Appendix A

Survey Questionnaire

1. Are you at least 18 years of age or older?

YES
NO [THANK AND TERMINATE]

2. In which Georgia County do you reside?

Cherokee
Clayton
Cobb
DeKalb
Douglas
Fayette
Forsyth
Fulton
Gwinnett
Henry
Rockdale
OTHER [THANK AND TERMINATE]
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED [THANK and TERMINATE]

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: IF ANSWER TO 2. IS DEKALB OR FULTON ASK 3., ALL OTHERS SKIP TO 4.]

3. Do you live within the city limits of Atlanta, or do you live in another part of [READ COUNTY NAME RESPONSE FROM 2.] county?

Lives in city of Atlanta
Does not live in Atlanta
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

First, I'd like to ask you about issues facing Metro Atlanta.

4. As you look ahead to the next 3 or 4 years, do you think living conditions in Metro Atlanta will be... [RANDOMIZE BETTER AND WORSE OPTIONS]

better,
worse,
or about the same as today?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

5. In your opinion, which of the following is the biggest problem facing residents in the Metro Atlanta are today? Is it… [ROTATE FIRST 8 OPTIONS]

Traffic
Housing affordability
The economy
Crime
Quality of local schools
Environmental pollution
Public health
Local tax increases
Or is it something else?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Next, I'd like to ask you some questions about the economy.

6. Regarding your household financial situation, would you say you are… [RANDOMIZE BETTER AND WORSE OPTIONS ORDER]

Better off now than you were a year ago…
Worse off now than you were a year ago…
or about the same as you were a year ago?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

7. We'd like to get a feel for how people would deal with an unexpected financial emergency. Suppose you have to come up with $400 for an emergency. Which of the following best describes how you would handle such a situation?

You would pay for it with cash, check or debit card…
You would put it on your credit card and pay it off in full at the next statement...
You would put it on your credit card and pay it off over time...
You would borrow money from someone…
You would sell or pawn something to get the money, or…
You would not be able to get the money right now?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

8. Next, I'm going to name some things that can make it hard for people to get ahead financially. For each one, please let me know how much, if at all, it limits your ability to get ahead. [READ FIRST ITEM] Would you say that [READ FIRST ITEM] poses a big challenge, a small challenge, or is not a challenge for you? How about [READ NEXT ITEM]

Housing costs
Lack of job opportunities [CODE AS NOT APPLICABLE IF R VOLUNTEERS]
Transportation costs or access
Eligibility for public assistance [CODE AS NOT APPLICABLE IF R VOLUNTEERS]
Cost of or access to job training [CODE AS NOT APPLICABLE IF R VOLUNTEERS]
Access to banking and credit
Caregiving responsibilities for a child [CODE AS NOT APPLICABLE IF R VOLUNTEERS]
Caregiving responsibilities for an aging parent [CODE AS NOT APPLICABLE IF R VOLUNTEERS]

9.Among your friends — not family — how many would you say have a household income very different from yours, either much higher or much lower? [RANDOM REVERSE ORDER OPTIONS]

Most of them
Several
One or two
None
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

Next, I'd like to ask you about housing.

10. I'm going to list different types of homes that could address housing affordability. For each one, please tell me if you would support or oppose having this type of housing built in your neighborhood. The first one is [READ FIRST ITEM]. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose having [READ FIRST ITEM] built in your neighborhood? How about [READ NEXT ITEM]? [RECORD DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION IF R VOLUNTEERS]

A duplex
A triplex or quadplex
A small apartment building with five to nine units
A cottage home or tiny home development
A backyard apartment or in-law unit
A subsidized apartment building

Next, I'm going to ask you some questions about transportation.

11. In the past year, how often did you skip going somewhere important because you lacked the transportation you needed to get there? Would you say it was... [RANDOM REVERSE ORDER OPTIONS]

Often,
Sometimes, or
Never?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

12. Thinking about jobs that match your skills and experience, how many good opportunities are within a reasonable commuting distance from your home? Would you say... [RANDOM REVERSE ORDER OPTIONS WHILE KEEPING THE "NOT WORKING OR LOOK FOR WORK" OPTION LAST IN ORDER]

A lot,
Some,
Very few,
None,
or are you currently not working or looking for work?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

13. How important for Metro Atlanta's future is an improved public transit system, including buses and trains? Would you say an improved public transit system is... [RANDOM REVERSE ORDER OPTIONS]

Very important...
Somewhat important, or...
Not important at all...for Atlanta's future?
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

14. Which one of these ideas for improving transportation and mobility in and around Metro Atlanta would most benefit you? Would it be... [ROTATE ITEMS]

Adding more public transportation routes, stops, and on-demand services
Improving the frequency and reliability of existing public transportation service
Improving roads and highways
Adding and repairing sidewalks
Creating more bike lanes
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

We have almost completed the survey. The last few questions are used for statistical purposes only.

15. In what year were you born?
[INTERVIEWERS: RECORD YEAR OF BIRTH. DON'T KNOW/REFUSED = 2009]

16. What is the highest level of education you completed? Was it...

11 grade or less [WITHOUT GRADUATING]
High school graduate or GED...
Some college [ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE, TECH OR VOCATIONAL]
College Graduate [BA, BS]
Graduate or Professional Degree [MA, MS, PHD, MD, LAW, ETC]
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

17. Do you consider yourself to be Latino/Latina or Hispanic?

Yes
No
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

18. What best describes your race? Are you...

African American/Black...
Caucasian/White...
Asian/Pacific Islander...
American Indian, or...
Multi-racial?
OTHER [SPECIFY]
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

19. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Are you...

Working full time
Working part time
Unemployed & looking for work
Unemployed & not looking for work
Retired, or…
Student full time
DISABLED
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

20. Do you...

Own your own home [INCLUDES LIVING WITH SOMEONE ELSE WHO OWNS/PAYS MORTGAGE]
Rent [INCLUDES LIVING WITH SOMEONE ELSE WHO PAYS RENT OR SOME OTHER ARRANGEMENT]
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

21. How long have you lived in the Metro Atlanta area?

[CODE NUMBER OF YEARS. CODE 0-11 MONTHS AS "1" YEAR. CODE DON'T KNOW/REFUSED = 999]

22. I am going to read a number of income ranges; please stop me at the one that best describes your household income in 2025...

Less than $25,000...
$25,000 - $60,000...
$60,000 - $120,000...
$120,000 - $250,000, or...
Over $250,000?
DON'T KNOW
REFUSED

23. Do you describe yourself as a man, a woman, or in some other way?

Man
Woman
Some other way [NON-BINARY,TRANSGENDER, GENDERFLUID, ETC]
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED