



# Municipal Technology Association of SC

Spring Meeting  
March 19, 2026

Hilton Garden Inn Columbia Airport  
110 McSwain Drive  
West Columbia, SC 29169

**8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration, Networking and Continental Breakfast**

Start your day by joining us for registration to pick up your name badge and meeting packets. Enjoy a complimentary continental breakfast while networking with fellow attendees and meeting sponsors.

**9:00 – 9:15 a.m. Welcome**

*President Leonard Larkin, IT Manager,  
Town of Summerville*

**9:15 – 10:15 a.m. When Ransomware Hits Home: The City of Anderson's Story**

*Jason Nixon, Chief Information Officer,  
City of Anderson*

Hear firsthand how the City of Anderson navigated a major ransomware incident — from the initial disruption to full operational recovery. This session highlights key decisions, challenges and lessons that can help local governments strengthen their cybersecurity posture and prepare for potential cyber threats.

**10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Break**

**10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Integrating GIS into Municipal Operations**

*Dr. Timothy M. De Troye, GIS Administrator,  
City of Aiken*

See examples of how GIS can make municipal workflows more efficient, assist in bringing data together from disparate databases, help with budgeting projections, data integrity, and so much more.

**11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Networking Luncheon**

**12:30 – 12:45 p.m. Sponsor Introductions: Exploring Services That Drive Innovation and Success**

Hear from our event sponsors as they share insights into the products, services and solutions they offer to help municipalities achieve their goals.

**12:45 – 1:30 p.m. Artificial Intelligence in Municipal Government: Open Discussion**

Join an open discussion on how municipalities are using AI today, where it can be applied effectively, and what risks and limitations to consider. Participants will explore practical use cases, security measures and strategies for managing and governing AI in local government.

**1:30 – 1:45 p.m. Break**

**1:45 – 2:30 p.m. Inside Hilton Head Island's Emergency Management Process**

*Tom Dunn, Emergency Management Coordinator,  
Town of Hilton Head Island*

*Tommy Sunday, Director of Technology and  
Innovation, Town of Hilton Head Island*

Learn how the Town of Hilton Head Island prepares for emergencies, including an overview of their evacuation planning, equipment and on-the-ground response operations.

**2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break**



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### SC Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity Update

*Ryan Truskey, Chief Information Security Officer,  
Director of SC Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity  
Program, SC State Law Enforcement Division*

Stay informed with the latest updates from the South Carolina Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity Program, including recent initiatives, key changes and essential information that municipalities need to know for the year ahead.

3:45 p.m.

### Adjourn

## 2026 Board of Directors

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## Who We Are

The Municipal Technology Association of SC promotes the effective use of information technology by municipalities. It offers education on how to improve services and achieve greater efficiencies by using technology. For more information, visit [www.masc.sc](http://www.masc.sc) (keyword: MTASC).

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## Upcoming Meeting

### 2026 Annual Meeting

September 23 – 25  
Embassy Suites, North Charleston



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Municipal Association of South Carolina.*



## Registration Information

Online registration is available for the Spring Meeting. Save time and postage by logging on to [www.masc.sc](http://www.masc.sc) to register. Online registrations must be paid by Visa or MasterCard. Registration fees of \$100 for members and \$135 for nonmembers include meeting registration, all educational materials and the luncheon. **The registration deadline is Monday, March 9.**

Register online at [www.masc.sc](http://www.masc.sc) or mail a completed registration form and a check made payable to the Municipal Association of SC.

MASC  
PO Box 12220  
Columbia, SC 29211  
Attn: MTASC

Cancellations must be received by 5 p.m. on March 9. Refunds will not be given after this date.

Conference attire is business casual. The general session room may be cool, so you may want to bring a sweater or jacket.

For special needs requests, contact Dawn Dukes at 803.933.1240 or [ddukes@masc.sc](mailto:ddukes@masc.sc) by March 9, and we will accommodate if possible.

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### Name Badge Information

The following information will appear on your name badge for this meeting:

First name (example: Bill)

Full name (example: William J. Smith, Jr.)

Title ☐ New

Local government/business name

### Contact Information

Birth month/day

Last four digits of SSN

*This combination of numbers is used as the official's personal identification number to access online services, simplify event registration and ensure proper recording of participation in Association training programs.*

Local government/business name

Preferred mailing address ☐ New Type: ☐ Municipal ☐ Business

City/State Zip

Preferred phone ☐ New Type: ☐ Municipal ☐ Business ☐ Mobile

Email address ☐ New

### Registration Fees

Check one:

☐ MTASC member \$100 ☐ Nonmember \$135

*Includes meeting registration, educational materials and lunch.*