

Main Street Redevelopment Project

Redevelopment of the Main Street District will focus on creating a mixed use community that brings new jobs and new residents to a revitalized Main Street. The revitalized areas will cultivate a sense of place while creating a pedestrian friendly environment and a flourishing corridor of activity. The Main Street architectural guidelines have been developed to be complimentary and compatible to the redevelopment plans for the adjacent Fort Gillem property.

The redevelopment of Main Street is a multi-phase project. The first phase is the construction of the Downtown Main Street Livable Centers Initiative Streetscape project. The City of Forest Park was awarded a Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) Grant in 2001 from the Atlanta Regional Commission. The LCI program was designed to encourage a diversity of mixed-income residential neighborhoods, employment, shopping and recreation choices at the activity center, town center and corridor level and provide access to a range of travel modes including transit, roadways, walking and biking to enable access to all uses within the study area. Upon completion of the LCI study, the City of Forest Park was awarded funds for implementation of the project.

The Downtown Main Street Livable Centers Initiative Streetscape project includes the construction of brick paver sidewalks, handicap accessible ramps, decorative pedestrian lighting, landscaping and the creation of the Forest Park Town Center.

The Main Street Redevelopment Master Plan includes mixed-use commercial/residential, which allows for a mixture of commercial, retail and residential uses in a traditional main street fashion, mixed use office/residential, which allows for a mixture of professional office and residential uses. The master plan also includes mixed use transit village, which allows for a mixture of neighborhood-friendly commercial and retail, office and residential uses in a vertical arrangement with homes over shops and other uses, and is consistent with the transit village as recommended by the Forest Park Livable Centers Initiative Plan.

Main Street LCI Streetscape Project

Before



After



