

City of Atlanta

Annexation Service Plan

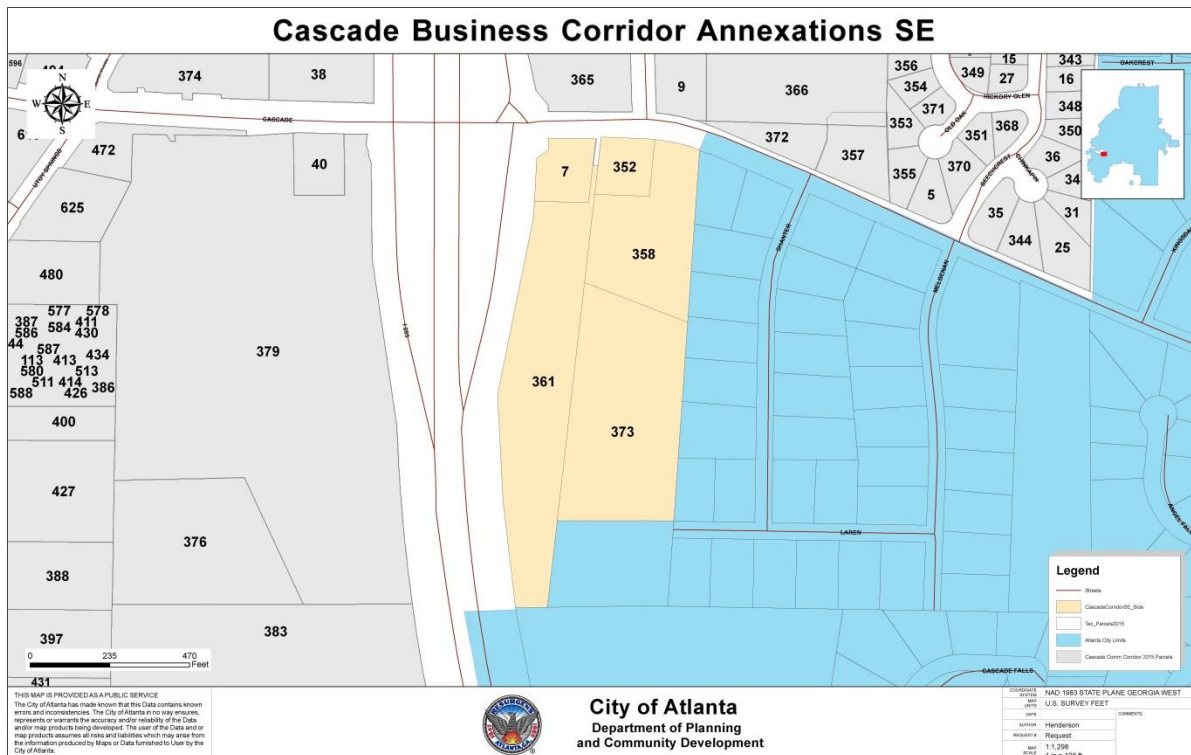
Southeast Cascade Business Corridor

Business owners in the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** have submitted petitions requesting annexation into the city of Atlanta. The City of Atlanta is prepared to provide municipal services to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor**. The plan delivering these services is as follows.

Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Area Overview

The commercial area known as **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** is located off of Cascade Road in unincorporated Fulton County. **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** is 13.74 acres and includes the streets of Cascade Road. (See Map: **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Annexation Area Map**). **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** has 4 parcels and no residential population.

