



Agenda
Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting
February 2, 2026
6:00 PM
Room 108, Annex Building
119 E. Solomon Street
Griffin, GA 30223

I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER)
PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES AND ALL OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

II. INVOCATION

1. Commissioner James Dutton to lead the Invocation

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG

1. Commissioner Reginald Watts to lead the Pledge to the Flag

IV. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

1. Presentation of 40-year Service Award to Ray Nash
2. UGA Cooperative Extension Presentation
3. Presentation of 2026 BoC Goals and Priorities

V. CITIZEN COMMENT

Speakers must sign up prior to the meeting and provide their names, addresses and the topic they wish to discuss. Speakers must direct your remarks to the Board and not to individual Commissioners or to the audience. Personal disagreements with individual Commissioners or County employees are not a matter of public concern and personal attacks will not be tolerated. The Chairman has the right to limit your comments in the interest of disposing of the County's business in an efficient and respectable manner.

Speakers will be allotted three minutes to speak on their chosen topics as they relate to matters pertinent to the jurisdiction of the Board of the Commissioners. No questions will be asked by any of the commissioners during citizen comments. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting. No speaker will be permitted to speak more than three minutes or more than once unless the Board votes to suspend this rule.

VI. MINUTES

1. Consider Approval of Minutes for January 5, 2026, BoC Work Session meeting and January 12, 2026, Special-Called Joint Work Session Minutes

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Approval of Owner Occupancy Waiver Request from Land Bank Authority
2. Consider Approval of Recommendation of the AMBUCS Parks All Accessible Playground

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Second Reading and Ordinance for Application 25-29Z:** Wallace Jackson, LLC, owner, 5745 and 5841 Jackson Road (Parcels 216 01004 and 216 01004A); both located in Land Lots 25 & 40 of the 2nd Land District, consisting of approximately 139.63 and 50.03 acres respectively. The applicant is requesting to rezone from C-2 (Manufacturing) to C-1C (Manufacturing - Light) for a data center campus. Ordinance also includes Application 25-17S and 26-05V, Special Exception and Variance for data center standards related to Application 25-29Z.
2. Consider Approval of Motor Coach User Fees

IX. REPORT OF COUNTY MANAGER

X. REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Under the Georgia Open Meetings Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3), authorized by O.C.G.A. §50-14-3 (b) (1) (A) for the purpose of discussing pending or potential litigation with legal counsel; this session is limited to matters involving legal strategy and advice related to claims, settlement negotiations, or judicial actions affecting the County.

XII. ADJOURNMENT



**Commissioner James Dutton to lead the
Invocation**

Requesting Agency
Spalding County Board of

Commissioners

In Compliance with the following Ordinance

Requirement for Board Action

Is this Item Goal Related?

Summary and Background

Fiscal Impact / Funding Source

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS:



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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - REGULAR MEETING

**UGA Cooperative Extension
Presentation**

Requesting Agency
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**Presentation of 2026 BoC Goals and
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ATTACHMENTS:

[01.05.2026 Board of Commissioners - Work Session Minutespdf.pdf](#)

[01.12.2026 Spalding County BoC Special Called Joint Meeting-SPLOST 2026 Minutes.pdf](#)



Board of Commissioners - Work Session
January 5, 2026, 3:00 PM
Room 108, Spalding County Annex
MINUTES

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held a Work Session on Monday, January 5, 2026, in Room 108 of the Spalding County Annex Building located at 119 E. Solomon Street, Griffin, GA beginning at 3:00 p.m. with Chairman Clay Davis presiding. Commissioners James Dutton, Reginald Watts, Gwen Flowers-Taylor and Ryan Bowlden were present at the meeting. Also present were the County Manager, Dr. Steve Ledbetter, County Attorney, Stephanie Windham, Deputy County Manager, Erica Dye.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clay W. Davis.

II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Gwen Flowers-Taylor delivered the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Ryan Bowlden led the Pledge to the Flag.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discussion to amend the IGA between Spalding County and the City of Griffin for Use of Fairmont Park.

The City of Griffin formally requested an amendment to the existing 2022 intergovernmental agreement with Spalding County to allow construction of a secondary entrance/exit for the Elle's Way neighborhood. The new roadway would cross two jointly owned city-county parcels in Fairmont Park and would be funded through T-SPLOST for improved safety and emergency access.

