

AMENDMENT

COLUMBUS-PHENIX CITY TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
POLICY COMMITTEE

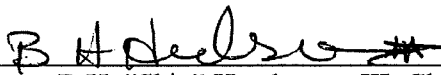
A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE GEORGIA SECTION OF THE 2045  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND THE 2021-2024  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP).

WHEREAS the Governors of Georgia and Alabama have designated the Columbus Department of Planning as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus-Phenix City (C-PCTS) urban area; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the Georgia section of the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the following TAP project; and


P.I. No 00 – Construct a 10' multi-use trail on Cherokee Avenue from Garrard Street to Slade Drive and from Slade Drive to the Fall Line Trace Trail - Total Project Cost: - \$3,500,000.00 (\$2,800,000.00 Fed & \$700,000.00 Local)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbus-Phenix Transportation Study Policy Committee approve the amendment of the 2021-2024 TIP.

  
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Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Chairman  
Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study  
Policy Committee

September 21, 2021

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Date

Attest:   
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Rick Jones, Planning Director

**1000 –Construct a Multi-Use Trail on Cherokee Avenue**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Construct a 10’ multi-use trail on Cherokee Avenue from Garrard Street to Slade Drive and from Slade Drive to the Fall Line Trace Trail

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<b>P.I. #: 1000</b>	<b>Existing Lanes:</b>	<b>SPONSOR:</b>
<b>TIP #: TAP-Cherokee</b>	<b>Proposed Lanes:</b>	<b>CONG DIST:</b>
<b>Funding Code: Z301</b>		<b>DOT DIST:</b>
<b>Funding: TAP</b>	<b>State/US #:</b>	<b>Local RD#</b>

<i>Project Phase</i>	<i>\$ Source</i>	<i>FY 21</i>	<i>FY 22</i>	<i>FY 23</i>	<i>FY 24</i>	<i>Total</i>			
<i>Preliminary Eng.</i>	Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
<i>Right-of Way</i>	Fed/Local	\$0	\$0	\$1,495	\$0	\$1,495			
<i>Utilities</i>	Fed/Local	\$0	\$0	\$255	\$0	\$255			
<i>Construction</i>	Fed/Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,750	\$1,750			
<b><i>Project Cost</i></b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,750</b>	<b>\$1,750</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>			
<i>Federal Cost</i>		\$0	\$0	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$2,800			
<i>State Cost</i>		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
<i>Other Cost</i>		\$0	\$0	\$350	\$350	\$700			

**Comments:** Total ROW - \$1,495,000.00 (\$1,196,000.00 Fed & \$299,000.00 Local) – Total of UTL - \$255,000.00 (\$204,000.00 Fed & \$51,000.00 Local) – Total CST - \$1,750,000.00 (\$1,400,000.00 Fed & \$350,000.00 Local) – Total Project Cost - \$3,500,000.00 (\$2,800,000.00 Fed & \$700,000.00 Local)



**RESOLUTION**

**COLUMBUS-PHENIX CITY TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
POLICY COMMITTEE**

**A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AN APPLICATION FROM THE COLUMBUS  
CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT/DAGONFLY FOR THE MPO  
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES (TA) FUNDS**

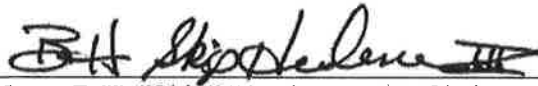
**WHEREAS** the Governors of Georgia and Alabama have designated the Columbus Department of Planning as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus-Phenix City (C-PCTS) urban area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus, Georgia Consolidated Government's (CCG) and Dragonfly have applied for and been approved by the MPO Committees to receive funding from the MPO's allocated TA funds; and

**WHEREAS** the TA funds will be utilized for the purpose of construction a multi-use trail along Cherokee Avenue in Columbus, Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, \$2,800,000.00 (80%) will be funded by GDOT and the remaining \$700,000 (20%) will be required from the Columbus Consolidated Government.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Columbus-Phenix City Metropolitan Planning Organization does hereby approve the implementation of the TA funds for the multiuse trail in Columbus, Georgia.



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Mayor B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Chairman  
Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study  
Policy Committee

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August 17, 2021

Date

Attest:

  
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Rick Jones, Planning Director

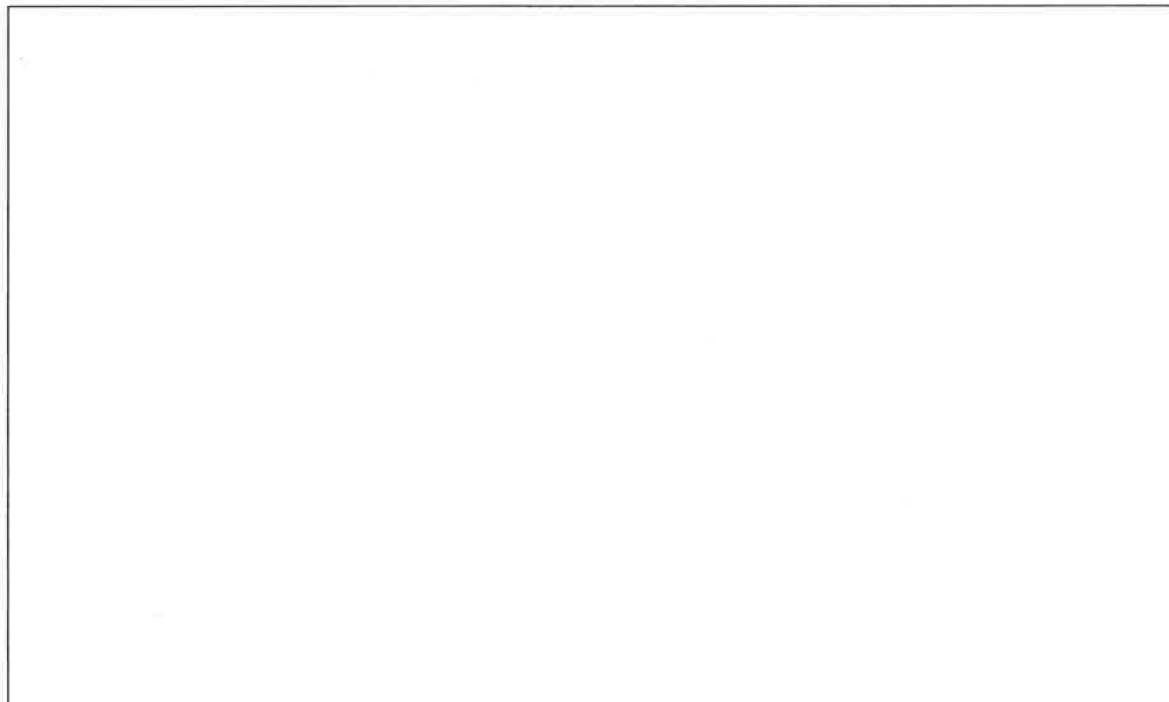
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# Transportation Alternatives Program: Project Proposal Application Form

1 response

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Applicant Full name (Last, First)

1 response

Becca Zajac

Address

1 response

P.O. Box 2666

City/State

1 response

Columbus, GA

Zip Code

1 response

31902

### Primary Phone Number

1 response

7064050009

### Phone Type

1 response

HomeWorkCell100%

### Secondary Phone Number

1 response

N/A

### Phone Type

1 response

HomeWorkCellN/A100%

### Contact Preference (check all that apply)

1 response

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If there are additional sponsors that should be noted on this application, please submit a list with the sponsoring organization(s) Point of Contact, primary phone number, and email here:

0 responses

No responses yet for this question.

### Project Description

#### Name of Proposed Project

1 response

Midtown Connector #3: Lakebottom to Fall Line Trace

#### Project Location

1 response

Midtown, Columbus, GA (31901)

Project Termini ( i.e. where does the project begin and end - distance in miles if applicable)

1 response

Start: SW Intersection of Garrard Street & Cherokee Avenue, End: Intersection of Slade Drive & Fall Line Trace, Mileage: 1.1 miles

### City/State

1 response

Columbus, GA

### County

1 response

Muscogee

### Zip Code

1 response

31901

### Brief Project Description

1 response

The proposed project, Midtown Connector #3, will connect the intersection of Cherokee Avenue and Garrard Street to the existing Fall Line Trace trail at the end of Slade Drive with a 10' wide, concrete, multi-use, greenway trail for everyone in our community to use for recreation, transportation, and connection. This connection be the final segment of the three-part Midtown Connector that links the neighborhoods in Midtown to Lakebottom Park, Dinglewood Park, the Fall Line Trace, the RiverWalk, the MLK Jr. Trail, and the Chattahoochee River in Uptown.

