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SOUTHPARK CNIP 2021

RECONFIRMING COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

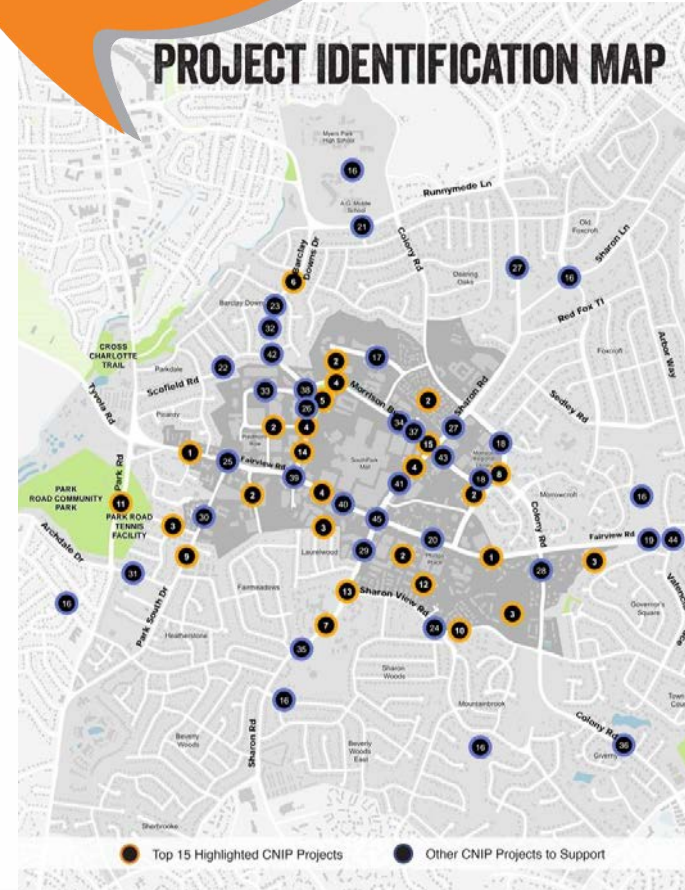


PROJECT BACKGROUND

SouthPark CNIP (2018)

- ▶ Six City-Wide CNIP Goals
 - A well-connected network of streets, sidewalks, greenways, and bike lanes that link to and enhance existing community assets;
 - Easy accessibility to transit and the larger regional network of streets;
 - Better connections between neighborhoods and major employment, institutional, and retail areas;
 - Successful public/private partnerships that leverage investments and catalyze changes occurring in neighborhoods;
 - Greater coordination with public safety, code enforcement, social services, and education; and
 - Enhanced engagement with residents in determining which investments meet our collective aspirations.
- ▶ Seven SouthPark Specific Project Ranking Criteria
 - Placemaking
 - Potential for Transformative Change
 - Potential for Leveraging/Partnership
 - Connections to the SouthPark Activity Center
 - Public Input
 - Consistency with Previous Plans

SouthPark will continue to be a premier mixed-use activity center in Charlotte because of investments to create a more connected and vibrant public realm. Great streets, more parks and plazas, improved greenspace, and safer intersections will be the foundation for continued investment in the activity center – whether by public or private interests – that promotes continued economic vibrancy and a distinct identity and reputation for SouthPark and its surrounding neighborhoods.



CNIP Project Playbook

Complete List of Projects

Below is a complete list of CNIP and Non CNIP projects for the SouthPark CNIP area. These include those that have been highlighted by the CNIP coordination team, other CNIP projects to support, and those that fall outside of the CNIP scope*.

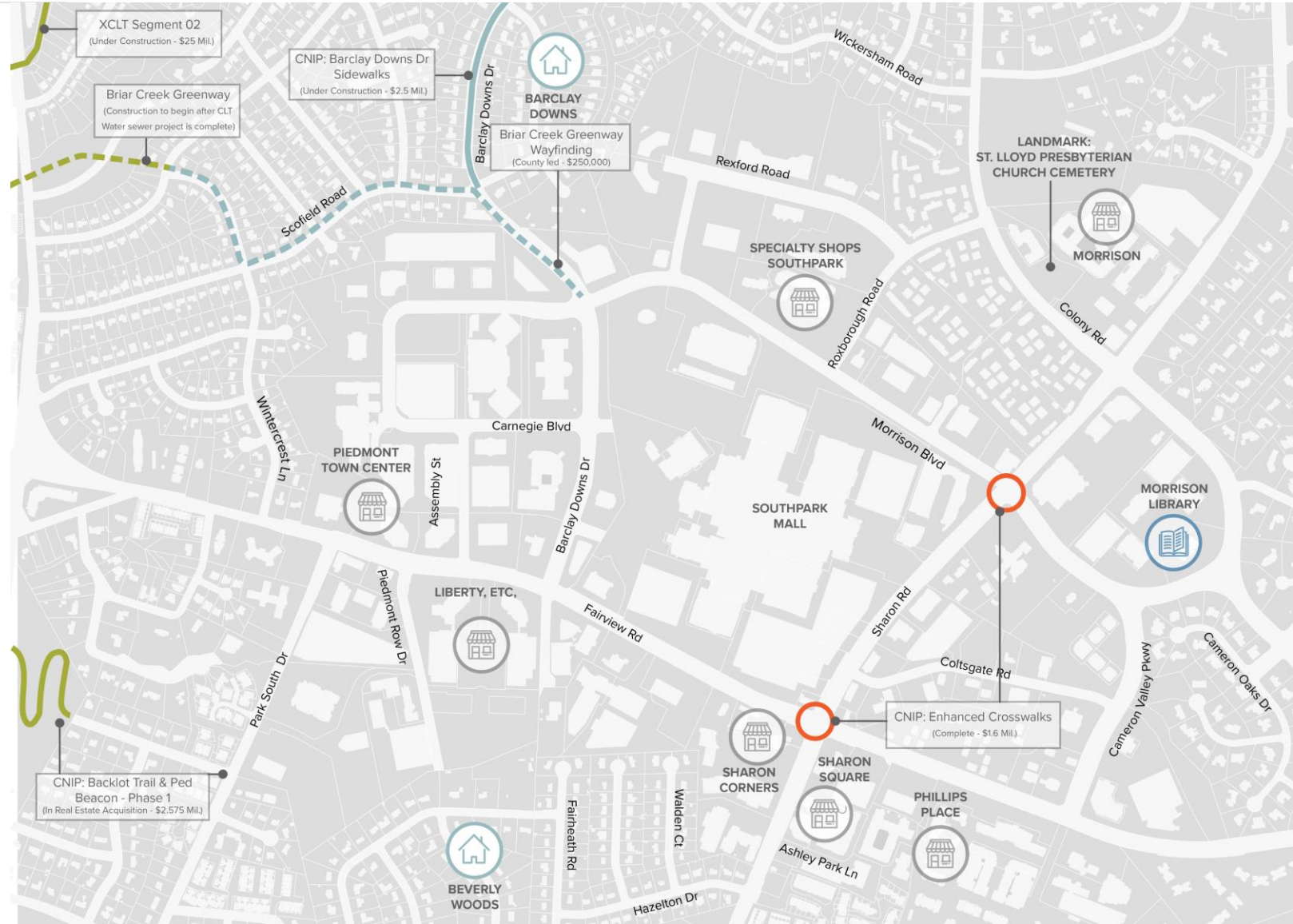
(* = Project numbers used in the document are for legibility only and do not indicate rank of importance).