1. Map: Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Annexation Area Map:



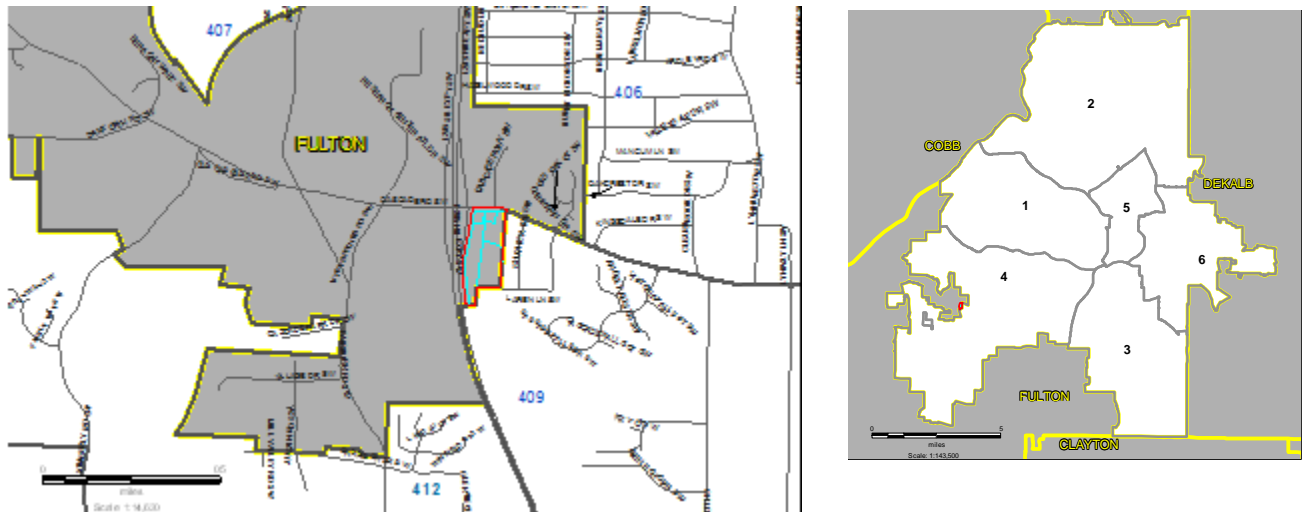
2. Police/911

Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Area Overview

The proposed annexation known as Cascade Business Corridor - SE is a mainly commercial area comprised of the Rite At Home Furniture, Exxon/All Vehicles Welcome Emission Testing, two single family homes, and a land parcels. The proposed boundary contains five Fulton County tax parcels. The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** boundary area is approximately .02468 square miles or 15.8 acres. The included addresses are 0, 3434, 3450, 3460, and 3470 Cascade Rd.

The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** boundary is adjacent to Atlanta Police beat 409 at its northwest corner along the City limits, and east of I-285 NB Expy. The borders include Cascade Rd on the north side, I-285 NB Expy SW on the west side, and the current City limits on the south and east sides. (Map 1.A.: **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** Annexation Area Map). The final Police 911 boundary and service address file may differ slightly from the preliminary boundary that originated from Fulton tax parcels.

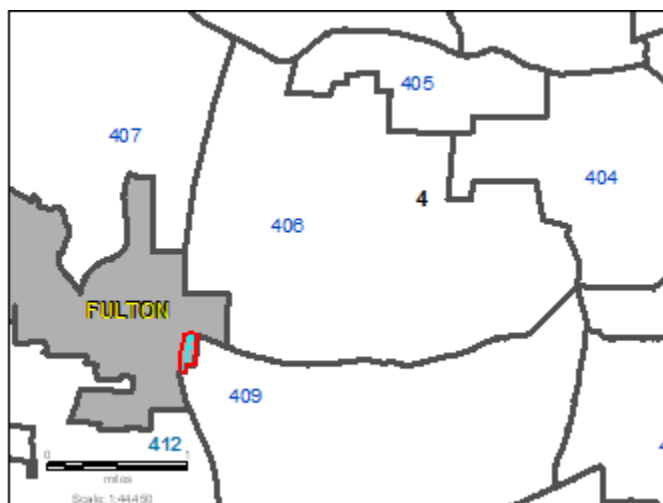
Map 1.A and B: Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Annexation Area Map



*A proportional overlap method was used. Other population totals may vary depending on the method used to estimate census block totals.

Southeast Cascade Business Corridor is approximately 3.2 miles from the Zone 4 precinct via Cascade Rd. Zone 4 encompasses 31.40 sq. miles and has an estimated population of 73,571 (based on 2010 US Census block data). The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** area will be absorbed into Zone 4, beat 406 (see Map 2.A.: **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** Police Response Area). While the proposed area is adjacent to beat 409, the lower call volume for beat 406 makes it more conducive to absorbing this commercial area. Beat 406 is 4.3 square miles. The zone has 24 hour patrol, discretionary teams, and detectives to handle calls for service, investigations, and proactive policing. As of May 16th, Zone Four has 129 sworn and civilian personnel.

Map 2.A.: Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Police Response Area



Zone 4 received approximately 58,284 calls for service (excluding self-initiated) in 2015 and had an average response time to high priority calls of 7 minutes/45 seconds. The average response time to all priority calls (excluding self-initiated) was 10 minutes/53 seconds. Beat 406 had approximately 8989 total calls (4354 dispatched and 4635 self-initiated). Beat 406 has a below average call workload as compared to the other 77 APD beats. As reported by the Fulton County Police, the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** area had approximately 53 calls for service in 2015. The highest percentage of the calls to this area were for fights (21%), vehicle accidents (19%), thefts (15%), and alarm or information for officer calls (15%).

