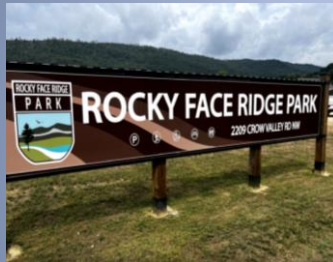




# Whitfield County, Georgia

April 8, 2024

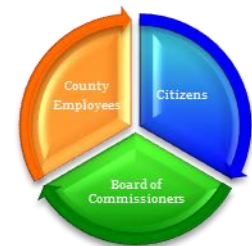


Board of  
Commissioners

# Dalton Trade Center Presentation

Director of the Dalton Trade Center:

**Margaret Thigpen**



# Alcohol Beverage Public Hearing

**Request has been made for an alcohol beverage license  
by the following business:**

( 1) 2024 ALCOHOL APPLICATION

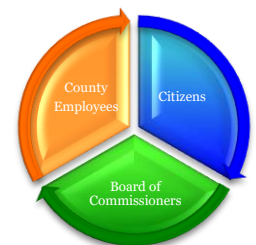
Business Owner: NS Awan, Inc. d/b/a LC Market

Applicant: Shafqat Hussain

Business Address: 877 Reed Pond Rd, Dalton, GA

Disposition: Change in Ownership

Type: Package Beer and Wine



# Prayers for his family

*Dennis Eugene Green*

May 30, 1971 - April 1, 2024



# Four Wins in 2024!



**January – \$30,000 Broadband Grant**



**February – 2024 Community Award for our Addiction Recovery Center**



**March – \$1 Million Federal Sewer Expansion Grant**



**March – 2024 County Excellence Award for service to citizens via Addiction Recovery Center**

# Renewed Tradition

- 21 Foot Norway Spruce → 41 feet over time
- 15,000 LED planned with star
- In Honor of local citizen Sue Webb



# Reports

## **Commissioners:**

Commissioner Jones

Commissioner Thomas

Commissioner Staten

Commissioner Robbins

REPORT



# Reports

## County Administrator: Bob Sivick

- Career Academy – Fire graduates

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# Reports



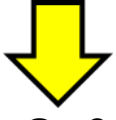

**Finance – Debbie Godfrey**

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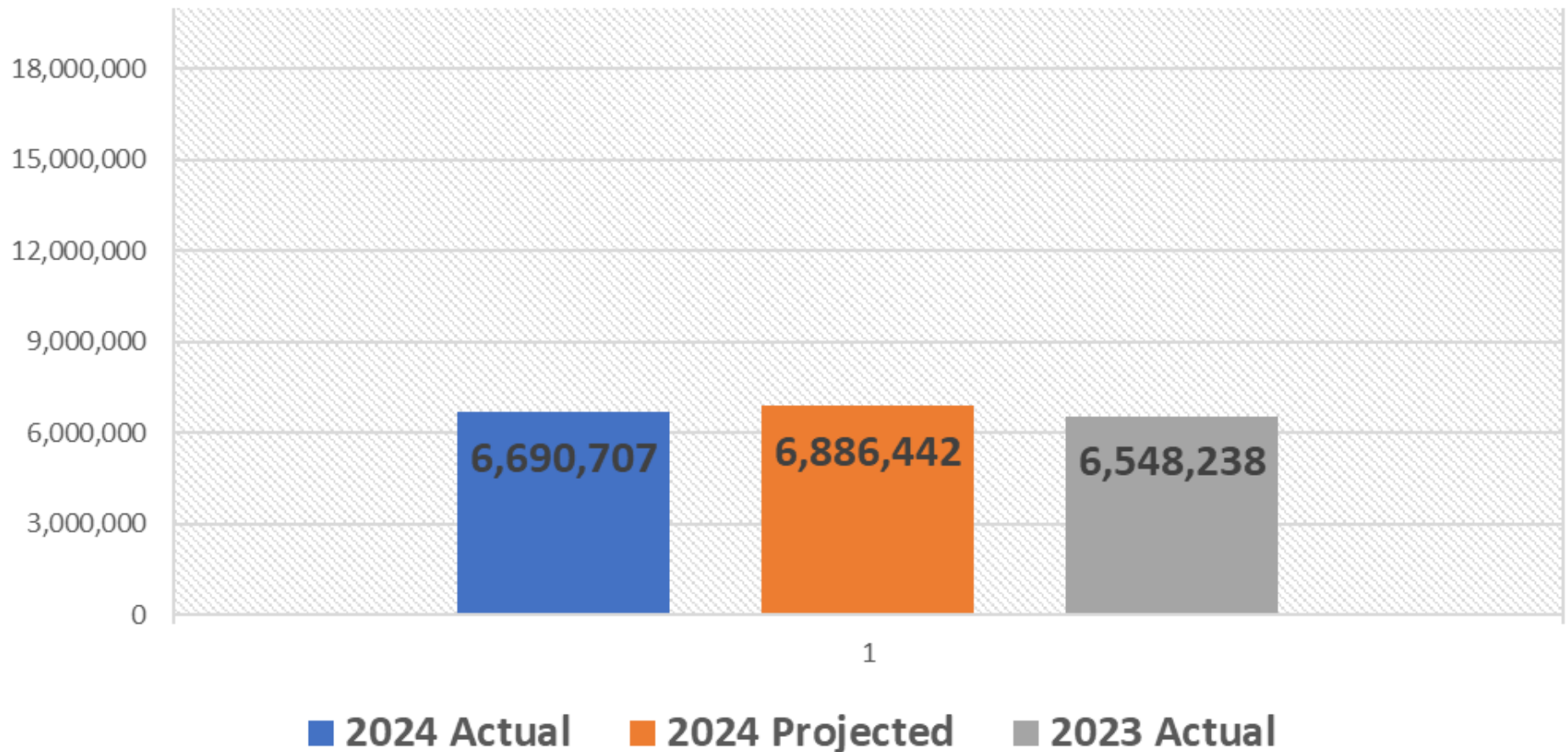
# Finance Report

