### **gwinnett**county

## **Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax**



# SPLOST











#### 2017 SPLOST Highlights

- Approved by voters November 2016 (63% in favor)
- 6-year program will raise an estimated \$950 million
- Current SPLOST ends March 31, 2017
- New program will begin April 1, 2017
- Shared between Gwinnett County (78.76 percent) and all 16 cities (21.24 percent)

#### **2017 SPLOST Purposes**

- 65 percent for transportation projects and 35 percent for other purposes
- Transportation: \$486.3 million for roads, bridges, intersection improvements, sidewalks; total includes \$30.8 million for joint city/county projects
- Recreational facilities/equipment: \$108.5 million; total includes \$3.2 million for joint city/county projects
- Civic Center expansion: \$67.3 million
- Public safety facilities/equipment: \$52.4 million
- Library relocation/renovation: \$22.5 million
- Senior service facilities: \$11.2 million

#### **Project Selection/Citizen Involvement**

#### **Transportation Projects**

- Citizen Project Selection Committee
- One member and one alternate represent stakeholder groups: homeowners, businesses, civic organizations, environmental groups, freight and manufacturing, schools, seniors, young professionals
- Self-selected among peers
- First assignment for committee was to recommend a location for project categories (see chart below)
- Committee also will prioritize projects

#### **Recreation Projects**

- Recreation Authority will serve as the public body that will prioritize 2017 SPLOST projects
- Projects will come from the updated Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Plan

#### **Other Public Involvement**

- Citizens review committee monitors program progress and reviews annual audit of SPLOST program spending
- SPLOST projects status report posted on city and county websites and in the newspaper by the end of each year

Category Allocations for Transportation	Tier I* (Minimum Level)	Tier II** (Minimum Level)
Bridges, Culverts and Transportation Drainage	\$46,000,000	\$5,317,300
Capital Projects Rehabilitation and Resurfacing	\$114,000,000	\$0
Intersections	\$45,000,000	\$11,900,000
Major Roads	\$118,000,000	\$16,300,000
Residential Speed Control	\$750,000	\$0
Road Safety and Alignment	\$30,000,000	\$5,000,000
School Safety	\$20,000,000	\$2,500,000
Sidewalks and Pedestrian Safety	\$30,463,000	\$7,617,200
Transportation Planning	\$1,650,000	\$0
Unpaved Roads	\$1,000,000	\$0
Total	\$406,863,000	\$48,634,500

<sup>\*</sup>Tier 1 is the amount that will be budgeted initially; it is 90 percent of estimated collections, a figure used in case collections come in lower than expected.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tier 2 is an additional 10 percent that will be budgeted after a majority of collections have been received and there is more certainty that final collections will reach the initial estimate.