



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**



2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

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

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 (keyword: MTASC).

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Upcoming Meeting

2026 Annual Meeting

September 23 – 25
Embassy Suites, North Charleston

2026 Board of Directors

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Registration Information

Online registration is available for the Spring Meeting. Save time and postage by logging on to 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 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 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.