Top 15 Highlighted CNIP Projects	Non-CNIP Projects to Support
1. Fairview Trail	31. Carnegie Boulevard Street Conversion, Entire Corridor
2. Cultural Loop	34. Morrison Boulevard Street Conversion, Sharon Road to Barclay Downs Drive
3. Barkin Trail	35. Sharon Road Reassignment at Eastburn Road
4. SouthPark Loop	36. Colony Road Emergency Access Upgrades
5. Symphony Park	37. Adler Court Street Extension to Southwick Drive
6. Barclay Downs Sidewalk	38. Intersection Enhancements at Intersection of Barclay Downs Drive and Morrison Boulevard
7. Sharon Road Sidewalks	39. Intersection Enhancements at Intersection of Barclay Downs Drive and Fairview Road
8. Morrison Boulevard and Colony Road Intersection Enhancement	40. Leftover Intersection on Fairview Road at Entrance to SouthPark Mall
9. Park South Drive Complete Street Upgrades, Fairview Road to Park Road	41. Sharon Road at Entrance to SouthPark Mall Intersection Enhancements (near Crosswicks Factory)
10. Sharon View Road Complete Street Upgrades, Sharon Road to Colony Road	42. Barclay Downs Drive at Sothard Road Intersection Enhancements
11. Park Road Signalized Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing	43. Morrison Boulevard at Sharon Road Intersection Enhancements
12. Phillips Place to Sharon View Neighborhood Street Connection	44. New Traffic Signal at Intersection of Fairview Road and Valencia Terrace, Stribling Road, or Arbor Way
13. Sharon Road and Sharon View Road Intersection Enhancements	45. Sharon Road at Fairview Road Intersection Enhancements
14. Barclay Downs Street Conversion, Morrison Boulevard to Fairview Road	
15. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Morrison Boulevard between Barclay Downs Drive and Sharon Road	
Other CNIP Projects to Support	Other Charlotte CIP Initiatives to Support in SouthPark
16. Park Loop	67. Cross Charlotte Trail (CCLT)
17. Redwood Valley	64. Park South Drive Extension Between Fairview Road and Carnegie Boulevard
18. Morrison Boulevard and Colony Road, Sidewalk Gap Projects (near the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Morrison Regional Library)	
19. Fairview Road Sidewalk Improvements Linking to the Foxcroft East Trail System	
20. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Fairview Road Between Sharon Road and Arbor Way	
21. A.D. Middle School Signalized Mid-Block Pedestrian Crossing Near the Intersection of Lace Lane and Runnymede Lane	
22. Bear Creek Greenway Wayfinding Improvements	
23. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Barclay Downs Drive Between Runnymede Lane and Morrison Boulevard	
24. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Sharon View Road Between Sharon Road and Colony Road	
25. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Fairview Road Between Sharon Road and Park Road	
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28. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Colony Road Between Sharon Road and Eastburn Road	
29. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Sharon Road Between Fairview Road and Eastburn Road	
30. Pedestrian Crossing Opportunities on Park South Drive Between Fairview Road and Park Road	
31. Ardshire Drive Complete Street Upgrades, Park South Drive to Cross Charlotte Trail	
32. Barclay Downs Drive Complete Street Upgrades, Runnymede Lane to Scofield Road	

