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Traffic improvements for Brookhaven intersection coming sooner than expected

Brookhaven, GA Feb. 25, 2014 – Drivers that travel through the intersection at Ashford Dunwoody Road and Johnson Ferry Road may see improvements in traffic flow as early as this summer, much sooner than originally expected.

Brookhaven officials and representatives from the Perimeter Center Improvement District have teamed up with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to find a solution that alleviates traffic build-up at this intersection that has long been known as one of the most congested traffic locations in the area.

Today, Brookhaven Councilwoman Rebecca Chase Williams presented a preliminary draft of the new design for the intersection.

The design, created by Kimley Horn & Associates, an engineering firm selected by GDOT, shows additional thru lanes, relocated traffic signals and new caution striping that is expected to shave considerable time off commutes for more than 30,000 motorists traveling through the intersection each day.

The majority of the cost for this project would be funded by GDOT with little cost to the city. Brookhaven would only contribute about one fourth of the total estimated project cost of \$280,000. The city's contribution would be used to facilitate the relocation of utilities.

The new design could potentially reduce traffic congestion by 70 percent at the Ashford Dunwoody Road/ Johnson Ferry Road intersection. Ideas and improvements developed in the city's collaboration with GDOT will be folded into the Brookhaven Transportation Plan that will launch later this spring.

"We think this will provide immediate traffic relief while the city continues to work on other large scale planning projects." Brookhaven Mayor Pro Tem and District 1 Council Representative Rebecca Chase Williams said.

More information about this project will be available as negotiations continue.

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