



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Transportation, Infrastructure, Parks, SPLOST (TIPS) Committee

*Councilmember George Turner, Chair
Mayor Pro Tem Tara Graves
Mayor Jazzmin Cobble, ex-officio*

*Councilmember Alecia Washington, Vice Chair
Councilmember Karmesha Smith*

TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, SPLOST MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: *In-Person @ City Hall (3120 Stonecrest Blvd Stonecrest)*
[\(meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the Stonecrest YouTube page\)](#)

I. CALL TO ORDER: Councilmember George Turner

The meeting began at 6:08p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

All committee members were present with the exception of Mayor Pro Tem Tara Graves, and Mayor Jazzmin Cobble, ex-officio.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion – made by Councilmember Alecia Washington to approve the meeting agenda with a discussion of the Dog Park Proposal added as H.

Second by Councilmember Karmesha Smith.

Motion approved unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- TIPS Committee Meeting, May 13, 2026

Motion – made by Councilmember Alecia Washington to approve the May 13, 2026, TIPS Committee Meeting minutes.

Second by Councilmember Karmesha Smith.

Motion approved unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Overall limit in public comments is 20 minutes. Limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Speaker can only speak once in public comments. Public comments are restricted to topics regarding the TIPS Committee.

VI. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Capital Projects Status Update for Salem Park and Fairington Park

City Engineer Hari Karikaran informed the committee that Salem Park will demo the park monument, extend sewer lines, reconstruct the restroom, and add a gazebo and trail.

He added that Fairington Park will demo the park monument also, add a Gazebo, correct parking lot paving, change the design of the lower lever parking; adding a basketball court and a children's play area.

B. 2026 LRA Grant Road list

Engineer Hari Karikaran explained that the LRA Grant road list consisted of N. Goddard Road, Klondike Road to 3977 N. Goddard Road, Tribble Street, Lithonia Industrial Blvd. to the City Limits, and Rock Springs Road, Ottawa Trail.

C. Review of the Master Transportation Plan

Engineer Hari Karikaran mentioned the plan was adopted September 2020 and short term is 2020 – 2024, mid Term is 2025 – 2029, and long term is 2030 – 2050.

Councilmember George Turner made a suggestion that of all the plans need to be reviewed and updated, with some having some discussions, such as the Marta station near the mall, and other items that can be taken out or updated.

Engineer Hari Karikaran added that there is also a bicycle pedestrian plan that has three types of projects: point project, the line project and the transit stop project.

D. Review of the Master Parks Plan

Engineer Hari Karikaran shared copies of the Park Master Plan prepared by Deputy City Manager Michael McCoy. The Park Master Plan was adopted October 2020, and the plan covers Browns Mill Park, Southeast Athletic Complex, Salem Park, New Fairington Park and Fairington Park.

E. Suggested 2027 Capital Project (budgeting)

The suggested items for the 2027 Capital Project is sidewalk construction and street resurfacing, including Klondike Road/South Goddard Road construction and Turner Hill Road/Hayden Quarry Road ROW.

F. Streetscaping various corridors

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Councilmember George Turner stated there are constituents that suggest Stonecrest cut down some of the trees that are leaning over Evans Mill Road. It was later stated the trees were on private property and the owners of the property needed to cut them down.

It was stated there might be funds available to cut some of the trees, if they show a hazard to the drivers in the area. Councilmember George Turner also suggested that Stonecrest provide some streetscaping on Rock Springs Road and have a look at the rest of the city for safety and aesthetics.

G. Updated delivery status for monument signage and 2026 parks equipment.

Councilmember Turner asked about the sign at 20 and Panola; if it was going to be put in before the diamond divergent is completed, or not at all? Engineer Karikaran stated it is part of the deal. The bridge will be widened, the reverse lanes constructed, and site facades added on both sides.

In regard to Stonecrest being listed on the exit signs for four exits, Stonecrest was given a proposal to add the signs, and are still working with GDOT in regard to the payment. Stonecrest being added to the signage was not part of the original bid and the contract was finalized before the signage was approved.

H. Discuss Dog Park Proposal

Councilmember Turner reported that Stonecrest turned down the suggestion of the park being located at the Southeast Complex and said they would have to revisit it. There were 8 acres of land purchased at the corner of Salem Road and Evans Mill and it was stated that it might work as a site for the dog park. The National Park Plan was reviewed, and it was stated Fairington Park has a spot designated for a dog park. Councilmember Turner also suggested in lieu of building a big dog park at one location, why not build several medium-size dog parks in multiple locations, allowing greater access to the community. It was also mentioned that when the Botanical Gardens is built, there might be space for a dog park as well. Councilmember Washington suggested two dog parks, one near Salem Road and one on the other side.

Councilmember Smith mentioned if the 8 acres that was mentioned earlier is not used for a dog park, she has some ideas that may work for Stonecrest, such as parking, basketball court, trails around the park and a lot of green space. She also mentioned some concerns from constituents, such as baseball losing some funding from the county, concerns about the restroom and concession stands and repairs of the field and improved lighting.

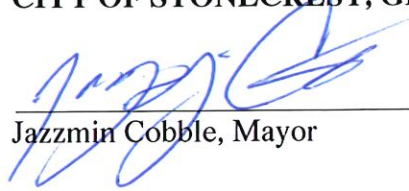
VII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

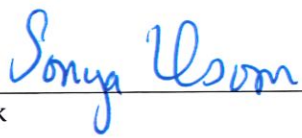
As approved on the 12th day of August, 2026.

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Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

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