

SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2001-2005

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Economic Development

Promote a new identity for the City through the creation of a new logo and signage at gateway points.	X				Completed. Further study in combination with the economic development strategy will be undertaken to determine additional signage requirements.
Maintain an inventory of available properties within the International Village and LCI districts.	X				Completed. Redevelopment and infill opportunities were mapped as part of the 10 th Year Update.
Create a Development Authority to facilitate greyfield and redevelopment of underutilized properties	X				Completed.
Develop an Economic Development Plan that identifies potential local, national and international developers/investors for the International Village and Mid-City District.		X			Additional economic development strategies will be developed as part of the new STWP.
Develop a cultural tourism plan.		X			On-going.
Work with DeKalb County in the creation of an enterprise zone in portions of the City for abatement of County taxes.	X				Completed.

Natural and Historic Resources

Work with GA DOT to increase buffer standards along major transportation corridors.	X				Completed—PIB Streetscape Plan.
Identify environmentally sensitive areas as part of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update.	X				Completed.
Revise regulations as necessary to address sensitive areas in order to guide growth away from environmentally sensitive areas.	X				Part 5 Regulations and a Tree Ordinance have been adopted. Other environmental regulations will be reviewed during the ordinance rewrites.
Plant trees along both sides of all LCI streets between the curb and sidewalk as outlined in the LCI standard streetscape design guidelines.		X			Streetscape projects are being implemented as outlined within the community facilities section of this accomplishment list.
Develop an inventory of specimen trees that are of aesthetic or historic significance.				X	Dropped. After further investigation, it was decided that the amount of vacant land and the size of parcels make this goal impossible to impose throughout the city. Currently an incentive based and tree unit ordinance is being developed to save as many specimen trees as possible, where possible.
Continue to promote the “historic character” of downtown Chamblee.		X			On-going. The Historic Core Character area within this plan will ensure that future development promotes the historic core.

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Community Facilities					
Prepare a City wide bicycle and pedestrian plan	X				Completed.
Review methods to connect older established neighborhoods southeast of the rail station into the pedestrian network, during the Bike and Ped Master Plan Process.	X				Completed. Connectivity throughout the City was a priority within this study and throughout the 10 th Year Comprehensive Plan update. The 2003 Bike/Ped Master Plan includes additional sidewalk connections; Hood Avenue sidewalk is under design.
Continue to work with FAA to develop a portion of the PDK Airport buyout area for public passive open space.		X			Redevelopment of the noise portion of the buyout area is scheduled to begin in 2005. The City will proceed with negotiations with the County on the undevelopable portion of this buy out area.
Work with MARTA to build better pedestrian access from the south entrance of the station to New Peachtree Road and the Interactive College of Technology.			X		Currently under design.
Increase Pedestrian Linkages and Transit oriented Development		X			The City continues to implement the Sidewalk and Bikeways, PIB Streetscape Guidelines and MidCity LCI.
Chamblee Tucker Pedestrian Corridor- LCI			X		Currently under design—from Peachtree Street to PIB
Peachtree Street/Malone Drive Pedestrian Corridor.- LCI	X				Completed.
Peachtree Industrial Boulevard Pedestrian Corridor- LCI			X		Currently under design--Johnson Ferry Road to Chamblee Dunwoody.
Watkins Avenue Pedestrian Corridor	X				Completed.
Contact and work with MARTA to construct “wayfinding” signs along pedestrian routes, beginning in Keswick Park.	X				Completed.
Develop a standard set of streetscape standards that include lighting, signage and landscaping.	X				Completed. Streetscape plans were designed for International Village, Mid-City and the Historic City Core and are currently being implemented.
Work with MARTA to redesign entrances to the station to enable pedestrians to use the station as a bridge between the two sides of the LCI district.		X			MARTA and the City are working together to redesign and rework the entire north entrance to make it more pedestrian oriented and improve connectivity to the Mid-City Character Area.
Provide enhanced pedestrian crossings at the unsignalized intersection of the multi-use greenway trail and Chamblee Tucker Road, Malone Drive and Miller Drive.				X	Walmart will signalize intersection.
Institute LCI recommendations within the LCI area in order to encourage transit oriented development and reduce reliance on automobiles.		X			Various projects have been scheduled and completed within the LCI/Mid-City Character area—three of which are under design and two under construction.

