

Minutes – One Percent SPLOST Citizen Oversight Committee
Thursday, January 16, 2025

Members Present:

Jacquelyn Bettadapur
Steve Byrne
Jay Cunningham
Lindsey Edwards
Marline Elkins
Wilmark Harris
Gene Lewis
Deidra Massey
Michael McNeely
Bill de St. Aubin (V)
Frank Wigington
Matthew Yarbrough

Members Absent

Essence Johnson
Felicia McDade
Alice Summerour

Cobb County & Other Officials Present:

Jimmy Gisi, Deputy County Manager
Bill Volkmann, Finance Director
Drew Raessler, DOT Director
Jonathan Yee, DOT Deputy Director
April Jones, Admin, DOT
Jenny Xu, Finance

City of Austell

Darrell Weaver, Community Affairs Director

City of Marietta

Mark Rice, Director of Public Works

Chair Michael McNeely called the One Percent SPLOST Citizen Oversight Committee to order at 3:18 PM on January 16, 2025 at the Cobb PARKS Department facility. As there was a quorum present, a motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2024 meeting. A motion was made and seconded; minutes were approved unanimously.

As stated in the committee bylaws, committee leadership elections are held annually at the January meeting.

Chair: Michael McNeely was nominated by Matthew Yarbrough. There being no other nominations, Michael McNeely was approved unanimously as the Chair.

Vice Chair: Matthew Yarbrough was nominated by Michael McNeely. There being no other nominations, Matthew Yarbrough was approved unanimously as the Vice Chair.

Secretary: Jacquelyn Bettadapur was nominated by Matthew Yarbrough. There being no other nominations, Jacquelyn Bettadapur was approved unanimously as the Secretary.

Jenny Xu, Finance Department briefed the committee on the 2022 SPLOST Revenue Summary and included financial updates on the 2011, 2016 and 2022 SPLOST programs. 2022 SPLOST revenues collected are \$225 million over budget. Projected collections based on a 12-month average are \$1,058,464,472 – over budget by \$308,464,472. Collections based on a 24-month average are projected to be \$1,063,217,255 – over budget by \$313,217,255. Both, the 12-month average and 24-month average project 7 months to reach the budget of \$750 million. Unobligated remaining funds for the 2011 and 2016 SPLOST are as follows: 2011 - \$5.6 million, 2016 - \$29.8 million.

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City of Austell

Presenting: Darrell Weaver, Community Affairs Director

2011 SPLOST

Receipts: \$5,322,718

Expended & Encumbered: \$5,274,747

Remaining funds to be disbursed in 2025 to complete addition at fire station for training.

2016 SPLOST

Receipts: \$8,597,142

Expended & Encumbered: \$8,215,905

Highlighted Projects

Rosehill Street resurfacing

2022 SPLOST

Receipts (as of 12/31/2024): \$5,498,307

Expended & Encumbered (as of 12/31/2024): \$3,909,946

Highlighted Projects

Threadmill Complex

City of Marietta

Presenting: Mark Rice, Director of Public Works

2011 SPLOST

Receipts: \$49,503,399

Expended & Encumbered (as of 12/31/2024): \$49,503,399

Highlighted Projects

Rottenwood Creek Trail Phase 1 Design – will be re-bid in early 2025

Roswell Street 4 Lane Gap (Lakewood to Olive) – plans in final development, bid early 2025

2016 SPLOST

Receipts: \$69,395,674

Expended & Encumbered (as of 12/31/2024): \$69,395,674

Highlighted Projects

Rottenwood Phase 1 – combined with 2011 SPLOST

Public Safety – ALS Heart Monitors, Fire Vehicles, Police Vehicles, Radio Communications

Capital Improvements – Public Works Building Renovation, Public Safety Training & Facility

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2022 SPLOST

Receipts (as of 12/31/2024): \$45,235,999

Expended & Encumbered (as of 12/31/2024): \$21,553,371

Highlighted Projects

New Hope Road & Wylie Road Intersection Improvement

White Avenue Sidewalk

Burnt Hickory Road & Polk Avenue Intersection Improvement

Cherokee/Tower/Church Widening

Whitlock Drive Intersection Improvement

Roswell Street Improvement (Fairground to Victory)

