## HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

HISTORIC ZONING AS A FUTURE LAND USE TOOL

#### WHO IS KRONBERG WALL?



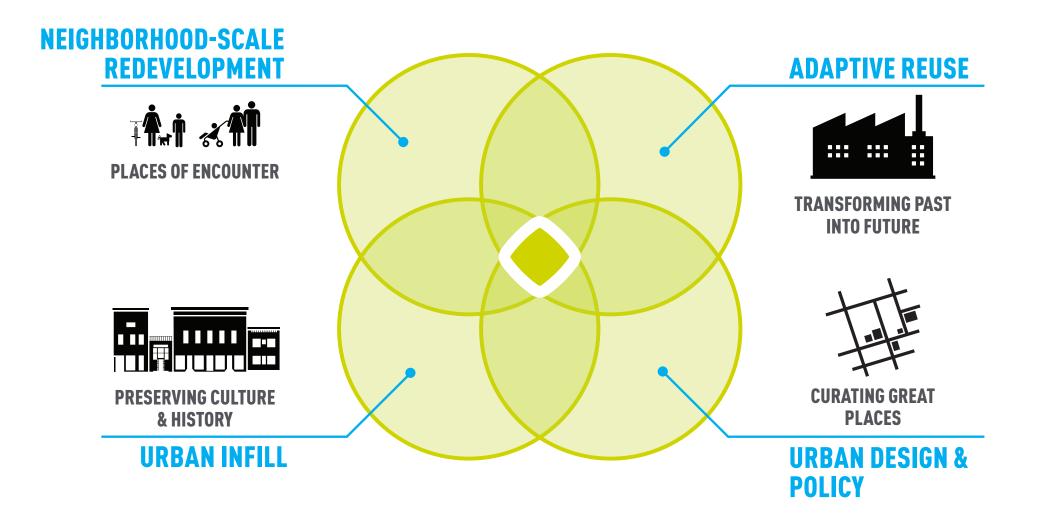


WE ARE A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM THAT UTILIZE OUR SKILLS IN ARCHITECTURE, PLANNING, URBAN DESIGN, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, POLICY MAKING AND REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

**TO MAKE NEIGHBORHOODS BETTER** 

#### **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**





#### **OUR PARTNER: GEORGIA CONSERVANCY**





#### Sustainable Growth Program

In today's world, protecting Georgia's critical lands and habitats means more than just natural resource conservation; it also requires our built spaces - cities, towns and neighborhoods - grow and develop more sustainably.



We believe <u>walkable areas with existing</u> <u>infrastructure</u> are the easiest targets for quick and cost-effective antidotes to **SPRAWL**.



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We believe walkable areas with existing infrastructure are the easiest targets for quick and cost-effective antidotes to **LACK OF SUSTAINABILITY**.

#### **ZONING: NUISANCE**



### WHEN THE **COMMON INTEREST OUTWEIGHS THE** PRIVATE INTEREST

#### **ZONING: POLICE POWER**



# "HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE"



#### **ATLANTA & GROWTH**

#### **ATLANTA: INCOME INEQUALITY**



# At 18 to 1, Atlanta has the highest income inequality of any city in the nation.

#### NOTE:

18 TO 1 RATIO MEANS THAT THE TOP 5% OF HOUSEHOLDS EARN INCOMES 18 TIMES AS HIGH AS THE BOTTOM 20% OF HOUSEHOLDS

DATA SOURCE: BROOKINGS INSTITUTE

https://www.brookings.edu/research/city-and-metropolitan-income-inequality-data-reveal-ups-and-downs-through-2016/

#### **ATLANTA: HOUSING AFFORDABILITY**



### At 63%, Atlantan's have some of the highest housing & transportation costs for moderate income households in the nation.

#### NOTE:

THE AVERAGE ATLANTAN SPENDS 63% OF THEIR INCOME ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION COSTS - THE SIXTH WORST OF THE NATION'S 25 LARGEST METROS

DATA SOURCE: ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

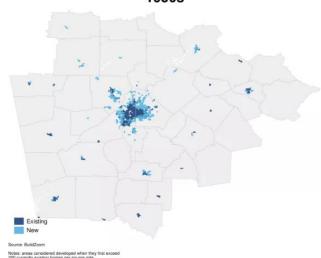
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#### **ATLANTA: METRO GROWTH**



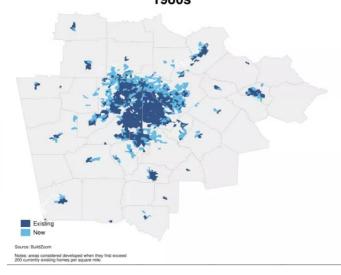


Atlanta—Athens—Clarke County—Sandy Springs, GA CSA 1950s



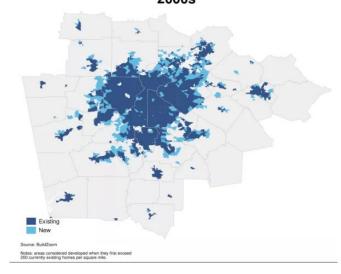
#### 1980s

Atlanta—Athens—Clarke County—Sandy Springs, GA CSA 1980s



#### 2000s

Atlanta—Athens—Clarke County—Sandy Springs, GA CSA 2000s



#### **CURRENT POPULATION OF METRO ATLANTA**

5,710,795

2030 PROJECTED POPULATION

7,116,006

#### **INCREASE OF**

1,405,211

#### **ATLANTA: METRO GROWTH**



FROM 1950 TO 2000...