## February 2024 YTD Detail

<b>LOST (Sales Tax)</b>	<b>\$2.4 Million YTD</b>	 <b>9.25%</b>
<b>TAVT (Vehicle Tax)</b>	<b>\$874 K YTD</b>	 <b>10.92%</b>
<b>YTD Revenue</b>	<b>\$6.6 Million YTD</b>	 <b>2.84%</b>
<b>YTD Expenses</b>	<b>\$9.6 Million YTD</b>	 <b>2.03%</b>

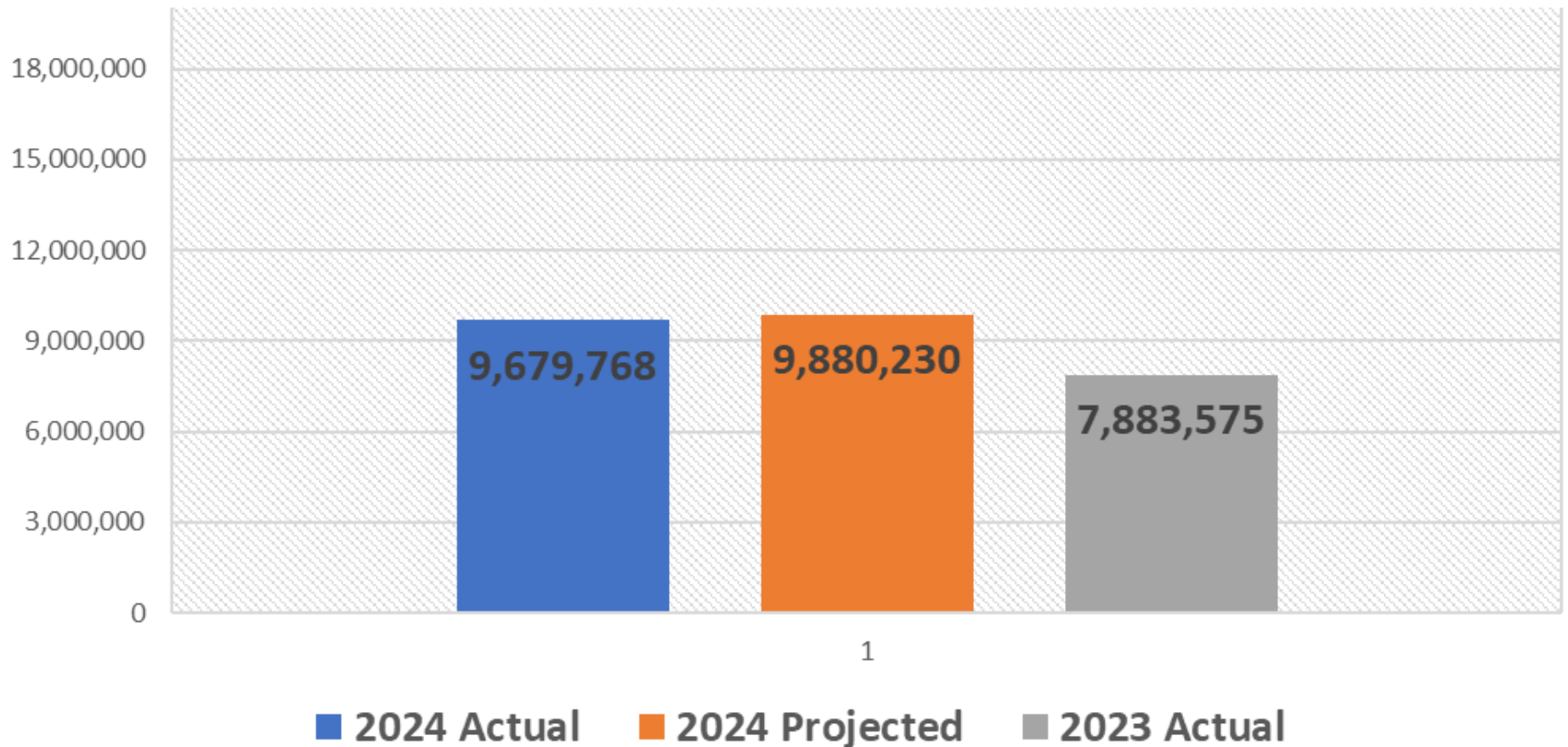
