# AeroATL Model Mile Feasibility Study Virtual Public Forums

#### Schedule & Attendance

Municipality	Date	Time	# Attendees
City of South Fulton	4/21/2020	2:00 - 3:00 PM	24
City of East Point	4/21/2020	4:00 - 5:00 PM	35
City of Atlanta	4/22/2020	3:00 - 4:00 PM	28
City of Hapeville	4/23/2020	2:00 - 3:00 PM	22
City of Union City	4/23/2020	4:00 - 5:00 PM	15
Clayton County	4/28/2020	2:00 - 3:00 PM	23
City of Forest Park	4/28/2020	3:00 - 4:00 PM	15
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#### **Summary**

This first round of public meetings was initially scheduled as two in-person meetings. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, these meetings were moved to a virtual/dial in format. All meetings were facilitated by a Consultant Team project manager and followed the same agenda:

- Introduction
- Pigeonhole: How To & Poll
- Overview of Goals & Criteria
- Progress to Date
- Existing Conditions
- Virtual Site Tour
- Interactive Poll
- Interactive Q & A
- Next Steps

Each meeting was recorded and can be found at <a href="https://aeroatl.org/special-projects">https://aeroatl.org/special-projects</a>. A summary of the interactive poll results and questions/answers recorded at each meeting is included below.

## **City of South Fulton**

### **City Of South Fulton Model Mile Poll Session**

Question: What is your current association with the City South Fulton?		Total votes (13)	
No	Answer options	Votes	% of
			Total
1	Resident	7	53.8%
2	Business Owner	0	0.0%
3	Government Employee	1	7.7%
4	Elected Official	0	0.0%
5	Just Interest in the Trail System	5	38.5%

Question: Do you actively use trails/greenways in South Fulton or other surrounding communities?		Total votes (14)	
No	Answer options	Votes	% of
			Total
1	Yes	11	78.6%
2	No	3	21.4%
3	I Don't Know	0	0.0%

	Question: Which of the following destinations would you like to see the trail connect to? (Select your top two options.)		Total votes (21)	
No	Answer options	Votes	% of Total	
1	Wolf Creek Multi-Use Trail	10	47.5%	
2	Wolf Creek Amphitheater	5	23.8%	
3	Tom Lowe Trap & Skeet Range	0	0.0%	
4	Vandivers Lake	1	4.8%	
5	Camp Creek Tributary	1	4.8%	
6	The Shops at Camp Creek Village	3	14.3%	
7	Other	1	4.8%	

Question: What type of trail elements would you like to see?		Total vo	Total votes (13)	
No	Answer options	Votes	% of	
			Total	
1	Overlooks	0	0.0%	
2	Seating Areas	4	30.7%	
3	Picnic Area	4	30.8%	
4	Bird Blinds	1	7.7%	
5	Nature Wayfinding / Interpretive Signage	3	23.1%	
6	Other	1	7.7%	

Question: Which amenities would make a proposed greenway along Camp Creek would make you comfortable to use the trail? (Select your top two options.)		Total votes (23)	
No	Answer options	Votes	% of Total
1	Multiple Access Points Off and On the Trail	6	26.1%
2	Clear Sight Lines	1	4.3%
3	Lighting	6	26.1%
4	Call Boxes for Emergency Services	1	4.3%
5	Trail Signage and Wayfinding	2	8.7%
6	Trail Police / Security Force	7	30.5%

#### City Of South Fulton Model Mile Q & A Session

## Q: Obviously connectivity to Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is a destination but will these trails connect to South Fulton Parkway?

A: This model mile will not connect to SF Parkway. However, the larger AeroATL Greenway Plan identifies an outer ring that would run north-south approximately two miles east of Butner Road (and the current terminus of the South Fulton Model Mile). This future outer ring would provide a connection to South Fulton Parkway further south.

## Q: What will be the total distance of the trail? We are very excited about this coming to our community!!

A: Each of the trails measures a little over or under a mile. This segment is approximately 1.3 miles. We have not yet decided the logical termini for this trail, so this distance can change.

#### Q: What are "spokes"? How can I participate in this project?

A: You can remain connect to this project to participate by emailing jenprice@sycamoreconsulting.net to get put on the project outreach list.

#### Q: What is the construction timeline?

A: There is no construction funding or timeline yet identified for this project. Our goal is to select an alignment and to develop a general idea of costs at a conceptual level. Construction could take a couple of years to complete. If federal funding is being used, it will take longer (four to five years).

#### Q: How was this site determined for a trail?

A: The City of South Fulton chose this location as a result of the AeroATL Greenway Plan. This segment is also near a number of properties owned by the City of South Fulton and could connect existing amenities including the Wolfcreek nature trail, the Wolfcreek Amphitheater, and the public library.

#### Q: What sources of funding will be used to pay for the trail construction?

A: There are several options for funding the trail and these options may vary by community. Some common sources could include federal funding, local funding sources (general fund, SPLOST, TSPLOST), and state resources/grants. There are also private funding sources such as public-private partnerships that may be available depending on the location of the trail.

#### Q: Do you have plans to connect to The Riverlands Greenway?

A: The original AeroATL Greenway Plan was completed prior to the Riverlands Greenway. To make this connection the trail would need to continue west approximately 3 miles to the proposed Riverlands Greenway near SR 154.

#### Q: Is it possible that the trails will connect between different local governments participating?

A: Yes. The ultimate goal is to construct the entire system which connects all of the local participating governments. This is a part of a larger plan to fully connect the Aerotropolis area. This plan can be found online at www.aeroatl.org.

#### Q: Will you connect to East Point or College Park?

A: Yes. The ultimate goal is to construct the entire system which connects all of the local participating governments. This is a part of a larger plan to fully connect the Aerotropolis area. This plan can be found online at www.aeroatl.org.

#### Q: Is it correct that funding has not yet been secured?

A: Correct, funding has not yet been approved for full design of the trail or constructing the trails.

# Q: Was South Fulton looked at for the model mile? Union City, Fairburn, Chatt Hills could all include similar projects.

A: The City of South Fulton is a partner in this study, as well as the City of Union City. Both have model miles that are being studied. Fairburn and Chattahoochee Hills are not a part of the Aerotropolis CIDs and are not included in this project.