





To: John McDonough, City Manager

From: Nancy J. Leathers, AICP, Acting Director, Department of Community Development 

Date: September 20, 2011 for Submission onto the October 4, 2011 Regular Meeting Agenda

Agenda Item: Street Name Change – Colonel Drive to Pride Place

***Department of Community Development Recommendation:***

Recommend **APPROVAL** of the street name change of Colonel Drive to Pride Place.

***Background:***

The staff of the Community Development Department was contacted by Dr. Kay Walker, on behalf of Sandy Springs Charter Middle School. The school would like to change the street name from Colonel Drive to Pride Place. Colonel Drive is located in Land Lots 365, 366 and 367, 6th District, Sandy Springs, Georgia, on the north side of Roberts Drive and travels north for approximately 2,854 feet before intersecting with North River Parkway.

***Discussion:***

The staff has reviewed the material submitted by the applicant and determined that all property owners immediately affected by the proposed street name change have been notified to the change. In addition, the staff has reviewed the Fulton County Street Name Database and determined that there is currently no Pride Place within the County.

***Alternatives:***

- The Mayor and City Council could choose not to approve a street name change or could adopt a different street name from the one proposed.

***Financial Impact:***

New street signs will need to be purchased and installed by Sandy Springs Middle School.

***Concurrent Review:***

Wendell K. Willard, City Attorney

Reading: October 4, 2011

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF FULTON

**A RESOLUTION TO RENAME COLONEL DRIVE TO PRIDE PLACE FROM ROBERTS  
DRIVE TO NORTH RIVER PARKWAY**

**WHEREAS**, Colonel Drive is located in Land Lots 365, 366 and 367, 6<sup>th</sup> District, Sandy Springs, Fulton County, Georgia, to the north side of Roberts Drive and travels north for before intersecting with North River Parkway; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kay Walker, Principal of Sandy Springs Charter Middle School has petitioned the City with regards to the desire to change the name of Colonel Drive to Pride Place; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandy Springs Charter Middle Scholl has occupied the property since 1993. The street was originally named for the Crestwood High School "Colonels". The school is requesting a name that reflects their school. The name Pride Place was created during a student contest. The school motto is Producing Responsible Individuals Determined to Excel (PRIDE); and

**WHEREAS**, the staff has reviewed the material submitted and determined that all property owners immediately affected by the proposed street name change have been notified of the change, and the staff has determined that there is currently no Pride Place within Fulton County; and

**WHEREAS**, the name Pride Place was derived from a student contest. The school motto is Producing Responsible Individuals Determined to Excel (PRIDE); and

**WHEREAS**, Sandy Springs Charter Middle School has been and continues to service the community since 1993; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, to accomplish the foregoing, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, pursuant to their authority, do hereby adopt the following Resolution:

**1.**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs do hereby approve the street name change of Colonel Drive to Pride Place from Roberts Drive to North River Parkway.

**2.**

The street names shall be changed in accordance with Exhibit 1, as attached to this resolution.

**3.**

This Resolution is effective October 4, 2011; and

**RESOLVED** this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

Approved:

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Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:

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Michael Casey, City Clerk  
(Seal)



**Street Name Change Request**

**Colonel Drive to Pride Place  
(from Roberts Drive to North River Parkway)**

**HEARING & MEETING DATES**

**Mayor and City Council  
October 4, 2011**

**APPLICANT/PETITIONER INFORMATION**

<b>Petitioner</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Sandy Springs Middle School	Dr. Kay Walker, Principal

**STREET INFORMATION**

<b>Land Lot (s)</b>	364, 366 and 367
<b>District</b>	6th
<b>Council District</b>	1
<b>Frontage</b>	Approximately 2,854 feet

**REQUEST**

The applicant is requesting a street name change based on the following:

The street was original named for the Crestwood High School "Colonels" after their mascot. Since 1993, Sandy Springs Charter Middle School has occupied the property. The school is requesting a name that reflects their school. The name Pride Place was created during a student contest. The school motto is Producing Responsible Individuals Determined to Excel (PRIDE).

