



SPLOST Project Initiation Package

1. **Date:** February 24, 2026

2. **Project Name and Requesting Department:**

The Department of Facilities Management, in coordination with the DeKalb County Police Department and Fire Rescue Department, is requesting authorization to utilize SPLOST I funds under Category 2H – Planning & Design for Public Safety Training Facility.

This request seeks approval to initiate a comprehensive planning and design effort to evaluate and develop a long-term strategy for modernizing and potentially consolidating public safety training facilities within DeKalb County.

This proposal seeks authorization for SPLOST I, Category 2H, for \$500,000.00

Clyde Stovall, Director of facilities management _____ Date _____

3. **Deputy COO Head:**

Approved: Director Darnell Fullum, Public Safety Director  Date 2 24 26

4. **Prepared by SPLOST Program Management Team:**

Ledia King, SPLOST Program Manager

Ernest Slaughter, SPLOST Program Management Coordinator

5. **Need and Purpose:**

6. The DeKalb County Police and Fire Departments currently conduct training operations across multiple locations, including the Bruce Street facility in Lithonia (a former elementary school constructed circa 1960), the firing range on North Goddard Road, headquarters facilities on West Exchange Place in Tucker, and the Fire Training Facility on Warren Road in Decatur. The decentralized nature of these facilities creates operational inefficiencies, space limitations, and infrastructure constraints. Several of the buildings are aging and were not originally designed to support modern public safety training requirements.
7. This project will initiate a comprehensive planning and design effort to evaluate existing conditions, assess projected space needs, and identify long-term infrastructure requirements for both departments. The study will analyze the feasibility of new or consolidated facilities, evaluate



whether separate or shared training facilities are most appropriate, and review potential sites, including but not limited to; Camp Circle, the George Luther property, Warren Road, and other viable locations; including potential partnership arrangements with other metro area agencies.

8. The outcome of this effort will provide the County with a clear, data-driven framework to guide future capital investment decisions related to public safety training infrastructure. **Requested Services and Work Scope:**

- a. **Type of Work Being Requested.** Services shall include personnel and materials necessary to provide the goods or services that follow the specifications as authorized by the County deliverables a describe above in Section 7.

X	a.	Construction & Design
	b.	Renovation/Restorations/Repairs/System Upgrades
	c.	Engineering /Civil/Parks & Special Works
X	d.	Architectural/Building Renovation
	e.	Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing
	f.	Transportation Study
X	g.	Assessment

Brief Description of Proposed Project: The project consists of architectural and engineering planning services to evaluate existing public safety training facilities and develop conceptual design alternatives, feasibility studies, site evaluations, and preliminary cost estimates for future training facility development.

Pre-Construction Services When Required for Various Project Tasks:

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| • Use of current on-call firm for services (Y/N) | Y |
| • Right of way or land acquisition required: | N/A |
| • Environmental and permits required: | N/A |
| • Utility design or coordination: | N/A |



9. **Proposed Budget (SPLOST I Category 2H)**

Category	Estimated Cost	SPLOST Fund	Other Funds
Architectural & Engineering Planning Services	\$500,000	\$500,000	N/A
		N/A	N/A
		N/A	N/A
		N/A	N/A
		N/A	N/A
Contingency		N/A	N/A
Total Estimated Cost	N/A		

Expected Start and Finish Dates:

Category	Anticipated Start	Anticipated Completion
Design	April 2026	December 2026
Right of Way/Land Acquisition	N/A	N/A
Utilities (Reimbursable Costs)	N/A	N/A
Environmental Mitigation	N/A	N/A
Construction (Installation)	N/A	N/A

10. Program Manager Action:

- a. Date PM received:
- b. PM Recommendation:

February 24, 2026

Proceed to BOC for approval.

Ernest Slaughter, Program Management Coordinator

_____ Date _____

11. SEC Action

- a. SEC Action Zach Williams, COO

Approve: _____ Date 2/24/26

Disapprove: _____

Defer: _____