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**Project Classification:** Social Well-Being  
**Project Focus:** Basic Facilities & Infrastructure  
**Project Type:** Bicycle or Pedestrian Improvements (Includes Greenway and Rail to Trails)

**Previously Submitted and Rejected:**

**Continuation Project:** Yes - SPLOST 2011 and TSPLOST 2018 11-Bicycle Improvements Program

**Project Total Cost: \$ 13,522,000**

**Total Operating Cost: \$ -**

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**Project Description:** The Bicycle Improvements Program includes capital improvements on routes for the bicycle projects as may be contained in the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan approved by Mayor and Commission, and as may be amended from time to time. Bicycle Master Plan may include additional roadway bicycle lanes, roadway pavement marking, offroad bicycle paths, trails, related signage, and/or bicycle related amenities.

**Project Mission Statement/Goals & Objectives:** The Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, branded Athens in Motion Plan, was accepted by M&C in the November 2018 agenda cycle. The Plan identified a Tier 1 of projects to improve bicycle connectivity across Athens-Clarke County. It is anticipated that the implementation of remaining Tier 1 pedestrian projects would require an investment of at least an additional \$13 million above the available TSPLOST funding amount, assuming projects at the low end of the construction estimates. The following describe the goals of the Athens in Motion Plan:

- Connectivity
- Equity
- More Users
- Education
- Implementation

**Projected Useful Life of Project:** Projects are designed with a 50-year useful life

**To meet the Project Goals & Objectives, when should this project be completed?** Within the SPLOST 2020 Program

**The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building System compliance:** N/A

**How will this project help meet the Public Safety, Basic Facilities/Infrastructure, and/or Quality of Life needs in Athens-Clarke County?** Projects would enhance ACC's bicycle network, basic infrastructure that would improve both safety and quality of life.

How is this Project recommended/included in any approved ACCGOV Land Use Plan, Master Plan, Study, Service Delivery Plan, Envision Athens, etc.? Athens in Motion Plan; Envision Athens

### Triple Bottom Line Impacts

**Positive Benefits for the Prosperity of Athens-Clarke County:** Additional transportation options improve the access to jobs, housing, shopping, and recreation supporting the economy and tax base of Athens-Clarke County. This is especially important to local residents who cannot afford vehicular transportation.

**Detrimental Impacts to the Prosperity of Athens-Clarke County:** Not applicable

**Positive Benefits for our Citizens and Visitors:** Additional bicycle connectivity provides a safe and effective means for citizens and visitors to move throughout Athens-Clarke County.

**Detrimental Impacts for our Citizens and Visitors:** Not applicable

**Environmental Benefits, including but not limited to Positive impacts on existing Infrastructure/Systems:**

One of the goals of the Athens in Motion Plan is to add additional active transportation users. Additional bicycle facilities will encourage the use of bicycle as an alternative transportation mode to vehicular traffic, improving the capacity of the roadway network and reducing emissions.

**Detrimental Impacts for the Environment, including but not limited to Negative impacts on existing Infrastructure/Systems:** Not applicable

**Positive/Negative Impacts on ACCGOV Departments, Agencies, or other Organizations, if not covered in one of the above questions:** Improved bicycle connectivity provides additional opportunity to access Athens Transit facilities.

## Project Costs

**Detailed project capital budget costs (to be funded from SPLOST 2020 only):**

Project Costs (round to thousand)	Amount
1. Land Acquisition / ROW / Easement:	\$ 826,000
2. Design Fees: (Min.12% of New Const.; 14% of reno,; 16% for LEED proj.)	\$ 991,000
3. Miscellaneous Fees: (Min. Minimum of 3% of Construction Costs – used for permitting, etc. Utilize minimum of 10% if land acquisition if necessary.	\$ 248,000
4. Fixtures, Furniture, and Equipment (for a facility): A detailed estimate is preferred – but dependent upon the specific project, utilize at a minimum \$15 to \$20 per square foot.	\$ -
5. Construction:	\$ 8,262,000
6. Construction Contingency: (10% of the Construction line item)	\$ 827,000
7. Acquisition of Capital Equipment:	\$ -
8. Testing:	\$ 248,000
9. Project Management: (4% of the total budget line items above)	\$ 457,000
10. Project Contingency: (10% of the total budget line items above)	\$ 1,186,000
11. Public Art: Calculated at 1% of the Construction line item.	\$ 83,000
12. Other 1:	\$ -
13. Other 2:	\$ -
<b>Project Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$ 13,128,000</b>
14. Program Management (3% of Project Subtotal):	\$ 394,000
<b>SPLOST 2020 Project Total:</b>	<b>\$ 13,522,000</b>

## Operating Cost

No change in operating Cost

## Project Financing

**Is the proposed Project to receive funding from source(s) other than SPLOST 2020?** No. Funding in existing SPLOST Program is for sub-projects to be completed prior to start of SPLOST 2020. Amount remaining in SPLOST 2011 is ever changing.

**Describe the current commitments for the other sources funding this project:** Current SPLOST 2011-06 Bicycle Funds Available: \$1,200,000  
Current TSPLOST 2018 Bicycle Funds Available: \$5,790,000

## Project Site

Will the proposed Project require any land, whether existing sites, new site, easements, or Rights of Way? Yes

Will the proposed Project be on a site currently owned by ACCGOV? No

Approximately how many acres is available or will be needed for the new facility or Park?

Project Location/Address (Existing or Proposed):

Varies

Will the Project require fee simple additional land acquisition? No

Will the Project require Rights-of-Way or Easement acquisition? Yes

## Site Criteria and Standards

Current Property Owner (if applicable): Yes

Minimum acreage necessary for Project. Varies

Topography: Varies

Estimated cost per acre: Varies