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATION  
APPROVAL**

**PROPERTY OWNERS WITH ADDRESS ADJACENT TO SUBJECT STREET**

DWPDLLC, 8805 Dunwoody Place  
Gray, Curtis & Diane, 8853 Carroll Manor Drive  
Fulton County Board of Education, 8750 Colonel Drive  
Northridge Owner, LLC , 8605 Dunwoody Place  
Mason Creek Townhomes Inc, 201 Mason Creek Circle  
Boardworks Outdoor Advertising, Robert Drive  
Gwinn, Ehron, 8855 Carroll Manor Drive

# Location Map

## Colonel Drive



Prepared by the City of Sandy Springs Department of Community Development for the Mayor and City Council Meeting on October 4, 2011

**BACKGROUND:**

The staff of the Community Development Department was contacted by Dr. Kay Walker, on behalf of Sandy Springs Charter Middle School. The school would like to change the street name from Colonel Drive to Pride Place. Colonel Drive is located in Land Lots 365, 366 and 367, 6th District, Sandy Springs, Georgia, on the north side of Roberts Drive and travels north for approximately 2,854 feet before intersecting with North River Parkway.

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The staff has reviewed the material submitted by the applicant and determined that all property owners immediately affected by the proposed street name change have been notified to the change. In addition, the staff has reviewed the Fulton County Street Name Database and determined that there is currently no Pride Place within the County.

**ANALYSIS:**

The City of Sandy Springs Code of Ordinances states the following:

Sec. 103-31. Assignment of names and address.

h. Changing of existing roadway names and addresses.

1. In any instance where the mayor and council, upon recommendation of the director of the department, determines that an existing road name may pose a threat to the public health, safety or welfare, the mayor and council on its own motion may change such roadway name after notice is given and a public hearing is held.

*Finding:*

*The school is currently the only property with frontage on Colonel Drive. Changing of the street name to Pride Place would not create a threat to the public health, safety and welfare. While staff supports the roadway name change from Colonel Drive to Pride Place. Staff reviewed the request relative to assignment of names and address standards contained in Section 103-31 of Code of the Sandy Springs. Based upon this review, staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the street name change request subject to the following recommendation:*

**1) Pride Place (or another name) from Roberts Drive to North River Parkway**

- a. Notice of the proposed change and hearing date shall be given at least 25 days, but no more than 45 days, prior to the scheduled date of the mayor and council hearing on the proposed change.

*Finding:*

*The staff has advertised the proposed street name change and the hearing dates on September 9, 2011 and September 30, 2011. Therefore, staff is of the opinion this condition has been satisfied.*

- b. The department shall post a sign at approximately one mile intervals throughout the length of the roadway for which a name change is proposed and shall give notice by regular mail to the owners (according to the tax records of Sandy Springs) of each property which bears an address on the roadway for which a name change is proposed.

*Finding:*

*The Staff has posted two (2) signs one (1) at each end of the 2,854 foot road. Also, all property owners immediately affected by the proposed street name change have been notified to the change. Therefore, staff is of the opinion this condition has been satisfied.*

- c. Such signs and notices shall contain the time, date, place and purpose of the hearing, as well as a statement of the beginning and ending points of the segment of the roadway for which the name change is proposed. Notice shall not be considered inadequate if the signs are removed or mail is not delivered.

*Finding:*

*The Staff has posted two (2) signs one (1) at each end of the 2,854 foot road. Each sign advertises the proposed Street Name change and the public hearing date, time, and address of the public hearing. Therefore, staff is of the opinion this condition has been satisfied.*

**DEPARTMENT COMMENTS:**

The following departmental comments have been provided:

<b>Communications</b>	Community Service Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Community Services Manager has not raised any issues regarding this road name change.</li> </ul>
<b>Geographic Information Systems</b>	GIS Analyst	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ GIS has not raised any issues regarding this road name change.</li> </ul>
<b>Public Safety</b>	Deputy Police Chief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sandy Springs Police Department has not raised any issues regarding this road name change.</li> </ul>
	Senior Deputy Fire Marshall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sandy Springs Fire has not raised any issues regarding this road name change.</li> </ul>
<b>Public Works Department</b>	Traffic Engineer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Public Works has not raised any issues regarding this road name change.</li> </ul>

The following external agencies have been notified. The staff has not received any additional comments from:

Deborah Gordon, U.S. Postal Service Address Management Systems  
 Patrick J. Burke, Planning Director Fulton County School

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1) **The Mayor and City Council could choose not to approve a street name change or could adopt a different street name from the one proposed.**

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff reviewed the request relative to assignment of names and address standards contained in Section 103-31 of Code of the Sandy Springs. Based upon this review, staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the street name change request subject to the following recommendations:

- 1) Pride Place (or another name) from Roberts Drive to North River Parkway.

