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## **GDOT Announces \$80,000 Grant for LaGrange Project**

***LaGrange, Ga. August 21, 2018*** – The City of LaGrange is receiving an \$80,000 Georgia Department of Transportation grant.



The money will be used to install a welcome sign on the off ramp of exit 18 on Lafayette Parkway, Highway 109. It will also be used to

address an erosion issue near the area.

“We are happy to have been selected to receive this grant to continue beautification efforts at exit 18 in our city,” Community Development Director Alton West said.

“This marks the third grant that we have received to address projects like this in our community. We look forward to a continued working relationship with the Georgia



*Rendering of proposed welcome sign*

Department of Transportation on beautification projects.”

GDOT provides grant funds to local municipalities through their Beautification and Enhancement Program. It is a competitive process that awards grants to municipalities to address issues of erosion, improving water quality, and promoting pride in the local communities as well as the state of Georgia.

The funds are for cities to create small enhancements that are visible to the travelling public and create multiple benefits to the state’s rights of way.

City staff plan to work with Columbus Landscape Architect Gary Gullatte.

The City of LaGrange has received nearly \$200,000 in grant money from the GDOT.

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