Some considerations of annexation include the geography of the proposed annexation area, current calls for service in the community, alarm registration, zone size, and cost. First, Beat 406, while not directly attached to the proposed annexation area, has direct access to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** via Cascade Rd. Atlanta Police personnel will have to leave the current City limits a short distance on Cascade Rd SW to access the majority of addresses to be serviced. Second, the call volume for the proposed SW area is very low. Beat 406 has a below average call workload (2015 CFS). It is anticipated that existing personnel can maintain police services for the proposed annexation. Third, residents and businesses that have alarms will need a grace period to register at www.crywolf.us/atlantaga in accordance with the City False Alarm Ordinance. Fourth, Zone Four continues to grow in size since the most recent annexation of Cascade Park on January 1, 2016, and other proposed south Fulton County annexations slated for July, 2016. Currently, the beat is 4.3 square miles and the addition of **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** will grow the zone and beat 406 by .02468 square miles. Of course, if more of Fulton County is annexed by the City, then a zone and beat reassessment will occur to determine proper zone and beat size and increased personnel numbers needed. Lastly, initial costs that the Department will incur include updating digital data files, community support programs and operations, and logistic items such as fuel and vehicle maintenance. Other costs may be incurred as well.

a. Departmental Resources:

i. Field Operations

1. Emergency 911 Response
2. Crime Suppression
3. Investigations

ii. Special Operations

1. Mounted Patrol
2. Motors Unit
3. Tactical Traffic Unit
4. Special Weapons and Tactics Team
5. K-9 Unit
6. Helicopter Unit

iii. Criminal Investigations

1. Homicide Unit
2. Special Victims Unit
3. Robbery Unit
4. Major Fraud Unit
5. Narcotics Unit
6. Homeland Security
7. Intelligence
8. Fugitive Unit

iv. Community Services

1. Crime Prevention Inspectors
2. Police Athletic League

v. Support Services

1. Crime Scene Investigations
2. Fingerprinting
3. Criminal Background Checks
4. Citizen's Police Academy
5. Chaplaincy
6. Smart 911

II. Operational Requirements

a. Upfront investment required to be operational (if applicable)

i. Staffing and Resources Required

None at this time with this proposed annexation area.

ii. Costs

None at this time with this proposed annexation area.

b. On-going maintenance

i. Staffing and Resources Required

Adequate staffing and resources on hand at this time with this proposed annexation area.

ii. Costs

Adequate staffing and resources on hand at this time with this proposed annexation area.

c. Capital investments (to be included in the City's Capital Improvement Process)

i. Description and Costs

None at this time with this proposed annexation area.

3. Fire/EMS

Department Statement of Ability to Provide Services to the Annexation Area

The Atlanta Fire Rescue Department (AFRD) currently has the ability to provide an All Hazard response to the annexed area of Cascade Commercial Corridor SE. AFRD would respond to the proposed annexation from primary Fire Station 25 located at 2349 Benjamin E. Mays Drive, and secondary support stations from Fire Station 9 located at 3501 Martin Luther King Drive, Fire Station 31 located at 2406 Fairburn Rd, and Fire Station 5 located at 2825 Campbellton Road. AFRD Assessment and Planning Section has completed a travel time analysis to the proposed annexed area using a three (3) year city wide baseline travel time response of 6 minutes and 10 seconds which is the city wide baseline on any call within the city from the primary fire station. The analysis revealed that AFRD will be able to respond to 100% of the annexation within the 6 minute and 10 second baseline.

Description of Services to be Provided

The Atlanta Fire Rescue Department provides a number of Community Risk Reduction activities; to include Fire inspections, Fire Investigations, and Community Affairs (Education/Prevention) and response services for the city of Atlanta public. This includes the following:

- **Fire Suppression**
- **Emergency Medical Services**
 - Basic Life Support (BLS)
 - Advanced Life Support (ALS)
 - ALS Engines
 - Quick Intervention Crew (QIC) Units
 - Tactical Medic Team
 - Mobile Medic Response Team (EMS bike team)
- **Special Operations**
 - Hazardous Materials
 - Technical Rescue
 - Swift Water

- Dive team
- Structural Collapse
- Low/High Rope Rescue
- Confined Space
- Trench Rescue

- **Community Risk Reduction**
 - Fire Inspections
 - Fire Investigations
 - Fire Education
 - Atlanta Community Emergency Response Team (ACERT)
 - Citizens Fire Academy
 - Community CPR

