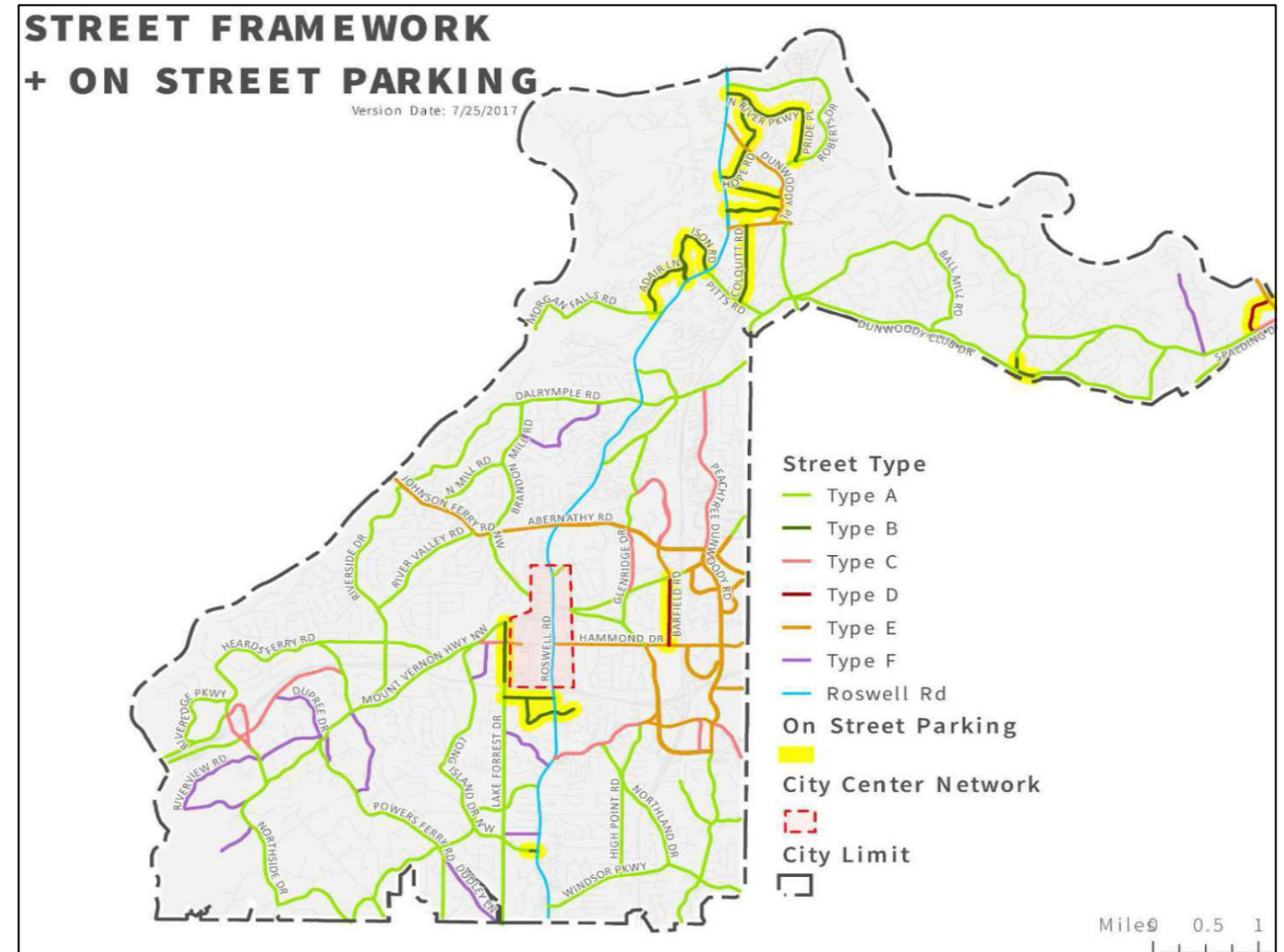
Examples in Sandy Springs

Locals	Collectors	Arterials
Ison Rd.	Pitts Rd.	Roswell Rd.
Clay Dr.	Dalrymple Rd.	Abernathy Rd.
Lisa Ln.	Northland Dr.	Hammond Dr.