During discussion, Commissioner Flowers-Taylor raised several concerns:

- Traffic and safety issues along Blandon Street, which runs through Fairmont Park.
- A long-standing request for Blandon Street to be converted to a one-way street to reduce speeding and improve pedestrian safety near the park, community garden, and housing authority.

- Questions about the design of the proposed intersection, including whether it would be a 3-way stop, use a caution light, include crosswalks, or have turn lanes. The need to consider upcoming projects, such as a splash pad and new gym, that will increase pedestrian traffic.

City Manager Jessica O'Connor noted:

Detailed drawings exist but she did not have them on-hand; she will follow up with specific answers. Crosswalks and a stop sign at the new roadway are planned. Crime in Ell's Way has significantly decreased, but emergency access remains a priority with only one existing entrance. Prior alternatives (e.g., an exit to North Second Street) were not feasible.

The city is open to reviewing past studies and reconsidering the one-way proposal.

Commissioner Flowers-Taylor reiterated the need for:

- A formal response on the one-way street request, which has been raised for years.
- Ensuring any road changes does not increase traffic hazards for park users.
- Considering opportunities for paving or improving the park entrance area, while being mindful of stormwater impacts.

The City of Griffin will review past traffic studies and return with additional details.

2. Discussion of a budget amendment to allocate funding for the Magistrate Court position currently paid with ARPA funds.

Judge Rita Cavanaugh requested that the Board allow continued funding for a part-time constable in Magistrate Court. This position has been funded for the past 2.5 years using ARPA funds, which are ending because Judge Ballard chose not to extend ARPA staffing through the remainder of the year. Without action, the position would be eliminated. Commissioner Dutton asked whether increased technology fees could indirectly offset costs, but Judge Cavanaugh clarified that technology funds cannot be used for personnel.

Dr. Ledbetter recommended allowing the Judge to continue paying the constable from her existing budget, with the understanding that the position's long-term funding will be reviewed during the regular FY budget cycle. Consensus was reached to allow the Magistrate Court to keep the part-time constable through June, with costs absorbed within the department's current budget.

3. Discussion of No Through Trucks Ordinance

The Board revisited the No Through Truck Ordinance for a new first reading after substantial prior discussion. Stephanie Windham, County Attorney, reviewed the

revised definitions for restricted vehicles, specifying: Powered tractor units with more than six wheels, Units with three or more axles, Vehicles over 30 feet in length, and vehicles weighing 62,500 pounds or more, (excluding passenger vehicles). Pickup trucks pulling trailers (e.g., lawn care, horse trailers, small equipment) will NOT be classified as prohibited trucks, since they are not powered tractor units. This protects small businesses and residents. Judge Cavanaugh confirmed fines can go up to \$1,000, consistent with state-controlled limits. The Board requested that all sections involving the permit be temporarily removed until a real permit process, fee structure, and ordinance language are created.

Sections to be removed: D3, E and F.

The county attorney and staff will prepare the permit framework and bring it back for discussion at the February workshop.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion to Enter Executive Session

Gwen Flowers-Taylor / Ryan Bowlden at Time Entered: 3:41 pm

Motion Passed: 4 – 0 (James Dutton stepped out of Board Room)

Voting For: Clay Davis, Reginald Watts, James Dutton, Gwen Flowers-Taylor

Motion to Close Executive Session

Ryan Bowlden/Gwen Flowers-Taylor

Time Closed: 4:48 pm

Motion Passed: 5 - 0

Voting For: Clay Davis, Ryan Bowlden, James Dutton, Gwen Flowers-Taylor, Reginald Watts

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Reginald Watts/James Dutton to adjourn the meeting at 4:48pm.

Motion carried a unanimous vote.



**Board of Commissioners - Special Called Meeting
January 12, 2026, 3:00 PM
Room 108, Spalding County Annex Building
After Agenda**

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held a Special Called Meeting on Monday, January 12, 2026, in Room 108 of the Spalding County Annex Building, located at 119 E. Solomon Street, Griffin, Georgia. The meeting began at 3:02 p.m., with Chairman Clay Davis presiding. Commissioners James Dutton and Reginald Watts were present. Also in attendance were Deputy County Manager Erica Dye and Attorney John O’Neal. Commissioners Ryan Bowlden and Gwen Flowers-Taylor were not present.

