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Media Alert DeKalb To Break Ground for \$5 Million Fire Station

Fire Station No. 7 is the first building project funded by SPLOST

- Who:
 DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond, Board of Commissioners, Public Safety

 Director Joseph "Jack" Lumpkin and Fire Chief Darnell Fullum
- What: County officials are hosting a virtual groundbreaking ceremony for DeKalb's new Fire Station No. 7 building.

This new, two-story, 15,000-square-foot, three-bay facility will include a community and exercise room, as well as hot and cold zones with separate cleanout gear and laundry areas positioned to help alleviate cross contamination of carcinogens with sleeping and dining areas. The beautifully landscaped exterior will include a retention pond, sidewalks, and lighted parking lot.

Fire Station No. 7 is the first of several new fire stations to be built countywide using Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) funds.

DeKalb County will receive an estimated \$388 million in SPLOST revenue over a six-year period to improve county roads, infrastructure, libraries, parks, and public safety. For more information about DeKalb County SPLOST, visit <u>www.dekalbsplost.com</u>.

When: Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

Where: 1712 Columbia Drive, Decatur, Ga. 30032

The public is invited to view the event live on DeKalb County Television (DCTV) on Channel 23 for Comcast Cable subscribers in DeKalb County. The event also will be streamed live at <u>www.DCTVChannel23.tv.</u>

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