# Finance Report - Revenue

Total Revenue YTD Feb 29



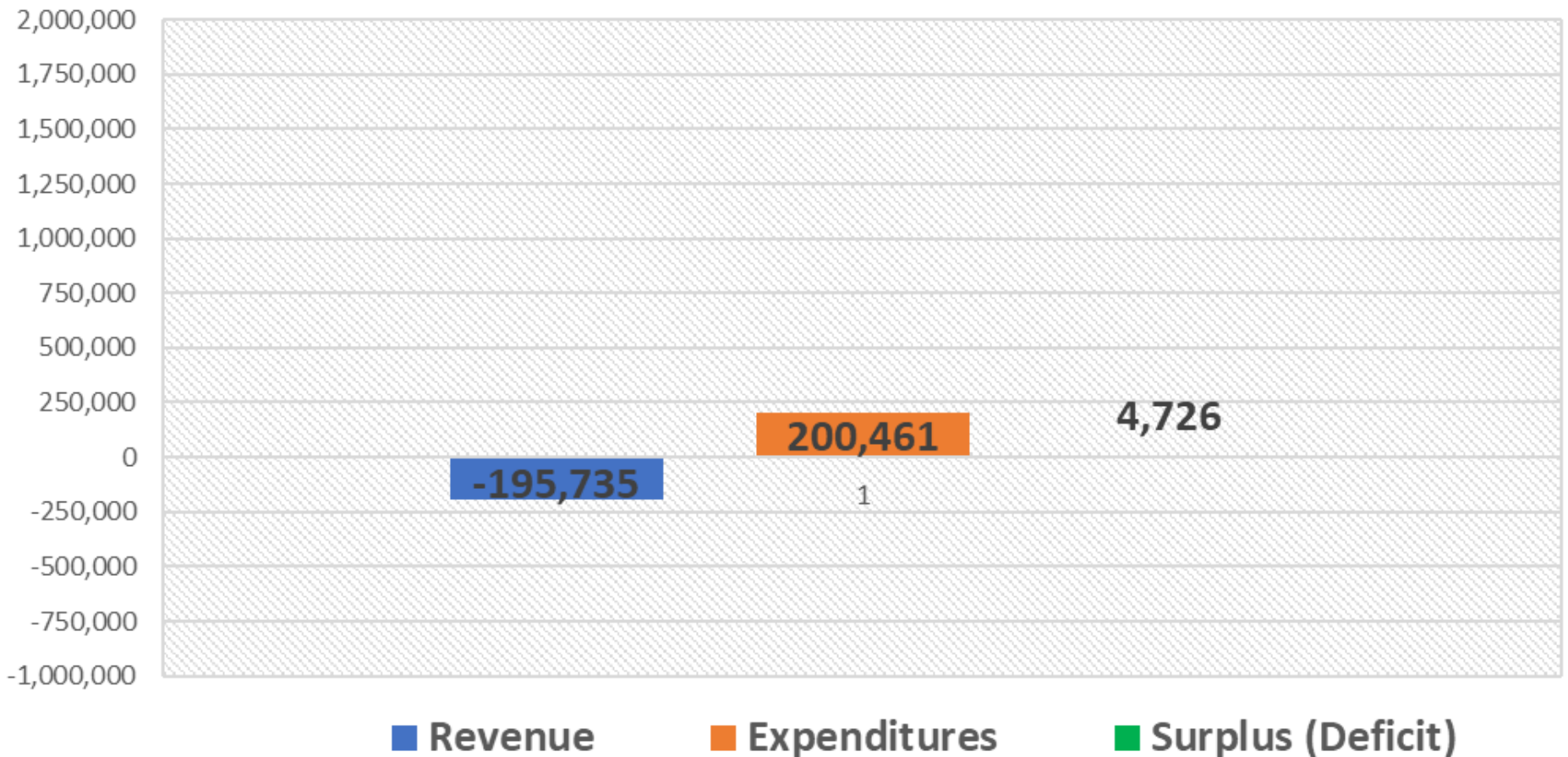
# Finance Report - Expenses

Total Expenditures YTD Feb 29



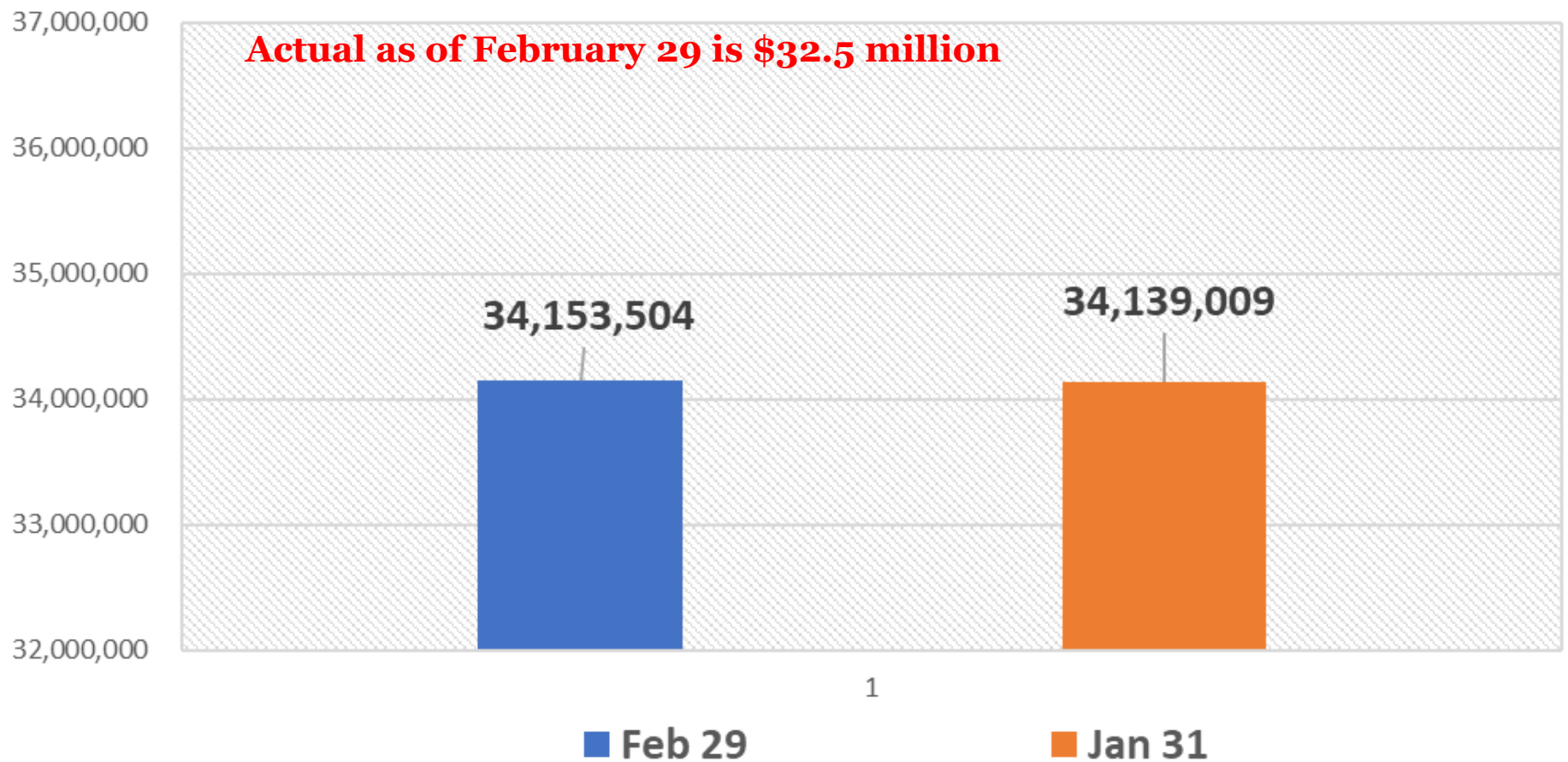