- **Support Services**
 - Chaplaincy
 - Smart 911
 - Senior Link

Operational Requirements

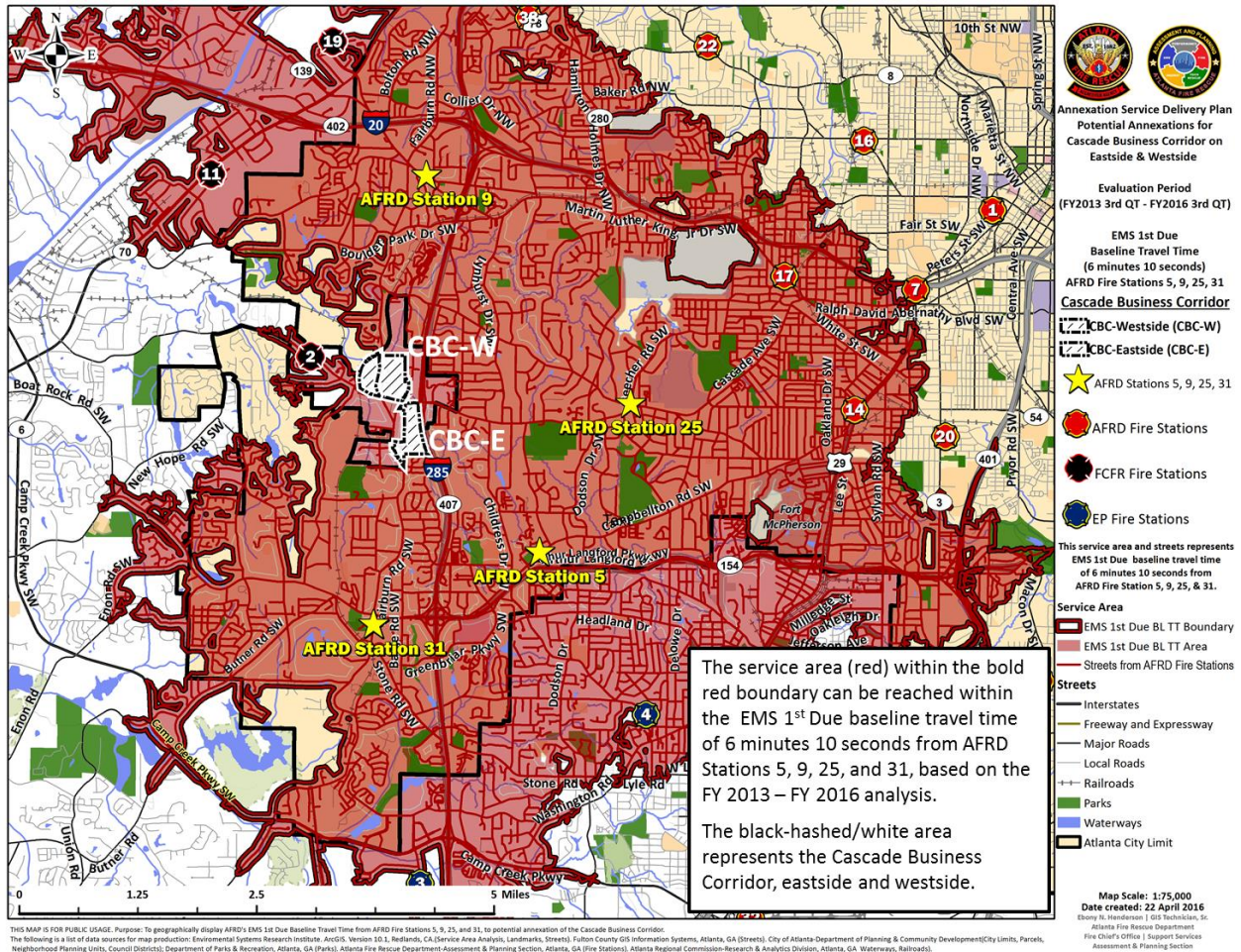
The Atlanta Fire Rescue Department is recommending an operational change with the annexation of proposed areas. The recommendation is to upgrade the level of emergency medical services of engine 31 from a basic life support (BLS) apparatus to an advanced life support (ALS) apparatus to increase the level of service and response time to the proposed area for ALS service and to reduce the impact on other areas of the city. This would better serve the citizens with a better distribution of resources

- **Up-front investment required to be operational**
 - Increase level of emergency medical services of Engine 31 from basic life support (BLS) apparatus to an advanced life support (ALS) unit.
 - Total \$83,032.00
 - \$28,332 increase in reclassification of 6 positions into paid paramedic positions 6 paramedic position
 - \$34,000 equipment- Life pack 15
 - \$20,700 n supplies and equipment upgrades for ALS unit