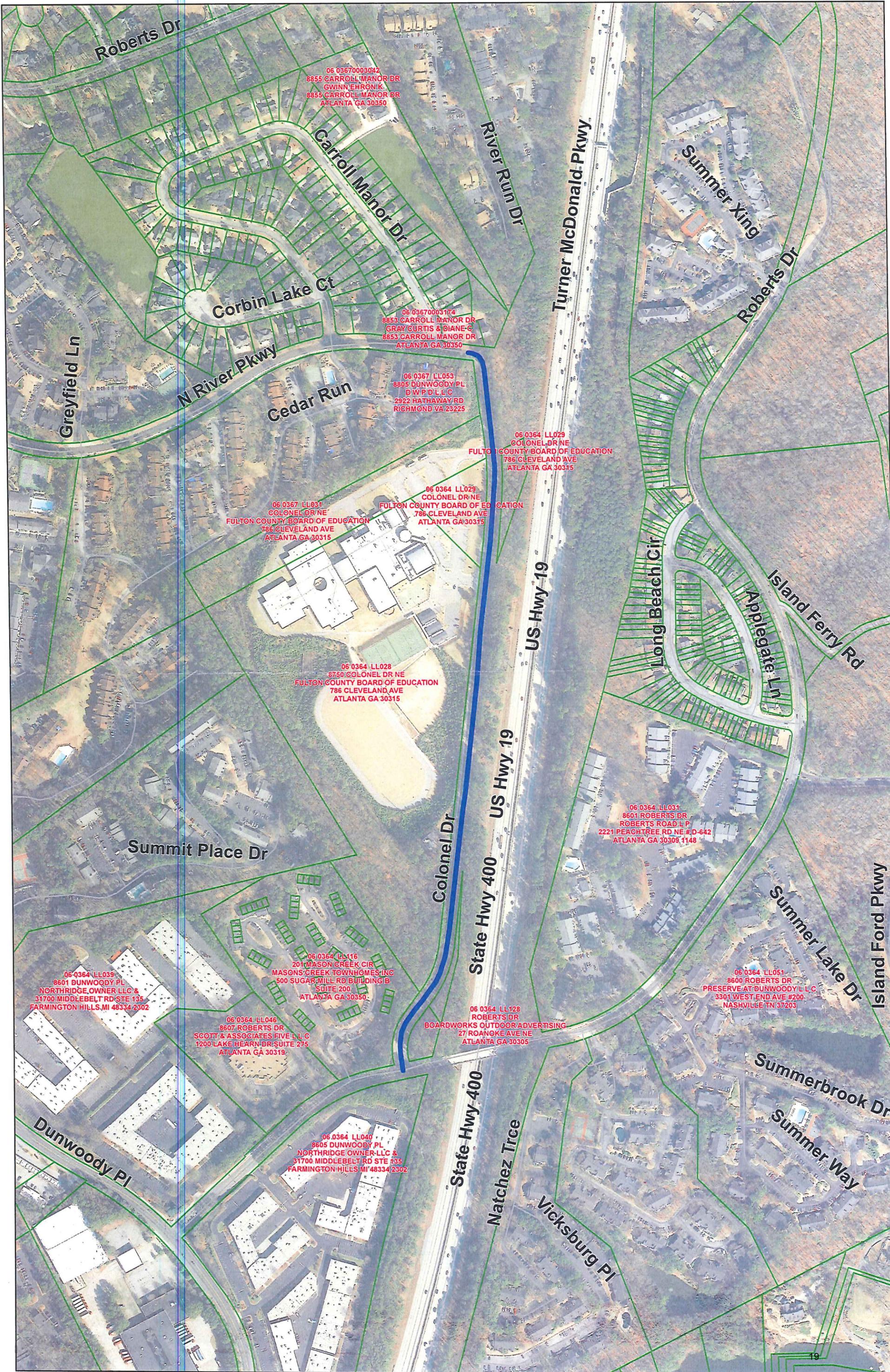
**ATTACHMENTS**

Map showing Colonel Drive

Street Name Change Application

Property address along Colonel Drive

# Colonel Drive





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JUN 20 2011

STREET NAME CHANGE REQUEST City of Sandy Springs Community Development

Date: 4/25/11

CURRENT STREET NAME: Colonel Drive

LAND LOT: 365, 366, 367 DISTRICT: 6TH PARCEL ID 063670310

PROPOSED STREET NAME: PRIDE Place

REASON FOR CHANGE: Colonel Drive was named for the Crestwood High School "Colonels" (mascot) Since 1993, Sandy Springs Charter Middle has occupied this property, Colonel Drive does not reflect our school.

SOURCE/MEANING/BACKGROUND OF NEW NAME: Student contest: PRIDE is our motto. Producing Responsible Individuals Determined to Excel (PRIDE)

APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME: Kay Walker

MAILING ADDRESS: 8750 Colonel Drive

No. Street City State Zip Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Signature: Kay Walker Telephone Number: 770 552 4978

CIRCLE ONE: PROPERTY OWNER / LIENHOLDER / TENANT / AGENT / OTHER

PROPERTY OWNERS WITH FRONTAGE ON SUBJECT STREET: (Provide names and addresses please)

Staff Only

Council Meeting Date Land Lot District Similar Street Name: Overlay District Yes No Public Works Sign Off



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June 16, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL **RECEIVED**

**JUN 20 2011**

Mr. Alex Hofflich  
Public Works  
City of Sandy Springs Development Department  
7840 Roswell Road, Building 500  
Sandy Springs, GA 30350

City of Sandy Springs  
Community Development

Dear Mr. Hofflich,

The street for access to Sandy Springs Middle School is called Colonel Drive. Fulton County Schools is seeking to change the name of the street from Colonel Drive to Pride Place. The original name of Colonel Drive is derived from the high school which was previously known as Crestwood High School Colonels.