58 SOUTH-PARK CNIP PROJECT

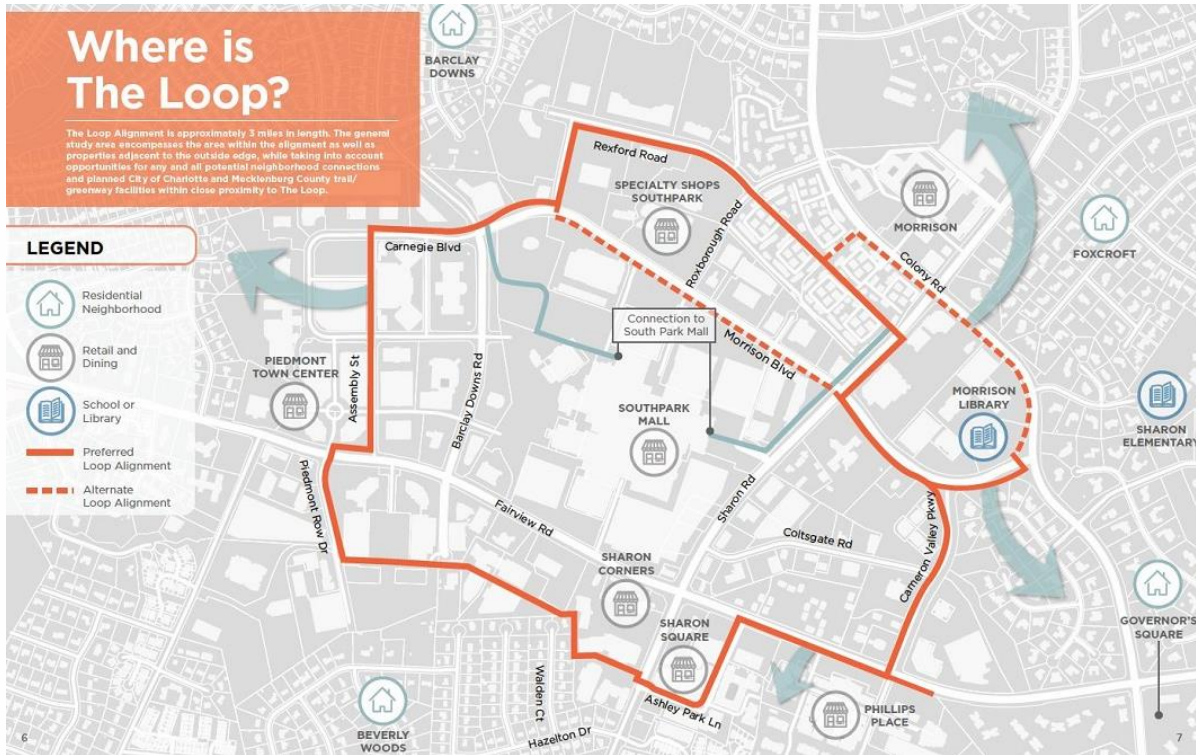
CNIP PROJECTS

- Barclay Downs Dr Sidewalk, Under construction - \$2.5 Mil.
- Backlot Trail Phase 1, Real Estate Acquisition - \$2.575 Mil.
- Enhanced Crosswalks, Complete - \$1.6 Mil.
- The Loop Framework, Complete - \$400,000
- Briar Creek Wayfinding, Estimated 2023 with County Greenway timing - \$250,000
- Public-Private Partnerships, Varies - \$1.5 Mil.



PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Loop Framework (2019)



WAYFINDING ON THE LOOP

Path Marker
Path markers will be small wayfinding to brand The Loop and let users know they are heading in the right direction. They will be placed every .25 miles.

Destination Marker
Destination markers will be small wayfinding to let you know you've arrived at a destination. Marked with the name of the place and a directional arrow, they will guide users along the path.

Multiple Destination Sign
These larger signs will use glowing arrows to orient users to several nearby destinations.

FURNITURE ON THE LOOP

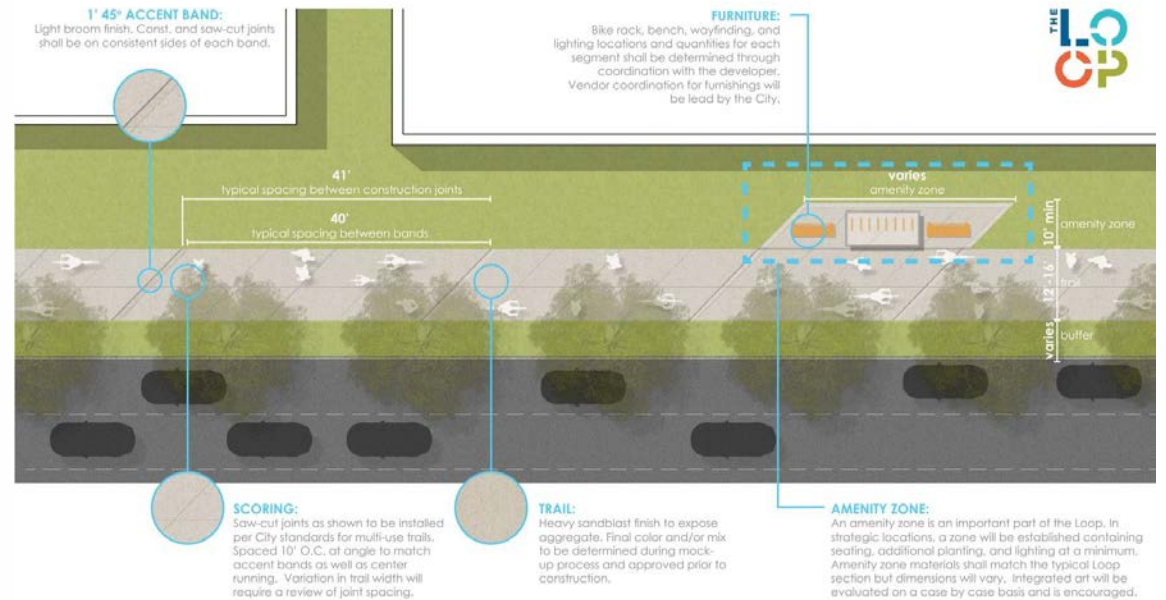
Preva Urbana
These 6' park benches will be modified to create a rectangular shape reminiscent of the Loop logo.
Manufacturer: mmcite
Cost: \$74,500 (50 benches)

Woody Solar Bench
These benches with USB sockets powered by an isolated solar system will allow users to stop and recharge their devices on the route. The benches will be one of the four Loop colors.
Manufacturer: mmcite
Cost: \$9,800 (6 benches)

Radium Litter
The litter will be placed by groupings of benches throughout the alignment.
Manufacturer: mmcite
Cost: \$28,250 (25 liters)

Bahia Planter
The Bahia planter will provide pops of color and greenery along the Loop, and help define the space.
Manufacturer: Old Town Fiberglass
Cost: \$15,825 (25 planters)

Bike Blocq Bike Racks
The bike racks will be placed throughout the alignment, especially near important transportation corridors.
Manufacturer: mmcite
Cost: \$31,000 (100 bike racks)



OUTSIDE COMMITMENTS

Rezoning petitions approved prior to the adoption of the Loop Framework Plan have no legal obligation to build or contribute funds to the project. However, commercial property owners understand the benefits of the loop and some have committed to building segments on their property through private funding or a private/public partnership with the City.

