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CITY OF CHAMBLEE ADOPTS TAX INCENTIVE STRATEGY

January 28, 2022— The Chamblee City Council and the Chamblee Downtown Development Authority (CDDA) have each unanimously voted to approve a new Tax Incentive Strategy that provides guidelines for the use of incentives designed to encourage the creation of jobs, housing diversity, historic preservation and more.

Strategic guidelines for the consideration of property tax incentives, as outlined in the Tax Incentive Strategy, provide clarity on the types of projects the CDDA would consider incentivizing while increasing accountability, ensuring fairness in the decision-making process, streamlining the application, and establishing high standards for projects. Projects requesting a tax incentive must demonstrate a substantial positive community benefit and are examined on a case-by-case basis to ensure they meet the city's vision.

The tax incentive strategy is reflective of the priorities established in the City of Chamblee's economic development strategic plan. The priorities are subject to adjustment based on changing economic conditions and the strategy will be periodically evaluated to ensure it reflects the city's goals. These priorities are:

- Creation of Jobs
- Housing Diversity
- Public Infrastructure Investment
- Historic Preservation
- New Concepts or Catalyst Projects
- Environmental Conditions and Sustainability

The Tax Incentive Strategy is available on the city's website (<https://www.chambleega.com/358/Downtown-Development-Authority>), as well as on the Chamblee DDA's website. For any questions or comments, contact Laura Linman, Economic Development Director at [llinman@chambleega.gov](mailto:lilinman@chambleega.gov).

The mission of the Chamblee Downtown Development Authority (CCDA) is to promote, preserve, and enhance a safe and economically viable central business district in the City of Chamblee. These goals are facilitated by the creation of various programs, both public and private, that encourage redevelopment, growth, and employment opportunities within the district. A primary tool for the CCDA in fulfilling these economic development goals is the application of property tax incentives.

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Located just 14 miles from downtown Atlanta, Chamblee is a vibrant urban city with a diverse community and international flair. The City of Chamblee began as a small rail town and was incorporated in 1908. It has grown to more than seven square miles and nearly 30,000 residents. Chamblee is home to a heavy rail MARTA station, the vibrant Buford Highway Corridor, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK), the Centers for Disease Control and a thriving business community with a unique sense of entrepreneurship and optimism. Visit www.chambleega.gov for more information.