

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR IMPOSITION OF A COUNTY ONE PERCENT
SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX

Whereas the Thomas County Commission has evaluated the needs of the county for capital outlay improvements and the available funds for construction of these improvements; and

Whereas a method for completing capital outlay improvements is available through the imposition of a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST); and

Whereas the county has met with the mayors of the various municipalities within the county for the purpose of entering into an intergovernmental agreement to provide that some of the funds raised through a proposed SPLOST be made available to the various municipalities located throughout the county; and

Whereas all of the governmental entities located in Thomas County have expressed their support for the imposition of a SPLOST for the purpose of making needed capital outlay improvements;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County that the issue of imposition of a SPLOST be placed on the July 18, 2006 ballot for approval by the citizens of Thomas County for the period of time, purposes, and expenditures enumerated below.

The eligible expenditures and purposes for the SPLOST are as follows: the construction of a new multi-purpose county administrative facility and rehabilitation of the historic 1858 courthouse (\$16 million); the construction of a county wide radio system (\$2.75 million); recreation facilities improvements (\$1 million), library expansion projects (\$1 million); and the construction of roads, bridges, streets, water systems, sewer systems, storm water systems and public safety improvements (\$15.25 million). All expenditures will be limited to capital outlay improvements as outlined in OCGA 48-8-111.

The tax shall be imposed for a period of 24 calendar quarters and the estimated funds to be raised from the tax is \$36 million. The funds generated shall be spent as outlined above.

The intergovernmental agreement entered to on even date is hereby incorporated herein and made a part of this resolution.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the county election superintendent so that the superintendent can issue the call for a referendum on the imposition of the tax.

Adopted this the 16th day of May, 2006.


M. Twirk Monahan, County Clerk


Josh G. Herring, Chairman
Thomas County Board of Commissioners