



CITY OF DUNWOODY

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Michael Tuller, AICP, Community Development Director

Date: February 22, 2010

Subject: **ARC Community Choices Program**

As noted by the Mayor and Council in late 2009, the Perimeter Center area will benefit greatly from an Overlay District. Preliminary meetings have been held with the Sign Committee, the PCIDs, and staff.

At the end of last week the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) announced it is accepting applications for the Community Choices program. Through this program, ARC awards assistance, in terms of staff time, for creating and implementing quality growth policies and plans.

The creation of an Overlay District for the Perimeter Center area meets all requirements of the Community Choices program. Adding the professional talents of ARC staff to this process will help reinforce our efforts to partner with the business community in promoting development patterns that are complimentary to the vision of this regional activity center.

In order to make application, the City must submit signatures of support from the Mayor and Council. **Staff recommends approving the attached resolution of support and signature sheet.**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE APPLICATION FOR THE ATLANTA
REGIONAL COMMISSION'S COMMUNITY CHOICES PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City has determined there is a need to create a zoning overlay district for the Perimeter Community Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to tie the overlay to the goals and objectives of the upcoming comprehensive plan, protect public health, safety, morals, and general aesthetics of the City of Dunwoody and the PCID; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to promote development patterns that are complimentary to the regional activity center in the Perimeter Community Improvement District by ensuring compatibility of the heights of structures, appearance of signage, and general character of the District; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to provide a district that applies quality growth principles, which will also encourage existing property owners to upgrade and reinvest in their properties, encourage site assemblage and redevelopment of underutilized parcels, and create a unified district within which property owners can redevelop in accord instead of in competition; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to create an environment that reinforces efforts to partner with the business community in the Perimeter Community Improvement District to stimulate economic growth into the area; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dunwoody, that the City of Dunwoody supports the application for the Atlanta Regional Commission's Community Choices Program.

SO RESOVLED AND EFFECTIVE this 22nd day of February, 2010.

Approved:

Ken Wright, Mayor

Attest:

Adriane Bonser, Council Member

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk

John Heneghan, Council Member

Danny Ross, Council Member

Denis Shortal, Council Member

Tom Taylor, Council Member

Robert Wittenstein, Council Member



**COMMUNITY CHOICES 2010 IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION
SIGNATURE SHEET**

*(**This sheet must be included along with an online application.)*

In order to demonstrate full commitment to implementation, the completed application must be signed by the chief elected official in your jurisdiction. Applications will not be accepted without this signature. All other elected officials are also encouraged to sign the application as a show of support for the effort.

Jurisdiction _____

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Please Mail this Sheet and any Supplemental Materials* to:

Atlanta Regional Commission

Community Choices

ATTN: KELLIE BROWNLOW

40 Courtland St. NE

Atlanta, GA 30303

kbrownlow@atlantaregional.com

**Supplemental Materials may include plans, amendments, newspaper articles, brochures and/or other materials that demonstrate community commitment*

PLEASE INCLUDE NO MORE THAN 3 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS PER APPLICATION