

Downtown Livability Code – Downtown

Statement of Intent

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1. Preserve and protect Downtown's role as the civic and economic center of the Atlanta region;
2. Encourage the development of major commercial uses within this district;
3. Encourage the development of high intensity housing;
4. Create a 24-hour urban environment where people can live, work, meet and play;
5. Improve the aesthetics of streets and the built environment;
6. Encourage a compatible mixture of residential, commercial, entertainment, cultural and recreational uses;
7. Provide accessible and sufficient parking in an unobtrusive manner;*
8. Create a sense of activity and liveliness that promotes pedestrian safety along the sidewalk level of a building façade;
9. Facilitate safe, pleasant, and convenient sidewalk level pedestrian circulation that minimizes impediment by vehicles;
10. Preserve and protect the city's historic buildings and sites;
11. Ensure pedestrian-oriented buildings;
12. Encourage the use of MARTA and other public transit facilities;
13. Provide safe and accessible parks and plazas for active and passive use;
14. Enhance the efficient utilization of parking facilities by encouraging shared parking and alternative modes of transportation.