Date: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 Location: 3235 Holly Springs Parkway

## Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority

### Agenda 6:00 pm Regular Meeting

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

**ROLL CALL** 

Steve Adcock

Kevin Moore

Phyllis Long

Kyle Whitaker

Sonia Carruthers

Chris Deluca

#### II. OLD BUSINESS

#### III. TREASURER'S REPORT

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discuss six-month extension on lease agreement for Heritage Roof Truss
- 2. Discuss Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2017, presented by City Manager, Rob Logan
- 3. Update on Rickman Industrial Drive Realignment Project, presented by City Manager, Rob Logan
- 4. Update on Industrial Connector Scoping Project, presented by City Manager, Rob Logan
- 5. Update on LCI Project, presented by City Manager, Rob Logan
- 6. Approve/Deny meeting minutes

#### V. ADJOURNMENT

# 2016 Property Tax Statement

City of Holly Springs P.O. Box 990 Holly Springs, GA, 30142 770-345-5536

Make Check or Money Order Payable to:

City of Holly Springs

HOLLY SPRINGS DOWNTOWNDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY 100 HICKORY CIRCLE CANTON, GA 30114

Bill Number	Due Date	*Total Due*
2016-02307	12/20/2016	\$2,508.00

Map: 15N14 103

Payment Good through: 12/20/2016

Location: 101 PALM ST

If you have sold this property, forward the bill to the new owner and fax a copy of the settlement statement to 770-345-0209. If you have an escrow, forward the tax bill to your mortgage company as soon as possible. Pursuant to state law (O.C.G.A. 48-2-40) interest will be added to this bill monthly if the balance is not paid by the due date. Pursuant to state law (O.C.G.A. 48-2-44) penalties will also be added to the unpaid balance beginning 120 days after the due date. Pay online at www.hollyspringsepay.com This payment channel is provided as a convenient alternative to appearing in person to pay the bill. A separate fee for providing this convenience will be added to the balance. Customers will have the option to accept this fee or cancel the transaction prior to final payment.

#### You may pay this bill online at www.hollyspringsepay.com



Tax Payer:

HOLLY SPRINGS DOWNTOWNDEVELOPMENT AUTHOR

Map Code:

15N14 103 REAL

Description:

LL 306; 15TH DIST/TRACT PB 80 PG 47

Location:

101 PALM ST

Bill No:

2016-02307

District:

04A

Land Value	Building Value	Acres	Fair Market Value
\$0.00	\$1,101,500.00	8.7900	\$1,101,500.00
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Entity	FMV	Minus Exemptions	Adjusted FMV			Gross Amount	Credit	Net Amount
City Tax	1,101,500.00	1,101,500.00	0.00	0.00	5.0860	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
Fire Tax	1,101,500.00	1,101,500.00	0.00	0.00	3.3740	0.00	0.00	\$0.00
Stormwater Fee	7 2 2 2 3 2 M		ar E. v Pre-			2,508.00	0.00	\$2,508.00
TOTALS		10 2 2 3	5.750 Mins	A 1	8.4600	2,508.00	.00	\$2,508.00

Please see our website www.hollyspringsga.us regarding senior exemption qualifications. Questions regarding county exemptions, assessments or the fair market value of your property should be directed to the Cherokee County Assessor's office at 678-493-6120.

Total Due	\$2,508.00
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#### PROPERTY TAX DEPARTMENT

#### Dear Taxpayer:

This brochure is designed to provide you, the taxpayer, with essential information on the most common questions and concerns regarding property taxes.

#### **General Information**

Ad Valorem taxes (which means "according to the value") are levied on real and personal property and on motor vehicles each year. Property tax revenues are used by governments for General Fund maintenance and operations. Departments such as the Police Department, Economic Development, Parks & Recreation, Planning & Zoning, Finance, and Administration operate with General Fund revenue. Real property is land and any improvements such as buildings/houses or parking lots. Personal property is inventory and fixtures used in conducting business, boats, and machinery, etc. Motor Vehicle taxes are billed and collected by Cherokee County only.

The basis for ad valorem taxation is the fair market value of the property as determined by the Tax Assessor's Office. Georgia law says only 40% of that value is taxable which is referred to as the assessed value.

Tax Digests are prepared each year by the Tax Commissioner's Office after values are determined by the Tax Assessor's Office. Tax Digests provide property ownership, billing addresses and property locations for each taxing jurisdiction such as Holly Springs, Canton, and Woodstock.