Roadway Classification – Background

Purposes of Classification

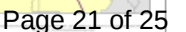
- Development code may specify design, frontage, and right-of-way requirements or limitations by classification
- City traffic calming policy permits traffic calming on local/minor streets
- Classification may affect scoring or eligibility for certain regional, state or federal grants or funding sources
- Used in regional travel demand model



ARC Regional Roadway Reclassification

- ARC notified City of opportunity to update Roadway Classification on September 10
- Requested all modifications by October 10
- Last call for roadway classification modifications was in 2014
- Staff requested flexibility given need for Council approval

- Recommended changes to 11 roadway segments: 9 upgrades and 2 downgrades
- 6 were accepted and changed

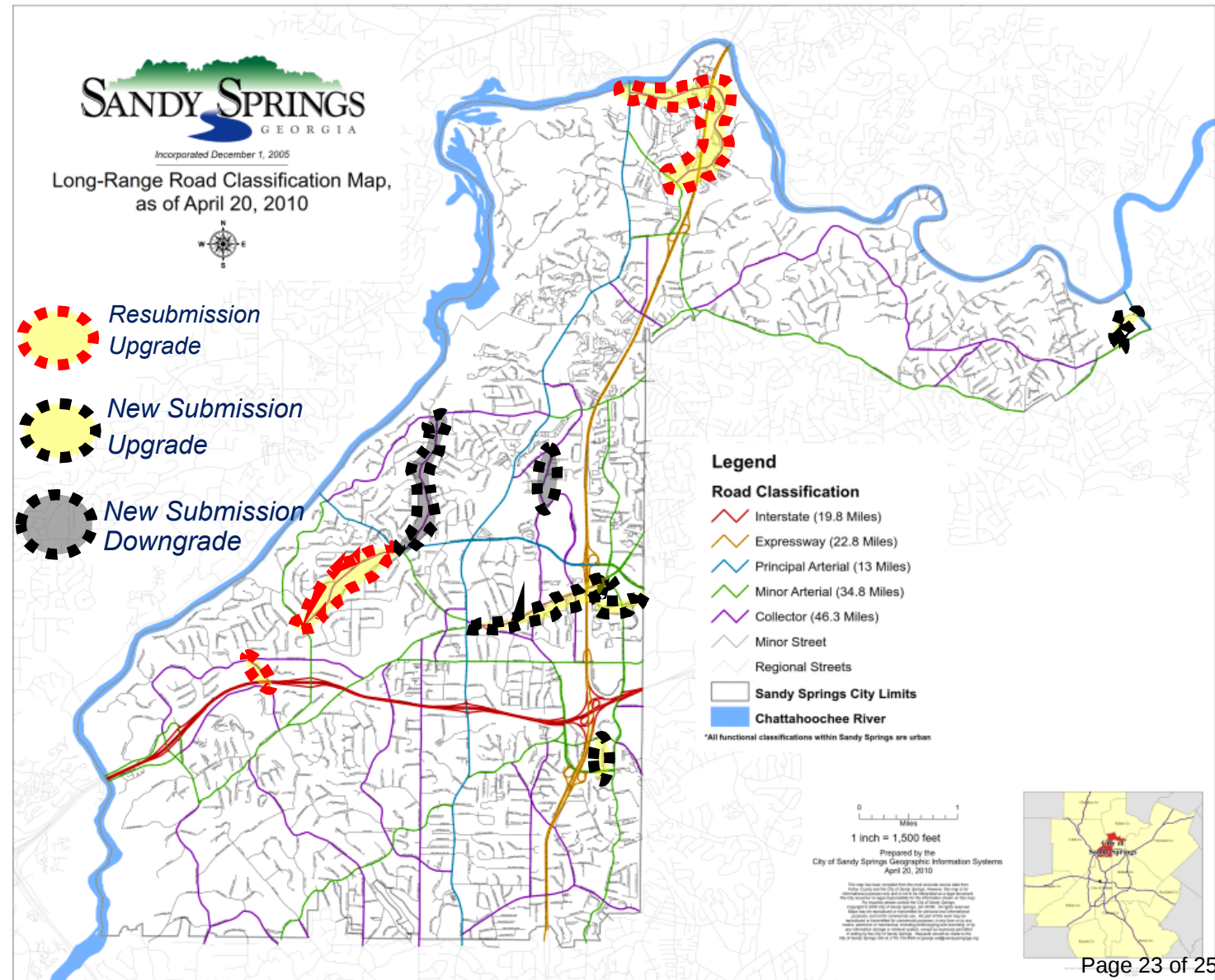


2014 Roadway Reclassification Requests

Roadway	From (West/South)	To (East/North)	Proposal	Outcome
Hammond Dr	Sandy Springs Cir	Roswell Rd	From Major Collector to Minor Arterial	Accepted
Johnson Ferry Rd	Glenridge Dr	Peachtree-Dunwoody Rd	From Major Collector to Minor Arterial	Accepted
Roberts Dr	Dunwoody Pl	Roswell Rd	From Local to Major Collector	Rejected
River Valley Rd	Riverside Dr	Johnson Ferry Rd	From Local to Major Collector	Rejected
Raider Dr	Heards Dr	Heards Ferry Rd	From Local to Major Collector	Rejected
Heards Dr	Powers Ferry Rd	Raider Dr	From Local to Major Collector	Rejected
Abernathy Rd	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd	Mt. Vernon Hwy	From Minor Arterial to Principal Arterial	Accepted
Perimeter Center West	Mt. Vernon Hwy	Dunwoody City Limits	From Unclassified to Principal Arterial	Accepted as Minor Arterial
