

**ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY  
SPLOST 2020 CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 25, 2019**

The Athens-Clarke County SPLOST 2020 Citizens Advisory Committee met on Monday, February 25, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at 780 Barber Street, Athens, Georgia. The purpose of the meeting was review of project presentations

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Aitkens, Sara Beresford, Frances Berry, Carl Blount, Laura W. Carter, Dr. Cshanyse Allen, Tracy Davenport, Katrina Evans, Denny Galis, David Griffin, Thomas P. Lauth, Robert Miles, Adam Shirley, Lora Thompson, Rob Trevena, Jim Weck, Dr. Shannon Wilder, Dr. Marilyn Wolf-Ragatz, Shane Blackwell, Dr. LaKeisha Gantt, Jennifer Zwirn

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Amy Stone

**STAFF PRESENT:** Keith Sanders, SPLOST Program Administrator, David Fluck, Central Services Director

**WELCOME / COMMENTS / INFORMATION**

Welcome by Chair, Dr. Shannon Wilder.

**MEETING MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL:**

**February 20, 2019 Minutes:** Tom Lauth made the motion to approve the Minutes of **February 20, 2019**. Laura Carter seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

**PRESENTATIONS OF ALTERNATE PROPOSALS:**

*The full presentation and the questions and answers from the presentation are available on the recording of the presentations; which is available at <https://www.accgov.com/8540/SPLOST-2020-Submitted-Projects>.*

Keith Sanders reviewed alternate proposals.

**REVIEW OF STRAW POLLING**

Keith Sanders reviewed the procedures for straw polling. The following actions were taken:

- Rob Trevena made the motion to use the language presented for rule one with the number to have reached consensus being 17 or more will have reached consensus and will be a locked in yes for future rounds of voting Adam Shirley seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The rule will read as noted on the attached Straw Polling Protocols.
- Adam Shirley made the motion that after projects have received 17 or more votes to move on to next round, instead of simple majority to determine whether the status of original project or alternate project

would be used, it would take a 2/3 thirds vote to select project or alternate. If neither the project nor the alternate is recommended by 2/3 thirds of the Committee, then it would stay on the list for future consideration. David Griffin seconded the motion. The motion failed to pass with a vote of 4 to 13 and one with 1 member abstaining.

- Laura Carter made the motion to use the language presented for rule two with the number being for projects that are recommended by 3 or less members will not be considered to not have enough committee support to be considered further. These projects (original and alternates) will be removed from further consideration. Carl Blount seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with 1 member abstaining. The rule will read as noted on the attached Straw Polling Protocols.
- Katrina Evans made the motion to follow the Round Robin Period allowing for 2 minutes rather than 90 seconds per committee member for project discussion. Adam Shirley seconded the motion and the motion carried with 17 – 1 vote. The final wording will read as noted on the attached Straw Polling Protocols.
- Adam Shirley made the motion that after the 2 minute Round Robin period; if 1/3 of the voting members present elect to extend the discussion period, the Chair will facilitate an open discussion period for ten minutes. The chair shall close all discussions after the ten-minute period and proceed to call the next straw poll vote. David Griffin seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The final wording will read as noted on the attached Straw Polling Protocols.

#### **DISCUSSION / ALTERNATE REQUESTS**

***The minutes only capture action items that are taken and the items discussed. The full discussion is available from the audio recording of the discussion period.***

#### **INFORMATION / NEXT MEETING DATE**

- The next regular meeting of the committee is Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bob Snipes Water Resource Center. Purpose: Open discussion.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The above summation is an interpretation of the items discussed and decisions reached at the above referenced meeting, not a transcript of the meeting. A digital recording of the meeting is available upon request. Anyone desiring to add to, or otherwise correct the minutes, is requested to return written comments to the SPLOST Administrator by the date of the next meeting.

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Keith D. Sanders, SPLOST Program Administrator

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