

Short Term Work Program 2006-2010

The following table lists items identified for the City's current Short Term Work Program. Many of these work items have been adapted from the City's 2006 Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) Study. That study served as a guide for identified capital improvement projects and implementation work items. Some of these items, such as the revision of the city's zoning ordinance, have been either been completed or are already under way.

Report of Accomplishments – 2006 – 2010 Short Term Work Program

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Project or Activity from Previous STWP	Completed	** Currently Underway	** Postponed*	Not Accomplished*	* Explanation for Postponed or Not Accomplished Project of Activity
1) Town center overlay & design guidelines			X		Nothing other than sweeping "quality growth" guidelines have been adopted to date. Those were adopted in the fall of 2008. Refining specific areas of the zoning code, within the context of overlays, continues to be a work in progress.
2) Public amenity design guidelines		X			Continues to be a work in progress.
3) Developer Development Guidelines		X			Continues to be a work in progress.
4) Create downtown Doraville map and circulate			X		Postponed until Doraville has a downtown to map.
5) Create Downtown Development Plan Pamphlet	X				This work item is being incorporated into literature needs laid out in the up-coming STWP.
6) Redevelopment of New Peachtree		X			Work in progress
7) Design gateway elements & sign system for key locations		X			Continues to be a work in progress.
8) Establish planning commission for design review in overlay districts	X				A planning commission was established in 2007. It continues to function as an integral part of the City's planning efforts.
9) Incorporate a "Doraville International" section into existing newsletter			X		The City included Spanish and Asian translations in its hard copy newsletter from January 2008 to the summer of 2010. The postal version of the newsletter was discontinued at that time due to budget woes. The City fully intends to resume newsletter production when revenues permit. Until then, the City will rely exclusively on its E-Newsletter as a conduit for communication, which also has a multi-linguistic format.
10) Redevelopment of US post office parcel				X	The property, owned by Dalton Carpets, is currently for sale. It's "Institutional" classification was rezoned in 2010 to "general commercial" to help prompt sale. The property is being included in an Opportunity Zone (OZ) application, which, if approved by DCA, would avail prospective

					business owners to the maximum, statutory state job tax credit. Having an Urban Redevelopment Plan in place, one of two prerequisites for the OZ application, will avail the City to certain redevelopment tools that could facilitate the City's acquisition of the property.
11) Brownfield testing and mitigation		X			EPD has conducted preliminary testing at the GM site as well as the former Seaboard Oil facility on New Peachtree Rd.
12) Business recruitment strategy		X			The City understands the need to adopt "economic gardening" methods to sustain it until the GM redevelopment bears fruit. In that vein, the City offered a 2012 CDBG application for a Revolving Loan Fund. Unfortunately, for this round, DeKalb County Community Development Department would not accept capital improvement or economic development projects. This will continue to be an area of focus and a work in progress.
13) Buford Hwy. overlay and design guidelines			X		An overlay that strikes an equitable balance between economic & aesthetic forces remains a work in progress. Work to this end will continue when economy rebounds.

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14) Move utility lines off New Peachtree				X	Not Completed. Since available mechanisms will not fund utility burial & the City cannot create or draw from SPLOST funds, this project is not financially feasible at this time. Utility burial will be much more practical within the GM redevelopment area. In fact, the City has made an ordinance mandating burial for the site a chief priority for the next year.
15) Town Square Park			X		Park/ public space has been planned and prioritized in the recent 2010 Downtown Doraville Master Plan for the GM plant area.
16) Annual Asian community day		X			Ongoing. The City observes Asian/ Pacific Heritage Month each May with proclamations for the various ethnic sub-groups. The City also holds special proclamation ceremonies for the national holidays of various Asian/ Pacific nations.
17) Annual Hispanic community day		X			Ongoing. The City observes Latino-Hispanic Heritage Month every September with proclamation presentations to the various nationalities. In addition, national holidays serve as an impetus for the Mayor's Office to proclaim

