

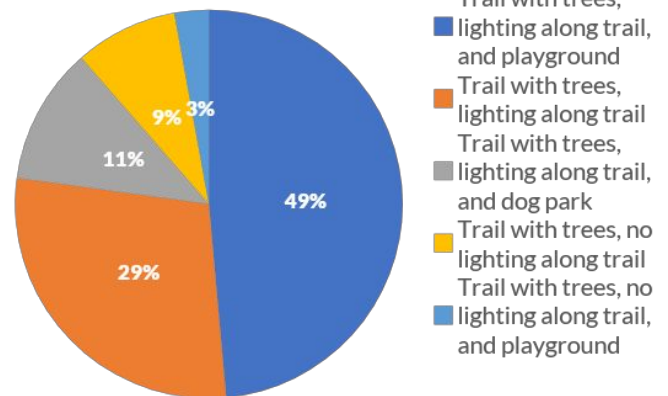
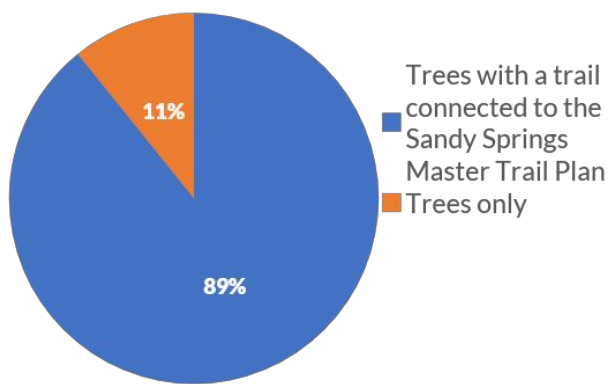
# Community Priorities For Northgreen

## Restoring Character: The Path Forward

- The Spalding Woods community overwhelmingly supports transforming the space along the planned GA-400 highway wall into a functional, multi-use recreational area based on survey data from 38 neighborhood residences
- Residents advocate for a continuous trail connected to the Sandy Springs Master Trail Plan, complete with native landscaping, lighting, and family-friendly amenities rather than a simple tree buffer
- The community requests a terraced wall design and the burial of existing power lines to truly restore the neighborhood's character and offset the impacts of the highway expansion



## Overwhelming Support For Trail Connectivity And Amenities



## Priorities For Upgraded Infrastructure, Connectivity, And Landscaping

- **Infrastructure Upgrade: Bury the Power Lines**
  - Prioritize safety by burying the power lines to maximize the aesthetic quality, maintenance, and usable footprint of the potential new green space and trail system
- **The Terraced Wall is a Minimum Standard**
  - Residents strongly support a terrace for the highway wall rather than construct a flat monolith to break up the visual mass, providing the essential platform to reintroduce plantings at each tier restoring the natural sound and sight barrier
- **Restoring the Natural Canopy**
  - Trees are viewed as the most effective natural barrier for absorbing road noise with residents specifically requesting native canopy trees (such as pines, oaks) for durable, long-lasting shade
- **Mitigating Property Impact Through Connectivity**
  - Connecting the space to the broader Sandy Springs trail system creates functional value that may help offset some of the property devaluation caused by the highway expansion, raising property values and attracting younger families
- **Open Aesthetics & Visibility**
  - Keeping the space open and visible from the street prevents the area from feeling cramped and significantly improves safety and observability