#### **Property Tax Bills**

Property tax bills are issued annually on or near October 15<sup>th</sup> for the period of January 1 – December 31 of that same year. Bills are generated as required by law (O.C.G.A. 48-5-18) to reflect the owners and values in place on January 1<sup>st</sup> of the tax year.

#### When are taxes due?

Property taxes are due 60 days after the bill date. Pursuant to state law (O.C.G.A. 48-2-40) interest will be added to this bill monthly if the balance is not paid by the due date. When taxes have become 30 days past due, a Fi Fa (tax lien) is placed on the property and a recording fee is charged (O.C.G.A. 48-3-3). Pursuant to state law (O.C.G.A. 48-2-44) penalties will also be added to the unpaid balance beginning 120 days after the due date.

# My taxes are paid by my mortgage company, why am I getting a bill?

If your taxes are paid in escrow, please forward your tax statement to your mortgage company for payment.

#### **Senior Tax Exemptions**

The City provides a senior tax exemption on all eligible homestead property of \$1,000 on the land value and 100% of

the value of the improvements (structures). Resident must be 65 years of age or older on or before January 1st of the effective tax year. In addition, they must own and reside on the property on or before January 1st of the effective tax year. The deadline to file for this exemption is April 1st.

#### I sold this property, why am I getting a tax bill?

If you get a tax bill for property that you sold, please forward it to the new owners as quickly as possible. You may also return the bill to us with the new owner's name and address and we will gladly update our records and forward the bill to the new owner.

#### Weren't these taxes paid at closing?

Check with your closing attorney if you aren't sure.

#### New property owners

If you purchased after January 1, a property tax return (to declare taxable property you own) should be filed with the Tax Assessor's Office between January 1 and April 1 of the following year. Tax bills mailed at the end of the year will reflect values and exemptions that were in place on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Some new owners are surprised when they receive their tax bill the following year and find out their taxes are not the same. Homestead exemptions disappear when ownership changes. Be sure you apply for tax exemptions with the Cherokee County Tax Assessor's Office before April 1<sup>st</sup> so you can take advantage of all tax discounts available.

#### **Appeals**

Taxpayers may challenge an assessment by appealing to the Cherokee County Board of Tax Assessors if they feel their property value is not reflective of the fair market value. Contact the Cherokee County Tax Assessor's Office for more information.

#### Methods of payments

<u>In person</u>- Cash, check, money order, Visa, Master Card, or American Express at City Hall located at 3237 Holly Springs Parkway.

<u>Mail</u>- check or money order referencing your map and parcel number to: PO Box 990, Holly Springs, GA 30142.

Online- www.hollyspringsepay.com

#### **Contact information**

City of Holly Springs Customer Service 7

770-345-5536

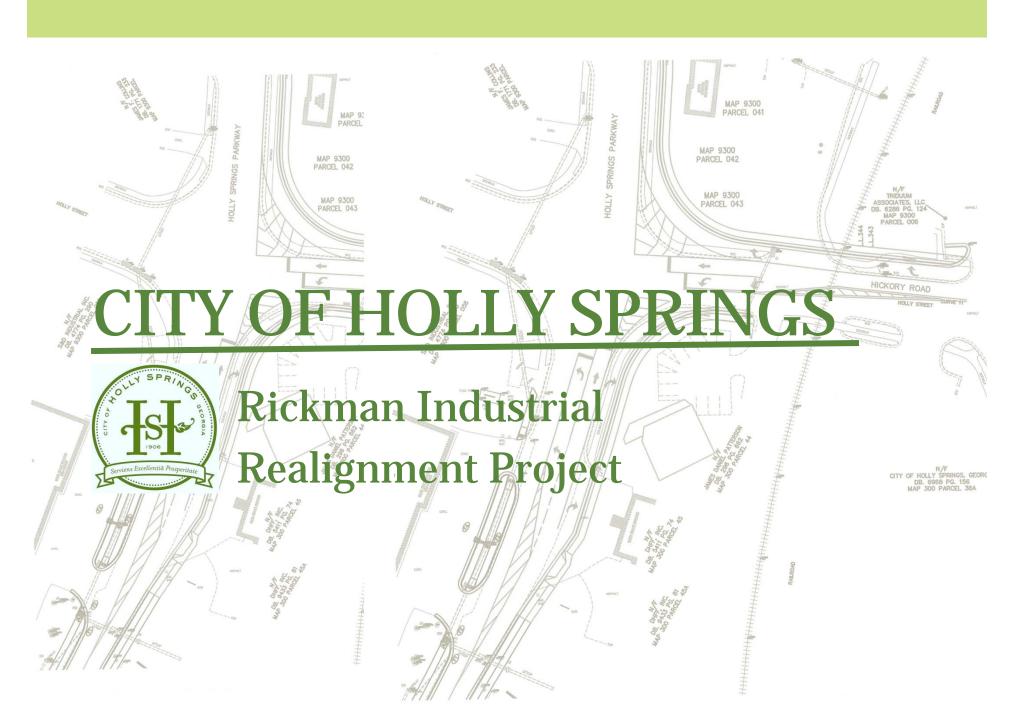
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ess: Cash Dis	sbursements			
DATE	CHECK #	VENDOR	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
7/11/2016	ACH	Cherokee Cty Water/Sewer	\$ (11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
8/9/2016	ACH	Cherokee Cty Water/Sewer	(11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
9/8/2016	ACH	Cherokee Cty Water/Sewer	\$ (11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
Total			\$ (33.60)	
Add: Deposits	& Other Cre	dits		
7/6/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$ 1,600.00	Rent
8/4/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$ 1,600.00	Rent
9/8/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$ 1,600.00	Rent
Total			\$ 4,800.00	
Ending Bank (	Balance		\$ 69,022.32	
Plus CDR			\$ 35,649.45	
Total Funds			\$ 104,671.77	