					weeks to honor Latino-Hispanic nations. For instance, the "Colombia Week" was declared for the week of July 18, 2011 to commemorate the nation's July 20 th Independence Day.
18) International shuttle				X	Staff has not determined a need until more density can be established to merit such a project. A BRT proposal to and from PDK were adopted incorporated into the 2010 LCI. The City will work diligently with the City of Chamblee, PDK and the area's business community to establish more multi-modal connectivity.
19) Redevelopment of MARTA parcel				X	Project will be carried over to the next STWP period.
20) Taxi regulation review	X				Review has been completed. An ordinance was passed in 2009, regulating the taxi industry, which, among other things, established a uniform color for taxi vehicles.
21) Available property list	X				A new City website was launched in June of 2008. Since then, an online inventory of available properties has been a feature and is regularly updated.
22) Code enforcement strategy	X				The City has and will continue to maintain an aggressive code enforcement strategy.
23) Senior Housing		X			Mayor's Office & Development Dept. have been working with a developer to convert the former Holiday Inn (currently for sale) into senior housing, a planning goal that has also been incorporated into the 2010 LCI.
24) Town Center area intersection improvements Central at New Peachtree		X			Design and planning phase has been completed. Status: The City is currently awaiting funding.
25) MARTA Pedestrian Improvements (Continued)		X			Much progress has been made in establishing better sidewalk connectivity in the MARTA/ New Peachtree/ Shallowford corridor through the MARTA Offset program and CDBG funding. 3,500 feet of sidewalk has been constructed in the last year with another 2,000 slated to begin on New Peachtree Rd. in September with 2011 CDBG money.
26) Shallowford Road and New Peachtree pedestrian and intersection safety improvements		X			The design & planning phase of the pre-qualified New Peachtree Rd. Pedestrian Improvements project has been completed. New Peachtree Rd. (NPR) sidewalks north of the I-285 bridge to Longmire Way (outside of the pre-qualified improvement area) were built with Offset funds. Sidewalk construction in the area of NPR south of the MARTA Station (also outside pre-qualified area) beginning at the Ga. Power sub-station, on the west side of the street, to the Chamblee border (2,000 ft.) will commence in September 2011 under the 2012 CDBG program. Constructing Shallowford Rd. sidewalks in gaps where none exist have partially been completed. Funds to

					establish total sidewalk connectivity on Shallowford (between its merger with NPR & Buford Hwy. have been applied for under the 2012 CDBG grant. The proposal is currently being evaluated. The project also includes existing sidewalk rehabilitation along Shallowford & the east side of NPR north of the Shallowford/ NPR fork.
27) New Peachtree Sidewalks – 4 Lane Area		X			This area of NPR, between Park Ave. and Stewart Rd. intersections, is within the pre-qualified area, which has been designed/ planned and will be offered for the current call for LCI implementation funding the application of which is due 9/23/11.
28) Sidewalks to schools		X			Sidewalks along the west side of Tilly Mill Rd., extending 2,165 ft from the Flowers Rd. intersection to Hightower Elementary, have been prioritized by City leaders. A grant proposal has been prepared. The school, however, does not participate in the Safe Routes to School program and the school system's HEAT mapping does not constitute funding at this time. This remains a work in progress.
29) Central Avenue Sidewalks	X				Completed in 2010 with CDBG-R funds.
30) Park Avenue Sidewalks Park Avenue Sidewalks (Continued)		X X			Since the 2005 LCI, the existing sidewalk (on the south end of the street) has been extended approximately 300 ft. to Buford Hwy. (general funds). The other 700 ft. was demolished & replaced with Offset funds due to its deterioration and non-compliance with ADA regulations. 1,000 feet of sidewalk on the north end (City Hall side) of Park has been designed/ planned with Offset funding. Status: This City is currently awaiting construction phase funding.
31) Pinetree Plaza Extension				X	Incorporated into the 2010 LCI study. It is and will remain a costly endeavor but a priority in its long-term vision of retrofitting the "super block" that separates Buford Hwy. from the New Peachtree/ Shallowford corridor.
32) New Peachtree Sidewalks – 2 lane /... New Peachtree/ Shallowford Sidewalks – 2 lane / Shallowford Area (Continued)		X X			As previously discussed, the site plan for this project was completed with funds from the Offset program. The construction phase, funded through 2011 CDBG, is currently out for bids with work scheduled to commence in mid to late September 2011.
33) Shallowford Road Sidewalks		X			The partial construction of these sidewalks has been completed with Offset funding. New construction to fill in gaps as well as rehabilitate the deteriorating state of the existing Shallowford sidewalks have been offered as a 2012 CDBG project.