Rezoning Petitions with Commitments to the Loop:

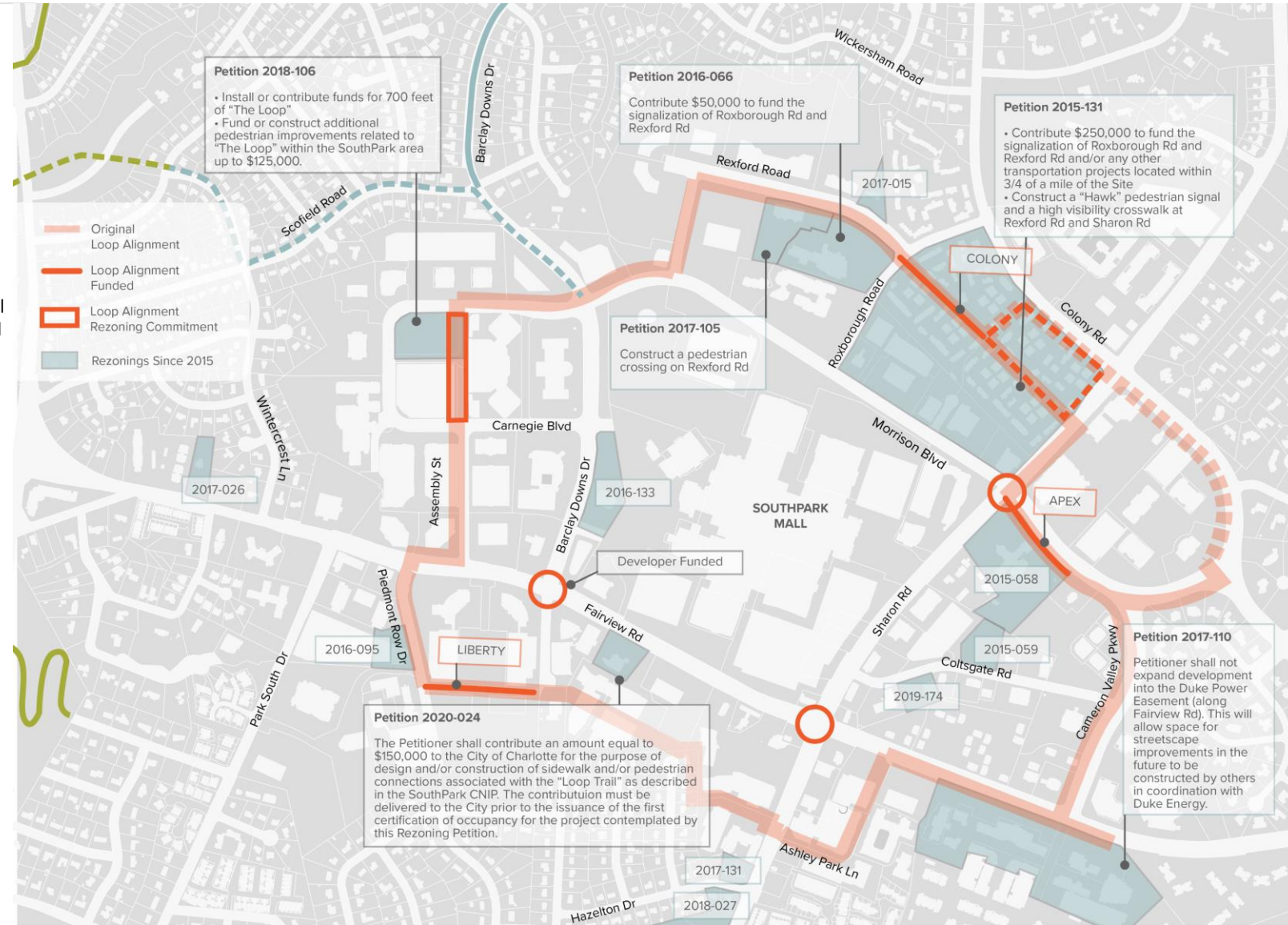
- 2018-106 (Capitol Towers III): Build Loop + \$125,000 Contribution
- 2020-024: \$150,000 Contribution

Pre-Loop Rezoning Petitions:

- 2015-131 (Colony): Pedestrian Crossing + \$250,000 for Traffic Signal
- 2016-066: \$50,000 for Traffic Signal
- 2017-105: Midblock pedestrian crossing
- 2017-110 (Phillips Place): Reserve Duke Easement

Developer Buy-in:

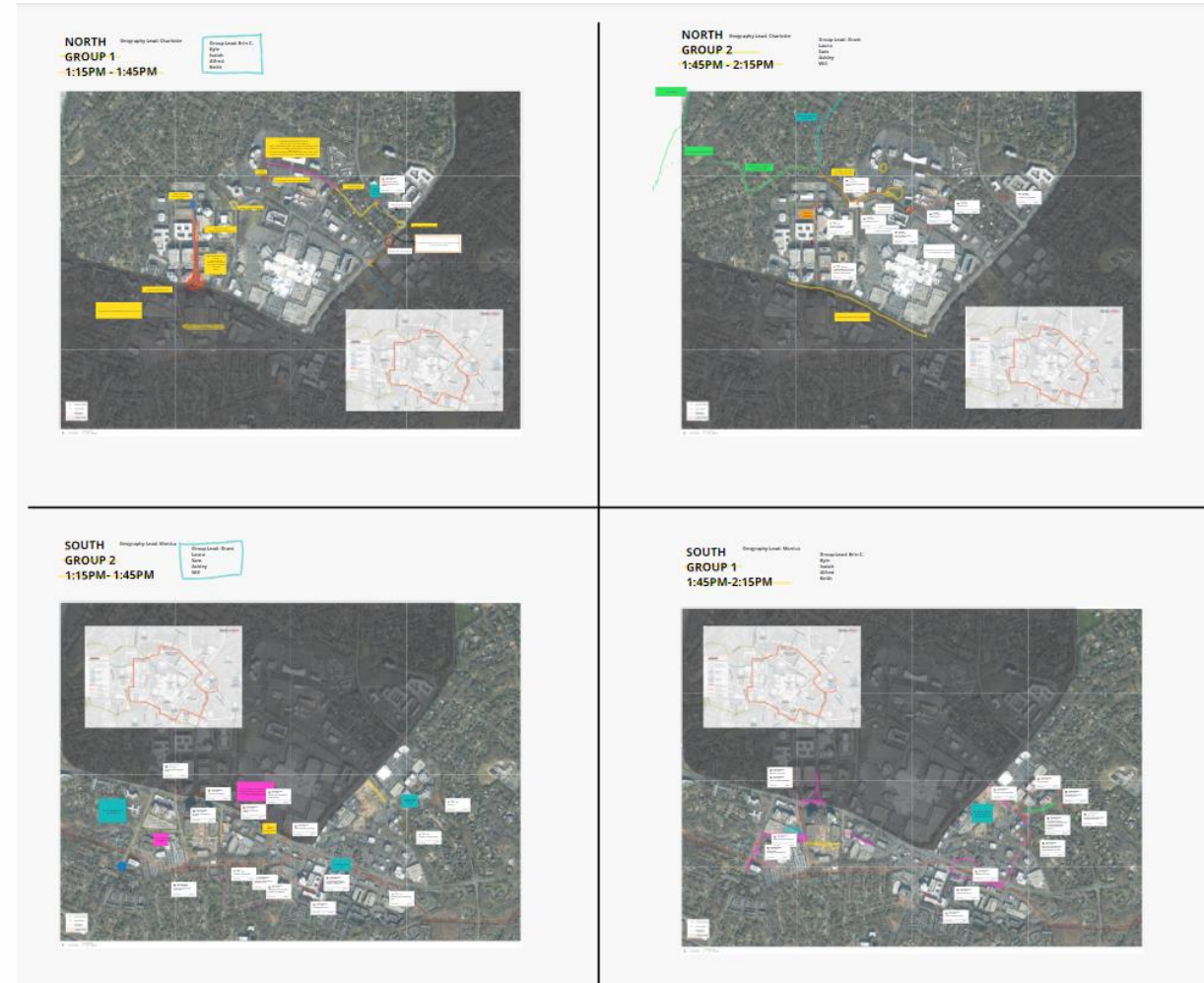
- Liberty Loop Segment (Private/Public Partnership)
- Apex Loop Segment (Private/Public Partnership)
- Colony Loop Segment (Private Funding)
- Phillips Place (In discussion)



WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Goal

- ▶ Identify high impact, low cost projects that support (not replace) existing and planned investment in the area
- ▶ Participants
 - Urban Design Center (4)
 - Engineering & Property Management (2)
 - CDOT Design (3)
 - Kimley Horn (2)



2021 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Funding

- ▶ \$1.5 Million for Private/Public Partnerships
 - \$1.1 Million Currently in Development
 - \$400,000 Available
- ▶ \$600,000 for City Led Projects*

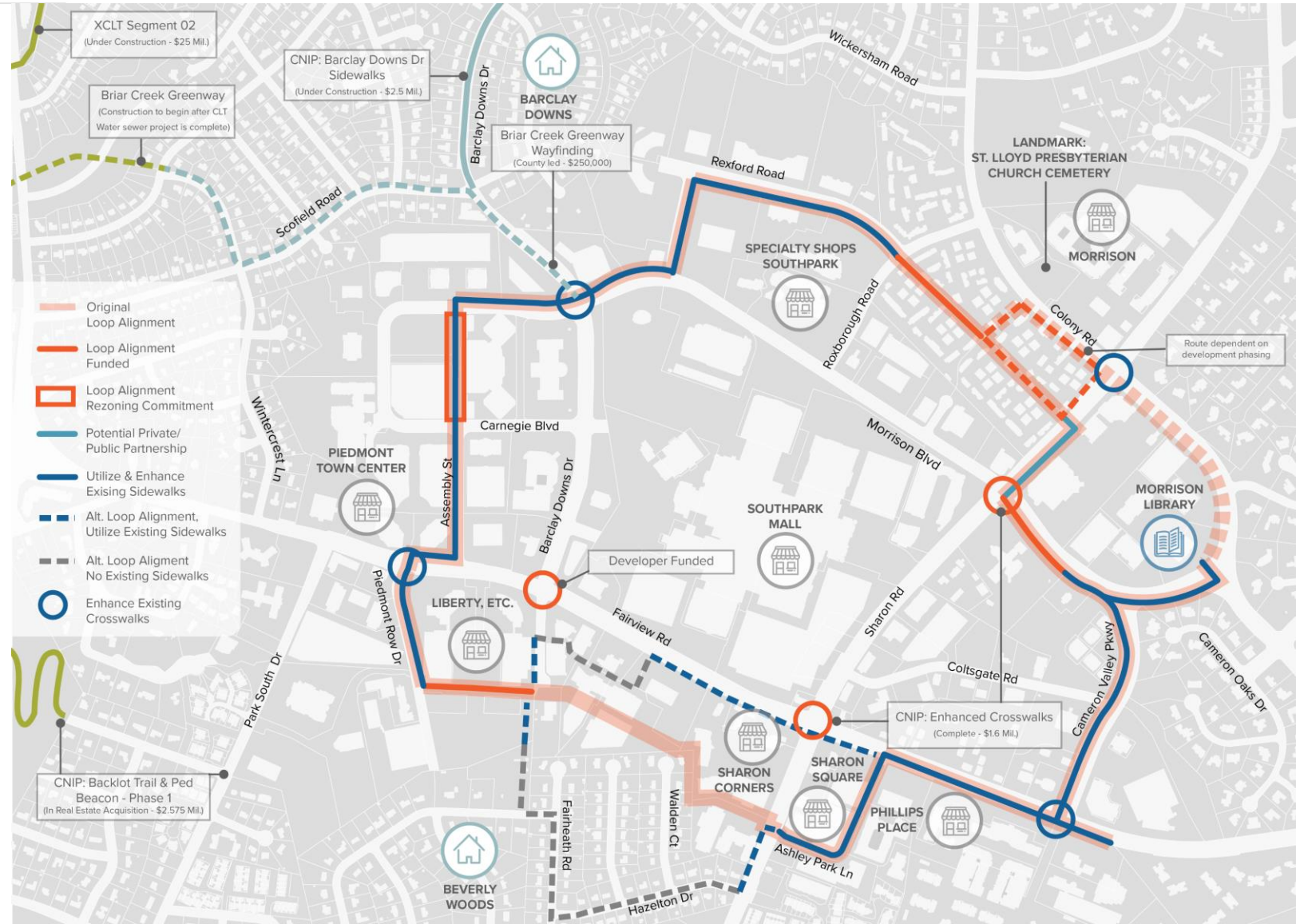
Goals

- ▶ Reconfirm community priorities
- ▶ Select projects for implementation with existing funds
- ▶ Identify projects for implementation if additional funding becomes available in the future