### METRO LAND GROWTH WAS NEARLY **OX**THAT OF METRO POPULATION GROWTH

CITY OF ATLANTA LAND GROWTH WAS NEARLY 4X
THAT OF CITY OF ATLANTA POPULATION GROWTH

# Low density land use patterns have led to consuming way more land than we need.

#### LOW DENSITY REQUIRES MORE INFRASTRUCTURE



<b>†</b> Population	Feet of pipe/person	Fire Hydrants/1,000 people
<b>1949</b> <sub>33,500</sub>	righting 5	Source: Sanborn Maps and LCG Records
<b>2015</b> 121,000	היי	\$\\ \alpha \\ \a
3.5x	<b>10</b> x	<b>21.4</b> x

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HOUSING PEOPLE IS

AN ECONOMIC ISSUE,

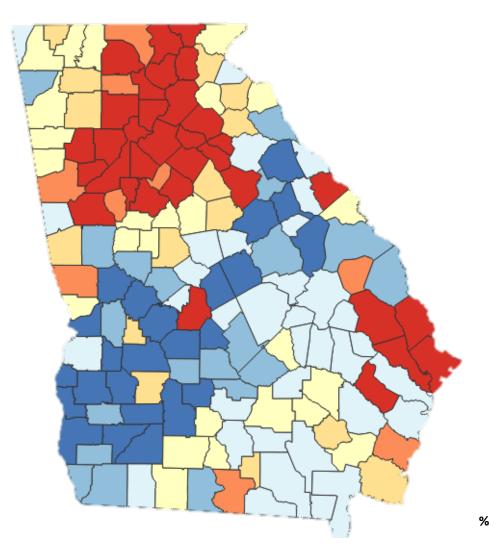
AN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE,

A HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE ISSUE

#### **GEORGIA'S GROWING PROBLEMS**



#### POPULATION GROWTH RATE BY COUNTY



GEORGIA IS
PROJECTED TO
GROW BY

4 MILLION

**PEOPLE BY 2030** 

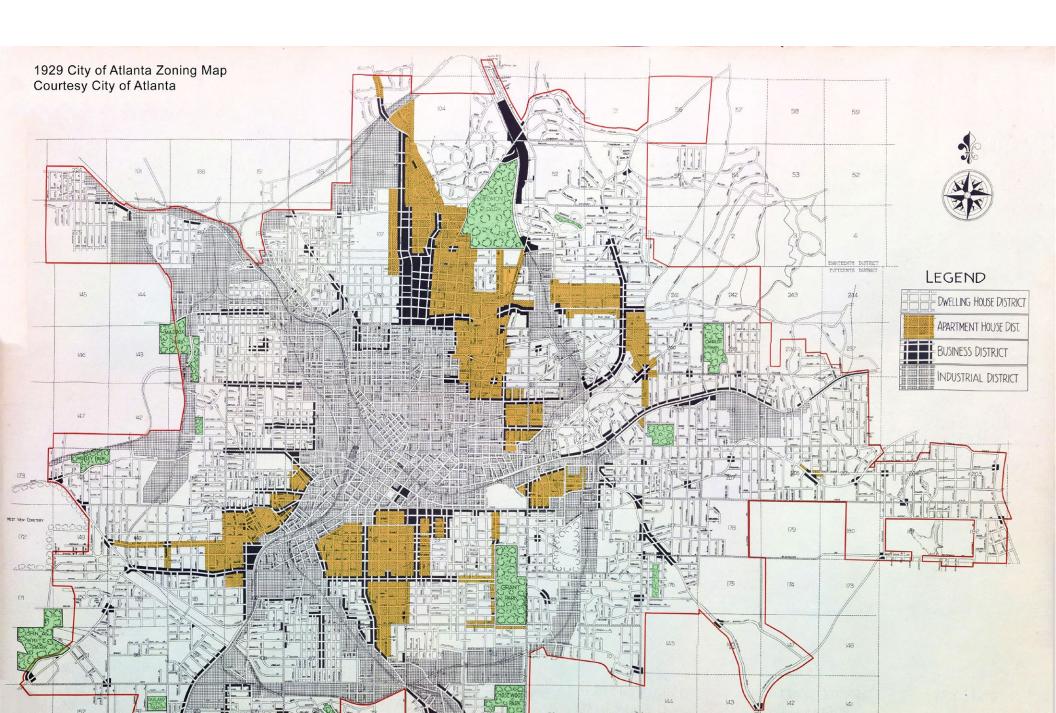




#### **ATLANTA IN 1929**

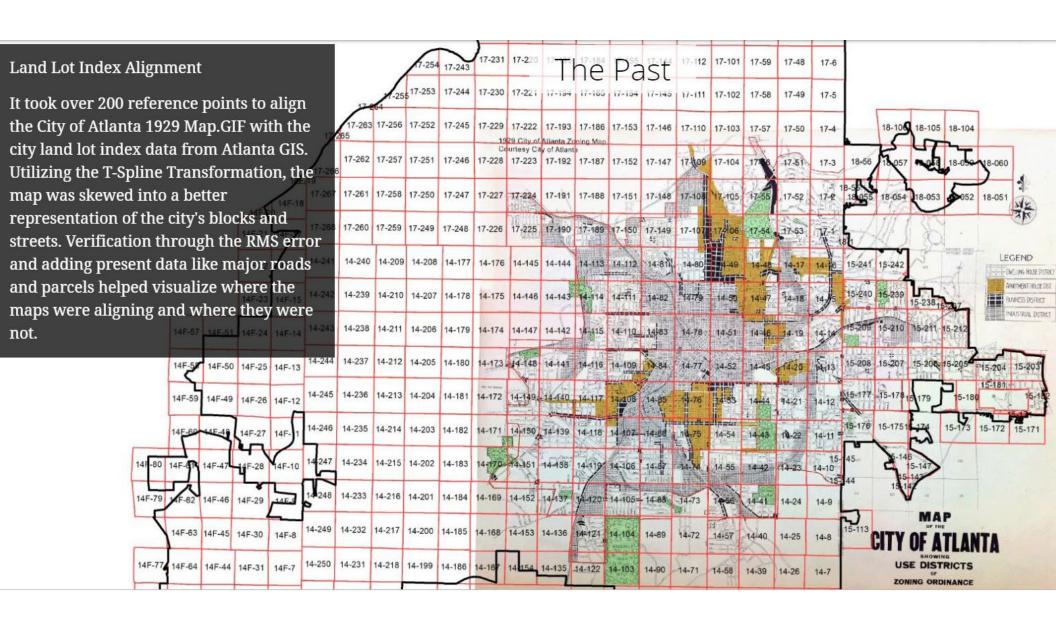
#### **ATLANTA: 1929 ZONING MAP**





#### **ATLANTA: 1929 ZONING GIS ANALYSIS**

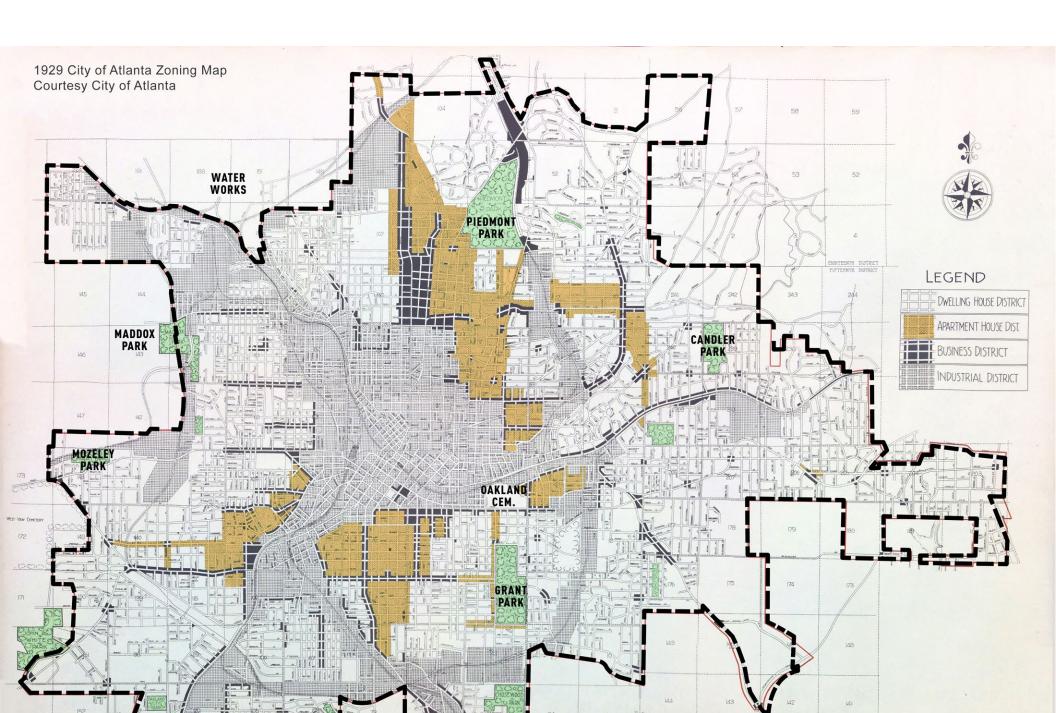




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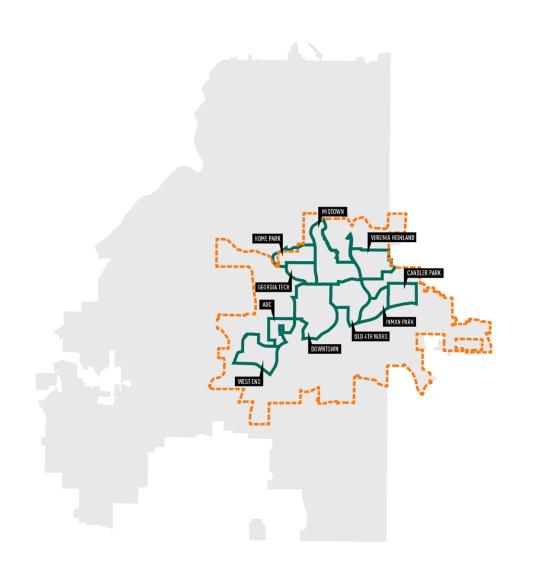
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#### **ATLANTA IN 1929: NEIGHBORHOODS**





