

NPU Priorities for NE Corridor BeltLine Development

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Land Use and Zoning

- Reaffirm the 15-Year Land Use Designation in the 2004-2019 Comprehensive Development Plan.
- Ensure commercial and residential development is compatible with adjacent, existing single-family neighborhoods.
- Encourage a balanced mix of uses to include proportionately significant residential uses and pedestrian oriented commercial nodes with pedestrian scale buildings in established neighborhood districts.
- Identify and protect historic properties and preserve the historic character of neighborhoods along the BeltLine.
- Keep existing single-family neighborhoods intact and provide suitable transitions to new development areas.

Traffic and Transportation

- Promote development of a transit system along the entire BeltLine corridor that provides an open space inclusive of Right-of-Way for mass transit, pedestrian trails, bicycle trails and greenspace.
- Comprehensively address traffic flow impacts around developments and in adjacent residential neighborhoods.
- Develop, fund and implement a traffic and transportation master plan of the area that:
- Addresses automobile access to development sites to minimize negative impacts of increased traffic seeking access to the development.
- Promotes alternative modes of access (e.g., pedestrian, bike, mass transit).
- Mitigates the impact on adjacent neighborhoods of adding traffic to already congested areas, without widening streets and intersections.
- Promote a pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly environment that makes walking/biking to, in and around developments safe and convenient.

Infrastructure and Watershed Management

- Complete an Impact Analysis on existing utilities' capacity (sewer, water, gas, electric) to ensure adequate infrastructure to support future development.
- Offer significant storm water management and sewer improvements to mitigate flooding in low-lying areas.

Connectivity and Neighborhood Impacts

- Create appropriate connectivity between BeltLine developments and surrounding neighborhoods and parks.
- Address the environmental, lighting, noise, security and traffic effects on the entire area, including Piedmont Park and Freedom Park.
- Identify ways to mitigate negative impacts from higher density developments on existing, predominantly single-family neighborhoods.

Parks and Greenspace

- Maintain the quality and continuity of the BeltLine greenway *alongside* any development.
- Preserve the character and quality of adjacent, existing parkland.