SPLOST Citizen Oversight Group
Meeting Minutes, November 20, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

1	**November 20, 2019**
2	**SPLOST OVERSIGHT GROUP MINUTES**
3	1. **Call to Order**
4	The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. with Isaac Blythers presiding.
5	2. **Inspiration: Randal Mangham**
6	Randal Mangham was not present and the Inspiration agenda item was skipped.
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8	3. **Committee Roll Call**
9	The following members were present:
10	Teresa Hardy Appointed by CEO Michael Thurmond
11	Gale Walldorff Appointed by CEO Michael Thurmond
12	Jenna Teston Appointed by District 1 Commissioner Nancy Jester
13	Nancy Love, co-chair Appointed by District 2 Commissioner Jeff Rader
14	Alice Bussey Appointed by District 3 Commissioner Larry Johnson
15	Isaac Blythers, co-chair Appointed by District 4 Commissioner Steve Bradshaw
16	Gina Mangham Appointed by District 5 Commissioner Mereda Davis-Johnson
17	Ellen Nash Appointed by Super District 6 Commissioner Kathie Gannon
18	*Randal Mangham Appointed by Super District 7 Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
19	*Indicates present via phone.
20	DeKalb County Staff:
21	Delores Crowell DeKalb County Government Affairs Director
22	Sarah Page DeKalb County Public Information Officer
23	SPLOST Program Manager:
24	Chris Kingsbury SPLOST Program Manager, Moreland-Altobelli
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26	4. **Addition to or Adoption of Agenda**

1   Motion: Approval of the agenda. Motion introduced by Teresa Hardy. Motion seconded by Gale
2   Walldorff. Motion carries.

3   5. **Approval of Minutes – October**

4   Randal Mangham joined the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

5   Motion: Approve the October minutes. Motion introduced by Nancy Love. Motion seconded by Jenna
6   Teston.

7   Substitute Motion: Defer the October minutes and vote to approve at the next meeting. Motion
8   introduced by Gale Walldorf. Motion seconded by Jenna Teston. Motion carries.

9   6. **Old Business**

10 Motion: For purposes of discussion, approve the initial report. Motion introduced by Gale Walldorf.
11 Motion seconded by Ellen Nash.

12 Discussion opened regarding the reporting time period and resolution requirements for reporting.

13 Gale Walldorf, Jenna Teston, Nancy Love, Isaac Blythers and Ellen Nash vote to approve. Teresa Hardy,
14 Alice Bussey, Gina Mangham and Randal Mangham vote to deny. Motion carries.

15 Motion: Approve the September minutes with any needed corrections. Motion introduced by Teresa
16 Hardy. Motion seconded by Nancy Love.

17 Corrections to include name and title updates, and moving the location of members present or absent.

18 Motion carries with Gale Walldorff abstaining.

19 Delores Crowell, DeKalb County government affairs director, presented an overview on organizational
20 training for the SPLOST Citizen Oversight Group to be provided by Theisen Consulting.

21 Motion: Direct Delores to initiate contact with consulting firm for training and provide a timeline for
22 individual appointments. Motion introduced by Gale Walldorff. Motion seconded by Gina Mangham.
23 Motion carries.

24   7. **New Business**

25 Sarah Page, DeKalb County public information officer, presented on the SPLOST communications
26 program, including community outreach participation, developed collateral, digital and media
27 communications.

28 Motion: Extend the meeting time to complete the agenda. Motion introduced by Gina Mangham.
29 Motion seconded by Jenna Teston. Motion carries

30   8. **SPLOST Updates**

1 Chris Kingsbury, Moreland-Altobelli, DeKalb County SPLOST program manager, gave an update on

2 SPLOST, including revenue projections and collections, the reopening of Sugar Creek Golf Course and

3 road resurfacing progress.

4 Delores Crowell presented from the CEO's office and passed out copies of Georgia Trend Magazine,

5 which featured DeKalb County.

6 9. **Public Comment**

7 **Lena Render**: Requests sidewalks on River and Linecrest and Flakes Mill roads, especially near the new

8 County Line-Ellenwood library, and street lights near MARTA bus stops. States this meeting and other

9 county meetings need to be publicized. There needs to be signage in the community for the library and

10 park. MARTA bus stops needs shelters and benches.

11 **Stephen Binney:** States the SPLOST oversight group should consider asking the Board of Commissioners

12 who takes their SPLOST committee minutes and request that person. Suggests a calendar-year time

13 frame for an annual report. Requests the oversight group review contracts, projects and timelines.

14 10. **SPLOST Group Comments**

15 **Alice Bussey:** Requests something in writing for EHOST to give out as collateral.

16 **Gina Mangham:** It's important to build a foundation in an organization to be productive.

17 **Teresa Hardy:** We need to review TEAMS and add a line item on the agenda for oversight to discuss

18 from a committee perspective.

19 **Isaac Blythers:** Group members should bring suggestions for DeKalb staff members to present.

20 **Jenna Teston:** Grateful for time investment in the meeting and wishes a happy Thanksgiving.

21 11. **Adjournment**

22 Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Motion introduced by Teresa Hardy. Motion seconded by

23 Jenna Teston. Motion carries.

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