

# Summary of Comments Virtual Public Information Open House Meeting Multimodal Improvements to Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard (FC10451, Moores Mill Road Multimodal Roadway Extension and Transit Layover Facility) <u>June 23</u>, 2021

The Virtual Public Information Open House for the Multimodal Improvements to Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard (FC10451, Moores Mill Road Multimodal Roadway Extension and Transit Layover Facility) project was held on <a href="June 23">June 23</a>, 2020 via a Zoom meeting. A total of 28 people attended the Zoom meeting, including City of Atlanta Department of Transportation (ATLDOT) staff and design consultants, and Council Member Dustin Hillis (District 9). Zoom meeting panelists included ATLDOT Project Manager Greg Holder, and CDM Smith Design Team Members David Webb, Rakeem Jackson, and Chuck Deeb. ATLDOT Director of Public Engagement Cathy Tyler provided meeting support.

2 comment cards were received from one respondent. The respondent did not specify their position on the project. No respondent was against the project.

#### **Major Concerns/Comments**

The major concerns were organized into 2 areas – Safety of the Adams Drive/Marietta Boulevard Intersection and improvements on Adams Drive (Loop Road).

- 5 comments regarding safety of the Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard Intersection
- 2 comments regarding improvements on Adams Drive (Loop Road).





# **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS**

Number of Comment Cards Received: 2

## Question 1: How did you hear about this meeting?

Potential Response	Number of Responses
Radio/Television	
Newspaper	
Signs	
Word of Mouth	
Other	
Email	
Meeting	
No Response	2

## Question 2: Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?

Potential Response	Number of Responses
Yes	
No	
No Response	2

### Question 3: Do you support or oppose the project?

Potential Response	Number of Responses
For	
Against	
Conditional	
Uncommitted	
No Response	2





#### Narrative Summary of Comments

- REGARDING SAFETY OF THE ADAMS DRIVE AND MARIETTA BOULEVARD INTERSECTION:
  - "The number one priority should be a redesign of the exit from Adams Dr./Loop Road to include a separate left and right turn lane. It appears that this can be done without disturbing the current power poles and increasing cost of the project by realigning the road and sidewalk to maximize the space between the two power poles. Traffic already backs up at the main light at Bolton and Marietta- so adding a light for Adams will just result in cars either blocking the box or left turn drivers having nowhere to go and blocking the right turn/southbound drivers. This is essential for this project to provide any meaningful benefit over what we currently have. Another option would be to join together the Adams Dr/Loop Rd entrance/exit with the parking lot of the strip mall next to it, but I assume that would increase the project cost."
    - Currently, the traffic study does not call for separate right and left turn lanes off of Adams Drive onto Marietta Boulevard. The proposed signal operation will be evaluated during preliminary design and an additional lane will be added as needed to ensure proper operation at the intersection. Additionally, "Don't Block the Box" signage will be installed at the intersection.
  - "An extended pull off for those turning right onto Adams Dr/Loop Rd going southbound is a feature that would improve safety."
    - The addition of a right turn lane off of Marietta Boulevard (Eastbound) onto will be evaluated during preliminary design and implemented as needed to facilitate operations at the intersection of Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard.
  - "The concrete curb on Marietta northbound needs to ensure that back up from drivers turning left at the light does not spill into the new intersection.:
    - The concrete curb on the median installed on Marietta Boulevard, west of the Adams Drive intersection, will allow adequate queuing of the left turn off of Marietta Boulevard northbound onto Bolton Road westbound.
  - "What is the plan for improving the safety for drivers trying to exit from adams dr and go north on Atlanta rd/marietta? With the addition of the new car wash, making this left turn is pretty much impossible on any weekday at any time of day (it used to be just impossible at rush hour)."
    - A new signal is proposed at the intersection of Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard, adjacent to the new car wash. A signal at this intersection will allow drivers turning left off Adams Drive to maneuver more safely.





- "Please present/develop a plan that includes a signalized exit/entrance to adams dr which was part of the conditions placed upon adams drive closure by FHWA."
  - The concept plan presented at the public meeting includes a signalized intersection at Adams Drive and Marietta Boulevard. The concept plan will be progressed through preliminary and final design.
- REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS ON ADAMS DRIVE (LOOP ROAD).
  - "Lighting along Adams Dr./Loop Rd by the businesses is needed for safety. This was meant to be a temporary solution and if we are now making it permanent, it needs upgraded safety features."
    - The addition of lighting on Adams Drive will be considered during preliminary design. The City will evaluate the need for lighting on Adams Drive and the plans will be updated accordingly.
  - "Road markings need to be added to Loop Road and a drainage assessment of some kind should be done, as again this road was meant to be temporary and we have tolerated the water issues that come into play during rainstorms with the understanding this was not a permanent road."
    - New road markings are proposed as part of the project along with a drainage study of the project area. Drainage inlets will be installed/adjusted where feasible to allow for better roadway drainage on Adams Drive.

