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## DeKalb County SPLOST Update!



“DeKalb County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax will support county-wide improvements that promote a high quality of life for all residents.”



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During the Metro South CID's October board of directors meeting, Delores Crowell, manager of DeKalb County's Intergovernmental Affairs Office, presented the latest updates on the County's Special-purpose local-option sales tax (SPLOST).

Crowell highlighted the SPLOST visioning and planning process, along with other key elements that ensure SPLOST dollars are being used efficiently.

### The SPLOST benefits include:

- Improved transportation
- Enhanced public safety facilities and equipment
- Sustainable parks and recreation centers
- Capital improvements to senior centers and libraries
- Reduced property taxes
- Tax exemption on unprepared food
- Tax exemption on prescription drugs

Within the CID, SPLOST has paved Continental Way, International Park Drive, Locke Drive and Cedar Grove Road. Bouldercrest Road resurfacing is also a proposed project for the SPLOST's Phase II paving plans.

To stay up-to-date with DeKalb County's SPLOST, visit their [website](#).

## Project Updates

There are several projects that have either been recently completed or are in the works in the CID. See below for details!

### Freight Study



Daniel Studdard, AICP principal planner for the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), presented an update and overview of the Freight and Cluster Plan during the October board meeting.

Studdard discussed the Regional Transportation Plan, a 20+ year-long range plan that is updated every four years and includes the Freight and Cluster Plan. He also showcased the Freight and Cluster Plan's timeline through 2021, elements, goals, outreach efforts and more. The plan for the area will focus on intersection operations and safety issues, geometric design, truck parking and economic development.

If you're interested in learning more, [visit ARC's website](#).

### Beautification and Trash Removal Updates

The CID recently removed trash along International Park Drive and Fayetteville and placed fresh pine straw in the area.



*Before and after pine straw was placed on International Park Drive*



*Before and after clean-up on Fayetteville*

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

The Metro South CID and DeKalb Code Enforcement Department are continuing to target the "Dirty Dozen" with expanding results. Stay tuned for more information!

## News Around the CID

- Saporta Report: Studio CEO: [Georgia's movie marquee is 'on the bubble'](#)
- 11Alive: [Jungle Cruise starring The Rock was filmed in Atlanta's Blackhall Studios](#)

## Events Happening Around the CID

- [Cabbagetown Chomp and Stomp](#)  
November 2, 2019 at 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- [CABA Meeting](#)  
November 13, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.  
1795 Continental Way, Atlanta GA  
Lunch will be served at noon, followed by a presentation featuring Keith Lewis, vice president of operations for [CargoNet](#), a Cargo Theft and Recovery Network

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