



Committee Meeting

May 18, 2026 | 5:30 PM
700 Poplar Street Macon, GA 31201

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Update on SPLOST Projects
4. Adjournment

2025 SPLOST Update 5/18/26

2025 SPLOST

1.	Collections Life to Date (3/30/26) -	\$ 22,489,465
2.	Bond	\$ 50,000,000
3.	Bond Premium	\$ 5,302,329
4.	Interest Collected	<u>\$. 1,405,212</u>
	Total Income to Date	\$ 79,197,006
	 Total Spent to date	 \$ 23,021,522
	Total Encumbered to Date	<u>\$ 11,152,979</u>
	Total spent and encumbered	\$ 34,174,501
	 Cash on hand, uncommitted	 \$45,022,505
	 January 2026 SPLOST Tax Collected	 \$ 3,343,654
	January 2025 SPLOST Tax Collected	\$ 3,373,698
	 February 2026 SPLOST Tax Collected	 \$ 3,551,996
	February 2025 SPLOST Tax Collected	\$ 3,639,499
	 March 2026 SPLOST Tax Collected	 \$ 3,878,646
	March 2025 SPLOST Tax Collected	\$ 3,502,342

Public Safety

1. A contract has been entered into with Jericho Design Group to renovate some existing areas in the jail and to build a new wing to serve mental health inmates and those in maximum security. **MAXIMUM costs of \$34 million had been approved by the Commission, which is a slight increase due to some additional scope requested by the sheriff and some existing site utilities that will have to be moved. A GMP will be established, in June 2026, once the plans are finalized. The first phase of tearing down the Higgins Building and constructing the new parking**

- lot have started.** Warren Associates was awarded the CMAR contract. Initial funding sources are \$7M from the 2025 SPLOST Bond, \$14M in estimated funds remaining from the Courthouse renovations and \$5M from 2025 SPLOST collections. **Additional funds will come from the 2025 SPLOST, if needed.**
2. **Public Safety Other-The administration has budgeted \$2,850,664 from the 2025 SPLOST collections and \$2M from the bond, for items to be identified.**

Cultural and Recreation

1. **Arena – The county has retained the services for MFA, Inc to develop an overall design scope and serve as the “Owners Rep” in the development of the new arena. PBK Architects have been contracted to provide architectural services. And Barton Malow/Sheridan Construction have been selected as the Construction Manager at Risk for the project. Early designs and programming have started with an estimated completion date of the project of September 2028. A Gross Maximum Price should be determined in Spring 2026 and a potential capital stack will be determined at that time. **Preliminary design is complete and pricing is being determined. Financing options are currently being discussed.****
2. **Professional Services – The county has budgeted \$1,219,740 from the 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds for one years of MFA’s contract.**
3. **The County has set aside \$5.8M from 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds and \$17.5M from SPLOST collections for the Arena.**

Roads

1. **Contracts have been awarded for \$12,363,308 on 7 separate contracts with 3 vendors for approximately 57 miles of roads to be milled and paved.** The county has identified a total of \$20 million from the 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds for road milling and resurfacing. **Work has been completed on these bid packages with the exception of Bass Road in Bid Package #7.**
2. **The County has designated approximately \$8.8M for additional road work that should total approximately 28 miles. This will be broken down into several bid packages and should go out for bid in May.**

3. **Once all bid packages are completed, MBC will have milled and re-surfaced approximately 175 in the last year.**

Industrial and Urban Development

1. \$10,000,000 from the 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds has been established for items to be identified.

Parks and Recreation

1. \$7,000,000 from the 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds has been established for items to be identified. Approximately \$2.2M has been utilized to acquire several parcels of land for Ocmulgee Heritage Trail expansion and other recreation opportunities.

Debt

1. \$5,125,000 has been budgeted for debt repayment from the FY26 SPLOST collections.

Note – The budget for FY 26 has been approved by the Commission. The project list will be determined by Commission as the projects are identified. The budget for FY27 will be voted on by the beginning of the fiscal year in July 2026. It has been determined that the budget for this SPLOST will be determined on an annual basis.

2018 SPLOST Update 5/18/26

2018 SPLOST

1.	Collections Life to Date (3/30/26) -	\$289,996,849
2.	Bond	\$ 35,000,000
3.	Bond Premium	\$ 5,826,045
4.	Interest Collected	<u>\$ 12,620,986</u>
	Total Income to Date	\$343,443,880
	Total Spent to date	\$273,523,130
	Total Encumbered to Date	<u>\$ 16,187,979</u>
	Total spent and encumbered	\$289,711,109
	Cash on hand, uncommitted	\$53,732,771

Walker Road Landfill

1. Work has started on the closure, which is expected for 2025. The contract was awarded to Piedmont Mining for approximately \$9.3 million. We are currently 99% complete. **We are expecting our final closure inspection by EPD to occur on May 18, 2026.**