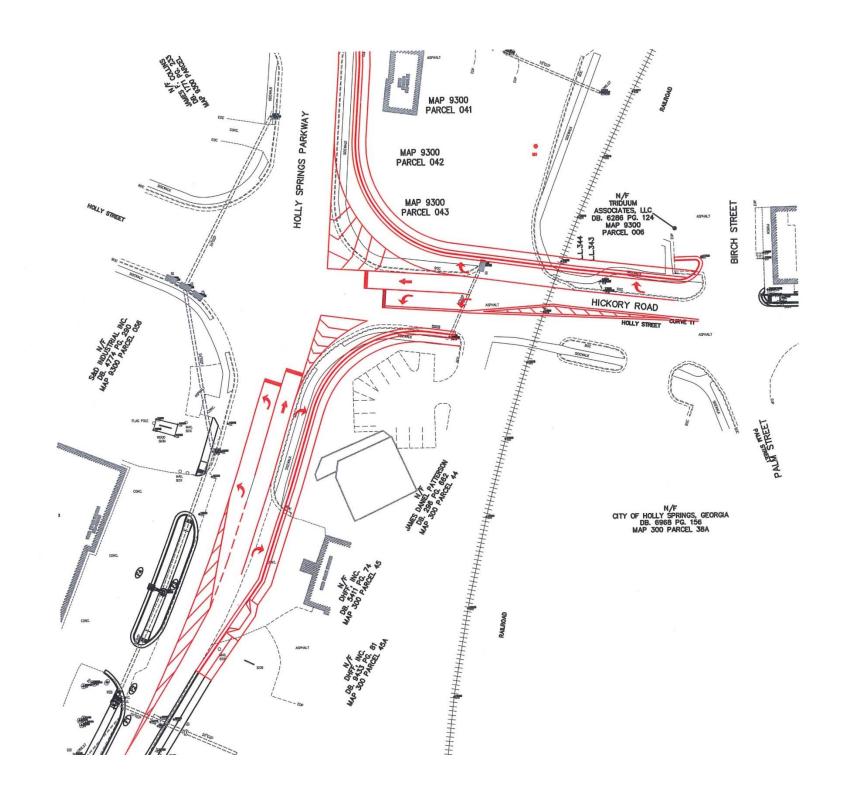
#### Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority Treasurer's Report April 1, 2016 - June 30, 2016

