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COMMISSIONERS APPROVE PROJECTS TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, PAVE TAXIWAY

(Lawrenceville, Ga., May 29, 2013) – Gwinnett commissioners awarded two contracts for five separate pedestrian safety projects during the Board's business session on May 21. Both contracts went to low bidder I.S.C. Inc.

One project under the first contract will build sidewalks and bus shelter pads along Buford Highway from Simpson Circle to Duluth Industrial Way with pedestrian traffic signals and crosswalks at the Simpson Circle intersection. The second project will construct a new sidewalk on Oakland Park Boulevard between U.S. 78 and the Gwinnett County Transit Park and Ride facility on Hewatt Road. Those two projects will cost \$624,142, with 95 percent paid by the Federal Transit Administration and the rest by local transit funds. Work is expected to be completed late this year.

The second contract will provide a sidewalk along Cruse Road between Sugarloaf Parkway and Old Norcross Road with pedestrian signals and crosswalks at Sugarloaf Parkway. The \$532,000 SPLOST-funded contract will also build sidewalks on Beaver Ruin Road from Rockborough Trail to Bailey Drive and on Peachtree Parkway/State Route 141 from Holcomb Bridge Road to Woodhill Drive.

The Board also agreed to resurface the only full parallel taxiway at Briscoe Field, one of the major needs recommended by the Airport Privatization Citizens Review Committee. The project will also replace 329 incandescent lights with energy efficient LED fixtures to reduce utility costs and relocate the lighting equipment vault.

The Federal Aviation Administration will pay 90 percent of this \$1.6 million project, the County will contribute 5.4 percent and the remaining 4.6 percent will come from a state airport improvement grant. Paving of the 6,500-foot Taxiway W will be done by C.W. Matthews Contracting Co. and the electrical work by Trinity Electrical Services Inc.

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