Representing the City of Griffin were Mayor Doug Hollberg; City Manager Jessica O’Connor; and Commissioners Cynthia Ward, Rose Curtis, Holly Murray, Brad Wright, Zachery Fuller, and Rodney McCord.

Representing the City of Orchard Hill were Mayor Marti Morgan and Brian Haynes

I. OPENING (CALL TO ORDER)

The meeting was called to order jointly by Chairman Clay W. Davis for Spalding County, Mayor Doug Hollberg for the City of Griffin, and Mayor Marti Morgan for the City of Orchard Hill.

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II. INVOCATION

1. Commissioner James Dutton delivered the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE TO FLAG

1. Mayor Doug Hollberg led the Pledge to the Flag.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion with the City of Griffin and Orchard Hill for 2026 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) for referendum in November 2026.

Approval of Agenda

Motion/second to approve the agenda by Spalding County Commissioners Davis/Watts carried 3-0.

Motion/second to approve the agenda by the City of Griffin Board of Commissioners by Commissioner Murry/Wright carried 7-0.

City of Griffin Commissioner Rodney McCord introduced the City's new Commissioner, Zachery Fuller, to the attendees.

County Manager Dr. Steve Ledbetter provided a brief, high-level overview of the County's proposed use of potential SPLOST funds, which included \$42 million for transportation, \$18 million for improvements or replacement of aging infrastructure, and \$6.5 million for state-mandated security related to next-generation Emergency 911 requirements. Dr. Ledbetter noted that this would not be a new penny, but rather a continuation of the penny already being collected for the current TSPLOST.

City Manager Jessica O'Connor stated that the City's Board of Commissioners would discuss its project list during the Board's upcoming annual goals workshop on January 27, 2026.

Council Member Brian Hayes of Orchard Hill stated the City's intent to request \$1.5 million for its projects. Mayor Marti Morgan added that she would provide formal numbers and copy Dr. Ledbetter and Ms. O'Connor on that information.

Motion/second to call for the SPLOST referendum in November 2026 by County Commissioners Dutton/Watts carried 3-0.

Motion/second to call for the SPLOST referendum in November 2026 by City Commissioners Wright/Murray carried 7-0.

The consensus from the Orchard Hill Council Members to call for the SPLOST referendum in November 2026.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second to adjourn at 3:36 p.m. by county Commissioners Dutton/Watts carried 3-0.

Motion/second to adjourn at 3:36 p.m. by City Commissioners Wright/Ward carried 7-0.



Consider Approval of Owner Occupancy Waiver Request from Land Bank Authority

Requesting Agency

Spalding County Board of Commissioners

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ATTACHMENTS:



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ATTACHMENTS:

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- 645-179099_AMBUCS 5-12_3D_Poster2 (1).jpg
- 645-179099_AMBUCS 5-12_3D_Poster3.jpg
- Olympus Tower Brochure.pdf



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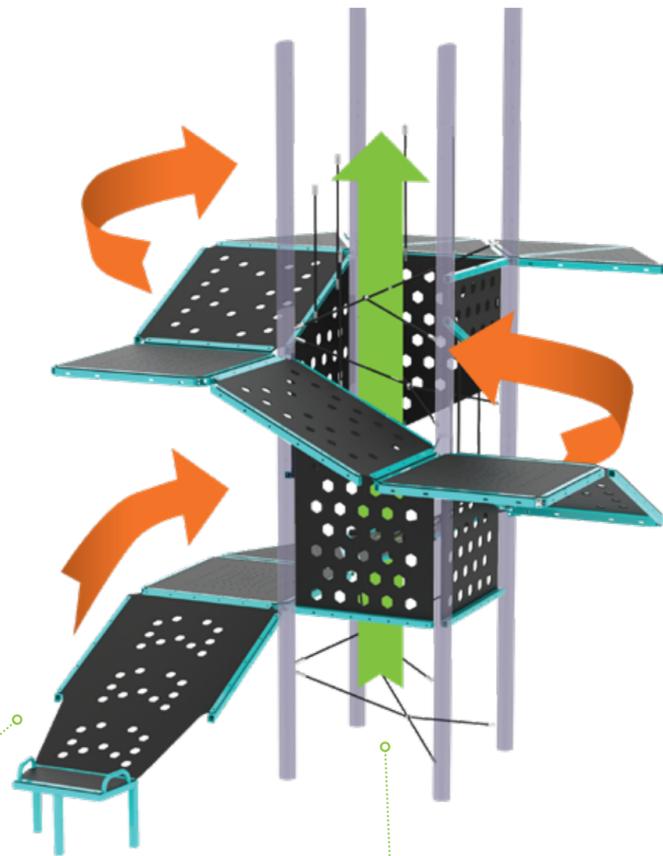
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Spiral Ascent – Confidence in Every Step

