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City Presented with 'Imagination' Award for Curiosity Lab

PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA., Dec. 10, 2019 – The city of Peachtree Corners was recently recognized by <u>Partnership Gwinnett</u> for its innovative efforts in being the first in the United States to create a specially designed test track for autonomous vehicle and smart city research. <u>Curiosity Lab at Peachtree Corners</u>, a 5G enabled 1.5-mile living laboratory made its debut in September.

The award was presented on Friday, Dec. 6, 2019 before 120 elected officials, community leaders and chamber members at the annual event. Partnership Gwinnett presented awards for the categories of Innovation, Imagination and Influence. One "individual" and one "company" award was given out in each category. Peachtree Corners was presented with the Imagination award in the company category.

"We are honored to be recognized by Partnership Gwinnett for our efforts in developing Curiosity Lab," said Mayor Mason afterwards. "The new lab has already begun to attract new technology-based businesses to test intelligent mobility and other technologies."

The "Imagination" category recognizes the creative methods that have transformed the way entities market or engage with its customers, residents or students. The city was selected by a nomination committee which choses the winners in each category.

Additionally, a separate award, the Award of Excellence was presented to Nick Masino for his unwavering support to Partnership Gwinnett and the economic vitality of Gwinnett County.

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Pictured: Peachtree Corners Councilmember Lorri Christopher, Mayor Mike Mason, Andrew Carnes, VP of Economic Development for Partnership Gwinnett and Councilmember Eric Christ.