Does the project support the implementation of local, regional, and/or state strategic and comprehensive plans and/or other goals outlined by these entities?

1 response

YesNo100%



If yes, please list the plans and/or other documents in which this project is identified.

1 response

Columbus' Alternative Transportation Study, Midtown Bike Ped Plan, Columbus 2028 Comprehensive Plan, Complete Streets Policy, Columbus 2025 Strategic Plan, Dragonfly Trails Masterplan, Columbus Water Works Strategic Plan, Midtown Inc.'s Strategic Plan.

Does the project utilize Complete Streets policies and/or other best practices in design for active transportation infrastructure and programming?

1 response

YesNo100%

Have any studies (feasibility, environmental, etc.) been conducted for the proposed project?

1 response

YesNo100%

Have any permits been submitted or issued on behalf of the applicant's proposed project?

1 response

YesNo100%

Will the proposed project require the purchase, donation, and/or other form of property transfer (change in ownership)?

1 response

YesNo100%

Please identify all property involved in the proposed project that you, the applicant, currently owns/is in the possession of. If additional property must be acquired to complete the project, identify the current ownership and value of said property:

1 response

We are unaware of any property that would need to be acquired for this project.

Has your proposed project been presented to the public through community outreach initiatives, public meetings, and/or other forums that allow for

accessible and inclusive discussions with the public?

1 response

YesNo100%

Is the proposed project identified in the Columbus-Phenix City MPO's  
Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)?

1 response

YesNo 0%

Is the proposed project identified in the Columbus-Phenix City MPO's  
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?

1 response

YesNo0%

Is the proposed project in the 2014 Alternative Transportation Study authored for the City of Columbus, GA?

1 response  
YesNo100%

### Project Eligibility

Does the project meet the requirements outlined in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act?

1 response  
YesNo100%

Does project meet all compliance requirements of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and any other local, state, or federal laws related to accessibility?

1 response  
YesNo100%

Does your project meet at least one of the 10 eligibility requirements outlined in the FAST Act for the allocation of TAP funds?

1 response

YesNo100%

Please review the "Eligible Projects" section available on the TAP webpage (<https://www.columbusga.gov/planning/TAP.htm>). Please identify and list which category your proposed project would fall within:

1 response

1. Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation, including sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure, and transportation projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.).

### Monies Match

Does the applicant and/or sponsoring organization(s) have the funds for the 20% local match requirement?

1 response

YesNo100%



Will the applicant and/or sponsoring organization(s) be partnering with the Columbus Consolidated Government or another governmental entity or authority within Muscogee County, GA (i.e. METRA, Columbus Housing Authority, etc.) to meet the requirements for the local match and cost reimbursement eligibility?

1 response

YesNo100%

Will the applicant and/or sponsoring organization(s) be partnering with another governmental entity or authority within the Georgia counties of the C-PCMPO (Harris and Chattahoochee Counties) to meet the requirements for the local match and cost reimbursement eligibility?

1 response

YesNo100%

Will the applicant and/or sponsoring organization(s) be partnering with

another governmental entity or authority within the Alabama counties of the C-PCMPO (Russell and Lee Counties) to meet the requirements for the local match and cost reimbursement eligibility?

1 response  
YesNo100%

### Community Impact

How will your proposed project increase users' access to bike/ped and other active transportation infrastructure?

1 response

The proposed project, Midtown Connector #3, is a segment of Columbus' off-road greenway trails masterplan called the Dragonfly Trail Network. The Dragonfly Trails aim to improve citizens access to jobs, schools, grocery stores, neighborhoods, and other destinations by creating an interconnected system of trails. The Midtown Connector #3 is critical to the plan because it is the last of three segments that create a loop between the neighborhoods and amenities in Uptown, South Columbus, Midtown, and Phenix City. With the completion of this section, citizens will be able to access an additional 27-miles of safe, protected bike/ped infrastructure including the MLK Jr. Trail, Fall Line Trace, and Columbus and Phenix City RiverWalks.