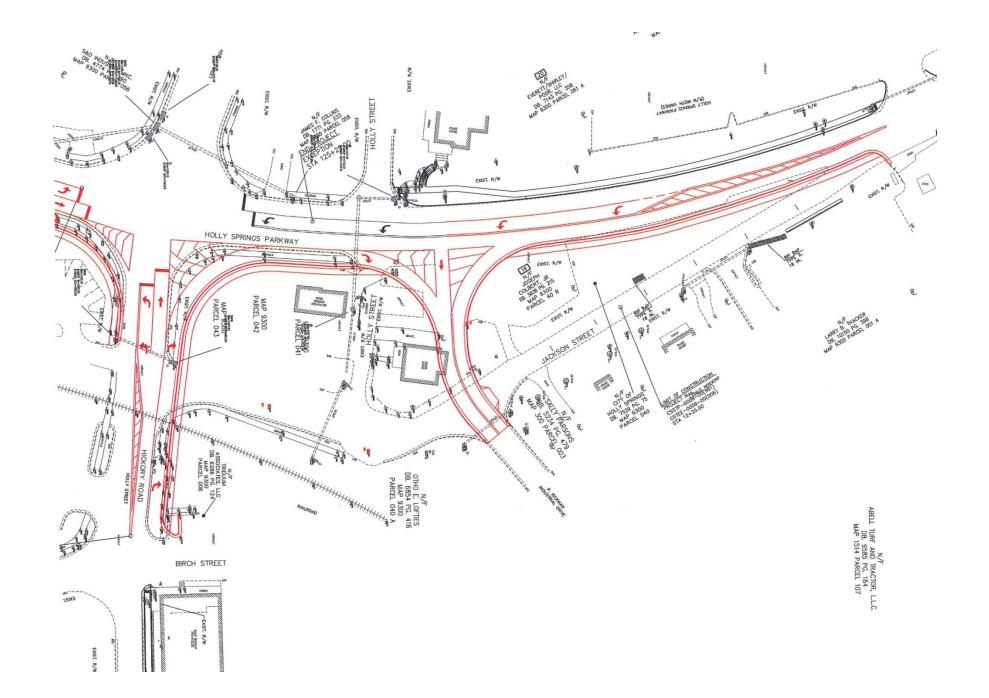
Opening Bala	nce:		\$	61,279.52	
Less: Cash Dis	bursements				
DATE	CHECK #	VENDOR	,	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
4/12/2016	ACH	Cherokee Cty Water/Sewer	\$	(11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
4/20/2016	1358	Cherokee Chamber of Commerce	\$	(290.00)	Chamber Yearly Dues
4/21/2016	1359	City of Holly Springs		(1,500.00)	Donation Holly Springs Special Events
5/12/2016	ACH	City of Holly Springs	\$	(11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
6/8/2016	ACH	Cherokee City Water/Sewer	\$	(11.20)	Water/Sewer Fees
Total			\$	(1,823.60)	
Add: Deposits	& Other Cred	dits			
4/5/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$	1,600.00	April 2016 Rent
5/12/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$	1,600.00	May 2016 Rent
6/9/2016		Heritage Roof Truss	\$	1,600.00	June 2016 Rent
Гotal			\$	4,800.00	
Ending Bank B	Balance		\$	64,255.92	
Plus CDR			\$	35,435.90	
otal Funds			\$	99,691.82	

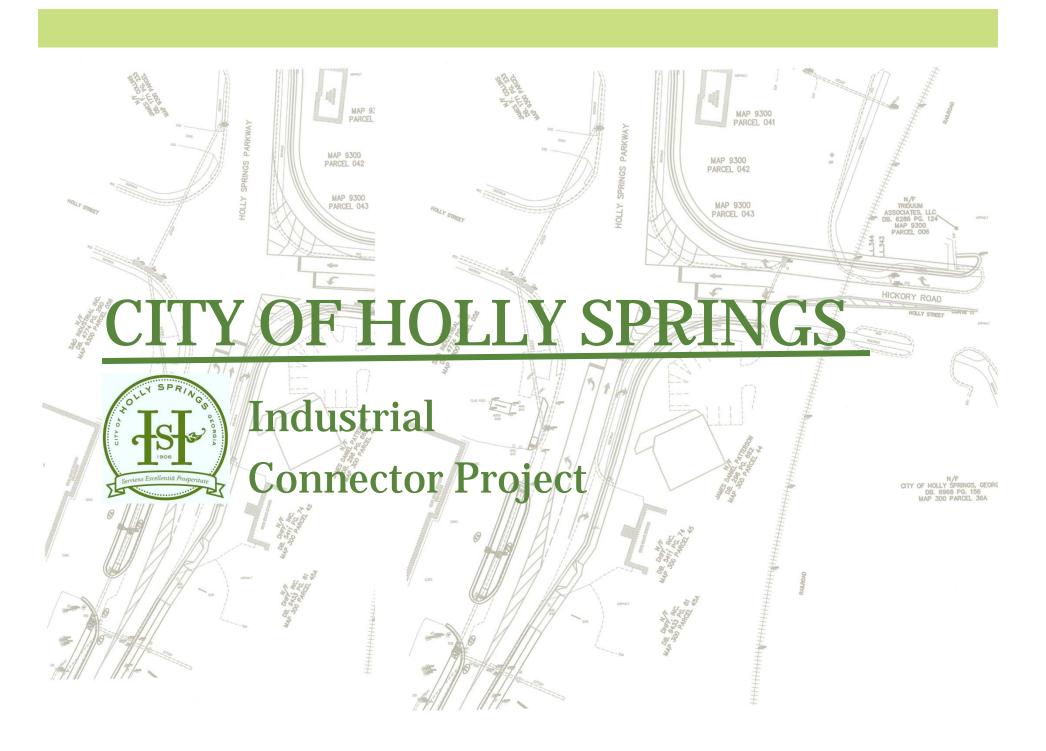
# City of Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority Proposed Budget For the Fiscal Year 2017