# Finance Report - Summary

YTD vs Budget Feb 29



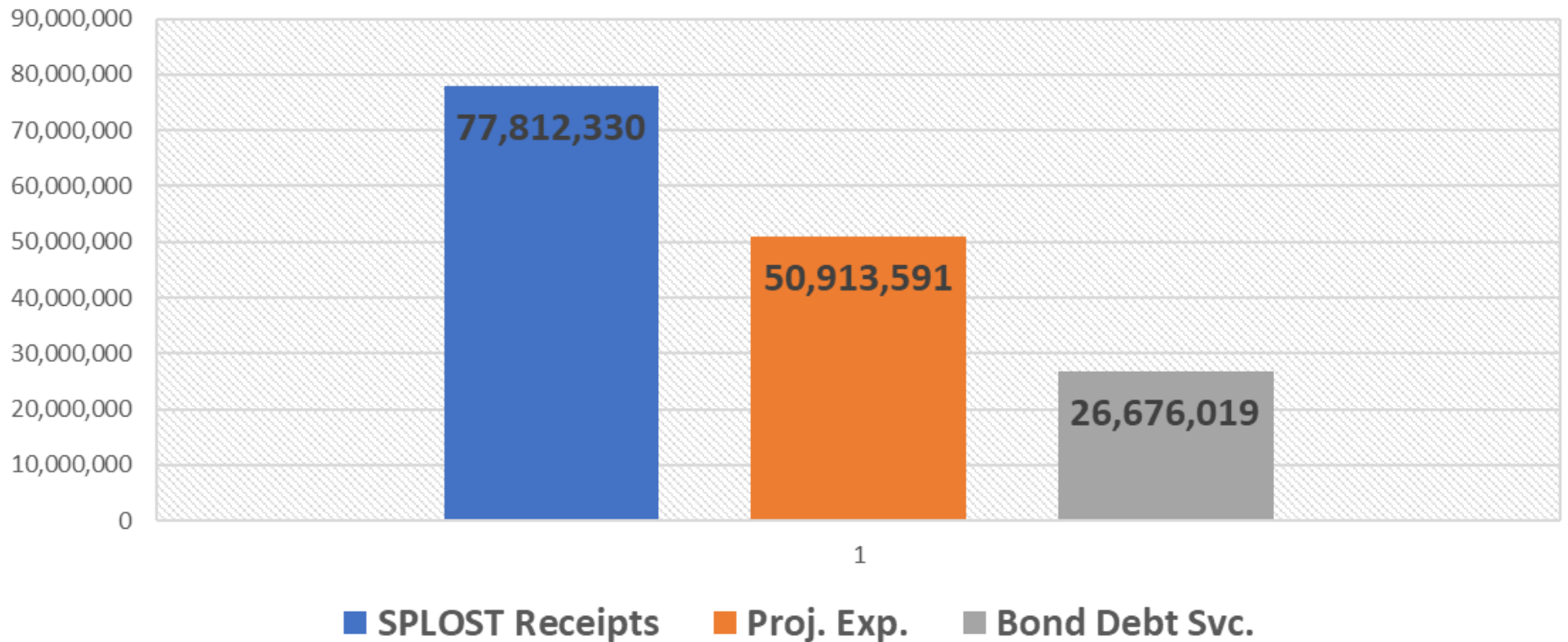
# Finance Report – Fund Balance Projected on Feb. 29, 2024

