

CITY OF CLARKSTON

ITEM NO: E4

CLARKSTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

HEARING TYPE:  
Council Meeting

BUSINESS AGENDA / MINUTES

ACTION TYPE:  
Resolution

MEETING DATE: September 5, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution to express support for the call of a Referendum Election regarding SPLOST and EHOST; to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with DeKalb County for the use and distribution of proceeds from the One Percent Special Purpose Local Option Sales and Use Tax and to specify the purposes for which the City's proceeds from such tax are to be used

DEPARTMENT: Administration

PUBLIC HEARING:  YES  NO

ATTACHMENT:  YES  NO  
Pages: 21

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PURPOSE:

To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with DeKalb County for the use and distribution of proceeds from the one percent special purpose local option sales tax; to approve the attached SPLOST Project List; to determine the referendum ballot language and request the ballot include language authorizing a general obligation bond.

NEED/ IMPACT:

The DeKalb Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, or SPLOST, is an optional countywide one percent sales and use tax that counties and qualified local governments in Georgia may use to fund capital projects. This particular SPLOST may be used for transportation purposes to include roads, bridges, public transit, rails, airports, buses, seaports, and including without limitation road, street and bridge Construction. The SPLOST proceeds may also be used for public safety facilities and purchase of related capital equipment.

The SPLOST is collected from the sale of items within the County that are subject to the State of Georgia sales use tax for a period of six years. The revenue can only be used for the specific capital outlay projects as approved in the referendum by the voters.

In addition to the IGA, DeKalb County has requested that all municipalities submit a list of SPLOST projects and funding amounts for inclusion in the referendum to be held on November 7, 2017. If the referendum is passed, collections will commence on April 1, 2018.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the City Council approve the attached Resolution; Intergovernmental Agreement with DeKalb County and all DeKalb Municipalities for the use and distribution of proceeds from the one percent special purpose local option sales tax and the attached SPLOST Project List.