Starting with the ADA Transfer Platform, the Spiral Ascent provides a wide, gently rising pathway that makes the 12' summit possible for more children than ever. Its continuous, oversized PlayTrax links not only exceed ADA standards but also give kids the confidence to keep moving up, deck by deck.



Infinity Climber – Challenge and Choice

The Infinity Climber challenges kids with a direct, vertical path that links to every deck along the way. Running parallel to the Spiral Ascent, it lets kids of all abilities climb side by side, switch routes at any level, and discover new challenges as they grow—turning every step into a shared adventure.



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Why Olympus?

Accessible design is more than a requirement—it's a commitment to creating community spaces where everyone belongs. By embracing inclusive design principles, the Olympus Tower gives children of all abilities the chance to climb, connect, and create lasting memories together.

"True accessibility isn't about meeting the minimum—it's about designing for maximum participation, independence, and inclusion for every user."

— Bill Botten, Retired U.S. Access Board, PlayCore Accessibility Specialist

Designed for More!

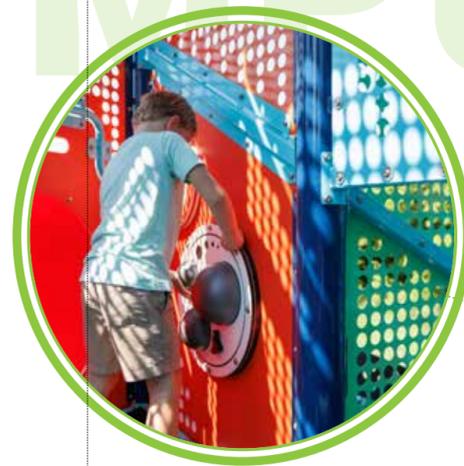
- **Reach New Heights** – Fully accessible route from ground level transfer to 12' deck
- **Play Together, Your Way** – Parallel routes with access to every deck via the Spiral Ascent or Infinity climber let children of all abilities climb side by side
- **Experience the Overlook** – The 12' summit offers more than just a view, kids can explore a mix of thrilling and sensory-rich activities
- **Fit Your Space, Fit Your Vision** – Customizable design adapts to every community
- **Confidence in Compliance** – Fully enclosed design meets ASTM F1487-25, delivering high play value and an 8' Critical Fall Height

The Olympus Tower isn't just about reaching the summit - it's about ensuring every child has the chance to make the climb their own.

OLYMPUS TOWER

**MAJESTIC
21' Height!**

Confidence in Compliance – Fully enclosed design meets ASTM F1487-25, delivering high play value and low fall heights.



Includes a sensory panel in the Overlook plus space for six more along the accessible route.



With five configurable decks and graduated levels of play, the Olympus adapts to every child's journey.



Customize your tower with vibrant, colorful panels, unique climbers, and exciting slide options to create a one-of-a-kind playground experience.



A 12' high pinnacle with a suspended hammock invites sensory play, relaxation, and social connection, while clear panels open panoramic views of the playground, creating a lofty destination that is both thrilling and inclusive for more users than ever before.



At the 12' level, the Overlook Deck combines dynamic PlayTrax modular decks that flex with every step, a sensory wall that engages exploration, and access to two 12' slides that can be configured to fit your space. Together, these features create an elevated destination that blends thrill, variety, and accessibility.



For a dynamic external route to the 4' and 6' decks, Olympus features the vertical X2 Climbing Wall.



Discover what makes the Olympus Tower so special



Take a self-guided 3-D TOUR!