ATLANTA'S

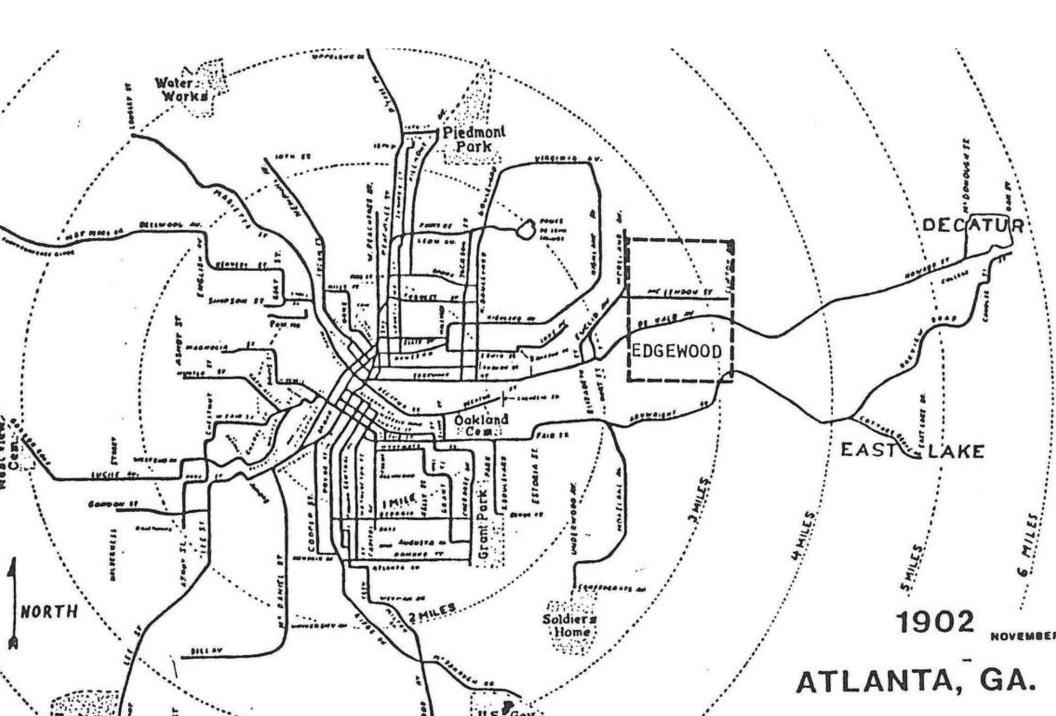
**TOP 10** 

MOST WALKABLE NEIGHBORHOODS

DATA SOURCE: WALKSCORE

#### **ATLANTA: HISTORIC STREETCARS**





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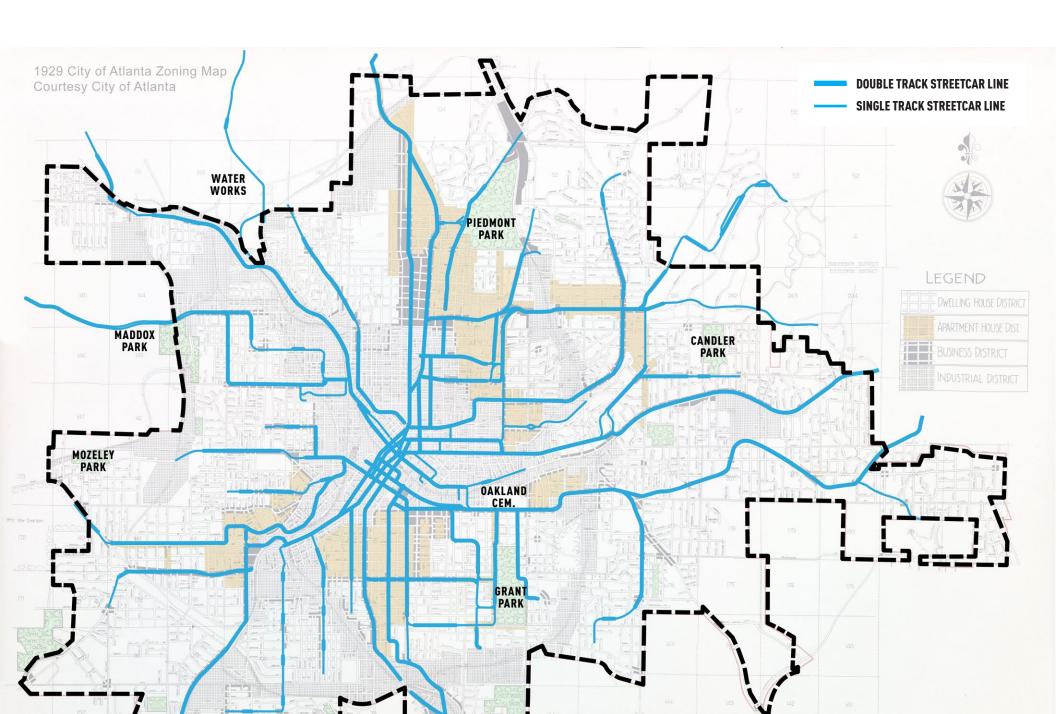






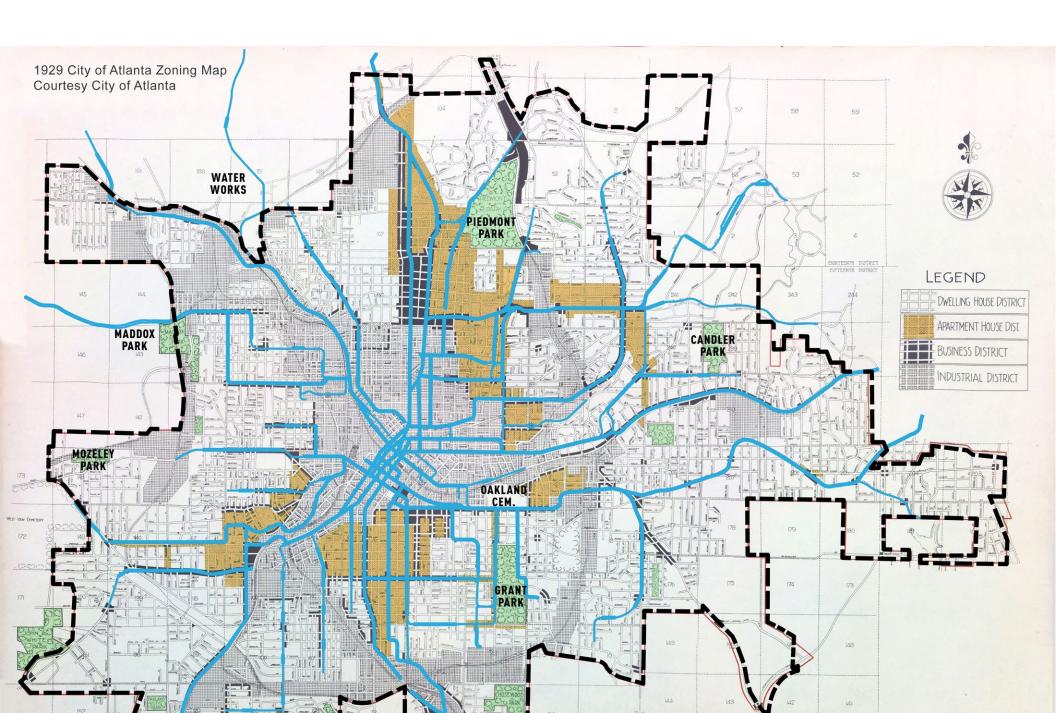
#### **ATLANTA IN 1929: STREETCARS**





#### **ATLANTA IN 1929: THE ORIGINAL TOD**





#### **ATLANTA IN 1929: ALLOWABLE HOUSING TYPES**



#### 1929 ATLANTA ZONING ORDINANCE

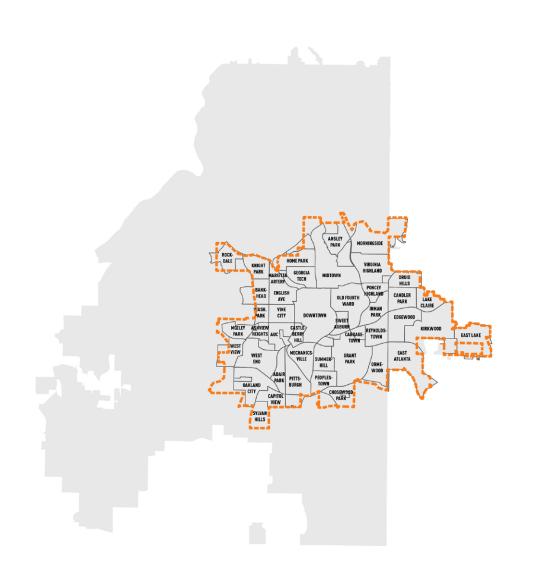
- (1) A "dwelling" is a building arranged, intended or designed to be occupied by not more than two families living independently of each other and doing their own cooking upon the premises.
- (m) An "apartment house" is a building arranged, intended or designed to be occupied by three or more families living independently of each other and doing their own cooking upon the premises or by three or more individuals or groups of individuals living independently but having a common heating system and a general dining room.





#### **ATLANTA IN 1929: NEIGHBORHOODS**





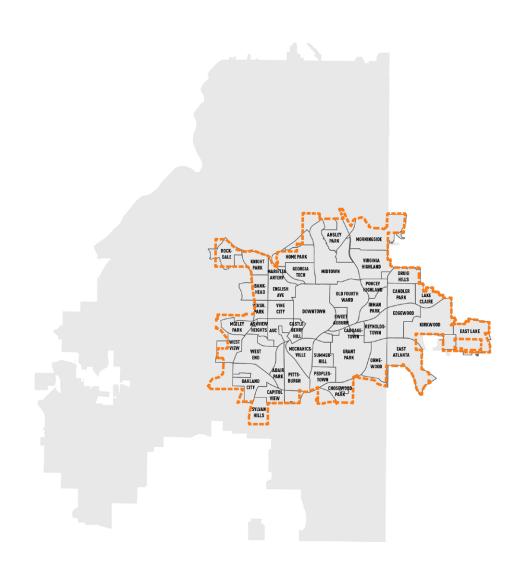
IN 1929 ATLANTA,

100%

OF LAND ALLOWED HOUSES, DUPLEXES AND ADUS

#### ATLANTA'S MOST WALKABLE NEIGHBORHOODS





**ALL OF ATLANTA'S** 

### MOST WALKABLE

NEIGHBORHOODS ARE LOCATED INSIDE THE 1929 BOUNDARY



#### **ATLANTA TODAY**

#### **PEOPLE WANT WALKABILITY**



# The data is in, from a variety of sources. A majority of adults (55%) want to live in walkable neighborhoods.

#### **BUT WALKABILITY IS SCARCE**



## Less than 5% of our available housing stock is located in walkable neighborhoods.

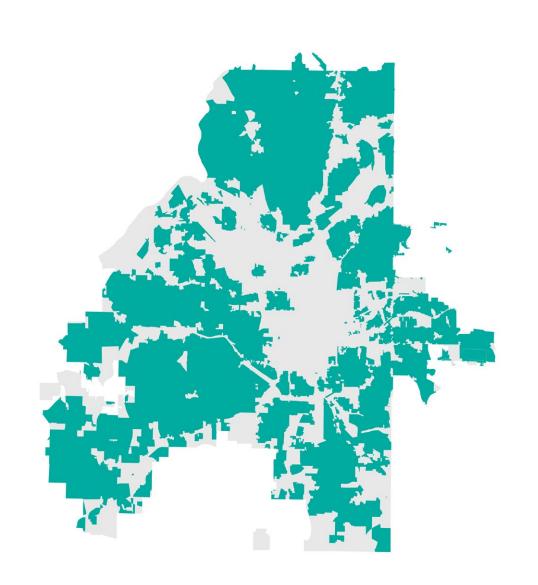
#### **FOCUS HOUSING WHERE IT MATTERS**



# It's not a walkable neighborhood shortage, it's a housing shortage within walkable (or potentially walkable) neighborhoods.

#### **ATLANTA: SINGLE FAMILY ZONING**

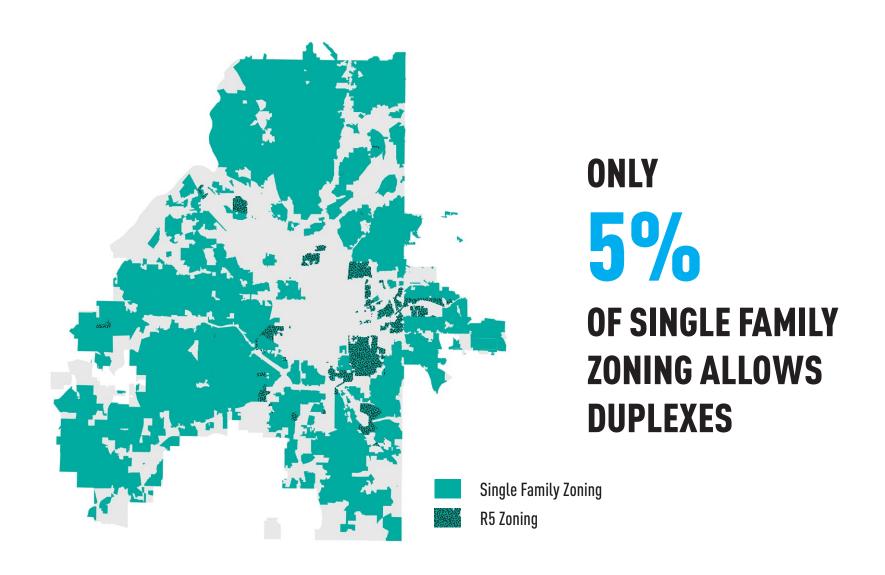




60%
OF ATLANTA'S LAND
IS ZONED SINGLE
FAMILY (R1-R5)

