

## **Update on Public Works Projects in Our City**

Since the city incorporated in 2012, we have focused on improving and repairing our city's roads and intersections, maintaining and adding sidewalks, adding pedestrian safety features and constructing our multi-use trail which will eventually connect residents to restaurants, shops and work.

Some of our ongoing and recently completed Public Works' projects include:

- Completed in 2020: A 1/3-mile section of the Corners Connector multi-use trail on Technology Parkway that connects to the existing multi-use trail along Technology Parkway and Technology Parkway South. The new 12-foot concrete greenway includes three plazas which serve as resting spots, one overlooks Technology Park Lake.
- Pedestrian Bridge: Part of the Corners Connector multi-use trail, the bridge provides safe access from The Forum to the city's new Town Center and ties into existing sidewalks and businesses.
- Sidewalks: New sidewalks were installed along Spalding Drive from Peachtree Corners Circle to Engineering Drive. The project ties into a larger sidewalk project on Crooked Creek Road and Jay Bird Alley.

There are also a number of Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) scheduled for activity this year. The CIP consists of survey, engineering, and construction projects that are funded by SPLOST, GDOT and Federal grants.

- Spalding Drive Widening (between Holcomb Bridge Road and Winters Chapel Road) – The project includes widening the bridge over Crooked Creek. Completion date is projected for the Summer 2022
- S.R. 140 (Holcomb Bridge Road)/Spalding/River Exchange (Jug Handle Project) – Completion date projected Spring 2023
- Bush Road/Medlock Bridge Road Intersection Improvement – The project consists of traffic signal upgrades and operational improvements -- Completion date projected for November 2021
- Gunnin Road Sidewalks – Construction May – September 2021
- Corners Connector Town Center (multi-use trail) – Construction April – December 2021

When we think of Public Works, we generally think about roads and sidewalks. However, a big part of the department's responsibility is maintaining the city's stormwater system which includes maintaining, upgrading, and repairing the storm drains, pipes, and other stormwater infrastructure that collects rain from roads.

This year alone, the Stormwater Department has inspected 146 structures, added 130 conveyances to improve stormwater runoff, cleared 5 ditches and stabilized 8 outfalls through the use of bioengineering techniques. Other stormwater repairs included:

- Clearing a large culvert of tree debris in the Peachtree Plantation West subdivision
- Adding a new drainage system in front of a home on Winters Hill Drive which eliminated the constant flooding that occurred after each heavy rain.
- Installing an 84" culvert under Research Court in Tech Park
- Adding new catch basins and curbing to remove standing water at Mechanicsville Road and Peachtree Street

Our Public Works Department plays a vital role in supporting the quality of life in our community. In Peachtree Corners we are fortunate to have some of the best in the business working to ensure our community has the infrastructure necessary to greatly enhance our life.

You can view and keep up with the progress on these Capital Improvement Projects on the city's website. Under the Government tab, select "Capital Improvement Projects" in the pulldown menu. The page also shows the completed projects. As always, please let us know if you see a problem we should address.

As your mayor, I will, along with the City Council, continue focusing on enhancing pedestrian safety, road resurfacing, intersection improvements and expanding the multi-use trail and other means to improve the quality of life here in Peachtree Corners.

***Stay Safe,  
Mike Mason, Mayor***