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DeKalb County to Host Sanitation Service Change Community Meeting

DECATUR, Ga. – DeKalb County will hold a public meeting to discuss the sanitation service change proposed for county residents on **Feb. 9 at 6:30-7:30 p.m.** at **Scott Candler Library, 1917 Candler Road, Decatur, GA 30032.**

Commissioner Kathie Gannon and Interim CEO Lee May will host the meeting to discuss the initiative with county residents, set to be heard for a vote at an upcoming Board of Commissioners meeting.

The following outlines the proposed solid waste and recycling initiative from DeKalb County's Sanitation Division:

- **Residential customers will not experience a rate increase.**
- **Standardized containers.** The standardized use of 65-gallon green county-provided trash containers will ensure neighborhoods are cleaner and neater with the reduction of loose trash.
- **One-day-a-week waste collection.** Currently, garbage is collected twice a week for DeKalb County residents. On the first collection day, Sanitation picks up more than 66 percent of countywide garbage. This leaves a much lighter second-day collection.
- **Consolidated collection.** With consolidated collection, all waste (solid waste, recycling, and yard trimmings) will be collected on the same day.
- **Additional benefits to county residents.** The program will include a renewed focus on recycling education for county residents and additional roadside litter collection by Sanitation employees.

DeKalb County is Georgia's third largest county with more than 700,000 residents calling it home. Known for its business and education hub, growing international community and natural wonders, DeKalb County Government is administered by [Interim Chief Executive Officer Lee May](#) and legislative policy is set by a seven-member [Board of Commissioners](#).

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