How will your proposed project increase users' access to public transportation services and infrastructure?

1 response

With the completion of the Midtown Connector #3, citizens will be able to access 27-miles of connected, protected multi-use trails throughout Columbus and Phenix City. While the trails run adjacent to multiple METRA (Columbus' public transit system) stops throughout the city, METRA's main transfer center is adjacent to the Dragonfly Trails. Therefore, trail users will now have easy, direct access to all ten bus routes that run throughout the city six days a week. In addition, we have worked with METRA to have their drivers provide verbal notifications of trail connections at bus stops, as well as ensured buses are equipped with

bike racks.

Why are you, the applicant and/or sponsoring organization(s), interested in alternative modes of transportation and the Transportation Alternatives Program?

1 response

Dragonfly Trails is 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Columbus, Georgia through the implementation of, advocacy for, multi-use trails. Since 2017, Dragonfly Trails has invested \$1M in Columbus' trail network and through a public-private partnership with the City of Columbus, completed two trails and have one under construction. Our organization formed from a hyper-interest in alternative modes of transportation having seen the transformational impact trails can have in our community, and throughout the world. Trail benefits are abundant and benefit all – they promote healthy lifestyle, provide transportation, connect neighborhoods, improve mental health, spur economic development, enhance conservation efforts, and boost community pride. While Dragonfly is interested in improving all outcomes, we heavily focus our efforts on designing trails that create more equitable access to transportation to those in our community that need is most. With above average poverty rates and a high number of households without a single vehicle in Columbus, citizens depend on the trails to get to school, work, appointments, and grocery stores.

In your own words, please describe why your proposed project would be a benefit to the community and MPO region at large?

1 response

Trail infrastructure is utilized as a tool to address social inequity, boost local economies, improve physical and mental health, attract and retain talent, protect natural habitat, and provide more affordable transportation access. To achieve these outcomes though, the trail segments must physically connect to each other and to desirable destinations. Our proposed project, Midtown Connector #3, is the final, critical link that will connect four existing trails, ten parks, five neighborhoods, and hundreds of amenities across two states. With the completion of this section, trail users will be able to access an additional 27-miles of interconnected, safe, protected trails. Completing the final link of the Midtown connector will provide endless opportunities for recreation, transportation, and economic development in the region.

Additional Documents

Certification

Full Name (Last, First)



1 response

Zajac, Becca

Title/Organization

1 response

Executive Director, Dragonfly Trails

Witness' Full Name (Last, First)