**There could be slight savings from other SouthPark CNIP projects, not able to estimate at this time.*

LOOP ROUTE / CONNECTIONS

- Utilize & enhance existing sidewalks for connection gaps (cost is design dependent)
- Construct loop between Colony and Apex sections* (cost is design dependent)
- Enhance existing crosswalks*
 - Barclay Downs at Morrison* (\$910,000)
 - Fairview at Piedmont Row* (\$940,000)
 - Fairview at Cameron Valley* (\$1,140,000)
 - Sharon at Colony* (\$1,100,000)
- Neighborhood connections* (cost is design dependent)



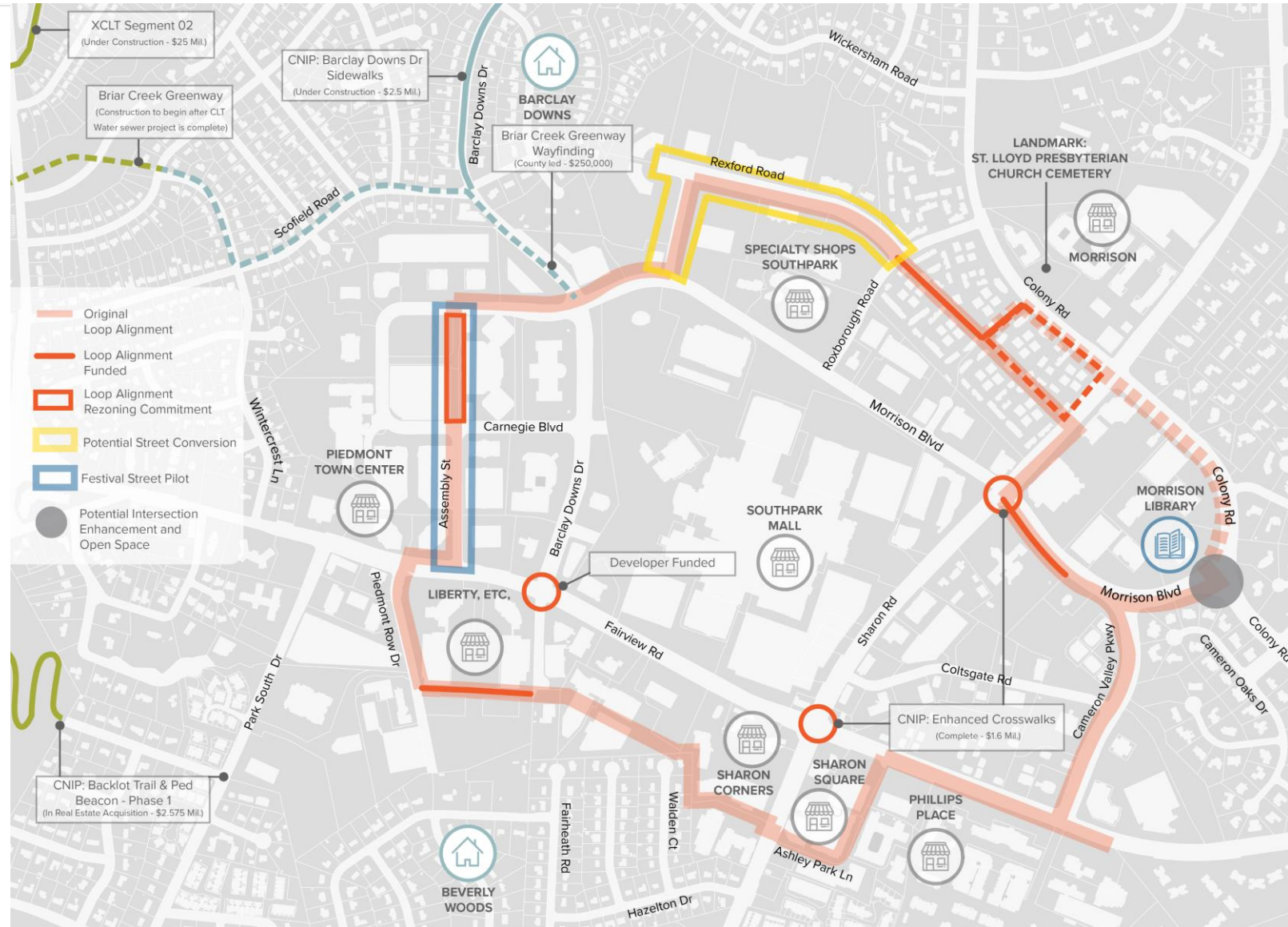
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STREETS

- Festival Street Pilot on Assembly St* (cost is design dependent)
- Morrison & Colony Intersection Enhancement and Open Space* (cost is design dependent)

Potential Street Conversion:

- Rexford Road & Coca-Cola Plaza Cycle Track (\$450,000 - \$600,000)



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PLACEMAKING

- Loop Branded Street Furniture* (\$250,000)
- Loop Branded Wayfinding* (\$220,000)



