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**Council approves three-month development moratorium**

**Brookhaven, GA, March 28, 2013** –The Brookhaven City Council voted unanimously Tuesday on a three-month development moratorium in the Brookhaven-Peachtree Overlay District.

The moratorium, effective Tuesday, runs until midnight on June 25. It was implemented to ensure responsible governance over zoning, land use, variances and other statutory controls on the use of property within the district's boundaries.

"We want to make sure we make responsible development and land use decisions," Brookhaven Community Development Director Susan Canon said. "The moratorium also allows city staff time to evaluate the overlay district in relation to underlying zoning and to determine whether any revisions are necessary for appropriate implementation."

The moratorium precludes the acceptance, review and processing of any new building permits or zoning applications, specifically:

- zoning map amendments
- comprehensive land use plan amendments
- variances
- special exceptions
- special land use permits
- land disturbance permits
- new building permits
- new land development permits
- new clearing or grading permits

Any applications submitted prior to March 27 will be processed.

The overlay district includes the Peachtree Road corridor from East Club Drive to Redding Road. To see the boundaries, view the map at [www.brookhavenga.gov](http://www.brookhavenga.gov).

The goal of the district is to promote a more dynamic, mixed-use district of appropriate scale and magnitude surrounding the Brookhaven MARTA station and along Peachtree Road. It also promotes a community that is inviting and walkable, as well as connectivity of streets and communities to reduce the dependence on automobiles by increasing opportunities for alternative modes of travel.

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