1 response

Ken Henson

Title/Organization

1 response

Board Chair, Dragonfly Trails

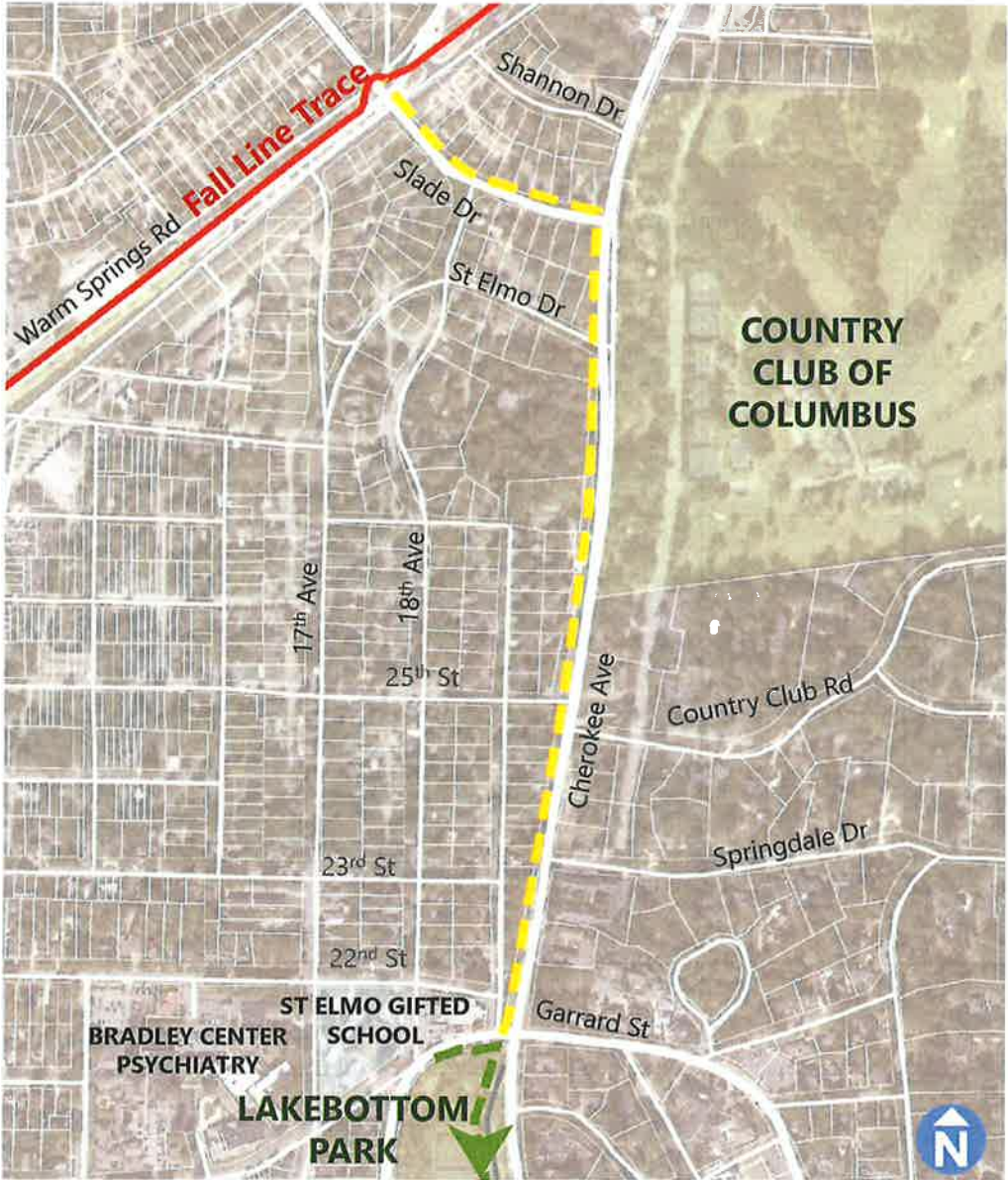
By checking this box, I understand that this document and any of its accompanying documentation will be used by the C-PCMPO during, but not limited to, the scoring, evaluation, allocation, and implementation processes of the running Transportation Alternatives Program project proposal cycle.

1 response

I understand 100%

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Budget Detail for Proposal

**Project Name: Dragonfly Trails - Midtown Connector: Lakebottom Park to Fall Line Trace**

Activity	Desired Fiscal Year for TIP Programming (GDOT Fiscal Year)*	Total Estimate	Requested C-PCTS MPO TAP Federal Funds (Maximum allowed is 80% of your total eligible costs.)	Local Match (Minimum required is 20% of your total eligible costs.)	Local Match Breakdown (by source)					
					Amount A	Source A	Amount B	Source B	Amount C	Source C
PE										
ROW	FY 2023	\$1,495,000	\$1,196,000	\$299,000	Columbus Consolidated Government					
Utilities	FY 2023	\$255,000	\$204,000	\$51,000	Columbus Consolidated Government					
Construction	FY 2024	\$1,750,000	\$1,400,000	\$350,000	Columbus Consolidated Government					
Other Activity - Specify:										
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<b>Total Amounts</b>		<b>\$3,500,000</b>	<b>\$2,800,000</b>	<b>\$700,000</b>						

Dragonfly Trails is applying for TAP funding for Segment 3 (Lakebottom Park to Fall Line Trace) of the Midtown Connector. Segment 1 (Bradley Drive to Dinglewood Park) and Segment 2 (Lakebottom Park) will utilize the following funding sources: Dragonfly Trails, Midtown TAD, Housing Authority, Columbus Consolidated Government, Recreational Trails Grant, and several private foundations.

\*The first GDOT fiscal year in the MPO's TIP is FY 2021, which began on July 1, 2020. The last year of the MPO's TIP is FY 2024 which begins July 1, 2023.