- **On-going maintenance**
 - Budgetary impact of continuous funding for new re-classed positions of \$40,000 per year
 - Supplies and equipment replacement each year \$10,000

- Capital investments (to be included in the City’s Capital Improvement Process)
 - None at this time with this proposed annexation area

Map 3.A: Southeast Cascade Business Corridor Fire Response Time:



4. Sanitation

The Department of Public Works (DPW) has confirmed that it could immediately provide solid waste management services to the area under review for annexation, known as Cascade Business Southeast Corridor.

Solid Waste Services has reviewed the information regarding this area. They would receive the same high level of service as all other areas within the City of Atlanta and would be assessed the same fees, which covers the cost of providing solid waste services

to this area as follows:

Commercial and industrial rates:

- a. \$7.60 per foot of street frontage property located in all areas receiving street cleaning at a frequency of three to six times per week;
- b. \$3.70 per foot of street frontage for property located in all areas receiving special thoroughfare street cleaning (at least once a week) in addition to street cleaning at the same frequency as residential service (once per three weeks);
- c. \$2.89 per foot of street frontage for all other commercial and industrial property receiving street cleaning at the same frequency as residential (once per three weeks);
- d. \$0.67 per foot of unpaved street frontage for commercial and industrial property abutting unpaved streets to cover rubbish collection cost.

Public property charge for services that have been contracted: A flat charge of \$479.42 per year for each parcel in lieu of the frontage charge. For public housing charges, see subsection (3)a.—d. For government buildings garbage collection, see surcharges, subsection (6).

Vacant parcels: A charge based upon street frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection based on the zoning class of the property; residential to be charged as in subsection (1), apartments and other multi-family dwellings to be charged as in subsection (3)d., and commercial/industrial to be charged as in subsection (6).

Building of public worship rate: \$1.26 per square foot of paved street frontage to cover street cleaning and rubbish collection costs; \$0.52 per foot of unpaved street frontage for rubbish collection costs. In addition to the front footage levy listed above, there shall be a charge of \$208.59 per year for solid waste collection from individual containers, garbage cans or bags, or a charge of \$183.37 per year if the solid waste collection is from industrial containers.

Special collections: Any property otherwise addressed in subsections (1) through (9) of this section, either requesting or requiring special collection equipment or methods where normal curbside collection or backyard collection of solid waste or recyclables

is not feasible, shall be subject to an additional fee of \$200.00 annually.

Services included are:

- Street sweeping in June, October, February
- Weekly right of way trash receptacles
- Dead animal removal
- Illegal sign removal

The annexations would require the following additional equipment and personnel for solid waste service delivery.

In as much as it may be necessary to start service for these areas before additional equipment and personnel can be acquired, the increased service requirements would be satisfied through the use of overtime, utilizing existing crews and equipment.

5. Traffic Operations

The Office of Transportation within DPW has completed a survey of the street conditions, signage, sidewalks and signal operations of the Cascade Business Corridor Annexations SE area.

Street Maintenance

This annexation area is bounded on the west by I-285 and on the north by Cascade Road. I-285 is a GDOT highway and as such does not require City of Atlanta's maintenance services and so also, is Cascade Road on the north of the annexation area which is outside of City of Atlanta's city limits.

Signage

Not required.

Sidewalk Maintenance/Installation

Not required.

Traffic signal upgrade and communication

Not required.

Street Lights

There are 6 street light fixtures in the studied area. Upgrades will not be necessary at this time. The street lights will be converted to Georgia Power leased lights.

The annexations will require the following for the Office of Transportation:

| Contracted Items | | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| DESCRIPTION | | | | COST |
| New Overhead Street Name Signs | | | | 0.0 |
| Sidewalks Replacement | | | | 0.00 |
| 6 ADA Handicap Ramps | | | | 0.00 |
| Broken Curbs | | | | 0.00 |
| Annual Georgia Power Leased Lights Cost | | | | 1,199.16.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | 1,199.16 |
| In-House Tasks | | | | |
| DESCRIPTION | | | | COST |
| Street Name Sign Replacement not including Overhead Signs | | | | 0.0 |
| Street Markings | | | | 0.00 |
| Future Yearly Signal Maintenance Cost (Not to Include fiber Optic Damage Repair) | | | | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | 0.00 |
| Personnel | | | | |
| QTY | DESCRIPTION | GRADE | UNIT COST | TOTAL COST |
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| TOTAL | | | | \$0 |
| Equipment | | | | |
| QTY | DESCRIPTION | UNIT COST | TOTAL COST | |
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| TOTAL | | | | |
| GRAND TOTAL - OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION | | | | \$1,199.16 |
| GRAND TOTAL - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS | | | | \$1,199.16 |

| Cascade Business Corridor SE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Estimated Amount w/no Sidewalk | Contingency (20%) + Estimate w/no Sidewalk | Estimated Amount w/one-Sidewalk | Contingency (20%) + Estimate w/one-Sidewalk | Estimated Amount w/two-Sidewalks | Contingency (20%) + Estimate w/two-Sidewalk |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|
| LOCATION | L (IF) | W (IF) | Mobilization | Traffic Control | Milling (sqyd) | Sidewalk (1-side) | Sidewalk (2-side) | 9.5 mm Superpave (Tons) | Tack Coat (Gallons) | Manhole Cover Adj. | Water Valve Adj. | Drop Inlet Adj. | | | | | | | |
| Cascade Road | 558 | 60 | \$1,250 | \$3,000 | 3,720 | \$41,850 | \$83,700 | 279.0 | 223.2 | 0 | 0 | | \$36,121 | \$43,345 | \$77,971 | \$93,565 | \$77,971 | \$93,565 | |
| TOTAL = | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$36,121 | \$43,345 | \$77,971 | \$93,565 | \$77,971 | \$93,565 | |

| Location | 100 Watts | 150 Watts | 250 Watts | 400 Watts | Post Top 100 | Post Top 150 | Total Monthly Power Cost | Total Yearly Power Cost |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Cascade Business Corridor SE</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Cascade Road | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 10 | \$199.86 | \$2,398.32 |
| Total Power Cost | | | | | | | \$199.86 | \$2,398.32 |

6. Planning and Community Development

The City of Atlanta Department of Planning and Community Development will provide Permitting, Planning and Housing services through the Office of Buildings, Office of Planning and Office of Housing to the Cascade Commercial District. Land Use and Zoning designations, as shown in the table below, that are comparable to existing Fulton County designations will be adopted. This area will be incorporated into a Neighborhood Planning Unit.

| Cascade Commercial District | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Quadrant | Land Use | Zoning |
| SE | MU(Mixed Use) | C-1 (Community Business) |
| SE | MU(Mixed Use) | R-3 (Single Family Residential) |

7. Water and Sewer

Department of Watershed Management Statement of Ability to Provide Services to Southeast Cascade Business Corridor

The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** is located in unincorporated south Fulton County. The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** is being annexed into the City of Atlanta by the 60% Method. The COA currently provides drinking water to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor**, and Fulton County currently provides sanitary sewer collection services through the

wastewater collection system owned by Fulton County. COA will continue to provide drinking water to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor**.

Wastewater collected in the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** is conveyed from Fulton County's sewer system to the City's system for treatment at the City's Utoy Creek Water Reclamation Center (WRC), pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Atlanta and Fulton County. The **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** area will continue to be serviced by Fulton County. Fulton County's sewer flows are measured at two inter-jurisdictional monitoring stations. Pursuant to a separate inter-governmental agreement between COA and Fulton County, the COA bills Fulton County's sewer customers who are also COA's water customers.

I. Description of Services to be Provided

The COA will continue to provide potable water to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** for public drinking water and fire protection services, as shown in Figure 1. The water supply lines and fire hydrants, which are owned and maintained by DMW, are in good condition and adequate in-line pressures are being maintained. The water service currently provided by the COA will remain unchanged.

The Fulton County sewer facilities serving the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** that flow into the City of Atlanta's sewer system is depicted in Figure 2. Fulton County will provide sewer service to the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor**. The sewer collection service currently provided by Fulton County will remain unchanged. The City of Atlanta's treatment and billing arrangements with Fulton County will also remain unchanged.

II. Operational Requirements

a. Upfront investment required to be operational

- i.** If annexation proceeds, no additional staffing resources are required to continue the same level of service for both drinking water (by the COA), sanitary sewage collection (by Fulton County), and wastewater conveyance and treatment (COA).

