Summerhill Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

Public Meeting
October 5, 2021
Today’s Meeting

• 15-minute presentation
• Followed by Question and Answer
  • We will address as many questions as time allows
• 4 stations to learn more about the project
• The presentation will be posted to the project website on Wednesday
We Want to Hear From You!

- Who is in the room?
- Please fill out paper surveys
- Encourage others to visit the website

https://itsmarta.com/summerhill.aspx
Agenda

• Welcome from Councilmembers
• Bus Rapid Transit 101
• Project Background and Overview
• Corridor Segments
  • Route Details
  • Typical Sections
  • Station Renderings
• Outreach to Partners
• Questions
• Open House
Welcome from Councilmembers
Project Background and Overview
BRT 101: What is Bus Rapid Transit?

- Streamlined transfers
- Sidewalk & crosswalk improvements
- Off-board ticketing
- Dedicated lanes
- Low floor buses

BRT operates like rail service
- Dedicated or shared lanes
- Limited number of stops
- Frequent service
- Accessible, secure, and attractive stations
- Environmentally friendly vehicles
- Distinctive branding
- Off-board fare collection
Summerhill BRT Project Background

- Part of the MARTA 2040 program
- Roundtrip is 4.8 miles from South Downtown to the Atlanta BeltLine
- Five branded, articulated electric vehicles with frequent service
- Will serve several major institutions, government facilities, employment centers, and neighborhoods along the corridor
Summerhill BRT Route

- Dedicated Lanes
  - Majority of the corridor
  - Helps ensure the trip is rapid

- Shared Lanes
  - To accommodate turning movements

- 16 Transit Stops
  - 14-inch, level boarding platforms
  - State-of-the-art passenger amenities
  - Accessible, safe, and secure

- 28 Signalized Intersections
Technology and Amenities

- Level Boarding
- Off-Board Fare Collection
- Real-Time Information
- Shelter and Seating
- Emergency Phone
- CCTV Cameras
- Transit Signal Priority
- ADA Accessibility
Proposed Service and Operating Hours

- Comparable to rail service
- Frequent and reliable service
- 10 to 15-minute headways
- No downtown staging or significant dwell times
- Anticipated 11 to 12-minute ride from Atlanta BeltLine to Ted Turner Drive

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Shelter Layout
Parking

128 spaces removed
- 61 Metered Parking Spaces
- 19 Unmetered Parking Spaces
- 48 Permit Parking Spaces
  - 30 Fulton County Employee Only Spaces
  - 18 City of Atlanta – Media Parking Spaces

205 opportunity to add spaces to the system
- In coordination with city, state, and other partners

+77 spaces

Downtown
Shuffle of spaces, rather than a complete removal

Summerhill
Recommended adding spaces along Bill Lucas & Pollard Blvd

Peoplestown
Minimal impact to neighborhood
(10 spaces removed but 39 remain for 22 parcels)
PeoplesTown

- Location of stops
  - Southern Terminus
  - Haygood Avenue
  - Ormond Street
- Primarily dedicated lanes
- One block of shared lanes
- Parking maintained on west side of street between Haygood Avenue and Atlanta Avenue
Peoplestown Dedicated Bus Lanes

Typical Section Hank Aaron Drive between Haygood Ave and Atlanta Ave (For illustrative purposes only. Right-of-way varies.)
Peoplestown Station

Northbound Station at Hank Aaron Drive and Haygood Avenue (For illustrative purposes only.)
Summerhill

- Location of stops
  - Georgia Avenue
  - Fulton Street
  - Dedicated lanes
  - Potential Additional Parking
    - Metered On-street Parking
      - Bill Lucas Drive
      - Pollard Boulevard
      - Hank Aaron Drive
Summerhill Dedicated Bus Lanes

Typical Section Hank Aaron Drive (For illustrative purposes only. Right-of-way varies.)
Summerhill Station

Northbound Station at Hank Aaron Drive and Georgia Avenue (For illustrative purposes only.)
South Downtown

- Location of stops
  - Capitol Avenue at Memorial Drive
  - Georgia State Station / Sloppy Floyd Building
  - Central Avenue along MLK Jr. Drive
  - Five Points Station (Broad Street along MLK Jr. Drive)
  - Garnett Station (Broad Street along Mitchell Street)
  - City Hall at Central Avenue along Mitchell Street

- Primarily dedicated lanes
- Shared lanes (to facilitate turning movements)
- Parking – possible shuffle of locations
South Downtown BRT Dedicated Bus Lanes

Typical Section Martin Luther King Jr. Drive between Pryor St and Peachtree St (For illustrative purposes only. Right-of-way varies.)
South Downtown BRT Dedicated Bus Lanes

Typical Section Mitchell Street between Pryor St and Central Ave (For illustrative purposes only. Right-of-way varies.)
South Downtown Station

Westbound Station at Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and the Georgia State Station/Sloppy Floyd Building (For illustrative purposes only.)
Summerhill BRT Partners

- City of Atlanta
- Georgia Department of Transportation
- NPU-V
- NPU-M
- District 1 – Councilmember Carla Smith
- District 4 – Councilmember Cleta Winslow
- Central Atlanta Progress (CAP)
- Georgia State University (GSU)
- Georgia State Properties Commission / Georgia Building Authority (GSPC / GBA)

- Federal Government Partners
- Xpress / Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority
- CobbLinc
- Gwinnett County Transit
- Carter USA
- Newport RE
- Pellerin Real Estate / Ramada Plaza
- Exact Capital Group / East Medinah Village
- Trammel Crow Residential / Alexan Summerhill
Summerhill BRT Project Schedule

- Final Design: Summer 2022
- Construction / Implementation: Winter 2022 – Fall 2024
- Revenue Service Begins: Fall 2024
Thank You