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NON-LOOP PROJECTS

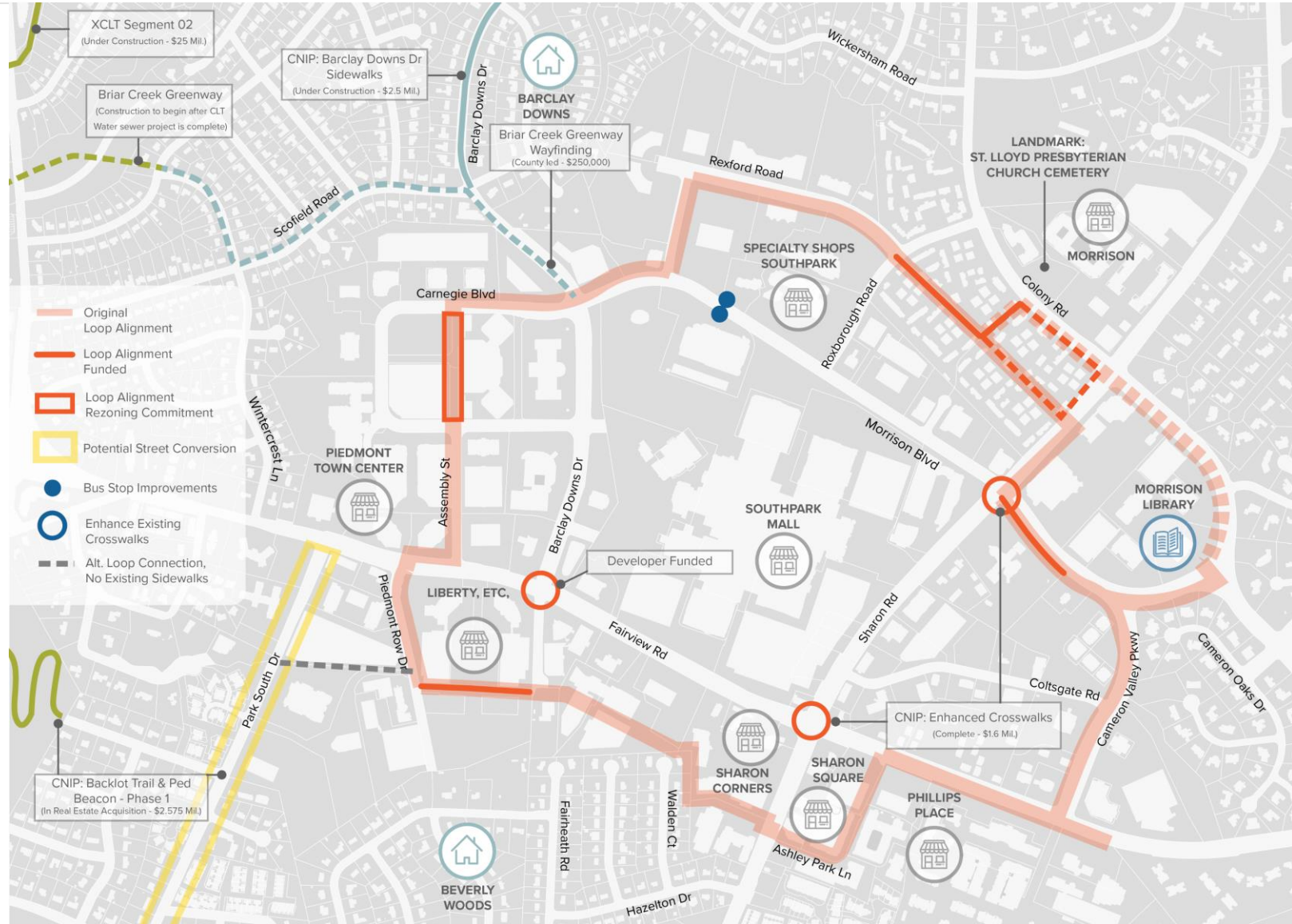
- Bus Stop Improvements (\$110,000)

Potential Street Conversions:

- Park South Dr Cycle Track* (\$430,000)

Ped Hybrid Beacons Not Shown:

- Sharon Rd at Sulkirk** (\$550,000)
- Sharon Rd at Chandworth** (\$520,000)



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** Community requested, CDOT approved

ALL PROJECTS IDENTIFIED

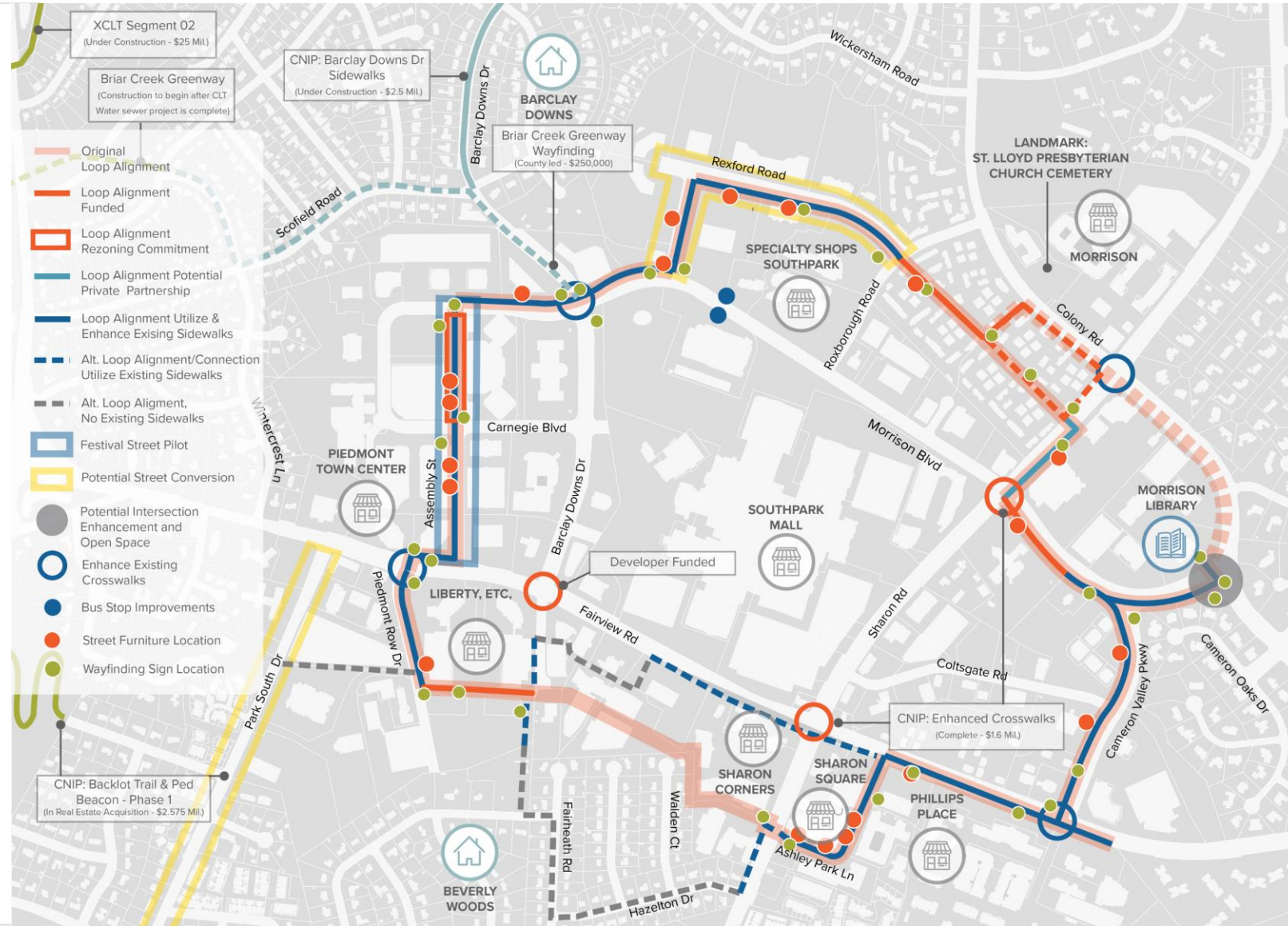
- Loop Branded Street Furniture and Wayfinding*
- Construct loop between Colony and Apex sections*
- Utilize & enhance existing sidewalks for connection gaps
- Festival Street Pilot on Assembly Street*
- Enhance existing crosswalks (4)*
- Neighborhood connections (select south alignment)*
- Morrison & Colony Intersection Enhancement*
- Bus Stop Improvements
- Morrison Blvd rebranding opportunity