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Requesting Agency
Spalding County Community Development

In Compliance with the following Ordinance

Requirement for Board Action

Is this Item Goal Related?
Yes

Summary and Background

Fiscal Impact / Funding Source
Private

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Approval

ATTACHMENTS:

[Wallace Jakcosn Approval Condition Analysis - Discussion Draft - 2025.01.27.pdf](#)
[CP70 - SLJ REVISED.pdf](#)

Staff Recommendation for 26-05V Variance:

- 1. All required protective stream buffers and impervious setbacks of the S-2 Land Protection District shall be marked prior to grading / construction activities, and a perennial stream shall be a stream which flows throughout the whole year as indicated on a USGS quadrant map.**
- 2. All S-4 Land Protection District features (wetlands) shall be field delineated and protected prior to grading / construction activities. Any wetland areas necessary to be disturbed shall require, if required by law, approval by the US Army Corp. of Engineers via a Section 404 permit or nationwide permit prior to grading / construction activities.**

Conditions for 25-29Z Rezoning and 25-17S Special Exception:

- 1. Any data center campus shall be developed in general compliance with the most current Zoning Site Plan (the “Concept Plan”) dated January 12, 2026, prepared by Falcon Design Consultants, and attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, for a planned data center campus development, including, but not limited to the buildings, driveways, entrances, sidewalks, berms, and other improvements shown on the most current Concept Plan or otherwise required by Spalding County.**
- 2. The development and construction of any data center campus shall comply with all requirements set forth in UDO Section 1403A(B)(8), except to the extent varied, including decommissioning processes and exterior architectural requirements, provided that tilt up masonry walls shall constitute a “masonry façade.” Masonry construction means pre-cast or on-site concrete, brick, stone, concrete panels, tilt-up concrete, and insulated concrete panels.**
- 3. The development and construction of the data center campus shall comply with the buffering and landscaping requirements of UDO Section 1403A(B)(8) and UDO Appendix K (Landscaping, including Tree Preservation), and include perimeter landscape berms and entrance planting areas. Final landscape plans for the buffers, berms, and entrance areas, as part of the construction drawings, for a land disturbance permit for the data center campus, shall be approved by the Community Development Director prior to the start of construction.**
- 4. A tree protection plan shall be approved by the Community Development Director prior to the start of any future clearing.**
- 5. Paving on frontage on Wallace Road shall be to County “super paving” specifications, UDO, Appendix A, § 502(Q) (Arterial Column), from the Wallace Road entrance to the intersection of Wallace Road and Jackson Road.**
- 6. Wallace Road north of the data center entrance on Wallace Road shall not be used by data center vehicles.**

- 7. The remaining area (after buildings and paving) between the stream buffer and the eastern property boundary, as shown on the most current Concept Plan, dated January 12, 2026, shall remain as an undisturbed, natural area to the maximum extent possible, subject to encroachment, grading, and construction necessary to develop the property in compliance with the most current Concept Plan, dated January 12, 2026, if developed for a data center campus, or the development plans, if developed for another permitted use in C1-C.**
- 8. The remaining area (after buildings and paving) between the stream buffer and the northern property boundary, as shown on the most current Concept Plan, dated January 12, 2026, shall remain as an undisturbed, natural area to the maximum extent possible, subject to encroachment, grading, and construction necessary to develop the property in compliance with the most current Concept Plan, dated January 12, 2026, if developed for a data center campus, or the development plans, if developed for another permitted use in C-1C.**
- 9. There shall be a minimum 50-foot-wide undisturbed buffer along the Jackson Road and Wallace Road frontages, retaining as much as possible existing trees; provided that (a) such buffer shall be disturbed to provide at least 10 feet of the front width of the buffer (i.e., along such frontages) with a four-foot-high, grassed berm with planted evergreen trees (8 feet high and 2 feet wide at time of planting) or an opaque fence on top of such berm; (b) such buffer may be crossed as necessary for entrances, sidewalks, driveways, and/or utilities; and (c) to the extent feasible and subject to these conditions, existing trees along this frontage shall be retained as is and supplemented with evergreen tree plantings as determined to be necessary by the Community Development Director.**
- 10. 5-foot-wide, concrete sidewalks shall be installed along the entire property frontages of Jackson Road and Wallace Road and prior to approval of any Certificates of Occupancy for the buildings.**
- 11. All Development of Regional Impact (DRI) recommendations by the Spalding County Public Works Department shall be considered during the preparation of land disturbance plans.**
- 12. No evaporative cooling system shall be permitted; closed loop cooling is required.**



Consider Approval of Motor Coach User Fees

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ATTACHMENTS:

- [Motorcoach Operational Cost Recovery Model 1-28-2026.xlsx](#)
- [Presentation - Increasing Motorcoach Operations 2026.pptx](#)

MOTORCOACH USAGE PROPOSAL 1/28/2026

Notes: Makin' Tracks planning on 12,000 miles of travel this year.

Doubling trips will reduce cost per person

*Trips categorized into 3 types (Round Trip miles): A= Less than 100 miles; B = 100 to 200 miles; C = More than 200 miles or Out of State

Flat Fee based on trip type and minimum of 40 riders to set operational cost

The most frequently planned trip types are 100-200 miles

Driver works an average of 11.5 hours/day on trip days (Pre-Post trip, fueling, cleaning, Restroom care, etc)

Event Specialist: Changed from Part-time to Full-time (PT hrs dedicated to Trips)

User group	Annual miles
Makin tracks	12,000
Spalding Co - Other User	12,000
Total	24,000

Trip details	Makin Tracks	Other User	Total
# Trips	45	45	90
Avg Miles per day	200	200	-
# of Travel days	55	55	110
Total # Miles (200X110)			24,000
Driver wage	Hours	Hours	Total
# Hrs per day	11.5	11.5	
# Annual hours	632.5	632.5	1,265
Hourly wage plus benefits \$31			\$39,215.00

FT Event Specialist	# weekly hrs	# Weeks	Total hrs
Trip planning and hosting hours	20	52	1,040
Hourly wage plus benefits \$25			\$26,000

Fuel			Total
Miles per gallon (avg city/hwy)	6	6	4,000
Avg Cost per gallon	\$3.65	\$3.65	\$14,600.00

Annual Operation Cost		
Fuel	=	\$14,600.00
Maintenance	=	\$3,000.00
Insurance	=	\$1,652.00
Depreciation	=	\$52,500.00
Event Specialist	=	\$26,000.00
Driver Wage	=	\$39,215.00
		\$136,967.00

Projected Revenue

Type	Round Trip Miles	#Trips	# Travel days	Suggested rate per person per trip - 40 riders	Projected revenue (Per Rider Rate x 40 riders x Number of Trips)	Total charge per trip MIN FEE (Per Rider Rate x 40 riders)
A	Less than 100	7	7	\$11.00	\$3,080.00	\$440.00
B	100-200	63	64	\$31.00	\$78,120.00	\$1,240.00
C	201+ and/or out of state	20	39	\$70.00	\$56,000.00	\$2,800.00
	Total	90	110		\$137,200.00	

Spalding County Motorcoach



INCREASING TRAVEL TO REDUCE COST IN 2026

2026 Travel Goals

Makin Tracks Travel Club

Goal: Weekly trips

12,000 miles

Spalding County – Other Users

Goal: Weekly trips

12,000 miles



90 Trips



200

Average number of
miles traveled per day



110 Travel days



24,000 Miles

Variables



Increasing trip frequency by 100% reduces cost to the individual and provides more opportunities for travel.



Use of a Flat Fee based on Trip Type provides easy cost calculations: A = Under 100 miles; B = 100 to 200 miles; C = 201 miles + and/or Out of State.



The most frequently hosted trips are between 100-200 miles.



Driver works an average of 11.5 hours per day on trip days.



Current Part Time Event Specialist increased to Full Time – New responsibilities to include creating travel opportunities.

Motorcoach Operations 2026

Projected Operation Cost

Fuel	=	\$14,600.00
Maintenance	=	\$3,000.00
Insurance	=	\$1,652.00
Depreciation	=	\$52,500.00
Event Specialist	=	\$26,000.00
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Type	Round Trip Miles	#Trips	# Travel days	Rate per person per trip (40 passengers)	Projected Revenue (Rate x 40 passengers x # of Trips)	Total Trip Fee
A	Less than 100	7	7	\$11.00	\$3,080.00	\$440.00
B	100-200	63	64	\$31.00	\$78,120.00	\$1,240.00
C	201+ and/or out of state	20	39	\$70.00	\$56,000.00	\$2,800.00
	Total	90	110		\$137,200.00	



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Requesting Agency

Spalding County Board of Commissioners

In Compliance with the following Ordinance

Requirement for Board Action

Is this Item Goal Related?

Summary and Background

Fiscal Impact / Funding Source

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS: