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## City of South Fulton Government

## <u>City of South Fulton District 2 Councilwoman Carmalitha Gumbs Hosts Diverging Diamond Community Meeting</u>



(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA, Wednesday, September 26) On Monday, September 24, 2018 District 2 Councilwoman Carmalitha Gumbs, in partnership with East Point, Ward D Councilwoman Stephanie Gordon and College Park, Ward II Councilman Derrick Taylor, hosted a community meeting regarding the I-285 Camp Creek Parkway Diverging Diamond Interchange Project.

Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is constructing a new Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) at the intersection of Camp Creek Parkway and I-285. A DDI will improve the flow of traffic in this area, while increasing driver safety.

"Our residents have been very vocal about the need for improvements to major corridors in our area to increase safety and ease traffic congestion," stated Councilwoman Carmalitha Gumbs. "The diverging diamond interchange is a major step toward accommodating residents who traverse Camp Creek Parkway on their way to the marketplace and on their daily commutes via I-285. I'm excited about this and several other projects that are scheduled in our community. This major project will transcend our community in South Fulton as well as increase our property values. I will continue to lobby on residents' behalf for investments in our roads. Better, safer roads lead to better communities."

Traffic analysis has shown increasing numbers of crashes and traffic congestion at the I-285 Camp Creek Parkway interchange. The innovative DDI design addresses those issues by reducing potential points of intersection traffic conflicts and improving traffic flow and safety. All construction will begin at 7:00 P.M. or 8:00 P.M. on weekdays and 5:00 A.M. on weekends. Residents and visitors can contact 511 at any time for more information regarding the project.

To watch the DDI being constructed in a 10-minute increment time-lapse video, please visit: AeroCIDs.com/DDI.