BELLS FERRY
LCI PLAN UPDATE

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TO THE

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Part of the Bells Ferry LCI Plan Update, today's meeting is focused on transportation planning and project development. Presentations will be given at 6:00 and at 6:30pm. In the meantime, feel free to browse the materials around the room and talk to members of our team. Thanks for coming!

Gresham Smith

FEBRUARY 10

5:00pm - 6:30pm

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SCAN FOR MORE INFO

ONGOING PROJECTS

Bells Ferry Widening

Widening and reconstruction of Bells Ferry Rd from South Fork Way to Victoria Rd.

- GDOT PI#0013525, 0013526
- Includes replacement of bridge over Little River
- Installation of a raised median
- Includes sidewalks, multi-use path
- $95,152,194

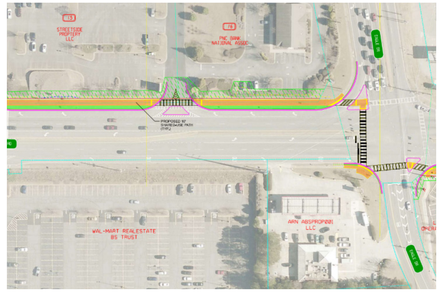


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Bells Ferry Multiuse Path

Construction of a shared use path from Victory Dr to Robin Road.

- GDOT PI#0019205, 0021532
- Multi-use path would be 10 feet wide
- Will likely cross Bells Ferry Rd at Eagle Dr
- Would accomodate pedestrians and cyclists
- $14,168,067



Robin Road Reconstruction

Reconstruction of Robin Rd from Hwy 92 to Bells Ferry Rd.

- TSPLOST ID: T-038
- Involves the reconstruction of Robin Rd to meet current design guidelines
- Seeks to calm existing traffic and increase safety
- $1,544,400



SS4A Implementation

Federal funding award for a host of upgrades to intersections along Hwy 92.

- Includes safety improvements to Hwy 92 at Bells Ferry Rd
- Safety is primary focus of improvements within LCI
- $8,500,000

Note: SS4A Safety Action Plan recommends other projects throughout the county



Hwy 92 at Wade Green

Concept study and design/ construction of safety and operational improvements at Hwy 92 and Wade Green Rd.

- TSPLOST ID: T-044 (concept study)
- A study that would identify possible solutions to increase safety and mitigate delays
- $175,000



ABOUT THE LCI PLAN

Livable Centers Initiative

The LCI program was originally created by the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) in 1999 to improve air quality by reducing vehicular travel in town centers and transit nodes. It provides funding to local jurisdictions to support vibrant, walkable communities, increased mobility options, encourage healthy lifestyles, and provide access to jobs and services.

LIVABLE CENTERS LCI INITIATIVE

ARC Atlanta Regional Commission

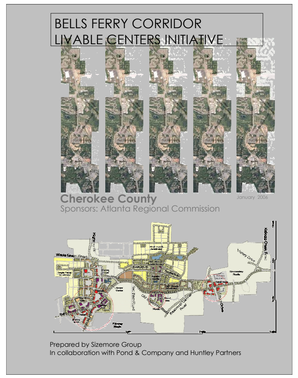




Communitiy engagement events have included a walking tour during the summer and "Friendsgiving" event in the fall.

Bells Ferry LCI Plan History

Cherokee County completed the original Bells Ferry Corridor LCI plan in 2006. The plan included strategies to help revitalize the corridor, focused on strategies for improving land use and development patterns, transportation and circulation, "alternative" modes of transportation, and creating a stronger sense of place and identity for the community.





The plan included recommendations for land use and zoning, transportation, and urban design with a concept focused on creating a mixed-use village at Hwy 92 and Bells Ferry Rd, a retail-focused node at Eagle Dr and Bells Ferry Rd, and a series of pedestrian-friendly residential neighborhoods with a variety of housing types, active recreation areas, sidewalks, and multi-use paths.

Overview: Bells Ferry LCI Plan Update

Building on the goals established in the original LCI Plan, the 2026 Update seeks to capitalize on the momentum along the Bells Ferry Road corridor. Over the past 20 years, the area has changed significantly, with lots of new residential development, some new retail, and several transportation improvements in the pipeline.

