# Hickory Flat Area Plan

### Public Meeting #3

January 13 to February 3, 2021



Cherokee County Planning and Zoning

## Presentation Outline

- Project Status Update
- Recap of Meeting #2
  - Activities, Participation and Results
- Overview of Meeting #3
  - Presentations and Activities

## Introductions



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## Area Plan Update

# Purpose of the Plan

- Create an in-depth plan for the Hickory Flat area to address issues from Target Area Workshop
  - Traffic Congestion
  - County/City Coordination
  - Pedestrian and Bike Facilities
  - Rural Character
  - Public Services / Infrastructure
- Help the community to develop their vision
- Coordinate the Related Plans, i.e. transportation, schools, library, parks & rec, etc.
- Set a detailed work program for County to achieve desired community vision

### Public Engagement

#### **General Public** Meetings

- 3 virtual sessions
- Open for 3-weeks
- Anyone interested
- Give input on broad range of issues • Vision

  - Needed Amenities
  - Form of Future Development
  - Making Connections
  - Work Plan
- All meetings designed to be combination of video presentations and activities

#### Advisory Committee

- 4 virtual meetings
- Small group representing diverse segments of the Study Area
- A sounding board to provide feedback on Market Study, Public Meeting Results and Draft Plan
- Ensure that wide range of perspectives are considered in developing this plan

## Meeting Schedule

#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

- October 21 November 11, 2020
- December 2 23, 2020
- January 13 February 3, 2021
  - ALL MEETINGS EXTENDED TO  $\underline{3}$  WEEKS

## Recap of Meeting # 2

December 2- 23, 2020

### General Information

#### <u>Goals</u>

- Get feedback on results of Meeting #1
- Share the status of projects in the area
  - Transportation
  - Schools
  - Parks
  - Library
  - Holly Springs
- Continue to increase understanding of the public's desires
  - Community Preference Survey

#### **Results**

- Increases in comments and participation from Meeting #1
  - 57 activity responses
  - 162 video presentation comments

\*\*Community Preference Survey participation <u>double</u> what County had at previous area plan\*\*

- Visitors to site held steady from meeting #1
  - ~1500 total

Presentation Comments and Takeaways

#### **Introductory Presentation**

- Consensus agreement on results of mapping exercise and word exercises
- Comments regarding traffic, restaurants, land preservation, cohesion, walkability and quality of life

#### <u>Market Study</u> Presentation

- Consensus agreement that the presentation answered relevant questions
- Comments on controlling development, maintaining character, prohibiting uses like industry and promoting uses such as full service restaurants

#### <u>Transportation</u> <u>Presentation</u>

- Consensus agreement that the presentation answered relevant questions
- Consensus agreement that more people would walk places if sidewalks were available
- Comments mainly focused on sidewalks and traffic

#### **Public Facilities**

Presentation

Most comments centered on parks, schools and Holly Springs Community Preference Survey

- Participants view images to make a quick determination on whether or not what was shown is suitable for Hickory Flat.
- Allows us to better understand what we heard mentioned previously by the public, regarding the specific types of buildings, activities and land uses.
- Ex: Previously expressed desire for walking options
  - Post survey: a trail in Hickory Flat should be <u>wide and paved</u>, in a minimally developed <u>natural setting</u>, with items such as <u>benches and trash receptacles</u> but not large structures or clearing.

the Above" option.

- 7 Sections
  - Trails, Residential, Etc.

Option 1
Option 2
Option 3
Option 4
Option 1

Which trail(s) are you likely to use? Select all that apply or choose the "None of

#### Top Park/Greenspace Images







- Passive Uses
- Trees and landscape beds
- Architecture
  - Gazebo, fountain, shade structure
- Paved pathways
- Lighting
- Seating and picnic tables

### Top Sidewalk Images





- Separated from roadways
- Hard surface: concrete or asphalt
- Protected
- Multi-use
- Trees and turf between sidewalk and curb
- Lamp posts
- Landscape planters

Top Trail Images

- Asphalt or natural surface
- 10'+ width
- Minimal clearing or development
- Many mature trees and shade
- Benches, trash cans, etc. only
- Curvilinear







#### Top Residential Images

- Rural/Agriculture Styles
- Sidewalks
- Open fields and grassed lawns
- Scattered trees
- Vehicles areas not prominent
- Fencing













- Natural Materials: Wood, Stone, Brick
- No garish colors
- "Main Street" rhythm of small, differing store fronts
- No long, flat facades
- Landscaping
- Outdoor seating and gatherings spaces
- 2 story maximum
- Parking close by, but not up against buildings



## Meeting # 3 Introduction

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### Meeting #3 Agenda

Video Presentations

- Introduction
- Market Study Part 2

#### Participation Activity

• Future Land Use Charrette

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#### Website Questionnaire

Video Conference

- Available 24/7
- Less time required
- Limited scope
  - 5 specific sites in the study area
- Limited response options
  - Utilizes images from Community Preference Survey

- Specific time slots available
- Requires 30 mins 1 hr
- Covers the entire study area
- Open discussion with staff and small group

## **Questions**?

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