Atlanta BeltLine: Letting the Corridor Define the Mode
The Atlanta Beltline is in the heart of the Atlanta region & utilizes historic freight rail ROW circling the City.
Four Belt Lines

SEABOARD AIR LINE BELT RAILROAD:

ATLANTA & RICHMOND AIR LINE RAILWAY:

ATLANTA & WEST POINT BELT LINE:

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE RAILROAD BELT:
Location & Scale
Significant Opportunity for Significant Impact

- Connects 45 neighborhoods

- 22% of City of Atlanta population lives in the Atlanta BeltLine planning area

- 19% of the City’s land mass is inside the Atlanta BeltLine redevelopment area

- 40% increase in Atlanta’s parkland

- 6,500 acre TAD
Comprehensive Concept
Key Elements

Transit
22-mile loop

Parks
1300 + new acres

Trails
33 miles

Economic Development
20 areas, 30k jobs

Affordable Housing
5,600 Units

Historic Preservation

Public Art & Urban Design

Environmental Clean-up
1100 + acres
Existing Conditions
L2.2
TRANSIT + **DRY** FLOOR
With the introduction of transit, low-growing, sun tolerant grass species will replace the taller growing, warm season grasses within the guideway.

L2.4
TRANSIT + **MOIST** FLOOR
With the introduction of transit, low-growing, shade tolerant grass species will replace the taller grasses and wetland emergents.

**GREEN GUIDEWAY**
Low-growing, low-input, low-maintenance and drought tolerant grasses are recommended: Bermuda grass, Buffalo grass (native), and Zoysia grass.
Progress Report

Construction Update

Under Construction:

• Eastside Trail
• Boulevard Crossing Park

Completed:

• Historic Fourth Ward Park
• Skate Park (Cox Parcel)
• D.H. Stanton Park
• West End Trail Phase I (October 2008)
• Northside Trail Opened (April 2010)
• West End Trail Phase II (June 2010)
Parks: Historic Fourth Ward Park
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• Renovation and expansion of an existing 8-acre City park
• City’s first energy cost-neutral park
• Re-opened May 13, 2011
Parks
Boulevard Crossing Park Phase I

- Opening September 25, 2011

Boulevard Crossing – Trees Atlanta’s Kudzu Eating Goats
October, 2010
Westside Park & Reservoir
300-acre Signature Greenspace

Will be the largest park in the City and the new reservoir will provide a 30-day backup water supply.

Bellwood Quarry, site of the future Westside Reservoir Park
Atlanta BeltLine’s First Temporary Public Art Exhibition

- 177 Artist submissions
- Over 50 installations and performances from June – October 2010
- $75k in seed funding leveraged more than $50k in donations
- Largest in City of Atlanta’s History
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