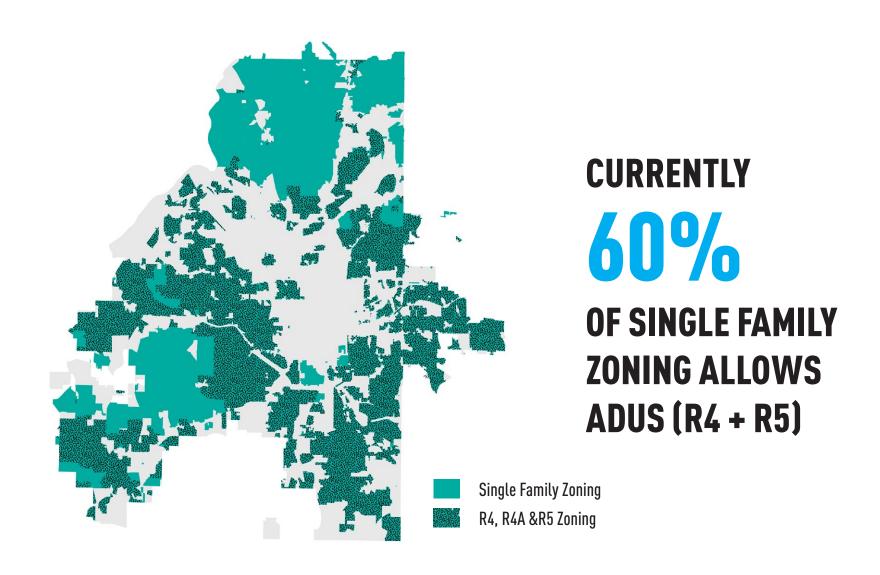
#### **ATLANTA: DUPLEXES**





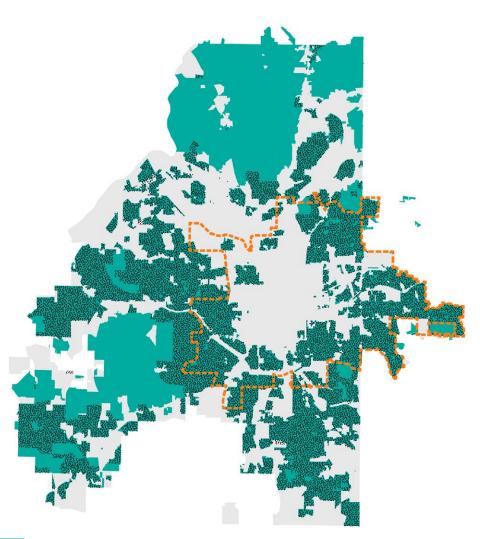
#### **ATLANTA: ADUS**





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**MEANING** 

100%

OF SINGLE FAMILY
ZONING IN OUR MOST
WALKABLE NEIGHBORHOODS
WILL ALLOW
ADUS (R4 & R5)

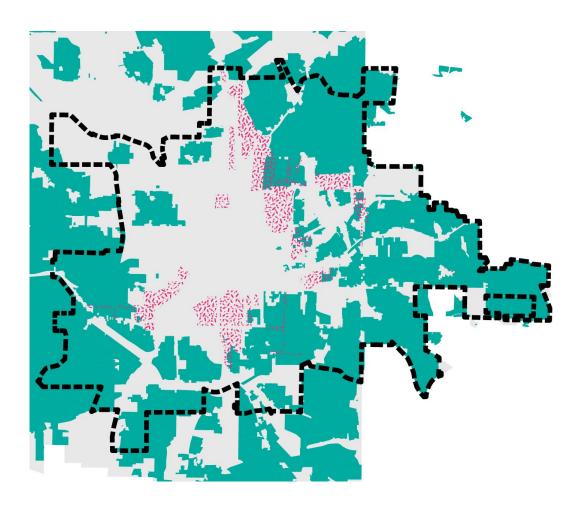
Single Family Zoning

R4 & R5

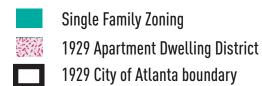
1929 City of Atlanta boundary

#### ATLANTA: APARTMENTS TO SINGLE FAMILY





### LOST APARTMENT DISTRICTS IN OUR MOST WALKABLE AREAS





#### ATLANTA'S FUTURE



### CHANGING POLICIES FOR AN ENTIRE CITY IS A DIFFICULT.



# FOCUS ON CHANGING POLICIES TO ALLOW FOR INCREMENTAL DEVELOPMENT IN HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS...



## ...WHERE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR WALKABILITY IS ALREADY LIKELY TO EXIST.



## WE NEED TO TARGET OUR LOW DENSITY ZONING IN HIGH VALUE LAND AREAS.

#### **CONTEXT MATTERS**



### **NOT ALL SINGLE FAMILY ZONING** LAND CAN OR SHOULD SUPPORT MORE DENSITY. BUT OUR HIGHEST VALUE LAND SHOULD.

#### **CONTEXT MATTERS**



# WE CONSIDER OUR HIGHEST VALUE LAND TO BE THE MOST WALKABLE, LEAST CAR DEPENDENT LAND.

#### **HIGHEST VALUE LAND**



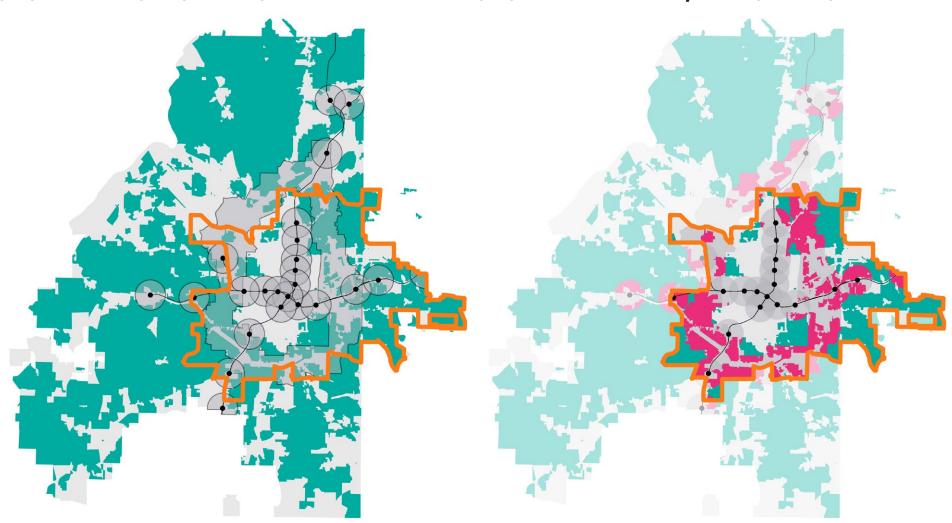
# LAND WITHIN THE 1929 CITY BOUNDARY AND LAND WITHIN 1/2 MILE OF CURRENT TRANSIT.

