



City of East Point

Housing Needs Assessment and Neighborhood Plan

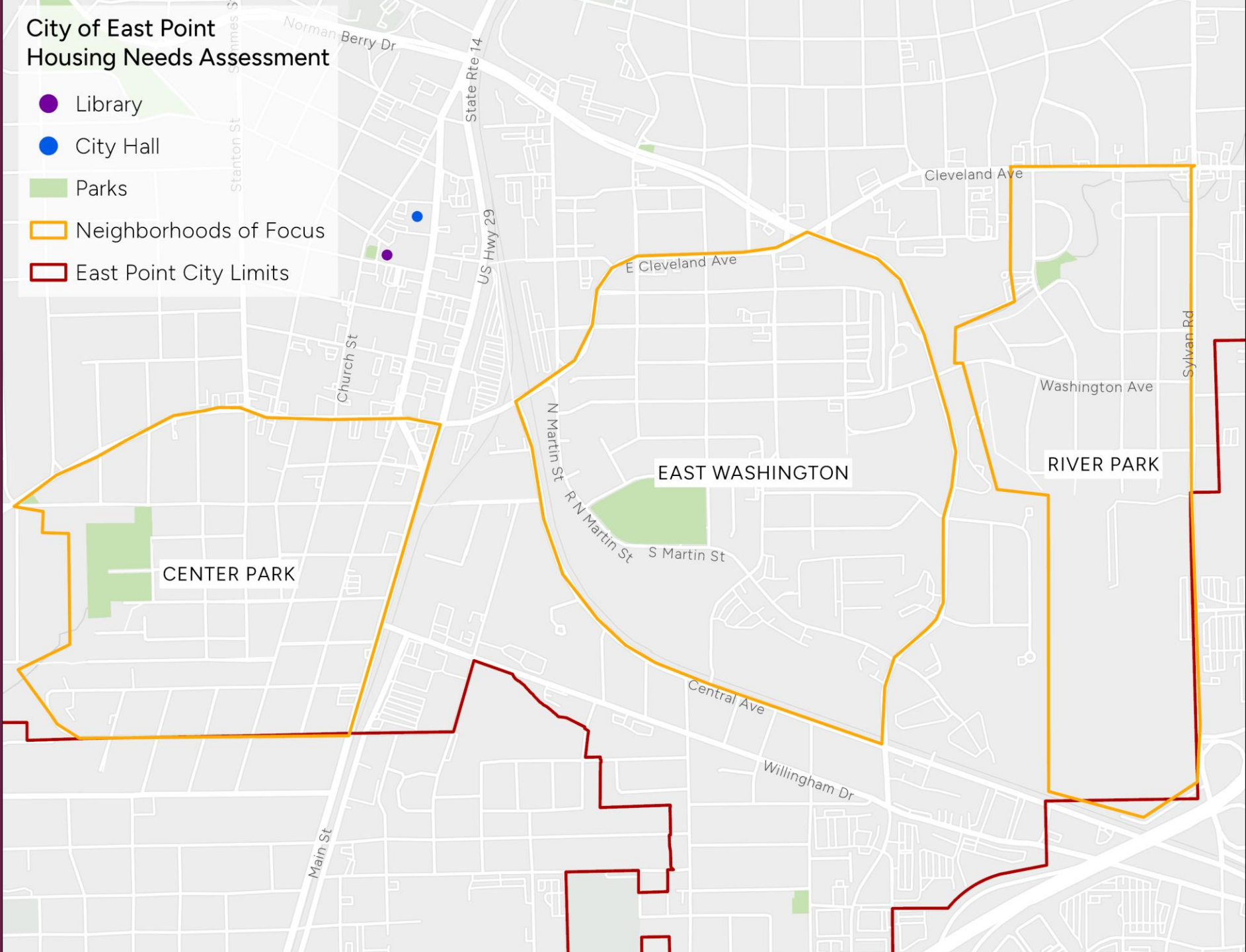
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PROJECT GOALS

- Expanding housing options to serve a variety of households, renters, and homeowners
- Improving and maintaining housing
- Addressing blighted and vacant properties
- Encouraging access to community resources
- Building on previous work done by the City of East Point

City of East Point Housing Needs Assessment

- Library
- City Hall
- Parks
- ▭ Neighborhoods of Focus
- ▭ East Point City Limits



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1

Kickoff Meeting

6

Neighborhood Meetings

1

Survey of Neighborhood Residents

75+

Participants in Community Engagement Activities

EAST POINT
GEORGIA

Take the Survey!

