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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Michael Smith, Public Works Director

**Date:** April 12, 2021

**Subject:** **Funding Authorization for Design of Chamblee Dunwoody Road Bridge Enhancements**

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### **BACKGROUND**

The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is planning to replace the Chamblee Dunwoody Road bridge over I-285 as part of the project currently referred to as the I-285 Westbound Ramp Extension. The new bridge will have the same number of lanes on Chamblee Dunwoody Road as the existing bridge with a 10-foot sidewalk on the east side of road and a 12-foot wide shared use path on the west side. With Cotillion Drive and Savoy Drive becoming one-way roads, a return access lane connecting the two roads will also be added to the east side of the bridge.

The planned bridge replacement provides an opportunity for the city to add enhancements to the new bridge which serves as one of the primary gateways into Dunwoody. Kimley-Horn, the design consultant for this project, is developing a final concept based on City Council input at meetings in January and February.

### **FUNDING**

The city's total cost to provide final design documents for inclusion in a Memorandum of Agreement with GDOT is \$59,200, including \$29,200 already committed to the conceptual design completed to date. The design can be funded from surplus Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) funds. The Finance Department plans to present a budget amendment to close completed capital projects and reallocate surplus funds at a council meeting later this year.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff requests City Council authorization to provide funding of \$59,200 for the Chamblee Dunwoody bridge design in partnership with the PCID and their contract with Kimley-Horn. The next step will be to present a final concept to the City Council before beginning final design and submittal to GDOT.