The principal, faculty, PTA, students, and the school district all support the street name change request to Pride Place as PRIDE (Providing Responsible Individuals Determined to Excel) is the motto for Sandy Springs Middle School. Internally, our Transportation, Public Safety, Maintenance, and Utility departments have reviewed the proposed change request and will plan accordingly when the street name is changed formally.

Separately, I have spoken with both the Fire Department and Police Department, and the U. S Postal Service Department regarding the change request.

We would appreciate a favorable response to this request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

David Knotts  
Coordinator  
Land Management

Enclosure

cc: Leonard Box  
Lynn Simpson

Joseph Clements  
Chandi Greene

Mark Muma  
Kay Walker

Mike Peek  
Russell Holly

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FACILITIES SERVICES

SITUS	OWNER1	ADD2	ADD3	ADD4
COLONEL DR NE	FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	786 CLEVELAND AVE	ATLANTA GA 30315	
8805 DUNWOODY PL	D W P D L L C	2922 HATHAWAY RD	RICHMOND VA 23225	
8853 CARROLL MANOR DR	GRAY CURTIS & DIANE C	8853 CARROLL MANOR DR	ATLANTA GA 30350	
8750 COLONEL DR NE	FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	786 CLEVELAND AVE	ATLANTA GA 30315	
COLONEL DR NE	FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	786 CLEVELAND AVE	ATLANTA GA 30315	
8605 DUNWOODY PL	NORTHRIDGE OWNER LLC &	31700 MIDDLEBELT RD STE 135	FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48334 2302	
201 MASON CREEK CIR	MASONS CREEK TOWNHOMES INC	500 SUGAR MILL RD BUILDING B	SUITE 200	ATLANTA GA 30350
ROBERTS DR	BOARDWORKS OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	27 ROANOKE AVE NE	ATLANTA GA 30305	
8855 CARROLL MANOR DR	GWINN EHON K	8855 CARROLL MANOR DR	ATLANTA GA 30350	