- i. The annual revenues from water billings are expected to remain unchanged with the annexation of Southeast Cascade Business Corridor.

b. On-going maintenance

- i. The drinking water distribution system in this area is owned by the City of Atlanta and no additional level of effort is anticipated to be necessary beyond existing operation and maintenance programs already in place.
- ii. The City of Atlanta would not take on any responsibilities for management, operation, and/or maintenance of the Fulton County wastewater collection system that serves Southeast Cascade Business Corridor property of Fulton County.
- iii. There are no increased costs anticipated at this time.

c. Capital investments (to be included in the City's Capital Improvement Process)

- i. Capital improvement project (CIP) funding for drinking water distribution in the Southeast Cascade Business Corridor area will remain unchanged.
- ii. Capital improvement project (CIP) funding for wastewater collection assets in the Southeast Cascade Business Corridor area will remain the responsibility of Fulton County.
- iii. Downstream wastewater interceptor and treatment assets receiving wastewater flows from Fulton County, but which are currently owned by the City, will remain under City ownership. DWM will maintain responsibility for assets currently owned by the City.

Cascade Commercial Corridor Southeast Water Infrastructure

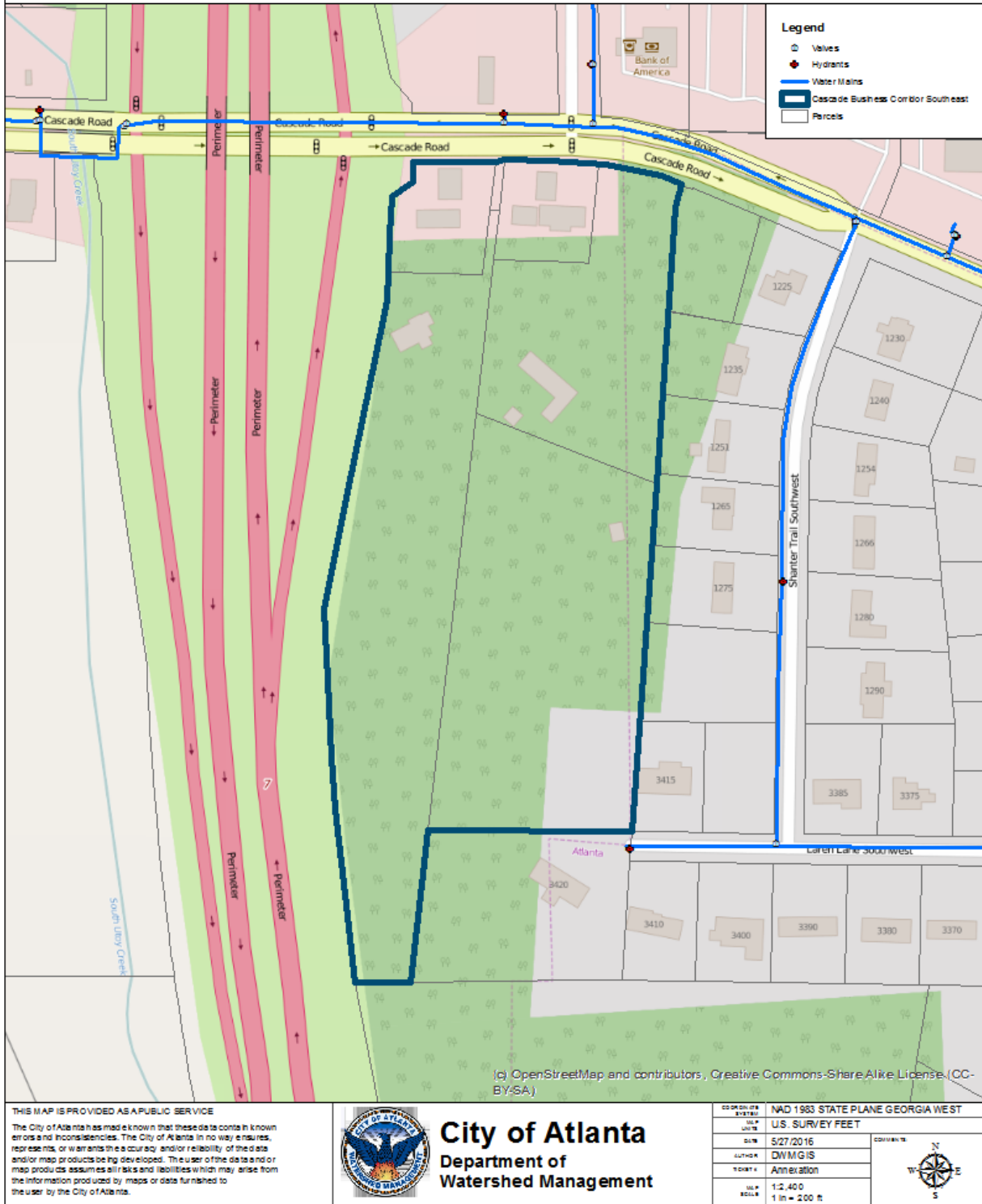


Figure 1

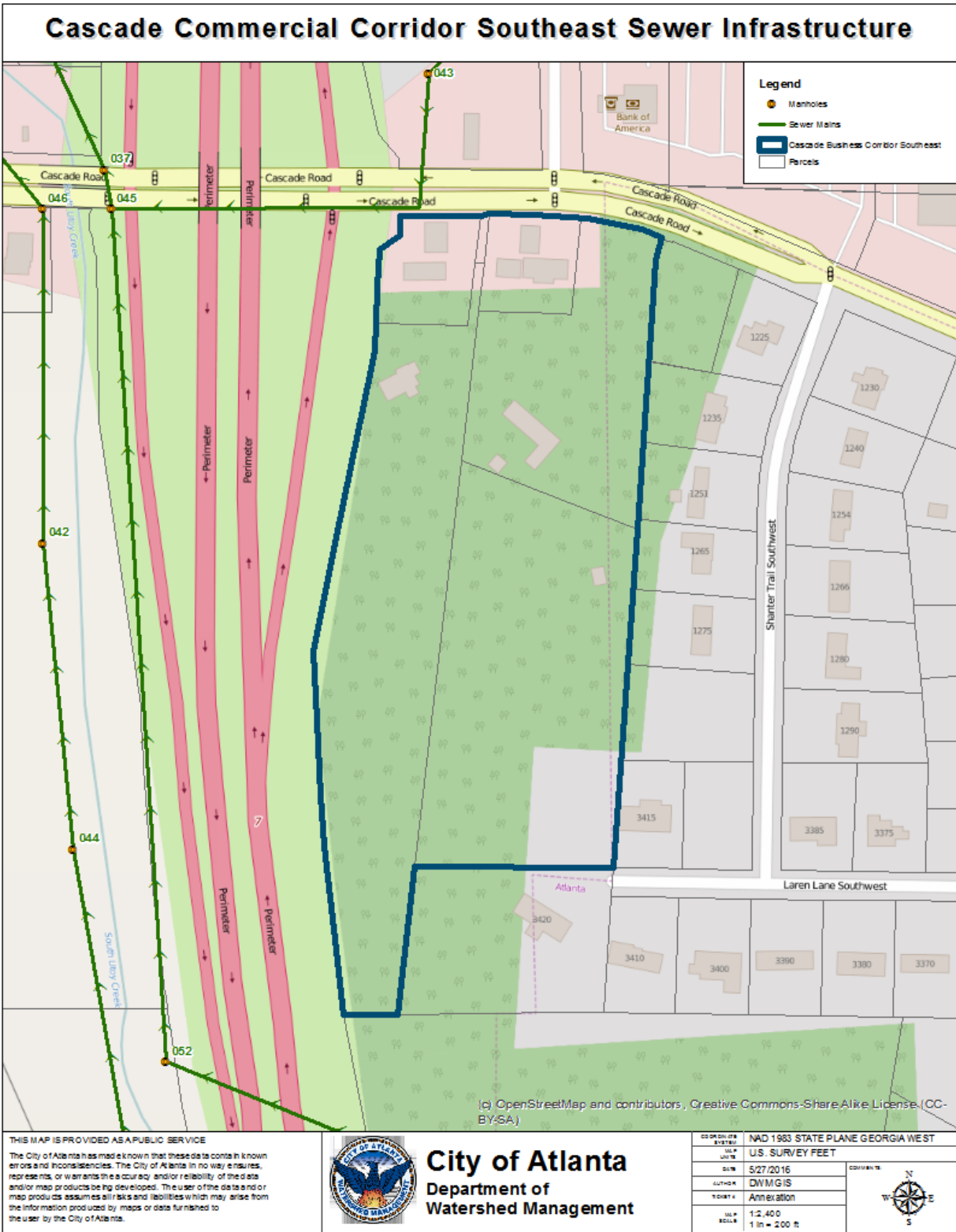


Figure 2

8. Forestry

Forestry/Arborist Services – The City of Atlanta’s Office of Parks will provide the **Southeast Cascade Business Corridor** with the maintenance and removal of existing trees on parkland and trees that existing in the public right-of way. The Office of Parks will also remove trees that are obstructing the right-of-way (not on private property). The Office of Parks will provide these services with existing Arborist and Forestry resources, which include 2 arborists, 3 tree removal crews, a pruning crew and a stump grinding crew. Emergency services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.