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BOARD APPROVES PEDESTRIAN UPGRADES, RESTORES ROAD SWEEPING

(Lawrenceville, Ga., May 8, 2015) – Gwinnett commissioners on Tuesday awarded construction contracts for four pedestrian safety projects and reinstated quarterly sweeping of roads, turn lanes and intersections as they promised during the recession.

One project will build new sidewalks on the north side of McDonough Drive from Dawson Boulevard to Graves Road, bus shelter pads for future bus shelters, plus curb, gutter and drainage improvements. CMES Inc. was the lowest of four bidders at \$334,544.00. Completion is planned for mid-2016. Funding comes from the 2014 SPLOST program and a federal stimulus grant.

Three other projects will connect existing sidewalks near Little Mulberry Park including the south side of Hog Mountain Road from east of Mulberry Oaks Court to Hamilton Mill Parkway and the north side of Hog Mountain Road from Ridgemill Terrace to Jim Moore Road, from east of Jim Moore Road to Greenside Court and from west of Patrick Road to Pine Road. The third project will construct sidewalk along the east side of Jim Moore Road from Greenside Court to the existing sidewalk north of Greenside Court. Curb, gutter and other drainage improvements are included in all three projects. Ohmshiv Construction LLC was the lowest of three bidders at \$879,254.50. The 2009 SPLOST program is funding the improvements, which should be finished by mid-2016.

The Board of Commissioners also restored street sweeping services that were eliminated in 2009 due to budget cutbacks. Sweeping Corporation of America Inc. was the lowest of five bidders at \$97,015. The contract requires quarterly cleaning and debris removal from 400 miles of major roads, 40 miles of center turn lanes and 80 intersections.

Board Chairman Charlotte Nash said, "I'm proud we are delivering on our budgetary promise to restore street sweeping this year and that we are continuing to make pedestrian safety improvements with SPLOST funds."

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