

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Fund Capital Reallocation for the Sheriff's Office
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to reallocate approximately \$430,000.00 of the Sheriff's Office appropriated Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Fund capital budget to purchase tactical equipment in lieu of vehicles.
INITIATED BY:	Sheriff's Office/Finance Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to reallocate approximately \$430,000 of the Sheriff's Office appropriated Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Fund capital budget to purchase tactical equipment in lieu of vehicles.

Background: The SPLOST budget appropriations for the Sheriff's Office include funding to purchase new & replacement vehicles. These vehicles were specifically approved by Council during the annual budget process.

Analysis: Due to an increased need for tactical equipment such as night vision goggles and ballistic vests, the Sheriff's Office would like to delay purchasing some of the approved vehicles to instead procure tactical equipment needed to support ongoing investigations.

Financial Considerations: SPLOST funding is available and can be reallocated to support capital outlay.

Legal Considerations: Council approval is required for the reallocation of the SPLOST budget.

Recommendations/Actions: Approval is requested to reallocate approximately \$430,000 of the Sheriff's Office appropriated Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Fund capital budget to purchase tactical equipment in lieu of vehicles.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION REALLOCATING APPROXIMATELY \$430,000 OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE APPROPRIATED SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (SPLOST) FUND CAPITAL BUDGET TO PURCHASE TACTICAL EQUIPMENT IN LIEU OF VEHICLES.

WHEREAS, the SPLOST budget appropriations for the Sheriff's Office include funding to purchase new & replacement vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office would like to delay purchasing some of the approved vehicles to instead procure tactical equipment needed to support ongoing investigations; and,

WHEREAS, SPLOST funding is available and can be reallocated to support the capital outlay requested.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES:

That the Sheriff's Office is hereby authorized to reallocate approximately \$430,000 to purchase tactical equipment, to include 20 night vision googles and 34 ballistic vests, to support ongoing investigations.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Anker voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Hickey voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor