

Meeting Minutes
The Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County
General Site Selection Committee
Monday, May 23, 2022 @ 5:30 PM via WebEx
This meeting can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/WBbIsqxEVxY>

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Myers (Chair), Leslie Gonzalez, Harry Sims, Laura Carter

MEMBERS ABSENT: Annice Ritter

STAFF PRESENT:

Robert Cheshire, ACCGov Capital Projects Director
Keith Sanders, SPLOST Project Administrator
Laura Leigh Barrett, SPLOST Project Administrator
John Simoneaux, SPLOST Project Administrator
Chinesia Thompson, SPLOST Program Support Specialist

Guests

Heather Benham, Athens Land Trust
Lori Bork Newcomer, Arcollab

WELCOME

Chair Commissioner Myers, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m., welcomed those in attendance.

Leslie Gonzalez made a motion to amend the agenda to include review and approval of the prior meeting minutes. Laura Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes Review & Approval

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2022.

Discuss Public Input Received for SPLOST 2011 Project 22, Youth & Community Enrichment Facility

Keith presented the committee with the results of the public input session and surveys. Keith mentioned some of the comments but also sent the links to the Committee. None of the comments spoke directly to the site criteria. Many of the comments were recommending locations that were available.

Revise Site Criteria based on Public Input for SPLOST 2011 Project 22, Youth & Community Enrichment Facility

The User Group for the SPLOST 2011 Project 22, Youth & Community Enrichment Facility met earlier today. The User Group made the decision to revise the site criteria changing the minimum acreage from 1 acre to 1.5 acres in the Must-Have column.

Approve Formal Recommendation of Technical & Community Values Site Selection Criteria for SPLOST 2011 Project 22, Youth & Community Enrichment Facility

Laura Carter made a motion to accept the revised Technical & Community Values Site Selection Criteria for the Youth & Community enrichment facility. Leslie Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and Determine Regular Monthly Meeting Date & Times

The Committee had discussion on selecting regular meeting dates and times. Keith suggested the second Monday of every month. The Committee established the second Monday of the Month @ 5:30pm as the meeting date and time moving forward.

Next Steps

June 2, 2022 M&C Agenda published for Site Criteria

June 7, 2022 M&C review and consider Site Criteria

Upcoming Projects

1. SPLOST 2020 Project 25, Eastside Library
2. SPLOST 2020 Project 06, Fire Station # 5 Replacement
3. SPLOST 2020 Project 23, East Athens, Youth & Community Enrichment Facility

Next Meeting

June 13, 2022, 5:30 PM via WebEx

Closing Comments & Adjournment, Chair Myers

Commissioner Myers mentioned that the County Attorney has indicated that once the state of emergency order is removed, then we will need to begin meeting in person, but would still like for meetings to be recorded by video, if possible. Staff agreed to look into this topic.

Attachments

Site Selection Criteria Matrix