#### **ATLANTA: TRANSIT & SINGLE FAMILY ZONING**





#### **SINGLE FAMILY WITHIN 1/2 MILE OF TRANSIT**



R1-R5 (Single Family Zoning)
Transit Walk Shed (1/2 mile)



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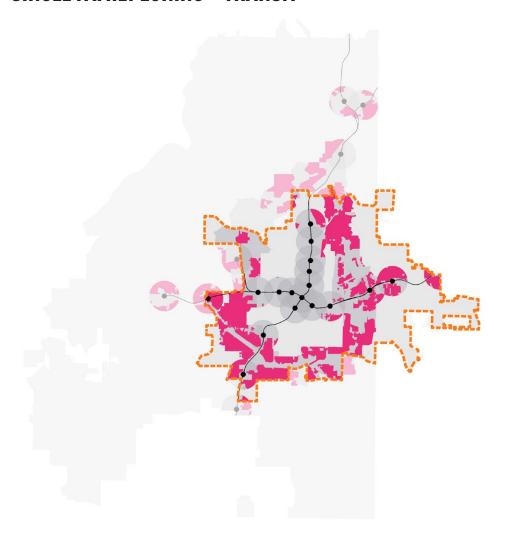


Single Family Zoning within Transit Walk Shed

#### **ATLANTA: TRANSIT & SINGLE FAMILY ZONING**



#### **SINGLE FAMILY ZONING + TRANSIT**



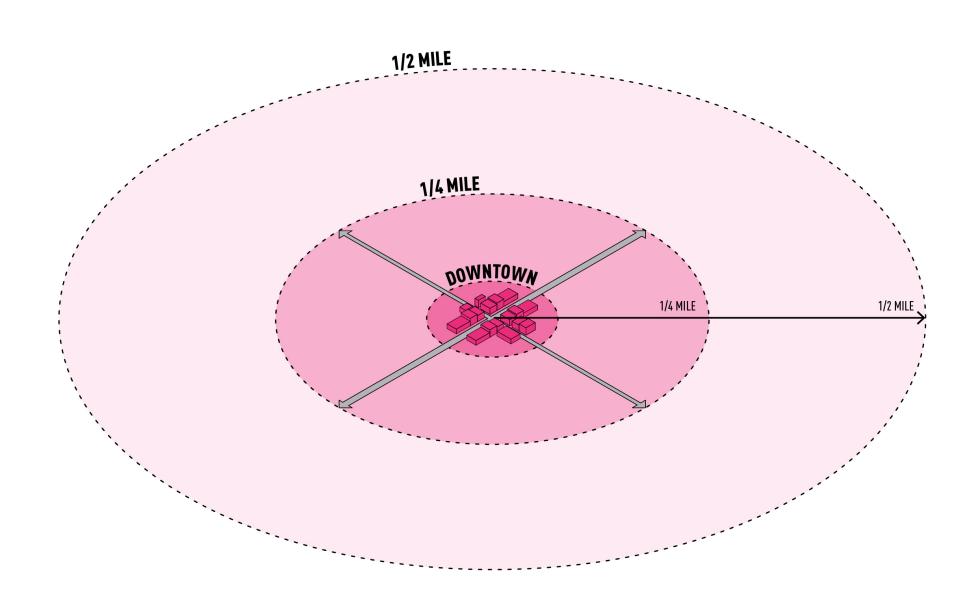
OVER

34%

OF OUR HIGHEST VALUE LAND IS ZONED SINGLE FAMILY (R1-R5)

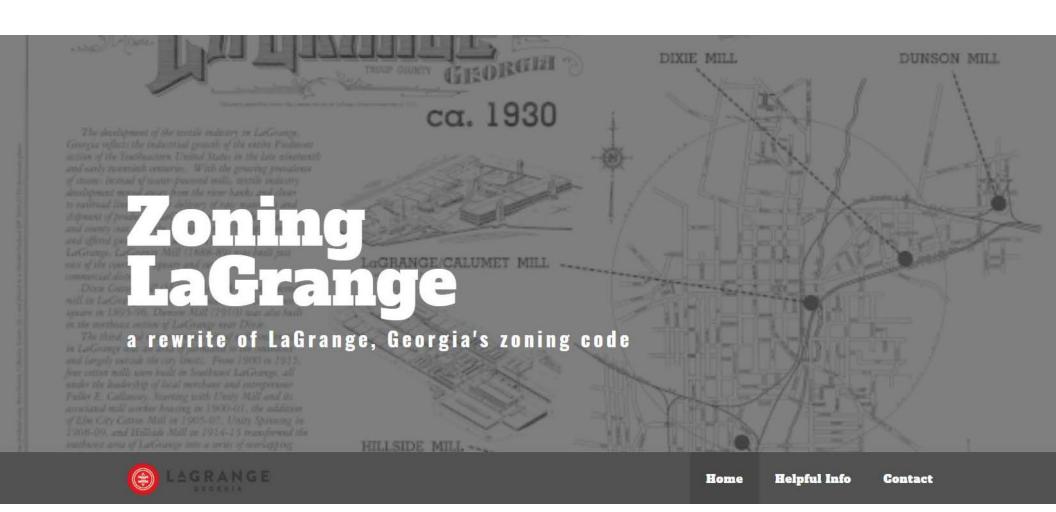
#### TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY