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Institute guidelines relating to land uses and pedestrian friendliness ¼ mile from the existing and proposed transit stops.	X				The City completed an LCI surrounding the Chamblee MARTA station and revised its future land use plan map and zoning ordinance to encourage transit oriented development. This process will be continued and refined in this 10 th year update.
Update the Comprehensive Future Land Use Map to identify transit oriented development locations.	X				The Future Land Use Plan Map was amended in 2002 to identify these interim changes. The City will again update their FLUP map to reflect plan changes.
Review the potential of incorporating additional greenspace within the Mid-City District.	X				Greenspace and open space development were a major part of this 10 th year update.
Study the possibility of renovating the Civic Center for additional City office space	X				Completed.
Explore and implement innovative methods of funding City facilities and services, such as user fees or impact fees for roads, streets, bridges, parks and open spaces, public safety facilities, libraries and other cultural facilities.		X			Several innovative funding sources were explored as part of this 10 th Year Comprehensive Plan Update.
Update parks master plans and implement improvements.	X				All park plans have been updated as appropriate.
Study the possibility of relocating and building additional park and recreation administration space.	X				Completed.
Create a linear park and pedestrian plaza along the northern edge of the Chamblee MARTA Station.				X	Dropped. After further study, it was determined that there was not enough property to rework the northern entrance of the station and create a linear park. Although not technically park land, this area is landscaped.
Continue to implement the greenway and bicycle plan using abandoned system of rail spurs. Work with property owners to acquire rights to construct a bicycle pedestrian greenway trail along the abandoned Norfolk Southern rail spur.		X			Acquisition completed in 2004. Design is on CIP list for further funding.
Work with MARTA to make the current storm water detention area north of Peachtree Road available for development as a passive park.				X	Dropped. It has been determined that the pond must stay secured.
Housing					
Work with developers within the MidCity and International Village Districts to integrate mixed types of housing within developments.		X			On-going. Several successful projects have been implemented.
Allow conversion of residential uses in transitional corridors to be used as professional offices in order to minimize impact on existing residences and to provide buffers between incompatible uses.		X			Conversions are allowed within certain areas of the City, although tighter compatibility within these corridors was included within the 10 th year update.

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As part of the next comprehensive plan update, review quality and housing needs within the City.	X				Completed.
As part of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Amendment, identify residential neighborhoods which may have potential land use incompatibility issues.	X				Compatibility issues and community character were development during the 10 th Year Comprehensive Plan Update. Appropriate ordinance will be included in the STWP.
Strictly and equitably enforce codes and ordinances throughout the appropriate City departments and through review boards, such as the International Village, Central Business and Mid-City Review Boards.		X			This is an ongoing policy initiative and will not be included in the new STWP. The City is also investigating programs that will assist home and property owners to maintain and upgrade substandard conditions.
Develop a set of guidelines to protect existing single family neighborhoods southeast of the Mid-City areas from encroachment and incompatibility.	X				Completed.
Review and potentially revise the extended stay hotel ordinance to include residential amenities as a form of affordable housing.	X				Completed. Standards have been adopted to assure safe and quality amenities for all multi-family dwellings.
Land Use					
Develop an annexation plan.				X	We do not anticipate any annexation petitions due to DeKalb County having homestead option sales tax which results in City residents paying higher property taxes than those in the unincorporated areas.
Work with MARTA to redevelop Lots #1 and #2 as a mixed use center.	X				Complete. The Chalfont on Peachtree townhomes have been built on Lot #1, and Lot # 2 is scheduled to be permitted late 2005.
Develop the Mid-City area as a “town center” implementation of performance standards.	X				Completed.
Create a Mid-City Design Review Committee to ensure that proposed developments meet the spirit and intent of the special performance zoning standards.	X				A review committee was appointed to review the Mid-City, International Village and CBD character areas.
Update the Future Land Use Map to reflect LCI and Zoning Code changes.	X				The City will readopt a character area based Future Land Use Plan map during this update.
Complete the 10 th Year Comprehensive Plan Update.	X				Completed.
Review codes and ordinances for a potential UDO.	X				Completed.
Review and potentially incorporate ARC’s “Retrofitting Corridors” Tool Kit into the Mid-City area.	X				Complete. Character area and corridor updates were part of this update. See above.
Review current regulations to determine ease of TND implementation. Make changes where necessary.	X				Completed.
Establish and maintain a regional database to define housing needs and a regional network to help address issues such as homelessness.	X				Completed.

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Review current regulations to determine if changes need to be made in order facilitate redevelopment and infill.	X				Completed.