

**Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting
Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Sidewalk and Maintenance Easement Acceptance –That portion of a 6 ft. Sidewalk/Multi-Use Trail and Maintenance Easement located on 6855 Midland Commons along the right-of-way for Midland Commons Blvd. as shown on Easement Survey created by GEOSurvey
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested for the acceptance of the 6 ft. Sidewalk/Multi-Use Trail and Maintenance Easement located on Parcel MC -100 along the right of way for Midland Commons Blvd. No City funds are involved until maintenance is assumed after the two-year warranty.
INITIATED BY:	Engineering Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested for the acceptance of that portion of a 6 ft. sidewalk/multi-use trail and maintenance easement located at 6855 Midland Commons (MC-100) adjacent to the right of way for Midland Commons Blvd. No City funds are involved until maintenance is assumed after the two-year warranty.

Background: Section 7.10.1 of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) requires sidewalks be installed in all residential, commercial and industrial developments. Sidewalks are typically constructed on the City right of way as development occurs. An easement survey entitled “Midland Commons Parcel MC-100” for JMC Flatrock Partners includes the proposed 6. ft Sidewalk/Multi-Use Trail and Maintenance Easement for the noted parcel.

Analysis: Sidewalk will be added as the parcel is developed. Due to conflicts with existing infrastructure in right of way an easement was necessary in order to provide public sidewalk as required by the UDO.

Financial Considerations: No City funds are involved until maintenance is assumed after the two-year warranty.

Legal Considerations: In accordance with Section 18-3 of the Columbus Code, all dedicated right-of-way and easements must be accepted by the Council.

Recommendation/Action: Approve the acceptance of that portion of a 6. ft. sidewalk/multi-use trail and maintenance easement located at 6855 Midland Commons(MC-100) adjacent to the right of way for Midland Commons Blvd. No City funds are involved until maintenance is assumed after the two-year warranty.

**RESOLUTION
NO.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A 6 FT. SIDEWALK/MULTI-USE TRAIL AND MAINTENANCE EASEMENT AT 6855 MIDLAND COMMONS BLVD. RIGHT OF WAY, ON BEHALF OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

WHEREAS, sidewalks are required to be installed along public streets as part of development at the cost of the owner of the property; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus, Georgia has received a plat entitled Midland Commons Parcel MC-100 where it is proposed that the required sidewalks be constructed; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department will inspect said sidewalks as they are installed and before recommending acceptance of the easement; and,

WHEREAS, the contractor who installs the sidewalks for each of the above referenced parcels will provide a bond warranting the work for a period of two (2) years beginning with the date of acceptance of that portion of the sidewalk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That certain survey dated May 1, 2023, designating a 6. ft sidewalk/Multi-Use Trail and maintenance easement along 6855 Midland Commons Blvd/Lot 3000 is hereby approved in concept. A copy of the preliminary plat has been provided and is hereto attached and, by this reference, made a part of this resolution.
2. Upon completion of all sidewalk construction on a particular parcel, the Engineering Department will inspect and recommend the acceptance of that portion of the sidewalk. Upon receiving notification that the Engineering Department has approved the sidewalk as constructed and received the required two-year warranty bond, the Clerk of Council is then authorized to have an acceptance of said easement deed recorded in the Deed Records in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Muscogee County.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____
2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Cogle voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor House voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas voting _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor