

DeKalb County Government

178 Sams Street Decatur, GA 30030

Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: YES □ **NO** ☒ **Department:** Watershed Management

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): 1, 4, 5, & 7

Approval and authorization to execute the updated Intergovernmental Agreement with Gwinnett County, Gwinnett County Water and Sewerage Authority for Sewer Services

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PURPOSE:

To consider the continuing Intergovernmental Agreement between Gwinnett County, Gwinnett County Water and Sewerage Authority and DeKalb County. This agreement allows Gwinnett County to provide sewer service to property within the boundaries of DeKalb and allows DeKalb to provide sewer service to property with the boundaries of Gwinnett.

NEED/IMPACT:

On November 21, 2011, DeKalb County and Gwinnett County entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (the "Flows Agreement") whereby DeKalb County and Gwinnett County agreed to accept and treat sewer flows from certain property within each other's jurisdiction. The Flows Agreement expired on November 20, 2021. Although the Flows Agreement has expired, Gwinnett has continued to accept and treat sewage flows from DeKalb County. At present time, limited sewer flows from Gwinnett County into DeKalb County continues. These sewer flows are pumped back into Gwinnett's sewer system via DeKalb's Leeshire and Royal Atlanta No. 3 pump stations form treatment within Gwinnett. To better preserve the limited sewer capacity, it is in the best interest of DeKalb County, Gwinnett County and its respective citizens that its sewer infrastructure should be reserved for development within each jurisdiction to the greatest extent feasible. To address the continued sewer flows between the jurisdictions, a schedule for the discontinuance of certain flows between the jurisdictions, and significant changes that have occurred in the operation of their respective sewer systems, it is in the best interest of DeKalb and Gwinnett and their customers and bondholders to enter into this Agreement to better serve the public and to better protect public health and safety and the quality of the human environment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Pursuant to Contract

RECOMMENDATION:

To authorize the CEO or designee to execute all necessary documents in a form acceptable to the County

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