

MINUTES  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
GLYNN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
W. HAROLD PATE BUILDING  
1725 REYNOLDS STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 224  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019 AT 2:00 PM

PRESENT: Michael Browning, Chairman, District 1  
Bill Brunson, Vice Chairman, District 4  
Dr. Peter Murphy, Commissioner, District 2  
Wayne Neal, Commissioner, District 3  
David O'Quinn, Commissioner, At Large Post 1

ABSENT: Allen Booker, Commissioner, District 5  
Bob Coleman, Commissioner, At Large Post 2

ALSO PRESENT: Alan Ours, County Manager  
Aaron Mumford, County Attorney  
Dhwani Patel, County Clerk

Discussion and consideration of voting on the following:

1. Consideration of the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST 2020) project list

Alan Ours, County Manager, reported that the Public Works Department and the Community Development Department worked diligently since the Board meeting on October 8, 2019, to provide cost estimates for projects designated as high priority in the draft SPLOST 2020 project list. Along with projects from the City of Brunswick, JWSC, and Jekyll Island, the total comes around to be around \$138 million. Mr. Ours also stated that Heery Design is in the process of doing an analysis on the Courthouse to provide a cost estimate based on the concept that the Courthouse Space Needs Committee recommended. Heery Design should be prepared to present to the Board in November.

Aaron Mumford, County Attorney, stated that if the Board decides to place the Courthouse project on the referendum, it would be considered a level one project. The addition of the level one project would dictate the amount of time the SPLOST could collect revenues. If that project cost consumes less than 24 months of revenues, it would be a five-year SPLOST. If the project cost consumes more than 24 months of revenues, it would be a six-year SPLOST. He also recommended that the Board finalize the list of all projects by the end of December.

Commissioner O'Quinn proposed having a three-year SPLOST which would allocate some funds for the complete design for the Courthouse building and also include some funds to make immediate upgrades to the Courthouse. Mr. Mumford stated that once a level one project is identified, the SPLOST cannot be less than 5 years.

Mr. Ours explained that Glynn County's portion of the SPLOST funds would amount to approximately \$42 million out of a \$100 million SPLOST once the funds for Jekyll Island, JWSC, City of Brunswick, and the courthouse project are allocated. The courthouse project is using an estimate of \$25 million however that number may vary depending on recommendations from Heery Design. Mr. Mumford stated that the Economic Development Authority's (EDA) two requested projects, site development at the EDA Highway 99 site and engineering to apply for GRAD certification for 650 acres at the Brunswick Golden Isles Airport, may not qualify for SPLOST funds however he will do more research to be certain.

Paul Andrews, County Engineer, provided background of the College Park drainage - phase 1 construction project. Mr. Andrews and Dave Austin, Director of Public Works, also elaborated on the Altamaha Canal tree removal and bank stabilization project in North Glynn area and the project to purchase of 10 acres on St. Simons Island for storing storm debris which would function as a passive park when there is no debris storage needed. Kathryn Downs, Assistant County Manager, responded to questions regarding the shoreline protection plan implementation. Randy Jordan, Fire Chief, and Mr. Austin reported to the Board regarding the fire station projects.

Commissioner Browning stated that the SPLOST 2020 project list would continue to be discussed at a future special called meeting. [REPORT](#)

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION/POST EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION

The Board did not hold an executive session during this meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

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Michael Browning, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners  
Glynn County, Georgia

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Dhwani Patel, County Clerk