

Chamblee Dunwoody Road Infrastructure Improvements

Comments Received from the Public Information Open House - June 5, 2014

<p>Design looks good to me. I appreciate the city continuing to add bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Please keep it up and start connecting these sections.</p>
<p>We have been waiting for the sidewalk to no-where to be completed and up pops Valley View – which has nowhere [near] the foot traffic that Womack has – particularly for student walkers to Dunwoody High.</p>
<p>There needs to be a left turn lane added on Womack westbound to Chamblee Dunwoody southbound. Cars turning at that intersection back up Womack Road to where only 2 or 3 cars can make it through during a single light change.</p>
<p>According to Michael Smith there has been no count of bicyclists on Chamblee-Dunwoody. I am in favor of repaving C-D but strongly opposed to widening C-D to add 4' on each side for bike lanes when there is no evidence it is needed. I live on Cambridge Drive just off C-D and literally never see anyone on a bike on C-D. (Letter to Dick Williams follows.)</p> <p>The sidewalk on the west side of C-D needs to be replaced or at lease repaired. I am particularly familiar with the section between Cambridge and N. Springs. Fix what you have before building something new like sidewalks on the east side.</p>
<p>Love the proposed improvements, only thing would like it if the sidewalks that are planned at 5' wide would be 10' wide - would make passing oncoming walkers less confrontational. Love it. [I] Can't wait for it to happen.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Congrats for a partial fix to Womack-Chamblee Dunwoody to allow right turn on red. Thank You. 2) Finish it by making Womack Westbound 2 lanes so that [the] right turn to right lane on Chamblee Dunwoody. This is a big traffic problem. Will require taking some land from parking lot.
<p>I like the plan as designed.</p>
<p>Thank you, thank you, thank you! Our city can only be truly family friendly when our streets are friendly to all members of our families! I grew up riding my bike (elsewhere) and would like to ride it safely with my children and future grandchildren for years to come. No bike lane will realize its potential until there is a completely connected, safe network. What you are doing matters for health, wealth, and community.</p>
<p>The city pays an enormous amount on studies – I understand no count of bicyclists on Chamblee Dunwoody was made. Living right of Chamblee Dunwoody between Womack and Vermack and</p>

<p>traveling to work, grocery, mall, P.O. service station etc. every day, I see almost no bicyclists at any hour. Why spend all this money on bike lanes with major projects neglected that are needed such as \$10 million in storm sewer improvements. Sidewalks on west side need to be repaired – will not walk to Village that way anymore. [I] would like you to direct traffic during construction away from cutting through our street Cambridge with small children.</p>
<p>Do it. I live in Springfield. I walk, bike, and use my car for transportation. These improvements would be useful for me. My next door neighbors moved in during the bottom of the real estate market. The house was only on the market for two weeks. These wonderful neighbors bought the house because they could walk to Dunwoody Village. Projects like this have an immediate, tangible, and positive impact on property value.</p>
<p>We need a meeting where everyone hears the concerns of others. I listened into other conversations and heard concerns I didn't think of. The community needs to gather and meet, not be split up to prevent interaction. I was told that at least 1 lane would be kept open, so cars don't have to be diverted through side streets and quiet neighborhoods. Why not save \$ and fix the existing sidewalk?</p>
<p>Please! Build sidewalks on walk to school routes and other pedestrian routes that have NO sidewalks before adding a sidewalk across the road from an existing sidewalk. Maybe some additional crosswalks and safety signs would benefit those needing to get to the other side and ticketing drivers who do not heed pedestrian laws.</p>
<p>This project (Phase II) and the other one (Phase I) look great – we're anxious for them to begin. But we realize that there will be inconveniences. Any improvement on Chamblee-Dunwoody will be much appreciated! And long overdue!</p>
<p>Please consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Speed signs – like near elementary school on Womack – showing actual speed. 2) Crosswalk would be good. None present between King's Down & Womack. 3) Would like to keep big maple tree, large, mature tree with good fall colors.
<p>Please, please fix pavement at the intersection of Mt. Vernon Road & Chamblee Dunwoody Road.</p>
<p>I don't like this format. The head of the department should make a presentation and then open up for questions. One question may already be in the minds of others, or raise additional questions.</p>
<p>A presentation explaining with open questions would have been beneficial. I like both the sidewalks and bike lanes. Should have been done a long time ago.</p>
<p>I like the plan and look forward to mobilization and completion.</p>
<p>I believe this project will benefit the Dunwoody community. I am 100% behind this project.</p>
<p>There are so many streets that we walk along that have NO sidewalks – I have a problem with putting a</p>

priority on adding a 2nd sidewalk to a road that already has one. It doesn't seem to matter to our public officials that this makes no sense – I will continue to vote out people who do not listen to common sense.

The improvement will look nice which is important. However, something must be done on Dunwoody main streets (Chamblee- Dunwoody, Mt. Vernon, Roberts Rd.) to deal with volume. It is choking the community. I live in the 'newer' 20 year subdivision at the back of Heathwood and the afternoon traffic just to turn left is impossible – especially when there are issues on 285. I walk in the neighborhoods almost daily but no way would I cycle to work which is not convenient. New paths are fine but do nothing for congestion volume. It just gets worse & more frustrating.

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First the addition of the many sidewalks in Dunwoody has been wonderful. I am in agreement that a sidewalk on the other side of Chamblee Dunwoody Rd is important and needed. (Valley View to Vermack) With the widening of the road and the addition of the bike lanes, how much will the road be widened and will land be used on both sides or just on the side where the new sidewalks are going in?

With these changes, has the city considered needed road changes at the Vermack/Chamblee Dunwoody Rd intersection which should be done in conjunction with the widening and sidewalks? Chamblee Dunwoody Rd quickly gets backed up when a car is trying to turn left onto Vermack Rd from Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. It's especially bad during rush hour. With the addition of a new neighborhood on Vermack there will be an even greater increase of traffic turning on that road. This intersection needs a short designated left turn lane (even just enough for a single car) on Chamblee Dunwoody Rd to keep traffic moving. Also, with the continued increase in traffic, it would also be helpful to have a short designated right turn lane from Vermack onto Chamblee Dunwoody Rd.

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For the record -- I support Chamblee-Dunwoody Bike Lanes

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I think signs @ a minimal cost would be a better idea. Chamblee Dunwoody road (I live @ [REDACTED] Cham Dun) is far [too] busy during the work week to compensate for bike riders. Let them ride early in the AM, after 7pm M-F and all through the weekend.

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