Johnson Ferry Rd	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd	Brookhaven City Limits	From Major Collector to Minor Arterial	Accepted
Garmon Rd	Atlanta City Limits	Northside Dr	From Major Collector to Minor Collector	Accepted
Jett Rd	Atlanta City Limits	Mt. Paran Rd	From Major Collector to Minor Collector	Accepted

2024 Proposed Roadway Reclassification Requests

- Resubmit 4 previously rejected requests
- Submit 7 new requests
 - 5 upgrades
 - 2 downgrades
- Submissions based on:
 - Traffic Counts taken during recent road safety study
 - Land use and zoning
 - How segments fit into the network



Roadway Reclassification – Proposed 2024 Requests

Roadway	From (West/South)	To (East/North)	Type	Proposal	Previously Submitted?
Roberts Dr	Dunwoody Pl	Roswell Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	Yes
River Valley Rd	Riverside Dr	Johnson Ferry Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	Yes
Raider Dr	Heards Dr	Heards Ferry Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	Yes
Heards Dr	Powers Ferry Rd	Raider Dr	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	Yes
Brandon Mill Rd	Johnson Ferry Rd	Spalding Dr	Downgrade	From Major Collector to Minor Collector	No
Glenridge Dr	Glenridge Pkwy	Spalding Dr	Downgrade	From Major Collector to Local	No
Mt. Vernon Hwy	Roswell Rd	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd	Upgrade	From Major Collector to Minor Arterial	No
Meridian Mark Rd	Glenridge Connector	Johnson Ferry Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	No
River Exchange Dr	Spalding Dr	Holcomb Bridge Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	No
Crestline Pkwy	Mt. Vernon Hwy	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	No
Central Pkwy	Peachtree Dunwoody Rd	Dunwoody City Limits	Upgrade	From Local to Major Collector	No