Account Number	Description	FY2016 Budget	FY2017 Budget	Variance
361000	Interest Revenue	150	150	-
381000	Property Rental	19,200	9,600	9,600
	TOTAL REVENUES	\$19,350	9,750	9,600
7550-522200	Repairs & Maintenance	11,000	2,750	(8,250)
7550-523600	Dues and Fees	500	500	-
7550-523700	Training	850	750	(100)
7550-523850	Professional Services	250	′250	-
7550-531100	Office Supplies	250	250	-
7550-531210	Utilities	500	250	(250)
7550-531700	Other Expenditures	500	500	-
7550-542100	Capital Outlay-Special Projects	1,000	-	(1,000)
7550-571000	Stormwater	2,500	2,500	
7550-572000	Sponsorships	2,000	2,000	-
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	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$19,350	\$9,750	(\$9,600)











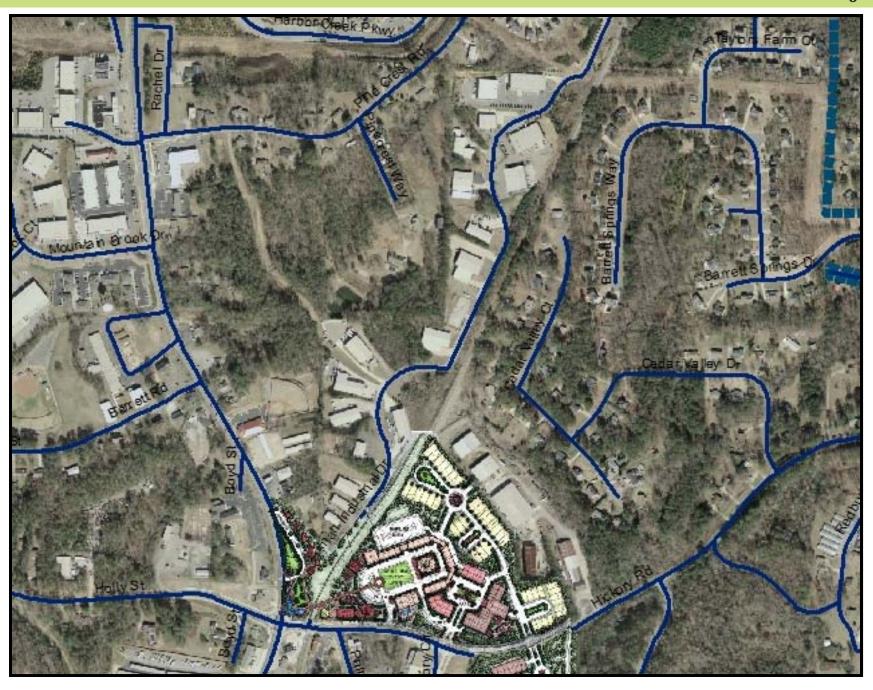
COHS entered into a contract with ARCADIS G&M, Inc. for the preparation of the Holly Springs Transportation Study, which identified several transportation improvement projects that needed to be constructed to improve traffic flow in the downtown Holly Springs area.



COHS entered into an agreement with URS for the performance of the Town Center Transportation Study & Plan (TCP).