Courthouse Addition

1. The Mayor has authorized BTBB Architects to move forward with the work to provide a safer travel flow for judges and to design a secure sallyport for detainee movement. BTBB will also look at the feasibility of a 20-year redesign of the courthouse and how it is being used. Plans have been reviewed and approved by the judges. The architect and CMAR will work to finalize the plans and come up with a schedule for the work and a Gross Maximum Price. **Estimated construction is approximately \$14M. Work has begun on Phase 1, which is on the first floor. This work includes demolition of the former IT space, relocation of power, and lots of cabling work for the entire facility.**

2. Juvenile Justice – We have been asked to “finish” the third courtroom into a meeting space/training room. **Stafford Builders and Consultants have completed this work.**

Public Safety

1. Fire Upgrades – **The balance of these funds will be used to upgrade the fire dispatch system at a cost of approximately \$1M. We have also purchased additional turnout gear and breathing apparatus.**
2. IT Upgrades – **With the hiring of a new IT director, it was determined that a new radio shop wasn’t needed. These funds are now being used to upgrade IT needs throughout the county. There is approximately \$250,000 remaining.**
3. Towers – **This work has been completed and all funds have been depleted.**
4. **Tornado Sirens** – a contract was approved with Federal Signal Corporation for \$2.6M to replace the entire tornado warning system. **This work has begun and should be completed by the fall of 2026.**
5. **Sheriffs capital needs** – The sheriff has requested \$700K for various projects, including the purchase of new pistols and long rifles, a remote firing system and scanner system, among other items. **We have begun these acquisitions.**

Roads and Bridges

1. LMIG –**2026 LMIG is approximately 16 miles and and was awarded to Professional Paving. The 2026 LRA has gone out for bid and totals 13.2 miles.**
2. Bass Road – Engineering continues. **Estimated costs have increased to approximately \$60M with Bibb County match to be approximately \$20M. Preliminary engineering began in 2020 with ROW work/acquisition to begin in 2026 and actual construction to begin in 2028.**
3. Forest Hill Road- Because the state has decided to withhold funding for this project, MBC has decided to pave the unfinished area and call this project complete. **Commission approved this. \$3.7M that has been reallocated for additional road projects.**
4. Walnut Street Parking – This is a new, 5 acre parking lot at the entrance to Carolyn Crayton Park. **The first phase of this**

project will be completed the week of May 25, 2026. Second phase will include coordination with MWA for stormwater improvements along Walnut Street and Seventh Street with this entire area being repaved.

5. Jeffersonville Road- There has been \$1,000,000 appropriated by the Commission for sidewalk improvements beyond that work being done by GDOT. Engineering of the sidewalks is complete. Several conflicts with MWA infrastructure have been identified and MWA is working on a plan to relocate these.

Cultural and Public

1. Auditorium- **MBC has approved an additional \$2.75M to renovate the main corridor and install large bathrooms on the main floors. Sheridan will do this work for \$2.1M. Work is scheduled to begin in July 2026. Approximately \$500K will be used to upgrade the sound system and theatrical lighting. This should complete this project for the next 25 years.**
2. Grand Opera House – Grand leadership and Mercer have identified improvements to the dressing rooms and restrooms backstage as well as a total replacement of the stage lighting and sound system. Turner Construction has been awarded this contract for \$641,000. **This work is complete with the exception of replacing the exterior doors on the side of the building. This should be complete in the next 30 days.**
3. Rose Hill – Parks and Beautification is working on a list to uses the remaining \$177,000 to make further improvements to the cemetery.

Parks and Recreation

1. JDS Tennis – **Tatnall Pickleball Center was resurfaced and painted.** At Randy Stephens Tennis Center, a fire sprinkler line broke due to freezing and significant repairs will need to be done. **This work was completed by Warren Associates at a cost of approximately \$95K under our maintenance agreement with Warren Associates.**
2. Frank Johnson Park – A contract was issued to Spillers Design and Construction for \$2,047,000 to add additional space to the existing gym, construct new parking, improve the existing basketball courts, make improvements to the pool, add additional

pavilions and an adaptive playground. The new addition is being constructed as well as the finishes inside the exiting facility.

Ballfield, parking and pavilion work is ongoing. **This project is 99% complete. The only thing we are lacking are new basketball goals inside the gym.**

3. East Macon/Delores Brooks – **Parks and Rec are continuing to address some deferred maintenance such as fencing replacement and repairs to the tennis courts.**
4. Central City Park –**Work at the Round Building, Gazebo, foot bridge and pond, is complete. All gravel parking areas have been paved as well as an additional parking lot added behind Luther Williams Field. Softball field #7 work was awarded to Stafford Builders and Consultants for \$666K and work has begun. New electrical service and LED lights for Luther Williams Field is complete.**