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# November meeting

**November 3; 6pm**  
**Hosted by**  
**Duluth Historical Society**



Strickland House  
2956 Buford Highway, Duluth, GA 30096  
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The Duluth Historical Society, an all volunteer organization, was chartered in 1999 as a 501C3 corporation, by a group of concerned and energetic citizens wanting to preserve our rich heritage here in Duluth, GA.

The Mission Statement: Recognize the value of our people's rich heritage. It is important to understand who we were, who we are, and who we are yet to become. We are doing this by informing the public of the city's history, "then and Now", sponsoring programs and promoting pride in Duluth's history and traditions. Our main focus is the promotion and

expansion of our Duluth History Museum. "Preserving our history, Recording the present and Reaching for the future" is our motto.

#### **About the Strickland House**

Completed in 1898 by Henry Strickland Jr. and his wife Alice Harrell Strickland. Henry was a young lawyer and business man and Alice a traditional plantation lady. They raised 7 children in that home, all of whom were college graduates.

Alice continued to live in the home after Henry's death and continued to be very involved in her family, church

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# County Commissioners Give Approval For Gwinnett Place TAD

*Tax allocation district seen as catalyst for future redevelopment in business district*

Gwinnett County's Board of Commissioners today gave their approval for proposed tax allocation districts (TADs) in five locations throughout the county – an important first step in establishing the redevelopment-friendly feature for the Gwinnett Place area.

The Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District (CID) took the lead in working with stakeholders, consultants and county leaders to develop the proposed TAD and its joint redevelopment plan to serve greater Gwinnett Place, which is the county's central business district.

"Our stakeholders and Board of Directors have rightly identified TADs as an important tool to help encourage redevelopment and future growth," said CID Executive Director Joe Allen. "Our development community has told us that a TAD is a key tool to make our area more

competitive and inviting for revitalization, and other communities have used this resource with great success. We are thankful for the Commissioners' leadership and support for this very important effort."



The Gwinnett Place TAD could more than triple in taxable value from \$178 million to \$607 million in 15 years, depending on the projects realized. It is also estimated that projects in the TAD could create 11,233 jobs and result in \$470 million in annual payroll.

More information about the Gwinnett Place TAD and its accompanying redevelopment plan – including a detailed Power Point presentation – is available under the "plans and studies" portion of the CID's Website at [www.GwinnettPlaceCID.com](http://www.GwinnettPlaceCID.com).

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