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SPLOST 2016 moving ahead

GLYNN COUNTY, Ga. – Following the passage of the SPLOST 2016 referendum on the November 8, 2016 ballot, the Glynn County Board of Commissioners and staff are moving forward with plans to prepare for the SPLOST 2016 projects.

During the Tuesday, November 15th work session, the Board of Commissioners discussed the SPLOST 2016 Citizens Oversight Committee. The purpose of this committee is to ensure that all SPLOST 2016 projects are completed in an efficient, transparent, and fully accountable manner. The committee will be made up of nine (9) members: seven (7) members appointed by the Glynn County Board of Commissioners and two (2) members appointed by the City of Brunswick.

The Glynn County Board of Commissioners is currently accepting letters of interest from citizens who would like to be considered for appointment to the Citizens Oversight Committee. Those wishing to be considered should send an email or letter to the County Clerk, Cindee Overstreet, along with a resume listing qualifications. Resumes will be accepted until close of business on Tuesday, January 10, 2017. The Board of Commissioners plans to make appointments to the Citizens Oversight Committee in early 2017. More information on serving on the Citizens Oversight Committee is available at www.glynncounty.org.

County staff has begun to meet on a regular basis to begin the process of seeking Requests for Proposals (RFP) for SPLOST 2016 projects. Once an RFP is approved, the project will be ready to go out to bid as soon as SPLOST 2016 revenues come in. Doing this work in advance will minimize the time required to get a project started.

Revenues from SPLOST 2016 will be distributed to the County beginning in June 2017. In accordance with state law, 19.32% of the revenues will be distributed to the City of Brunswick as soon as they are received.

Staff will continue to meet on a monthly basis to discuss the status of projects and map out a completion timeline which will be presented to the Citizens Oversight Committee. Recommendations to the Citizens Oversight Committee will be based on the parameters of the project's design and the priority of the project.

The Glynn County Board of Commissioners and County staff are committed to seeing that SPLOST 2016 projects are completed in the timeliest and most efficient manner possible. We remain dedicated to making the SPLOST 2016 process transparent and keeping citizens informed along the way.

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