

East Athens Neighborhood Transit Shelter Improvements

TSPLOST 2023 – Project No. 41

Project Scope

Create greater access to transit services by providing covered transit stops for current users at N. Peter Street and Vine Street and at other locations as determined by a ridership study to be conducted by A-CC Transit

N. Peter Street @ Vine Street



- Add sheltered bus stop.

In what specific ways will this project “Close the Equity Gap” in Athens-Clarke County, by improving the Equitability of Capital Improvements throughout the entire community?

The project provides capital improvements to the East Athens Neighborhood, a traditionally underserved area of our community.

- The project invests in infrastructure improvements that address accessibility issues and gaps in connectivity within and without the neighborhood.
 - The project invests in infrastructure improvements that increases access to and enhances the experience with local public transit.
 - The project invests in infrastructure that will greatly improve residents' access to community facilities and resources and commercial centers.
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How will this project address one or more of the Mayor and Commission approved Strategic Commitments and Project Selection Criteria?

- **Protects the community's existing Transportation Infrastructure Investments and Reduces Pavement Maintenance deficit** by encouraging the use of alternative modes of transportation, thereby reducing vehicular wear and congestion on existing streets.
- **Promotes the upgrade and continued use of Alternative Transportation Facilities**, by directly promoting improved bus shelters, thereby encouraging ridership and use of alternative modes of transportation.
- **Promotes increased access to existing public facilities** by encouraging improvement of bus shelters adjacent to these facilities, thereby improving access to resources such as the East Athens Community Center, Athens Neighborhood Health Center, East Athens Educational Dance Center, and others.
- **Promotes increased usage of the Transit System, including improving Pedestrian access to Transit Facilities**, by making improvements to existing bus stops, thereby increasing ridership by providing shelter during hot or inclement weather.

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How will this project address one or more of the Mayor and Commission approved Strategic Commitments and Project Selection Criteria?

- **Increases capital for Transit services or expands the Transit System** by directly increasing capital improvements for transit service.
 - **Maintains or Improves air quality, reduces vehicle miles traveled and traffic congestion, and reduces time spent traveling in vehicles** by encouraging public transit ridership, thereby reducing vehicular trips and CO2 emissions.
 - **Continues TSPLOST 2018 Corridor Improvements or transportation related safety improvements** by supporting improved bus shelters along the Lexington Road Corridor.
 - **Promotes Health and Safety** by encouraging greater walkability and alternative modes of transportation, thereby creating greater opportunities for active commute.
 - **Continues Sidewalk & Multi-Use Trail construction** by providing connectivity between sidewalks and transit stops.
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What aspects of this project will focus on improving the “Triple Bottom Line” (Impact on Economic Prosperity, Social Well-being, and the Environment)?

- This project positively impacts **Economic Prosperity** and **Social Well-being** by providing improved and safer access to educational, recreational, and health services for an underserved area of the community, thereby promoting improved economic opportunities for the citizens served by these improvements and improving equitable access to public facilities.
 - This project positively impacts the **Environment** by providing greater access to transit and alternative modes of transportation, thereby reducing vehicular traffic and CO2 emissions.
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Q&A