Both studies suggested the construction of an industrial connector that would divert traffic from the downtown area, including the at-grade railroad crossing at the intersection of Hickory Rd. and Holly Springs Pkwy. It was also suggested that traffic be diverted from Hickory Springs Industrial Dr. over the railroad, across Rickman Industrial Dr. to Holly Springs Pkwy. near Exit 14 on I-575.

# **Industrial Connector Project**



The construction of the Industrial Connector will mitigate the congestion issues that currently exist in downtown Holly Springs near the intersection of Hickory Road and Holly Springs Parkway and improve operational issues that currently exist in this area due to the at-grade railroad crossing in close proximity to the traffic signal. Upon completion, the Industrial Connector will improve the Level of Service (LOS) within the town center district and will also reduce the number of traffic accidents in the area.

#### Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority

Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes April 20, 2016

Member Present: Steve Adcock, Kevin Moore, Phyllis Long, Sonia Carruthers

Members Absent: Kimberly Atlee, Kyle Whitaker, Chris Deluca

Staff Members Present: Rob Logan, City Manager

Chairman Steve Adcock called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00pm

#### **Old Business**

Kevin Moore presented the quarterly Treasurer's Report for the period of October 2015-December 2015 and for the period of January 2016-March 2016. Phyllis Long made a motion to approve the last quarter for 2015. Sonia Carruthers seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0. Sonia Carruthers made a motion to approve the first quarter 2016. Phyllis Long seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

#### **Election of 2016 Officers**

Steve Adcock made the following recommendations to nominate Kevin Moore to Vice Chairman, Sonia Carruthers to Treasurer, maintain Chris Deluca as Secretary. Steve Adcock would like to remain Chairman for another term. Phyllis Long made a motion to approve the recommendations Steve Adcock made. Kevin Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

#### **New Business**

The Board voted to renew the annual membership with the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce. Sonia Carruthers made a motion to approve the membership. Kevin Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

The Board approved the \$1500 for the Special Events for the rest of 2016. Sonia Carruthers made a motion to approve. Kevin Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

City of Holly Springs City Manager, Rob Logan updated the DDA on the progress of several Downtown Development Projects. Construction on Hickory Road & Old Hwy 5 is our LCI Project, installing storm water infrastructure, curb & gutters, sidewalks, lamp posts and street signs. Expect the project to be completed in nine months.

Grants from Cherokee County, HUD money for Palm Street will install sidewalks, curbing and gutters along Palm Street at the intersection going to Depot and south toward Toonigh. Project should start soon, moving utilities on the road. Phase II will go all the way to Toonigh.

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Applied for Georgia Environment Finance Authority (GEFA) to make repairs on Palm Street to address some erosion in the area.

Applied for additional funding to connect the gap between the Old Holly Springs School and Wal-Mart, to install sidewalks. This project was outside the scope of the first project. Application is pending approval.

We are working on the tax allocation district (TAD) with the school board and commissioners. We are not ready for a development agreement with the developers yet, needs the TAD done first. We did approve to have some additional funds set aside for Wakefield Beasley, who did the rendering boards for the downtown project to identify the most appropriate sites for the facilities shown on the rendering. Also testing with NOVA Engineering to determine the rock on site, looking at what it is going to take to mass grade the site to accommodate the structures and storm water.

Scoping grant from Atlanta Regional Commission for the bypass. Working on Request for Proposals (RFP) to be sent out soon. The Project will include preliminary engineering to identify route from Hickory Road to Hwy 5.

The Board accepted the resignation letter of Kimberly Atlee. Kevin Moore made a motion to accept the resignation letter. Phyllis Long seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

The Board approved the October 20, 2016 meeting minutes. Kevin Moore made a motion to approve the minutes. Phyllis Long seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

Next meeting will be in July. Will stay on a quarterly meeting schedule until further notice. Kevin Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm. Phyllis Long seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-0.

Steve Adcock, Chairman	Date	
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Respectfully Submitted		
Meeting Adjourned		

# Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority

Holly Springs Downtown Development Authority	
Meeting Minutes	
July 20, 2016	
Member Present: Steve Adcock, Kevin Moore, Phyll	is Long
Members Absent: Sonia Carruthers, Kyle Whitaker,	Chris Deluca
Staff Members Present: City Manager/Finance Direct Donna Sanders	tor Robert H. Logan, Assistant City Clerk
Meeting was cancelled due to no quorum.	
No action was taken.	
Respectfully Submitted	
Steve Adcock, Chairman Date	<del></del>