The planning process is being conducted in three key phases:

Phase I: Existing conditions, economic market study, transit feasibility study, community visioning *(May-Sept 2025)*

Phase II: Plan development, future development scenarios, community engagement *(Sept 2025-Jan 2026)*

Phase III: Draft and final plan, community engagement *(Jan-May 2026)*

Key findings so far reflect needs and desires for Improved pedestrian safety and access, improved traffic operations and efficiency for drivers, mixed views on development, and a desire for community gathering spaces - plazas, greenspaces, beautification, and recreational opportunities.

Plan Goals

- **Support diversity of people - ages, incomes, social, and cultural backgrounds**
- **Increase job opportunities and improve jobs-to-housing balance**
- **Provide diverse choices in shopping, housing, entertainment, and recreation**
- **Change the image of the community to one of a thriving and vibrant area**
- **Provide multiple transportation alternatives**
- **Create a regional "gateway" to Cherokee County**



Recently completed housing development along Bells Ferry Road

TRANSPORTATION IDEAS *(FOR THE LCI AREA)*

Big Ideas

In addition to the projects already underway, the LCI Plan is looking at several "Big Ideas" for improving transportation and placemaking along the Bells Ferry Road corridor. These include:

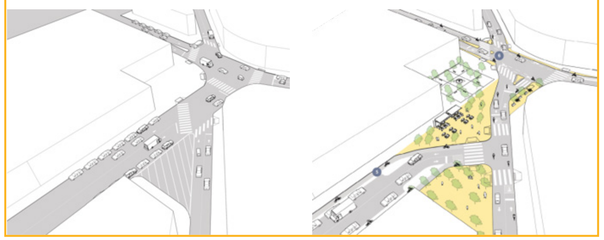
- Pedestrian amenity nodes
- Micromobility design guidelines
- Old Bascomb Road corridor improvements
- Owl Creek Greenway
- Robin Road corridor improvements
- Street lighting
- Pedestrian intersection enhancements
- Study opportunities for additional crossings
- Operational improvements

Review the information presented here and share your feedback with the project team. You can talk to a team member or email BellsFerryLCI@CherokeeCounty.Gov

SCAN TO LEARN MORE AND SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK!

Pedestrian Amenity Nodes

Streetscape and placemaking elements to create higher quality public spaces at key locations with seating, shade, lighting, and wayfinding signage.



Complete Streets

Complete Streets integrate people and place in the planning, design, operation, and maintenance of transportation networks. They are designed to provide safe access for all people who use them, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders. Features may include sidewalk upgrades, multi-use paths, high-visibility crossings, traffic calming, space for transit vehicles, and more. This approach is recommended along several roads in the LCI area.



Crosswalk Enhancements

Poor lighting conditions, obstructions, and horizontal or vertical curves can reduce visibility at crosswalks, contributing to safety issues. High-visibility crosswalks, lighting, signage, and pavement markings can improve pedestrian safety. Likewise, Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPIs) give pedestrians a few seconds of a head start before vehicles are given a green signal indication, allowing pedestrians to establish their presence in crosswalks before vehicles advance.



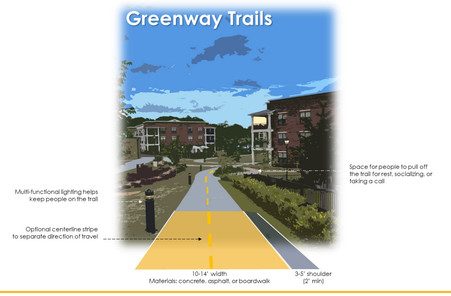
Micromobility Guidelines

Guidelines to help regulate use and storage of lightweight and low-speed individual transport vehicles like bikes, e-bikes, mobility scooters, and other vehicles used to complement driving and public transportation.



Owl Creek Greenway

Greenways are multi-use or shared-use paths designed for bicycles, pedestrians, strollers, wheelchairs, and other lightweight vehicles. Typically in their own right-of-way through greenspaces, parks, or other undeveloped areas.



Operational Improvements

These include recommendations to improve traffic flow, reduce congestion, improve access management, and generally improve traffic operations. The study seeks to balance recommendations that improve traffic while also supporting and improving safety for travelers not in vehicles. Traffic signal timing/phasing, turn lanes, channelization, and intersection design improvements can be part of the solution.



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