

Sidewalks, upgrades coming to Gwinnett Place

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DULUTH -- Work is getting started on projects to beautify the Gwinnett

Place area.

Officials from the local Community Improvement District announced the beginning of construction for three streetscapes and six sidewalk projects in the area surrounding the county's oldest mall.

The plans include upgrades such as benches, trashcans, brick pavers and landscaping to accompany new sidewalks on portions of Pleasant Hill Road and Satellite Boulevard. New sidewalks will also be coming to Koger Boulevard, Pineland Road and portions of Steve Reynolds Boulevard, Old Norcross Road, Sweetwater Road and Venture Drive.

"We are enthusiastic about the new pedestrian improvement projects, which will bring a whole new look to sections of Gwinnett's central business district," CID Executive Director Joe Allen said. "Gwinnett County has been a tremendous partner in getting these initiatives underway. Gwinnett DOT has been with us from the very beginning of the planning to their leadership role in the construction."

The projects will be under construction this summer, with the work expected to wrap up in October. The job will result in some lane closures, officials warned.

The projects are funded with CID dollars as well as state transportation enhancement grants and county funds.