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Thank you for attending the Public Information Open House for the proposed improvements to State Route (SR) 92 and City Street (CS 532) from Brown Street to McCarley Street, PI Number 0017811. We are currently in the concept phase of this project and are here to gather information from the public as well as to share information that we have gathered.

In this handout, you will find a description of the transportation issue we are attempting to solve, a proposed solution, a location map, and a comment card for you to provide additional feedback for the project team.

Your comments are important to us. You may provide your comments today by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it in the comment box. If you wish to provide your verbal comments, a Croy Engineering employee is located onsite who will transcribe your comments and provide those to the project team.

If you prefer to leave comments after the meeting, you can also provide comments by **Monday, April 22, 2024** using any of the following methods:

- Online at the City of Douglasville's web-site, which can be found at https://city-douglasville-ga-projects.cleargov.com/2427/sr-92_or_dallas-hwy-enhancements
- Mail in your comment card to Michelle McIntosh, Croy Engineering, 200 Cobb Parkway North, Building 400, Suite 413, Marietta, Georgia 30062 or mmcintosh@croyeng.com.

The project displays and plans seen here at the meeting will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the GDOT District 7/Area 3 Office located at 4145 Roosevelt Hwy, College Park, GA 30349. All comments will become part of the project's official record and will be responded to by February 29, 2024.

Again, thank you for attending this open house. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact Marcus Thompson, City Engineer, at 770-920-3000, or Michelle McIntosh of Croy Engineering at 678-588-1738, or the project manager, April McKown, at 404-775-0775 or the environmental analyst, Takiyah Christian, at 404-631-1178 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why are we here and what is the issue we are seeking to address within your community?

The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is seeking feedback about a proposed solution to transition the old State Route (SR 92) corridor into a Douglasville City Street (CS). The widening and relocation of the SR 92 corridor in the City of Douglasville is nearing the end of the construction phase. The old SR 92 corridor, located just north of East Strickland Street and downtown historic Douglasville, extends north to intersect with the new SR 92 corridor. The old SR 92 corridor is being removed from the State Highway System and will be classified as a CS. Improvements are needed to provide traffic calming techniques, aesthetically incorporate the new CS into downtown historic Douglasville, and improve multi-modal opportunities.

Several planning studies of the project area, which included public outreach, have been conducted by the City of Douglasville to determine how best to improve the area. Planning studies conducted by the City of Douglasville to date pertaining to the project area include the 2011 Douglasville Living Centers Initiative (LCI) 10-year Update, the 2012 Douglasville Highway 92 Study, the 2017 Downtown Douglasville Master Plan, the 2018 North Side Redevelopment Plan, the 2019 Dallas Highway LCI Study, and the 2020 North Side Trail Study.

Current conditions along the old SR 92 and East Strickland Avenue corridor:

- Crash rates in some areas at or above Georgia's average for this type of road.
- Traffic calming techniques needed to accommodate old SR 92 corridor's transition to new CS classification.
- No existing shared use path within the project area.
- The existing sidewalks in the project area do not meet GDOT standards.

Without this Project (No Build):

- Crash rates would not be reduced.
- Traffic calming techniques would not be introduced.
- Additional multi-modal transportation alternatives would not be introduced to the project corridor
- The existing sidewalks in the project area would not be improved to meet GDOT standards.

Proposed Solution: (Also See Project Location Map attached)

As a result of the planning studies, the City of Douglasville and GDOT propose to construct a 6-foot sidewalk with 2-foot buffers on the west side of old SR 92, as well as new median island refuges used to slow vehicular traffic for pedestrian road crossings. Other planned improvements on old SR 92 include a reduction of the corridor's lane widths to 11-feet, a roundabout at the Upshaw Mill Road intersection, and a mini-roundabout at the Parker Street intersection. This project will also construct a 10-foot shared use path with a 5-foot buffer:

- along the east side of old SR 92/Dallas Hwy. extending from CS 532/East Strickland Street to new SR 92;
- on the north side of CS 532/East Strickland Street from McCarley Street to Brown Street;
- on the west side of Brown Street from CS 532/East Strickland Street north to the Ellis Street; and
- on the north side of Ellis Street.

These improvements would satisfy the stated need to provide traffic calming techniques and aesthetically incorporate old SR 92 into downtown historic Douglasville and improve multi-modal opportunities to downtown Douglasville.

Benefits of Project Implementation:

- Provision of reduced lane widths, a roundabout at Upshaw Mill Road, and a mini-roundabout at Parker Street to provide traffic calming techniques.
- Project proposes to add one roundabout and one mini-roundabout along the project corridor at Upshaw Mill Road and Parker Street, respectively. Studies have shown that roundabouts reduce crashes and improve operations by eliminating crossing conflicts and reduce delay when compared to a signalized intersection.
- Provision of a shared use path along the project corridor to provide bicyclist accommodations.
- Improve existing sidewalks for walkability and safety enhancements for pedestrians.

How Can You Assist: Please provide feedback about our proposed solution as well as information about any resources important to you or to the community. Are there events that future construction may affect once it begins?

Where is this project in the process? This project is currently in the concept phase. The concept phase defines the existing issue seeking to be resolved along with a proposed solution that will meet the community's needs. The public may follow the process progress online at https://city-douglasville-ga-projects.cleargov.com/2427/sr-92_or_dallas-hwy-enhancements.

What are the Next Steps? After the public information open house is held, feedback will be assessed, revisions may occur to the proposed plan initially brought to the public, or the no build alternative will be selected. Once a Concept Report is approved, the project alignment would be refined. If major changes occur to what was previously shown to the community, additional public outreach would occur. If no major changes are proposed, the project would advance to right-of-way acquisition and into final design. After all right-of-way acquisition occurs, project design is finalized, and the project would advance to construction.

Project Location Map



Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project? (check your response)

For **Against** **Conditional (I would support this project if... describe below)** **Uncommitted**

Comments: _____

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Questions:	Answer	If answer is no, please provide a suggestion/comment
Was the location convenient?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Was the time convenient?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Were your questions answered?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Do you understand the project?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Were Materials (in person or virtual) understandable?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Please share your suggestions on improving the ways GDOT conducts or advertises Open Houses:

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