Please Join Us!
East Point Housing and
Neighborhoods Plan Kickoff Meeting

Tuesday, July 25th at 6:00 PM
East Point City Annex, 3121 Norman Berry Dr

TAKE THE HOUSING SURVEY
[surveymonkey.com/r/eastpointthe](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/eastpointthe)

East Point's Housing Needs Assessment and Neighborhoods Plan is being developed for the East Washington, River Park, and Center City neighborhoods. The plan will identify needs related to housing and community development. It will also develop strategies to improve and maintain existing housing and address blighted properties. Community input is essential to the process. Residents are encouraged to participate.

Pocket park + dog park
community garden

interactive art

tiny home village

native trail

housing to replace other home
*quality housing to bring
in tax revenue

duplex, quads, single-fam =>
mixture of tenure

Thinking about vacant lots in East Washington, what type of housing or other uses would you like to see there?

- More single-family homes
- Townhomes: there are currently 6-7 townhomes planned on Thornhill
- Well-maintained housing with residents who care about the community
- Affordable housing through possible partnerships with Habitat for Humanity and Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership (ANDP)

Thinking about vacant lots in River Park, what type of housing or other uses would you like to see there?

- Single-family homes
- No apartments
- No more duplexes
- Martel Homes redevelopment with public art and closed off pathway to prevent foot traffic in and out
- Need for greater accountability for landlords, especially out-of-state or absentee landlords

Thinking about vacant lots in Center Park, what type of housing or other uses would you like to see there?

- Mix of housing types, including duplexes and apartments
- Diverse housing types exist in the neighborhood already
- Greater density and condominiums along Main Street and other arterials; live, work, play atmosphere
- Possible land trust and partnership with Habitat for Humanity to create new affordable housing
- No McMansions or extremely large homes

HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD GOALS

Goal #1: Develop an approach for redevelopment of tax delinquent parcels as affordable housing

- Clarify the role of the East Point Urban Redevelopment Agency
- Meet with Metro Atlanta Land Bank to explore a partnership
- Position blighted and/or tax delinquent properties for redevelopment as desired housing types

Goal #2: Repair housing in poor condition and improve accessibility of existing housing

- Advertise and implement ARPA-funded minor home repair program
- Explore partnerships with nonprofit home repair organizations
- Consider a revolving loan fund to support home repairs

Goal #3: Provide support for existing homeowners

- Contact local legal assistance organizations to explore a partnership to provide support to existing homeowners
- With a legal partner, hold semi-annual workshop in legacy neighborhoods to inform homeowners about available resources

Goal #4: Support East Point residents in attaining homeownership

- Contact Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) to identify ways to increase residents' awareness of the Georgia Dream Homeownership Program
- Invite a DCA representative to attend existing community events to provide information about the program

Goal #5: Encourage the development of Habitable Accessory Structures

- Revise the City's permitting process for developing Habitable Accessory Structures to allow for administrative permitting
- Working with Neighborhood Associations, provide education about the permitting process to owners interested in building a Habitable Accessory Structure

Goal #6: Encourage community art and placemaking

- Through the Public Art Commission, meet with representatives from legacy neighborhoods to advance residents' ideas for public art:
 - Signs with neighborhood name
 - Collaboration with Tri-Cities High School students
 - Murals, mosaics, and other forms of public art at neighborhood landmarks

Goal #7: Improve community infrastructure and resources in East Washington, River Park & Center Park

- Develop a systematic approach for communicating with Neighborhood Associations about the status of planned improvements
- Continue to identify and address infrastructure improvement needs in legacy neighborhoods based on input received from the community, including:
 - Sidewalk and other walkability improvements
 - Traffic calming, including speed bumps
 - Recreation center or other community center
 - Water line replacement

THANK YOU!