YE Projected Unassigned Fund Balance



# Finance Report – SPLOST

SPLOST 2020 - Revenues & Expenditures  
Feb 29



# Finance Report

**Supports Strategic Objective 4: Lower Taxes**

➤ **DRAFT MOTION:**

**Approve Finance report for January and February 2024.**



# Agenda Item #11 – Public Comments

**Overview:** Public Comments related **ONLY** tonight's approved Agenda items only. Second comment section will be later for general comments.

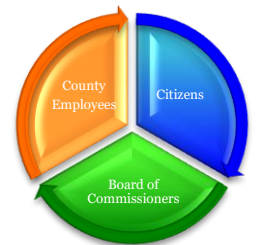


# Agenda Item #12

## Alcohol Beverage Application

### Supports Strategic: Keeps Lights On.

- **Overview:** NS Awan Inc. d/b/a LC Market located at 877 Reed Pond Rd., has applied for a package beer and wine license.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the alcohol beverage license for LC Market.



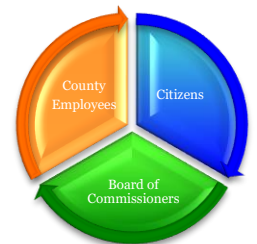
# Agenda Item #13 a & b

## Rezoning Recommendations

### Supports Strategic Objective: Keep Lights On

#### ➤ Overview:

- A. The request of Integrity Construction of Dalton, LLC to rezone from Low-Density Single Family Residential (R-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling 0.69 acres located on Dycus Road, Dalton, Georgia. Parcels (12-205-01-005 and 12-205-01-006) Planning voted 5-0 to approve.
  
- B. The request of Corey Shields to rezone from General Commercial (C-2) to Rural Residential (R-5) a tract of land totaling 0.14 acres located at 4832 SE Tibbs Bridge Road, Dalton, Georgia. Parcel (09-254-01-006) Planning voted 5-0 to approve.

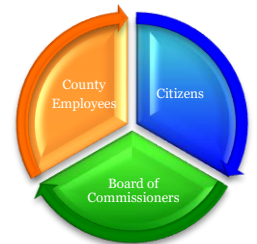


# Agenda Item #14a

## City of Dalton Annexation Request

### Supports Strategic Objective: City-County Relations

- **Overview:** Annexation request for parcel 12-179-02-061 into Dalton City limits.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcel approve 12-179-02-061 annexation.

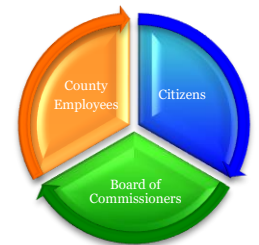


# Agenda Item #14b

## City of Dalton Annexation Request

### Supports Strategic Objective: City-County Relations

- **Overview:** Annexation request for parcels 12-122-17-000, 12-122-05-000 and 12-122-16-000 into Dalton City limits.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** No land use objection for parcels approve 12-122-17-000, 12-122-05-000 and 12-122-16-000 annexation.

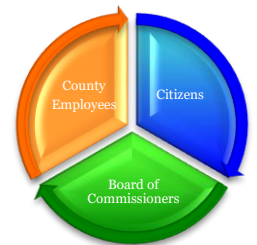


# Agenda Item #15

## Re-Appointment GA Region 1

### Supports Strategic Objective: Keeps Lights On

- **Overview:** Re-appoint Wendy Saylor to serve on Georgia Region 1 EMS Advisory Council.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Accept and approve re-appointment as presented.



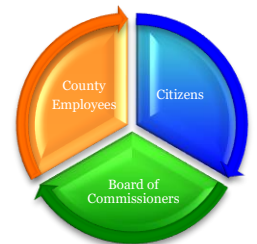
# Agenda Item #16

## COVID Mitigation Grant

### Detention Center

#### Supports Strategic Objective: Community Improvement

- **Overview:** COVID Mitigation in Confinement Facilities Grant. Requesting the BOC's approval of additional COVID-19 grant for the detention facility. GA Southern administers this grant in conjunction with the GA Dept. of Health and the Centers for Disease Control. The current grant is for \$22,617 to purchase HVAC filters for the facility and no match is required. Including this award, a total of \$225,000 in grant funding for HVAC equipment and janitorial supplies.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Accept the grant as presented.



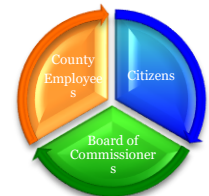
# Agenda Item #17

## ARPA – Parks & Recreation

### Edwards Park Sewer Repair

#### Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** In June 2023, the BOC approved the Edwards Park sewer pump repairs for an amount not to exceed \$50,000. That was an estimated amount at the time since all the work required had not yet been determined. We now have a final amount for material and labor, \$59,064, and approval to use ARPA-eligible funds for the total expenditure.
- **Draft Motion:** Approve the new amount using ARPA funds.

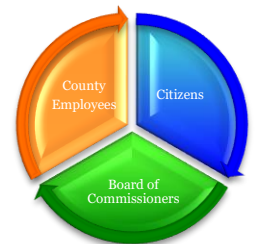




# Agenda Item #18– Ratify Senior Center Kitchen Steamer

## Supports Strategic:

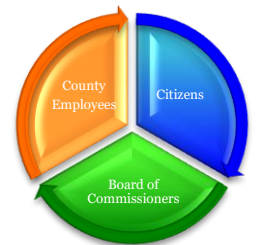
- **Overview:** With funding provided by the City of Dalton's portion of 2020 SPLOST, the County has been improving the Senior Center. Some of this funding is slated for kitchen remodeling and new appliances. The steamer and related water filter are in the worst shape and thus are being replaced first. Bids were opened on Monday, March 11. Two bids were received. Both bidders met all specs and bid requirements. The lowest bidder was Douglas Equipment for \$26,054.78. Due to concerns over the condition of the existing steamer, Chairman Jensen approved the bid award on March 12th so that an order could be placed.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Ratify the purchase as presented using Dalton 2020 SPLOST.



# Agenda Item #19 – Superior Court Court Reporters Contract

## Supports Strategic Objective: Keep Lights On.

- **Overview:** The Court Reporters contracts have been updated. Daily rate is \$350 for criminal and \$250 for civil cases. Rates are now fixed and included in the agreement.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the updated contract as written for Court Reporters.

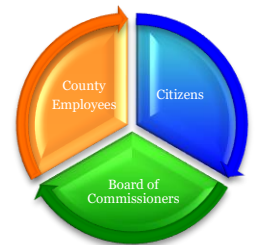


# Agenda Item # 20

## UGA County Extension Contract

### Supports Strategic Objective: Keep Lights On.

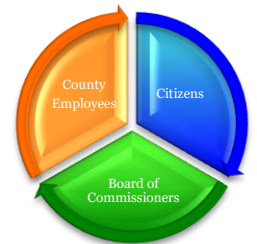
- **Overview:** Finance requests approval of the UGA County Extension contract for their fiscal year which is July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025 in the amount of \$96,925.00. The first 6 months of the contract are already in the 2024 Budget and the final 6 months will be included in the 2025 Budget.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve Chairman to sign the renewal contract as written.



# Agenda Item #21 – Fire Dept. Bathroom Remodel Change Order

## Supports Strategic Objective: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** WCFD has a change order for the bathroom remodel project. Once the demo was completed, it was determined that a steel beam needed to be installed to help carry the load of a wall removed. The December 11, 2023 Agenda Item approved the work at a per-foot price, and it has now been determined that the footage is included in the change order. The price of the Change Order is \$38,550.00 and includes all anticipated expenditures to complete the five restroom remodels.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the change order from Graphite Construction of \$38,550 through SPLOST 2020 for six bathrooms.



