

Sandy Springs Area Annexation

AREA	ROADS			AREA		POPULATION	HOUSING UNITS
	IMPROVED	UN-IMPROVED	TOTAL	ACRES	SQ. MILES		
A	110 MI.	9 MI.	119 MI.	15,446	24	19,036	5,908
B	17	7	24	4,679	7	2,380	738
C	25	9	34	4,449	7	2,380	738
TOTAL	152	25	177	24,574	38	23,796	7,384

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Schools - Dr. Darwin Womack.....Atlanta School System

Existing Facilities -

The area is presently served by the Fulton County School Board which is having its financial problems. Both the City School System and the County School System have some shortage of high school facilities on the north side.

Needs -

If Sandy Springs is annexed, the annexation should extend far enough north to include the North Springs High School and the Morgan Falls Elementary School. To do this, a suitable boundary would be the power line running east and west along the north side of Land Lots 21, 31, 75 and 85. The Atlanta School Department favors the annexation of Sandy Springs.

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Parks Department - A. P. Brindley

Existing Facilities -

None.

Needs -

One community park between twelve (12) and thirty (30) acres.
Estimated cost of land, \$250,000 (25 acres at \$10,000 an acre).
Development of this park would cost from \$200,000 to \$300,000. It
is possible that federal funds may be available up to 50% for both
acquisition and development. No estimate is made at this time of
the need for neighborhood parks and playgrounds.
If the Community park is acquired and developed some additional
personnel will be necessary to carry on the recreation program.

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Sanitary Service - Mr. Roy Wood - Sanitary Department

Existing Service -

Garbage collection is presently performed by the City under contract with the County for residence in the area north to Abernathy Road. This area is designated as a sanitary district and homeowners are taxed by Fulton County for this service. Businesses are charged on a sliding scale up to \$1,000 for collection.

Needs -

If the area is annexed, some improvement would be necessary over the present level of sanitary service. A sanitary landfill and a bulldozer would have to be acquired and a bulldozer operator provided. There would be two additional garbage trucks needed with crews if the area north of Dalryrne Road (Area B and C) is included. To serve Area A two street sweepers and six trash trucks with crews will be needed. Areas B and C will require one sweeper and three trash trucks. An additional animal truck will be needed in the event of any annexation in the area.

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Sewer Division, Construction Department - Bob Morriss

Existing Facilities -

Area A -

The basic system of trunks and treatment plants are in existence as this area is served within the Nancy Creek drainage basin.

Area B -

Developed areas are served by the Marsh Creek treatment plant and trunk. Undeveloped areas presently do not have sewers or treatment available.

Area C -

Consists of many small drainage basins of 500 acres or less. Served only by septic tanks.

Needed Facilities -

Area A -

The problem here is the development of laterals and outfalls, however, very little difficulty or excessive expense is anticipated in the long run.

Area B -

For the developed areas, the need for outfalls and laterals exists to some extent but does not present a major difficulty. No treatment facilities are available at present for undeveloped areas, however, it is anticipated that when necessary sewage

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could be pumped to a Fulton County plant on the north side of the Chattahoochee River.

Area C -

The treatment of sewage in this area presents nothing but problems due to the rough topography. The only probable solution is a low density of development with septic tanks.

General Comment -

The annexation of Areas A and B would facilitate a comprehensive approach by the City to the sewer problems of the area and the surrounding metropolitan area also.

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Police Department - Chief Jenkins

Existing Facilities -

The Atlanta Police Department under contract with Fulton County now serves the entire area in question enforcing State laws.

Needs -

In the event of annexation, City Ordinances would come into effect, which might require additional personnel.

If the precinct system were to be established, this area would need a precinct station, otherwise, existing facilities would suffice.

Distance from City Hall and Police Station to center of Sandy Springs is approximately 13 miles; to the Chattahoochee, 19 miles.

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Fire Department - Chief Hildebrand

Existing Facilities -

One station--substandard--which is not well located. Two existing engines which need replacement. Service now provided by City under contract.

Needs (Approximate) -

3 new stations--one of which would be a replacement for existing one.

1 new engine and ladder truck.

Replace two existing engines.

Hire 28 additional men, 3 supervisors and 1 batallion chief.

General -

In the final analysis, a survey would have to be made by the Southeastern Fire Underwriters. We would have to follow their recommendations to maintain our Class III rating; therefore, the above is subject to revision. The Underwriters would not undertake this study until annexation became a reality.

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Building Inspectors Department - Mr. Moon

Existing Service -

Fulton County presently administers construction codes in the area and issues building permits.

Needs -

Upon annexation by the City, the Building Inspectors Department estimates and two and perhaps three new building inspectors would be necessary because of the large area (approximately 40 square miles) and distance from the City Hall. An additional plumbing and electrical inspector would also be required.

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Library - Mrs. Soul.....Extension Service

Existing Facilities -

The City of Atlanta operates a branch library for Fulton County in Sandy Springs. There are also two bookmobiles that serve the area. Service now provided by City under contract.

Needs -

The area is adequately served and there would be no immediate need to increase the level of service.

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Street Lights - George Timbert - Traffic Engineers Department

Existing Facilities -

Fulton County presently provides ninety high level illumination street lights on portions of the twenty-seven miles of arterial streets.

One hundred and twelve lights are provided on residential streets.

All are of the mercury vapor type. Cost to the county is approximately \$9,000 annually. There are eight traffic signals now in operation.

Needed -

To bring the area up to the desirable standard which is being strived for, but not yet reached in the present City, would cost approximately \$181,000 annually at the end of five years. On this basis, approximately 1350 street light units suitable for arterials or 2800 units suitable for residential streets would be installed.

Street signs and marking would cost approximately \$12,000 annually. The need for additional traffic signals has not been determined.

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Hospitals - Mr. Taylor.....Community Council of Atlanta Area, Inc.

Existing Facilities -

None.

Needs -

A hospital is needed to serve this area and North DeKalb, Western Gwinnett and all of north Fulton County as well. The hospital should have a minimum of 150 beds and 200 is the recommended figure. Northside Hospital Association has acquired a very convenient site at the intersection of I-285 and Peachtree-Dunwoody Road, however, money appears to be a problem. The development of the old V. A. Hospital site on Peachtree Road for a hospital is a possibility and such a facility could serve Sandy Springs fairly well.