SPLOST VIII Getting Started

February 13, 2025



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SPLOST VIII Pre-Planning

- -SPLOST VII ends March 2027
- Projected Ending Revenue of \$56-57M
- Time to Begin Planning of Next SPLOST

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- When should be hold the Referendum? -2025 or 2026?
- What Projects need to be included?
- Should there be Tier I or Tier II projects?

SPLOST VIII Potential Projects

- New Jail (Phase in or Debt Re-Payment)
- Fire/EMS/911 Bldg Phase 2
- Road Resurfacing/Construction
- Bridge/Culvert Replacements
- Public Works Equipment
- Fire / EMS Vehicles

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- Sheriff Vehicles
- Park & Recreation:
 - South Community Center/Gym
 - Trails (Walking/Biking)
 - Baseball Soccer Fields
- Airport Upgrades
- Landfill Equipment Future Sites

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- Tier I Project Examples:

- -County Jail Detention Center
- Health Dept Courthouse
- County Admin Building (Elected/Constitutional)

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- Tier II Project Examples:
 - Ambulance Purchases -County Library
 - 911 System Upgrades Senior Centers
- - Level Two projects cannot be more than 20% of the total estimated SPLOST revenues.

SPLOST VIII Next Steps

- -Determine when County needs to have the vote
- Compile a List of Projects
- Meet with the Cities to engage conversations
- Negotiate County/City revenue allocations
- Negotiate IGA's with the Cities
- Issue Call for Referendum 90 days prior to election date

QUESTIONS – COMMENTS?

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