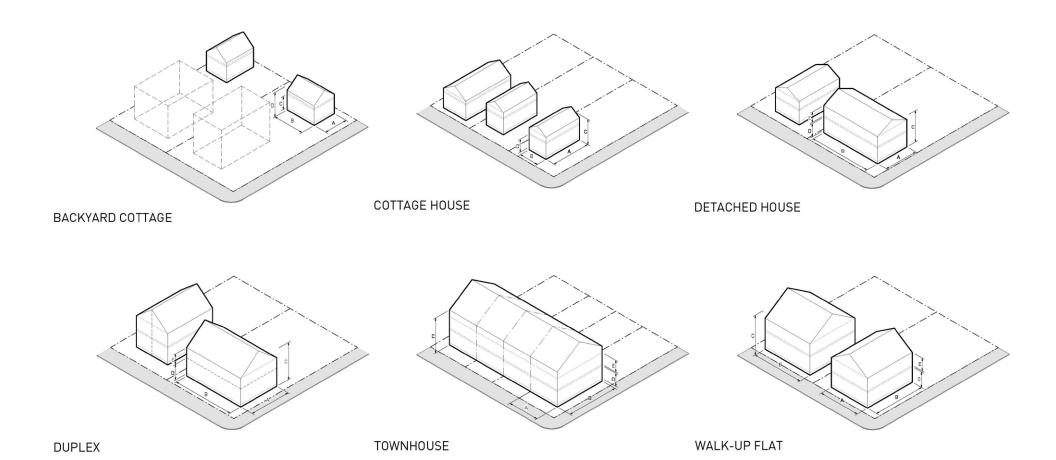
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## WHAT CAN WE DO TO ENSURE WALKABLE, INCLUSIVE NEIGHBORHOODS TODAY?



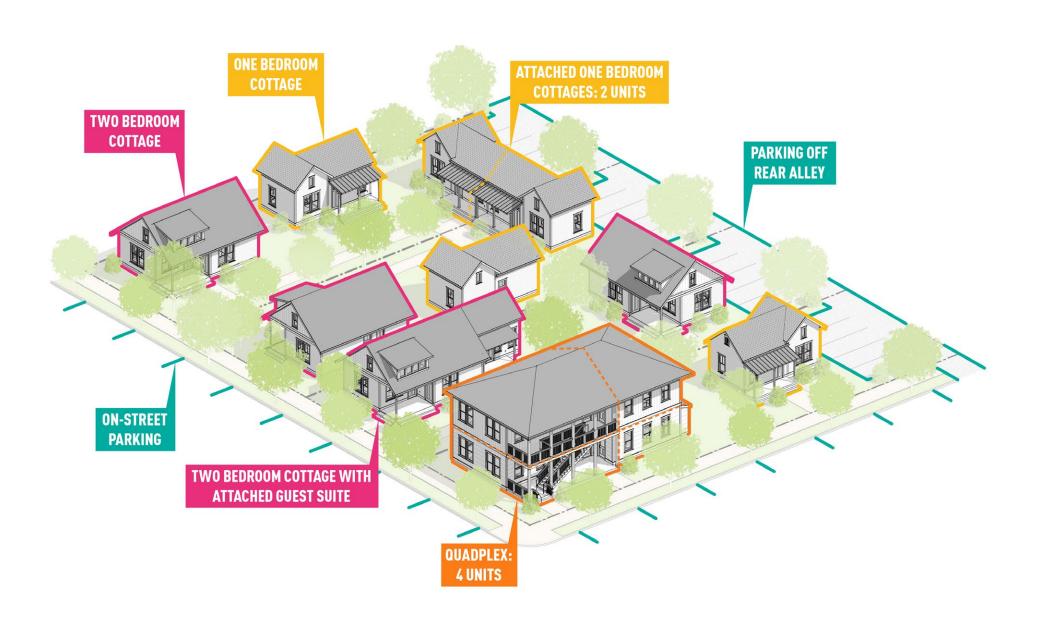
1. ALLOW ADUS IN SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICTS

Allow both attached and detached ADUs on Single Family lots. Do not require parking for ADUs.

**ALLOW MMH IN SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICTS** 

Allow duplexes and small apartment buildings in Single Family districts. Provide flexibility with parking requirements.





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3. ALLOW SMALL COMMERCIAL IN SINGLE FAMILY

Amend land use regulations to allow small scale commercial (offices, corner stores) with no parking requirements in single family districts.

**CREATE A CONTEXT SENSITIVE TREE ORDINANCE** 

Tree requirements near transit should vary to incentivize denser development.

#### **SINGLE FAMILY SERVICE DISTRICT**



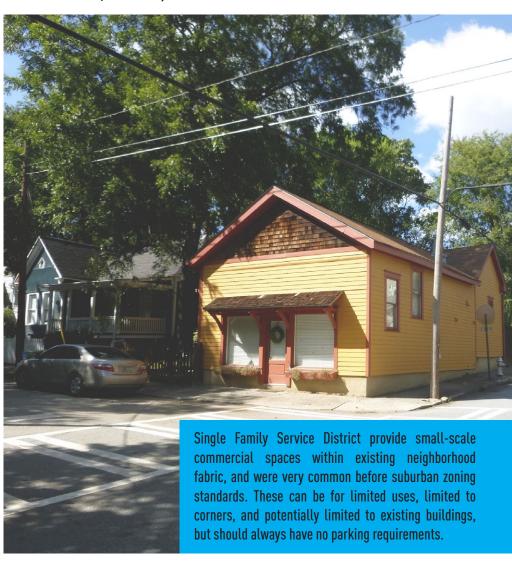
#### **NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL**

**KRONBERG WALL OFFICE** 



#### **LIVE-WORK**

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#### TREE CANOPY IN ATLANTA



#### PERCENT TREE COVER

#### PERCENT TREE COVER BY NPU

