

# **East Athens Neighborhood Lexington Road Sidewalk Improvements**

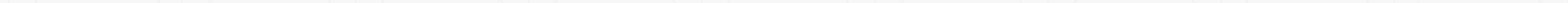
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TSPIOST 2023 – Project No. 54

# Project Scope

Provide pedestrian access along Lexington Road to connect residents with public services, access to shopping and other goods and services.

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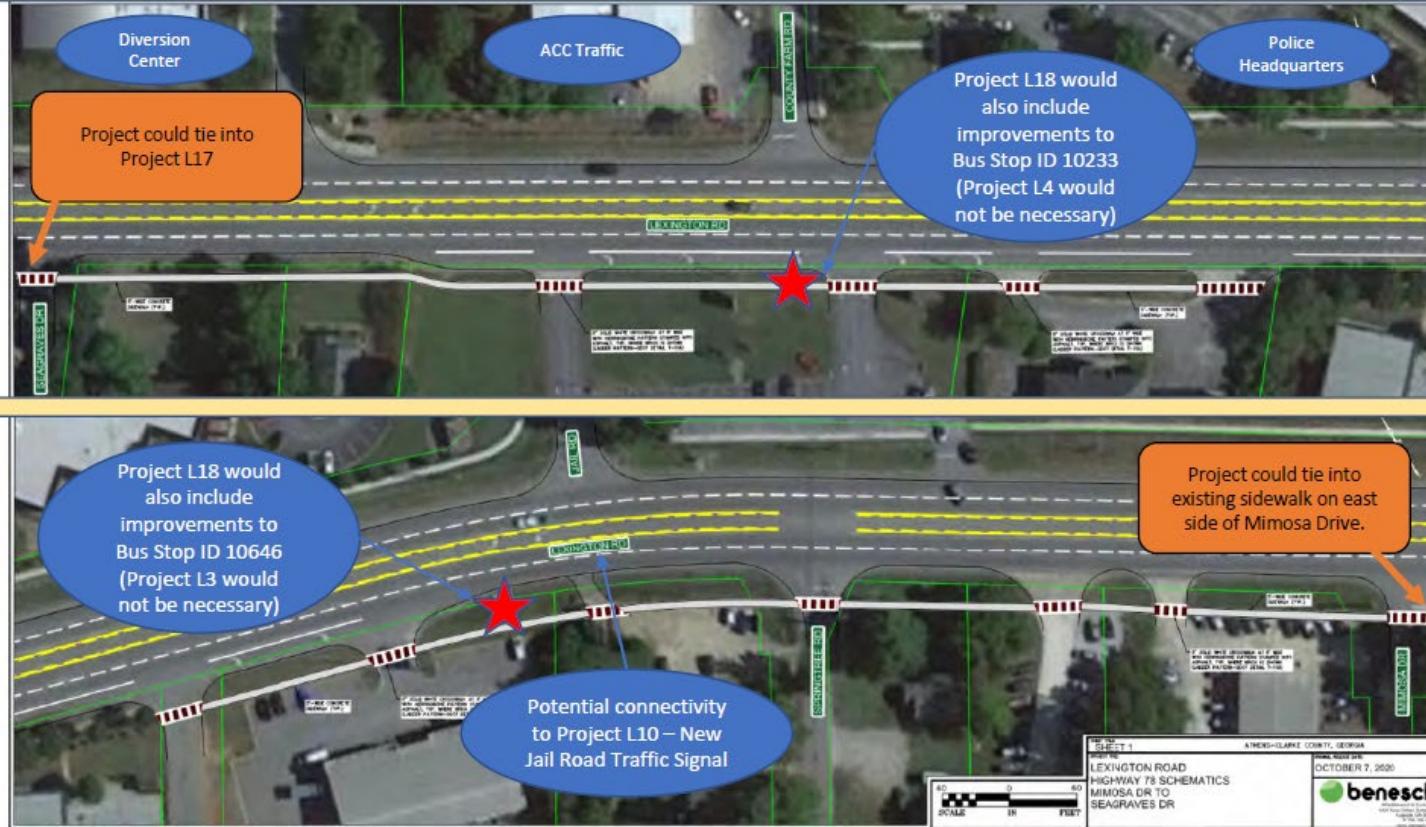


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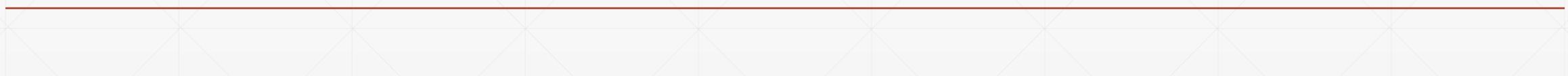
## Project L18: Sidewalk connectivity from Seagraves Drive to Mimosa Drive (south side of Lexington Highway)



- Project could be an extension of TSPLOST 2018 Project No. 14 – Lexington Highway Corridor Improvements

# **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 proposed improvements create pedestrian access to goods and services, public facilities, work and other community resources along the Lexington Road corridor, thereby promoting economic opportunities and equity to lower income citizens who live on and adjacent to the corridor.
- The project invests in infrastructure improvements that address accessibility issues and serious gaps in connectivity.
- The project invests in infrastructure improvements that address health and safety concerns of existing conditions.
- The project invests in infrastructure that will greatly improve residents' access to community facilities and resources and commercial centers.



# 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** by improving the condition of existing infrastructure and encouraging alternative modes of transportation, thereby protecting the community's investments.
- **Promotes the upgrade and continued use of Alternative Transportation Facilities, including increased usage of the Transit System and improvements to Pedestrian access to Transit Facilities** by providing safe access to sidewalks, interconnectivity between community centers and residents, and direct and safe access to existing transit facilities.
- **Promotes increased access to existing public facilities** by proving improved pedestrian access to existing public facilities, including but not limited to the Diversion Center, Police Department, Sheriff's Office, Jail, and Tax Assessor's Office, in addition to public shopping areas, goods and services, work opportunities and other public facilities.

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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 promoting increased usage of the Transit System by including direct and safe pedestrian access to existing transit facilities.
- **Maintains or Improves air quality, reduces vehicle miles traveled and traffic congestion, and reduces time spent traveling in vehicles** by promoting increased pedestrian and transit modes of transportation, thereby reducing vehicular traffic and CO2 emissions.
- **Continues TSPIOST 2018 Corridor Improvements or transportation related safety improvements** as outlined in the Lexington Road Corridor TSPIOST project.
- **Promotes Health and Safety** by promoting pedestrian modes of transportation, and thus active mobility, and improving safety for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic along the corridor.
- **Continues Sidewalk & Multi-Use Trail construction** by promoting safer interconnectivity between existing sections of sidewalks that are otherwise disconnected due to a lack of safe pedestrian crossings at intersections and throughout the corridor.

# **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 promoting alternative modes of transportation, thereby reducing the use of vehicular modes of transportation and reducing CO2 emissions.



# Q&A

