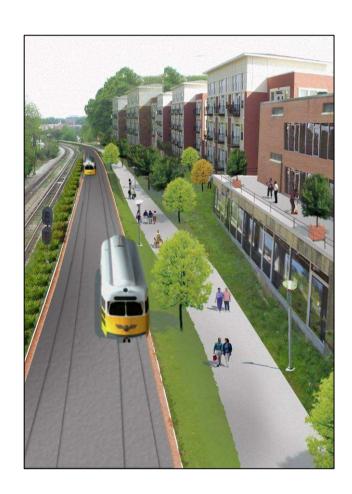


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### KEY ELEMENTS OF THE BELTLINE





Parks ~ 1300 new acres

Trails 33 miles

Transit 22 mile loop

Jobs and Econ.
Development
20 areas, 30k jobs



Workforce Housing \$240M ~5,600 units

Historic Preservation

Streetscapes and Transportation Infrastructure

**Environmental** Clean-up

#### **OVERVIEW**



#### **BELTLINE UPDATE**

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#### **BELTLINE UPDATE**



#### ABI's focus over the next 60 days:

- Understand the implications of the Supreme Court ruling on the Work Plan budget and priorities, and engage stakeholders regarding next steps
- Assure funding through FY08-09 and pursue bond issuance using the City and County tax increments already committed to the BeltLine
- Continue master planning via community-wide conversations on themes that have emerged across the master planning efforts
- Re-focus and align FY2008-09 Work Plan priorities with public and private partners.

#### **BELTLINE UPDATE**



- Complete recruitment for priority positions—e.g., Director of Design, Government Affairs Director, PMO Manager, Sr. Project Manager – NE
- Refine the BeltLine Implementation operating model
- Refinance NE Corridor land acquisition loan
- Aggressively pursue federal and state funding opportunities
- Engage new private and public partners.

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#### **Education & Awareness**

- Distributed nearly 9,000 packets of information to residents and businesses in 23 neighborhoods along the southern half of the BeltLine
- Speakers Bureau will start making presentations at the end of April
- Inviting over 800 residents to "BeltLine 101" sessions in April and May
- Working with Governors Council on Developmental Disabilities and disABILITY LINK to make information about the BeltLine more accessible to people with disabilities





#### **Education & Awareness**

- Nearly 2,500 people have taken tours since we started last year.
  - Tours leave on Friday & Saturday mornings from the Inman Park MARTA station
  - Sign up at <a href="https://www.beltline.org">www.beltline.org</a> or call 404-446-4400
- BeltLine merchandise will soon be available
- BeltLine billboards are being designed now and will soon be on display



#### **Capital Campaign**

- \$28.9 million raised to date toward \$60 million goal
- Private sector support remains strong

#### **Upcoming Events**

- BeltLine Bike Ride: Sunday, April 20th (<u>www.atlantabike.org</u>)
- Earth Day Celebration: Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at Zoo Atlanta & Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at Glenwood Park (<u>www.keepatlantabeautiful.org</u>)



#### **Mitigating Economic Displacement**

- Chief concern for residents along the BeltLine
- Engaging partners in exploring Community Land Trusts as a tool for creating *permanently* affordable housing around the BeltLine
- Over 100 housing, community, corporate, philanthropic, and university representatives attended student presentations at Emory University
- Partnering with the National Community Land Trust Network to host a CLT training session May 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> at Morehouse College (<u>www.cltnetwork.org</u>)

You can reach the BeltLine Partnership at 404-446-4404 or <a href="mailto:info@beltlinepartnership.org">info@beltlinepartnership.org</a> for more information.

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#### MASTER PLANNING UPDATE



- Intensified Community Engagement & Citizen Participation
  - Established Standardized Meeting Schedule
  - Integrated "BeltLine Teams"
  - Updated online BeltLine Calendar
  - Planned Master Planning Office Hours
  - Scheduled Citywide Conversation
  - Scheduled Citywide Open House (Park Master Plans)

### MASTER PLANNING UPDATE Emerging Themes



- Directly Addressed by Master Planning
  - Transit-Supportive Development
  - Protection of Single Family Neighborhoods
  - Trail Alignment
  - Design/Timing of Street Improvements

