

COBB COUNTY GREENWAYS & TRAILS MASTER PLAN

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

APRIL 10, 2018

Thank you for your interest in Greenways and Trails in Cobb County, and for taking the time to attend this Public Open House. There is no formal presentation. Please feel free to browse the display boards at your own pace. Project team members are on-hand to discuss and answer your questions.

Throughout the course of this project, we have learned there is a lot of enthusiasm for greenways and trails in communities and neighborhoods across the County. The Greenways and Trails Plan recommends **eight priority trails**, with new connections to existing trails, parks, and schools, and increased connectivity in all four Commission Districts. In addition, the plan includes more than 200 miles of proposed trails, proposed trailheads and access points, guidance for design of greenway and trail facilities, strategies for expanding and growing the trail network in the future, and recommendations for programming and activities to increase trail use.

In addition to the materials presented tonight, the **Draft Greenways and Trails Master Plan** is on the project website for review: www.CobbTrailPlan.com. We welcome your feedback and input – please make sure to talk with project team members, fill out a comment card, and/or send an email to info@CobbTrailPlan.com with your comments. Comments are being accepted through Monday, April 16, 2018.

Stations are organized around the room as follows:

Station 1: Project Overview

This station presents an overview of the Greenways and Trails Master Plan and the process followed to develop the plan. It also provides an overview of the current greenway and trail network as well as highlights of ongoing projects throughout the County.

Station 2: Public and Stakeholder Engagement Overview

This station summarizes the various activities and mechanisms used by the project team to gather input from community members and stakeholders during the course of the development of the plan. It summarizes common themes and provides a composite map showing all of the community suggestions for new greenways and trails, as well as for bikeable neighborhood routes.

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Station 3: Greenway and Trail Facility Types

Oftentimes, greenways and trails are simply grouped together as off-roadway trails or paths; however, there are many factors that influence design of these facilities, such as setting/context, expected user behavior, intended purposes, and more. This station provides an overview of five types of greenways and trails used in the Master Plan, including illustrative diagrams and examples of these types from around Cobb County.

Station 4: Priority Projects

These two displays summarize eight priority projects as recommended in the Greenways and Trails Master Plan (four projects on each board). Together, the eight projects comprise more than 29 miles of new potential greenways and trails, improving connectivity in every quadrant of the County. An inset map provides context for the location of each priority project.

Station 5: Implementation Strategies: Growing a Successful Trail System

In addition to the eight priority projects and 210+ miles of other proposed greenways and trails, the Master Plan provides recommendations for additional studies and other types of projects and initiatives that will complement and enhance the greenway and trail network, and encourage greater use of trails. This station summarizes some of these recommendations, such as wayfinding and signage, exploring on-street neighborhood bikeways, and programming and activities.

Station 6: Trail Maps

Five maps at this station display the existing, under construction, programmed (with funding identified for design/construction), and proposed trails throughout Cobb County:

- Countywide Map
- Commission District 1 (Northwest Cobb)
- Commission District 2 (Northeast Cobb)
- Commission District 3 (North-Central Cobb)
- Commission District 4 (South Cobb)

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK - Use up to three colored sticker dots (any color) to indicate which of the proposed trails (dashed orange lines) you would most like to see implemented in the near future. Sticky notes are available for you to add comments to the maps.

Before you leave, please take a few moments to *fill out a comment card*. You may leave your completed comment cards at the registration table or hand them to a member of the project team on your way out.

Don't forget! The Greenways and Trails Master Plan is available online at www.CobbTrailPlan.com. We welcome your feedback and input. We also encourage you to stay involved and help support greenways and trails in your community.

Thank you for participating!

