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CHAMBLEE RECEIVES EXCEPTIONAL MERIT AWARD FROM
ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR LCI ACHIEVEMENT

November 2, 2018—The City of Chamblee today was named an exceptional merit award winner by The Atlanta Regional Commission during the 2018 Developments of Excellence awards at the agency’s State of the Region Breakfast. The awards recognize the developments and places in the 10-county Atlanta region that are improving quality of life for residents.

“We are very proud of this award,” said Chamblee Mayor Eric Clarkson. “The City of Chamblee is an outstanding example of what’s possible when a city makes steady strides toward fulfilling its vision for its future.”

Chamblee began the process in 2001 with a Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) plan that sought to transform the area surrounding the Chamblee’s MARTA station, which at the time was dominated by vacant and underutilized commercial spaces and parking lots.

“Today, Chamblee’s Town Center is a vibrant, walkable downtown that realizes the city’s LCI plan and plays into its strength of being adjacent to transit. New streetscapes along Peachtree Road, Pierce Drive and Peachtree Boulevard include landscaping and traffic calming. The Chamblee Rail Trail connects the Mid-City District to nearby Keswick Park and will eventually link a network of regional trails” adds Mayor Clarkson. “These amenities have attracted a great deal of new development and adaptive reuse of historic structures, including bustling restaurants, retail and residential development.”

The award also honors Mercy Park. The development integrates healthcare and community life. Mercy Park is a four-acre campus in downtown Chamblee. It brings together a 79-unit senior residential community and a nonprofit health clinic that serves both residents and the general public. The residential community is reserved for individuals 62 years of age and older, people with disabilities and veterans. The health clinic serves residents and the surrounding community with pediatric and adult primary care, behavioral health and dental services.

Mercy Park engages the community with buildings that are set close to the street and within walking distance of transit, the Chamblee Rail Trail retail and other services. In addition, the development is LEED certified, and the residential component generates a significant amount of its electricity onsite with roof-mounted solar panels.

For more information on the City of Chamblee, visit www.chambleega.gov or call 770-986-5010.

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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, a historic downtown and Antique Row, 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.