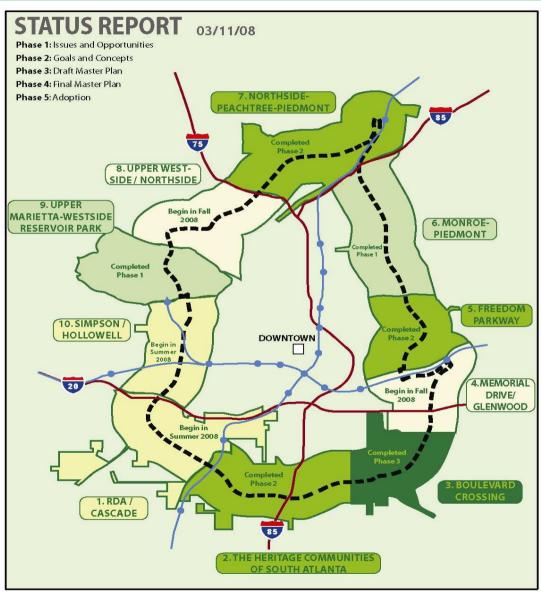
### MASTER PLANNING UPDATE Emerging Themes



- Indirectly Addressed by Master Planning; Addressed Directly by City-Wide Conversations, Strategy Teams, BAHAB, etc.
  - Design Policies & Standards
  - Community Benefits
  - Historic Preservation Targets
  - Affordable Housing
  - Public Art / Aesthetic Design

#### **MASTER PLANNING UPDATE**





#### **STATUS REPORT**

- Phase 1: Issues & Opportunities
- Phase 2: Goals & Concepts
- Phase 3: Draft Master Plan
- Phase 4: Final Master Plan
- Phase 5: Adoption

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### Major Recommendations

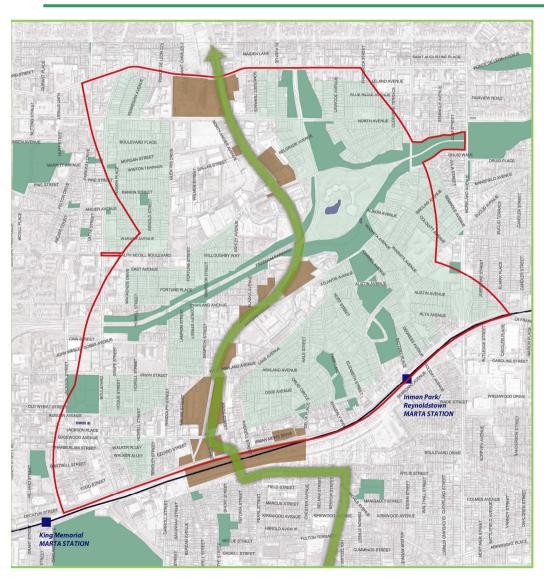
- Future East/WestConnection
- Future Extension of Cherokee Avenue & Grant Street
- Employment/CulturalCenter at Hill &Englewood
- 300 + acres of proposed greenspace









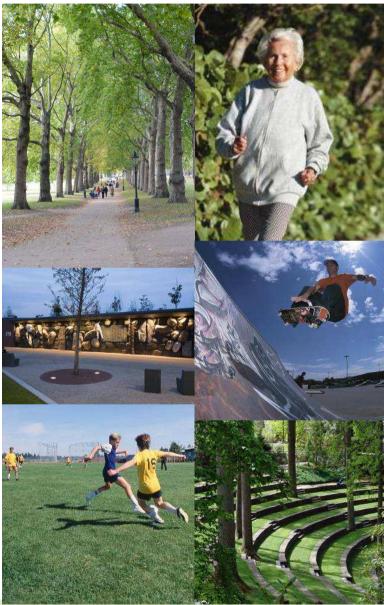


### **Subarea Highlights**

- New Park on North Ave
  Master Plan
- Park Area Redevelopment
- Trail Connections from BeltLine to Freedom Trail and Park
- New street Connections under Freedom Parkway & around the New Park on North Ave