North Marietta Parkway Streetscape

Tower Road & James Street Intersection Improvement

Waverly Way & Atlanta Road Intersection Improvement

Mountain View Ridge Improvement

Various Traffic Calming Projects

City of Acworth

Presenting: James Albright, City Manager

2016 SPLOST

Total Budget: \$34,799,751

Remaining Balance of Unencumbered Funds: \$505,767

Highlighted Projects:

Citywide Stormwater Assessment

Logan Farm Park Trail Pedestrian Bridge

Cauble Park Pavilion Replacement

Northside Drive Improvements

2022 SPLOST

Budget: \$24,060,517

FY 23/24 SPLOST Fund Balance: \$1,618,924

Highlighted Projects:

Cowan Road Multi-use Trail

Miscellaneous Paving & Stormwater

Public Safety – in-car video systems and body camera upgrades

Public Safety – 4 new vehicles

Cauble Park

Acworth Due West/Ragsdale Road

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Cobb County DOT

Presenting: Jonathan Yee, Deputy Director

2011 SPLOST

Current Budget (as of 1/1/25): \$372,465,453

Encumbrances (as of 1/1/25): \$6,561,257

Expenditures (as of 1/1/25): \$342,926,818

Remaining (as of 1/1/25): \$22,977,378

Projects in Pre-Construction Phase

Cumberland Transit Center: \$2M remaining (\$1.6M grant, \$0.4M SPLOST)

Marietta Transit Center: \$19.6M remaining (\$18.6M grant, \$1.0M SPLOST)

Projects in Construction Phase

Lower Roswell Road

Powder Springs Road at Hopkins Road/Carter Road Traffic Signal

Highlighted Project

Lower Roswell Road – Safety and Operational Improvements between Woodlawn Drive and Davidson Road, scheduled for completion November 2026

2016 SPLOST

Current Budget (as of 1/1/25): \$522,086,876

Encumbrances (as of 1/1/25): \$30,328,040

Expenditures (as of 1/1/25): \$468,075,593

Remaining (as of 1/1/25): \$23,683,244

Projects in Pre-Construction Phase

Dallas Highway at Mars Hill Road/Lost Mountain Road

Old 41 Highway roundabouts and realignment

Marietta Maintenance Facility Expansion

Powder Springs Road Trail

Shiloh Road at Royal Dr/Apartment Dr

South Cobb Transit Center Site Selection Study

Projects in Construction Phase (projects in bold were discussed/highlighted)

Akers Mill Rd Managed Lanes Access (GDOT) – anticipated completion in 90 days

Hillcrest Drive Sidewalk (completion Spring 2025)

Mableton Pkwy Pedestrian Improvement Phase 2 (completion Spring 2025)

Old Floyd Rd at Veterans Memorial Hwy

Sewell Mill Road Sidewalk

Shallowford Road at Wesley Chapel Rd – anticipated completion in 90 days

Silver Comet Trail Connector (completion Summer 2025)

South Barrett Reliever, Phase 3 (completion Fall 2025)

Stout Pkwy at Burnt Hickory (Paulding)

Windy Hill Road (Smyrna)

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2022 SPLOST

Current Budget (as of 1/1/25): \$409,321,613

Encumbrances (as of 1/1/25): \$44,628,540

Expenditures (as of 1/1/25): \$174,290,691

Remaining (as of 1/1/25): \$190,402,382

Highlighted Projects

Old Stilesboro Road at County Line Road – safety and operational improvements, construction scheduled to start in March 2025, construction duration 15 months

South Gordon Road at Pisgah Road – safety and operational improvements, construction scheduled to start in April 2025, construction duration 15 months

Johnson Ferry Rd at Shallowford Road – operational and safety intersection improvements, construction scheduled for 2026

Atlanta Road Bridge over CSX RR – combined with 2016 SPLOST Silver Comet Trail Extension (project #X2415), scheduled for completion Summer 2025

Big Shanty Road at Hidden Forest Court – operational and safety improvements, scheduled for completion Summer 2025

Ewing Road Sidewalk – construction scheduled to start in February 2025, construction duration 12 months

West Sandtown Road Sidewalk – project was substantially complete in December 2024

Other Business

The next SPLOST COC meeting will be on March 20, 2025 at Cobb County PARKS, 1792 County Services Parkway, Marietta, GA 30060.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.