



Southeast Study Group – Special Service District Building The BeltLine For All Transcript Live Questions and Responses 3.4.2021

Presenters made every effort to answer as many questions from attendees as possible live during this virtual meeting. The questions and answer portion of this meeting can be replayed [here starting at time stamp 40:33](#). All questions that were not answered before the meeting ended are reflected and answered below.

Live Questions and Responses

SSD

- 1. What is the term of the SSD? Will it extend the term of any of the Beltline TAD bonds?**
 - A. The term “SSD” stands for Special Services District. SSD will not extend the term of BeltLine TAD bonds.
- 2. Will it be \$348 per year for the whole building or per unit?**
 - A. For the whole building.
- 3. How does this apply to Condominiums, homeowners and common areas covered by HOA?**
 - A. The tax does not apply to single family homes, duplexes, and condos.
- 4. Will your funds be grants or loans?**
 - A. For the small business supports, we will probably launch a combination of the two. We are hosting listening sessions and in an active survey with area businesses to help inform the strategy.
- 5. When would the \$7 Million of TAD funds be available for the business community? Will it be available immediately in 2021 to respond to businesses struggling through Covid and the SSD tax increase?**
 - A. We are planning to release programs in the interim, but the main goal is a long-term strategy to support small businesses through 2030. We are looking at programs and investments that have a lasting impact many decades beyond 2030.
- 6. How will the beltline address neighborhoods that were not originally included in the beltline overlay? Namely, large portions of grove park. several residents chose that area because it wasn't in the beltline overlay originally as far back as 2017. With the city of Atlanta dismissing valid concerns about equitable access to the park and building a bridge to nowhere as a remedy, can you please address how you will help those homeowners suddenly annexed into the overlay without reaping the benefit.**
 - A. Homeowners are not being annexed into the BeltLine Overlay as part of the SSD.

Community Engagement

- 7. These meetings are notifying us of what you would like to happen, but it does not *sound* like you have a mechanism for collecting our feedback and suggestions to improve the SSD**

**Please note, questions listed here have been transcribed verbatim with minor edits to punctuation and spelling.*



legislation. What is your protocol for including community input, now that more of us know the details?

- A. The legislation is in place. Community meetings were held prior to the city adopting. Comments and concerns helped to influence and shape the legislation that the city approved.

Design & Review

- 8. Last I read, the eastside trail segment 4 & 5 designs had been submitted for review/permit, with anticipated approval in late February. What's the status of the eastside trail design?**
 - A. Segments 4 & 5 are currently under review for revisions that may or may not be necessary due to precipitous commodity/materials cost increases over the last year+.

Other

- 9. How can I get a copy of this presentation?**
 - A. Please go to <https://beltline.org/the-project/planning-and-community-engagement/#community-meetings>.