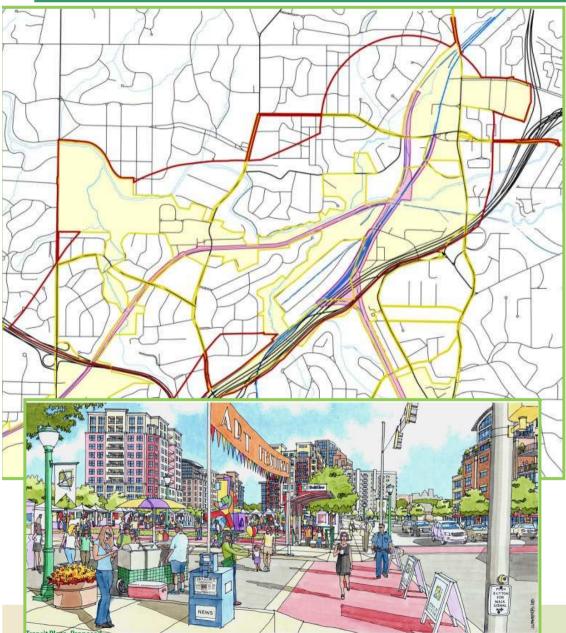




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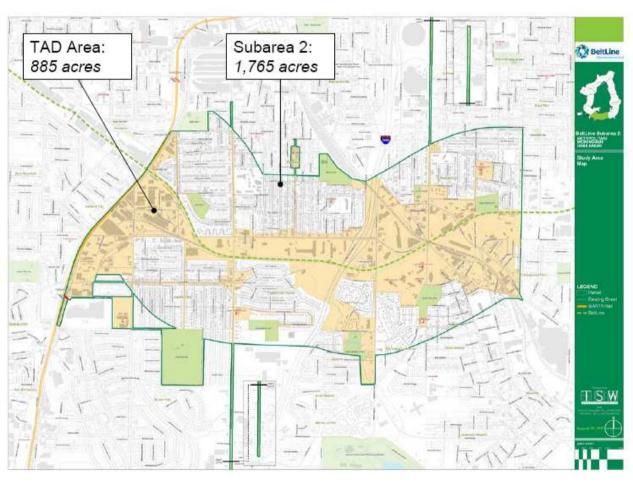




### Subarea Highlights & Concerns

- Trail and TransitConnections toPiedmont Hospital
- Transit Plaza on Peachtree Road
- Colonial Homes Redevelopment
- Peachtree CreekParkway Idea
- I-85 and Buford Highway interchanges





### **Subarea Highlights** and Concerns

- EconomicDevelopment
- Job Creating Land Uses
- Diverse JobOpportunities
- Mix of Land Uses









## Subarea Highlights & Concerns

- Provide moderate to high density redevelopment at transit stations and existing major roads
- Safely connect neighborhoods to each other, parks and MARTA
- Support the development of affordable housing units near transit





### Subarea Highlights & Concerns

- Westside Reservoir Park; a citywide resource with passive and active recreation areas
- Frame new park with new compact residential and mixed use development
- Incorporate Proctor Creek into new park
- Plan for multimodal access to park

### MASTER PLANNING UPDATE Next Steps



- Complete Draft Master Plans
- Review Plans with Study Groups & Resource Teams
- Conduct Office Hours
- Finalize Master Plans
- Transmit to DPCD/City Council for Adoption
- Launch Remaining Subarea Master Plans

### **PLANNING UPDATE** Transportation Analysis



### ABI/MARTA to conduct an environmental study to finalize transit & trail routes:

- Addresses environmental & community impacts of implementation
- Begins conceptual engineering of corridor
- Determines specific routes/rights-of-way to protect
- Preserves eligibility for state and/or federal funds
- Builds upon the MARTA recommendations
- Public involvement through citizen engagement framework

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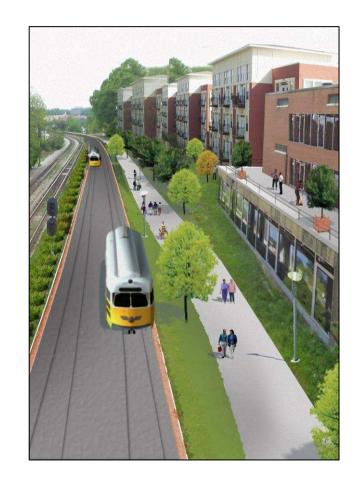
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### **Questions and Answers**







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