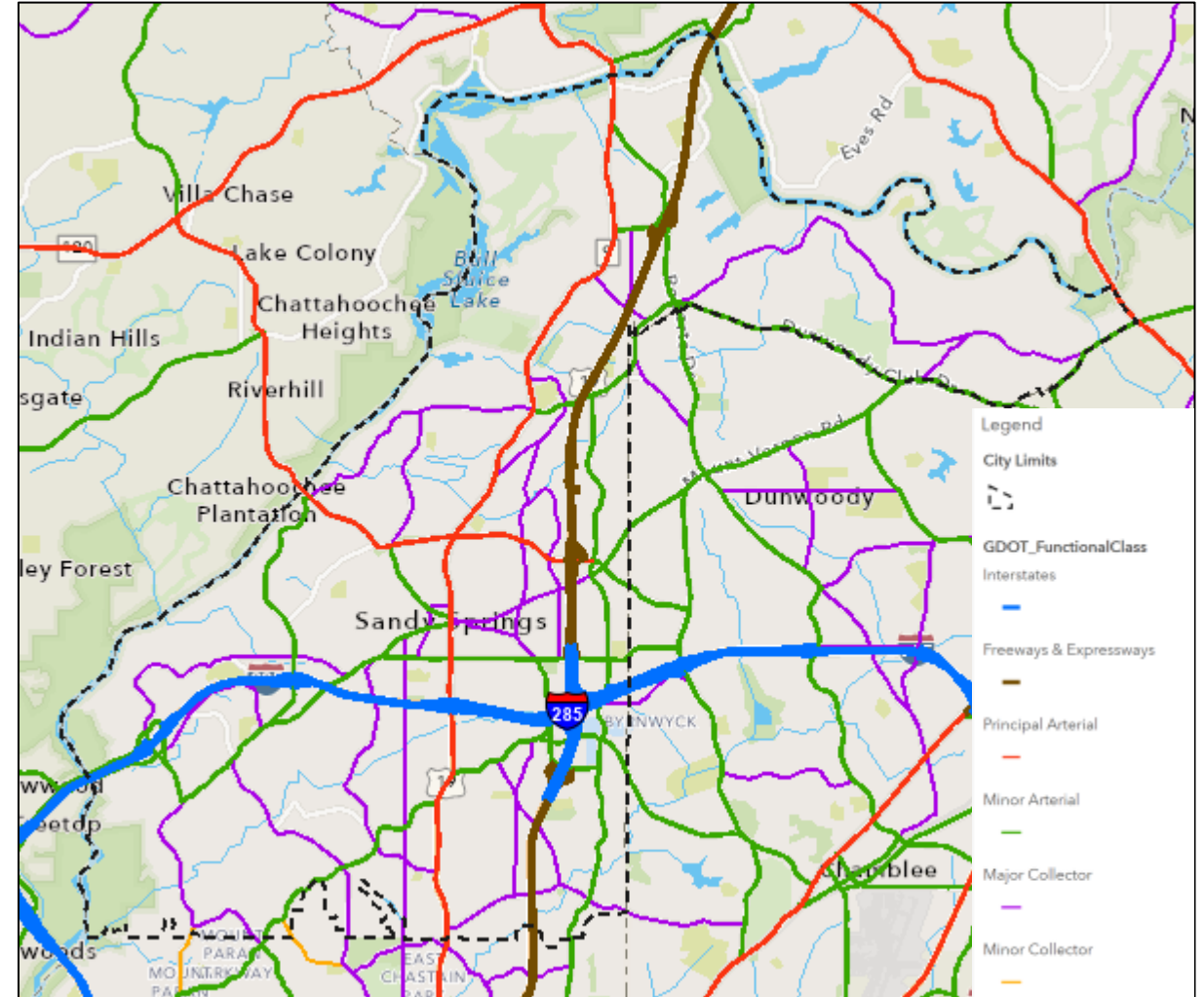
Roadway Reclassification – Next Steps

Administrative Process Schedule

- ARC and GDOT will review requests in the coming weeks
- ARC Board will vote on acceptance
- GDOT submission to FHWA

City Actions

- Concurrence on proposed changes today
- Adoption of revised map after GDOT and FHWA review and acceptance



GDOT Functional Class GIS Map with City of Sandy Springs boundary