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GWINNETT COMMISSIONERS ADOPT 2010 BUDGET PLAN

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Jan. 5, 2010) – The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners adopted the 2010 budget today. The budget details total appropriations of \$1.33 billion, down considerably from the 2009 budget of \$1.71 billion. Included within the budget is \$974.6 million for operating expenses and \$355.3 million for capital expenditures.

The budget includes hiring 58 police officers and re-establishing the Quality of Life Unit in the Police Department with an additional 10 positions. Fire Stations 18, 29 and 30 will be fully-staffed and operational. The County will also add 10 new positions to the 911 call center to respond to emergencies. Capital fund additions include an airport feasibility study, a nuisance abatement project and accelerating the relocation of Fire Station 10 and construction of Fire Station 31.

Board of Commissioners Chairman Charles Bannister said, “This budget continues to fund the programs we believe are core services and critical to the safety and welfare of our constituents. We are strategically budgeting funds in areas where we can take advantage of the current economic climate to maximize the dollars we have.”

“The County remains cautious about its financial position moving forward,” said County Administrator Glenn Stephens. “We will be closely monitoring our projections to ensure the ongoing financial viability of services.”

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