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Winters Chapel Corridor Study Draws Big Crowd

Nearly 200 residents participate in the joint Peachtree Corners/Dunwoody workshop

PEACHTREE CORNERS, GA, Feb. 25, 2015 – The Fellowship Hall of the Winters Chapel United Methodist Church was brimming with activity Tuesday evening with nearly 200 residents and business owners and operators from both Peachtree Corners and Dunwoody.

They came to participate in a workshop to provide their input on ways to improve Winters Chapel Road, the heavily traveled corridor that winds its way through both cities.

The cities of Peachtree Corners and Dunwoody launched the joint study this year to discover ways to improve pedestrian safety, increase road safety and enhance the appearance of the 2 ½ mile road that runs from Peachtree Industrial Boulevard to Spalding Drive.

“This is going to be a very interactive meeting,” said Councilmember Phil Sadd (Post 1). He encouraged participants to “think big,” adding, “What we have now is just not safe.”

Along with improving pedestrian and automobile safety, the study will seek ways to make the area look like one community by incorporating the same style of streetlights and street furniture as an example. “I know I speak for Dunwoody’s mayor Mike Davis when I say how important this area is to both of our cities,” said Mayor Mike Mason.

During the workshop, participants were encouraged to study the series of maps and use the maps to jot down the improvements they would like to see incorporated into the plan.

“We want you to tell us where you think crosswalks are needed, where you would like to see sidewalks added,” said Pond & Company’s Michelle Alexander who represents the engineering firm hired for the study. Alexander also pointed out the possibility of adding pocket parks at locations throughout the corridor.

After the study is complete, Pond & Company will present its study findings to the Planning Commissions of the two cities, during a City Council work session then will go before the two City Councils for approval.

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