Potential Street Conversions:

- Park South Dr Cycle Track*
- Rexford Road & Coca-Cola Plaza Cycle Track*

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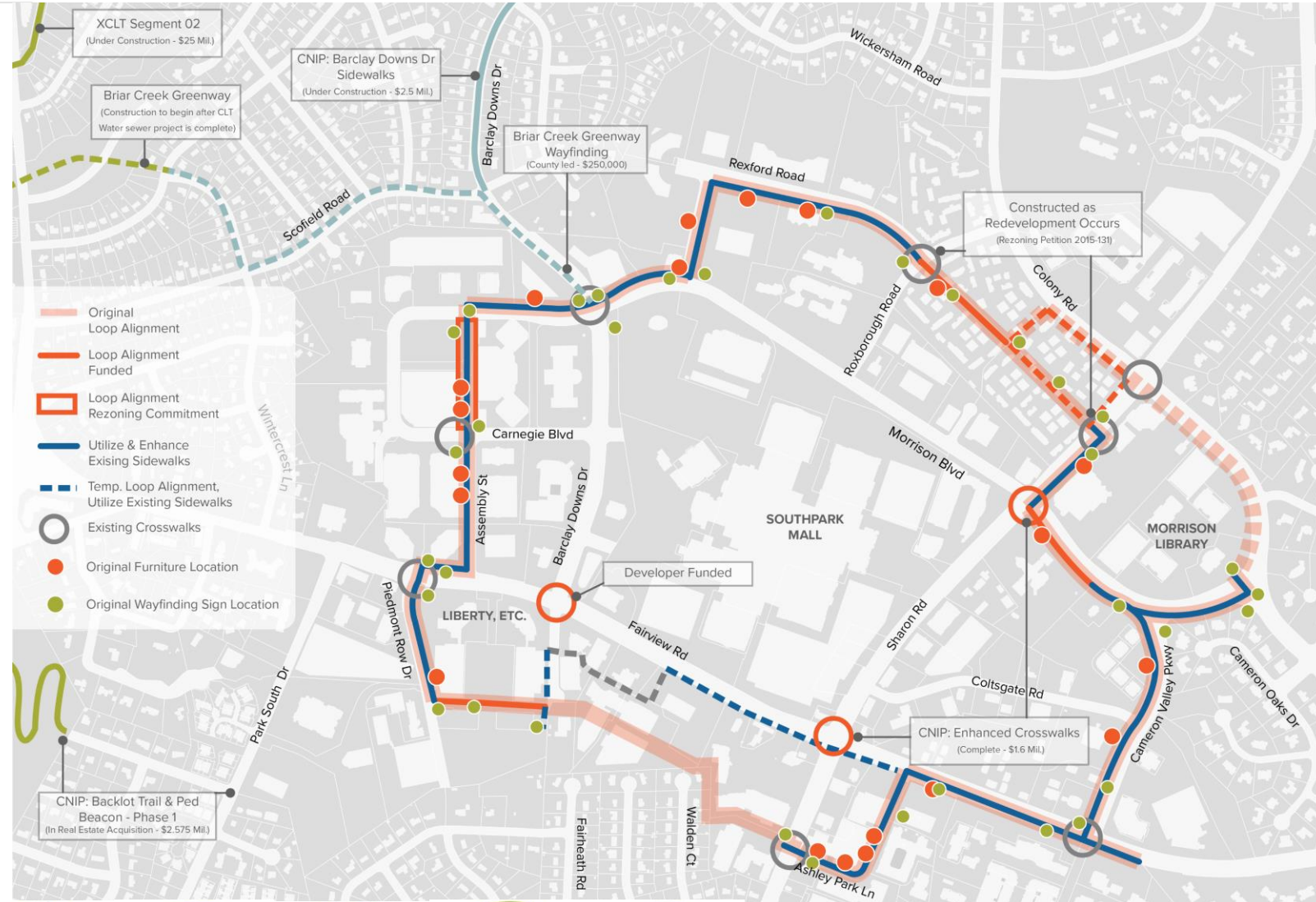
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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

- Loop Branded Street Furniture* (\$250,000)
- Loop Branded Wayfinding* (\$220,000)
- Utilize existing sidewalks for connection gaps
- Marketing, Programming, and Engagement along The Loop

If any funding remains, implement one of the previously identified projects as a low-cost, temporary, pilot project. Potential pilot projects include:

- Festival Street Pilot on Assembly Street*
- Rexford Road & Coca-Cola Plaza Cycle Track*
- Park South Dr Cycle Track*



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NEXT STEPS

- ▶ Thursday, March 25th
 - Kick off Community Engagement at SPAN Meeting
 - ▶ Monday, March 29th to Friday, April 23rd
 - Online Survey open to the public
- CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT
- ▶ Summer 2021
 - Project Implementation

QUESTIONS?

SURVEY: <https://publicinput.com/SouthPark>