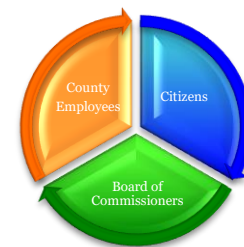
# Agenda Item #22a – Public Works Tandem Dump Truck & Operator Bid

## Supports Strategic: Keep Lights On

- **Overview:** The Public Works Department recently received bids for a Tandem Truck and Operator. Recommend the award goes to Wheat Trucking for:

Bidder:	1st Half Day	2nd Half Day
Wheat Trucking	\$100.00 per hour	\$95.00 per hour
Tunnel Express Trucking	\$100.00 per hour	\$100.00 per hour

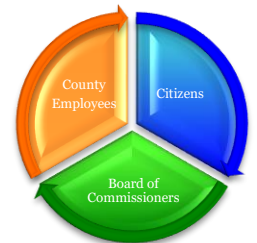
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Award yearly bid to Wheat Trucking. Tandem Trucks costs are usually paid with LMIG and SPLOST funds.



# Agenda Item #22b – Public Works GPS Installation

## Supports Strategic Objective: Keep lights on

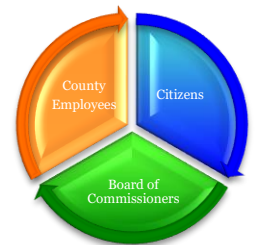
- **Overview:** Public Works received bids for GPS system installation & monitoring on Public Works vehicles and equipment, there were (12) bids for this item. At the present time Public Works is using Cal /Amp and the customer support & functionality of the GPS system is unsatisfactory. Samsara Inc. is not the lowest bidder of the (12) received, but Samsara Inc. was the lowest bidder with positive references for both customer service and a user-friendly system. It is the same system as Verizon Connect and at a lower cost, which Public Works has already used in the past and was very satisfied with. Public Works is recommending Samsara Inc. for the GPS monitoring & installation.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the purchase of GPS service and installation for Samsara Inc. for \$11,183.40 annually.



# Agenda Item #23– IGA Sewer Installation

## Supports Strategic: Reduce Taxes

- **Overview:** This Intergovernmental Agreement Between Whitfield County and Dalton Utilities is for installing a force-main sewer line along Crider Rd, Utility Rd, and Mt. Vernon Rd through to Westside Park. DU took bids on the work, with the lowest bid of \$678,650 (for labor only) coming from Ellis Contracting. Dalton Utilities has provided a materials cost estimate of \$225,000, bringing the total cost to \$903,650. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$1,450,000. ARPA funds will be used to fund the project.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the draft IGA with Dalton Utilities for \$903,650.

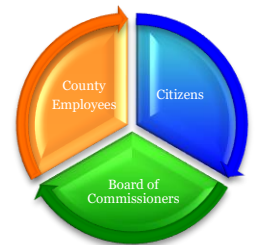


# Agenda Item #24

## Urban Revitalization Plan

### Supports Strategic:

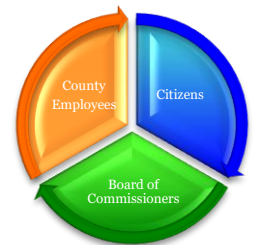
- **Overview:** In partnership with the City of Dalton, Believe Greater Dalton, and the Dalton Housing Authority, Whitfield County Staff has prepared an Urban Revitalization Plan. The plan focuses on the geographic region within the perimeter of the Bypass and I-75. The plan will guide those developing in the community by highlighting community needs and desires documented during a community listening session. Furthermore, the plan makes the community eligible for additional State funds that will aid in lowering development costs, therefore creating opportunities for affordable housing.
- **DRAFT MOTION:** Approve the Urban Revitalization Plan Resolution as posted.





# Agenda Item #25 – Public Comments

Time for Commissioners to listen to citizens and hear your feedback.  
Parliamentarian rules do not allow for direct action to be taken on comments at this time.



# Agenda Item #26 – Adjourn

