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Commissioner Kathie Gannon Supports the Metro South CID And Shares Updates on the County



Kathie Gannon, commissioner for DeKalb County district 6, speaks at the CABA August meeting.

Kathie Gannon, the commissioner for DeKalb County district 6, spoke at the recent Conley Area Business Association (CABA) and Metro South CID meeting on August 13.

Commissioner Gannon thanked and praised CABA and the Metro South CID for their commitment to improving commercial properties in the area, along with getting to know the community and its needs. She also discussed the changes DeKalb is working on to improve not only the County, but the Metro South district.

Gannon addressed that the County wants to decrease tire dumping and keep better track of where tires go after they come off vehicles. To help decrease tire litter, they are hosting a **Tire Amnesty Day on September 14 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at both the DeKalb County Tax Commissioner's Office parking lot at 4380 Memorial Drive and The Gallery at South DeKalb parking lot at 2801 Candler Road. Participation is **FREE** and open to everyone. Click [here](#) for full details.

Gannon also discussed that the County is working to modify its economic strategic plan, which will include a detailed outline of economic goals for the County and highlight incentives for economic development besides a tax incentive. To view the County's current strategic plan, click [here](#).

Lastly, Gannon discussed the County's SPLOST Funds, which will include a variety of maintenance updates for the area like transportation enhancements and more. To view the 2018 SPLOST Annual Report, click [here](#).



Kathie Gannon and the Metro South CID board of directors.

Project Updates

Moreland Median Clean-Up

DeKalb Clean and Beautiful has helped fund the removal and clean-up of dead trees and bushes along the Moreland Avenue median. The enhancements are not fully completed, but the CID is working to get the job finished.



Before and during Russell Landscaping Improvements on Moreland Median



After Russell Landscaping Improvements on Moreland Median

Metro South CID is Encouraging Property Owners to Clean-Up!

The Metro South CID has been continuing to work with DeKalb County to file court cases against business and property owners who are violating code enforcements and refuse to clean-up their properties. The CID plans to gather all of its resources and fix the issue as soon as possible. To view the updated locations with concentrated clean-up efforts, click [here](#).

New Signage In and Around the CID

The Metro South CID recently added signage to display work being completed in the district.



The CID is also partnering with DeKalb County to place "Adopt a Road" signs throughout the district like the one below.



Freight Study Update

The CID has been approved for a \$200,000 grant from the Atlanta Regional Commission to conduct a freight study that will research traffic patterns and movements of freight coming in and out of the district. The CID is in the process of raising matching funds to hire a consultant to supervise the study and present its findings. Updates are coming soon!

Blackhall Studios' Great Park Connection Low Country Boil and BBQ Was a Success!

Earlier this month, Blackhall Studios hosted a Low Country Boil and BBQ to bring together Great Park Connection supporters during DeKalb County's National Night Out. The event was a success and the Metro South CID thanks those who attended.

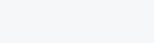
In other news, the land swap is progressing and the County voted to exercise due diligence on the initiative and vote on it in the next few months. In the October newsletter, the Metro South CID hopes to share an update.

The land swap was also mentioned in this recent [Curbed article](#), highlighting the details on the initiative.



Great Park Connection Supporters Enjoy a Low Country Boil and BBQ during National Night Out.

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