

DeKalb County Government

*Manuel J. Maloof Center
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Presiding Officer, District 4
Comm. Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 7*

Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1

Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2

Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7

Present: 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Staff Present: Michael Thurmond, Chief Executive Officer, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders- Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernstes, County Attorney

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A. INSPIRATIONAL

Pastor Dexter O. Rowland
New Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kathie Gannon
District 6

B. PRESENTATIONS

COVID-19 Response- CEO Michael Thurmond

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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1. Dr. Ed Williams, P.O. Box 361626 Decatur, GA 30036 - Good Morning Commissioners. My Name is Ed Williams, I have lived in unincorporated south DeKalb for over twenty years. I am the chair of the group Concerned Citizens for Effective Government. DeKalb County's method of funding the DeKalb Pension obligations is not equitable to all the residents in both unincorporated and municipalities of DeKalb County based on legacy liability. I have written to you all several letters regarding this issue and made public comments before. When Are you are all going to address this problem? I have made several efforts to express my disapproval using the "see something and say something" approach and warn the commission. Today, I ask you and the board not to remain silent and thereby complicit in the actions of the CEO when laws are being broken. Will you be the voice who says enough, and stand up and say what the county is doing is wrong or will you remain silent Citizens are waking up to how governments have abused their authority. There is a disparity between municipalities and unincorporated residents in how the DeKalb Pension plan is being funded with the property tax funds. Currently, DeKalb County has approximately some 750,000 residents. The City of Atlanta before 2008 was the largest city in DeKalb County. It had more than 28,000 residents in DeKalb where the county seat, the City of Decatur had only 20,000 residents. Fast forward to 2019, and over one hundred and ninety thousand more residents are now living in cities in DeKalb. One of the problems with the DeKalb pension is that much of the liability was created before 2008 when more than 80 percent of residents lived in unincorporated DeKalb. The population has shifted to municipalities but the burden has not. I intend to file a complaint to seek an injunction against DeKalb County regarding the inequities and the discriminatory manner in which the pension liability is funded through the county property taxes. It is in the public and county pension plan interests for the county to equitable levy the unfunded obligations and liabilities to all its residents in regards to the ad valorem tax uniformly. There is nothing in the law that allows the county to selectively discriminate the application of the Ad Valorem tax levy for the unfunded pension obligations of the DeKalb County Pension Fund. There is no special service or tax district for the DeKalb County Pension Plan to allow any exclusion. As such the unfunded obligations of the pension should be paid from the county general fund in other words equitable among all ad valorem taxable properties. Other jurisdictions pay their pension liability from the General Fund as was noted during the UGA Carl Vinson Institute presentation in December 2019. The future obligations of the pension costs should be shared by more DeKalb residents certainly more transparently and equitably. Please Go Vote Today in the Runoff Election.

2. Mike Cooper, 663 Ridge Ave. Stone Mountain (no zipcode) - I am Vice Chairman of the District Four Community Council but am speaking as an individual. The DeKalb County Department of Planning & Sustainability has suddenly placed a text amendment for the Memorial Drive Revitalization Plan on the current zoning agenda, meaning it is to be heard by the District 4 Community Council next week and the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners next month. I urge you to defer any action on this plan until it has been properly presented to the public. The Department needs to hold a public meeting where it clearly explains the wide-ranging wish list that the plan includes. The county is giving every appearance of trying to rush this plan through while residents are waylaid because of a health crisis. A draft of the report was quietly completed earlier this year. Now, with no further public input, a final document has suddenly appeared -- IF you know where to look. The home page of the Department of Planning & Sustainability does not contain a link to the study or the proposed text amendment. Using the search function on the DeKalb County government web site for "memorial drive study" yields the response: "Your search yielded no results." Memorial Drive would be the county's first Small Area Plan that is not a Livable Center Initiative or a Master Active Living Plan. Memorial Drive is not a small area. It is a five-mile major artery. The final report reveals that the diverse immigrant

community keeping Memorial Drive alive was ignored in the study. It lists a Business Development Advisory Committee loaded with bureaucrats and realtors, but very few small-business or immigrant representatives. Six churches are listed, but no mosques. The report also fails as an economic study. According to the RFP the county issued in November 2018, the study was supposed to include 25-year projections, by five-year intervals, of Housing, Employment and Workforce Education and Skills. It does not. It also does not meet the RFP's requirements for a 5-year plan for transportation, pedestrian mobility and housing. No strategies are given for affordable or workforce housing. The RFP calls for an implementation plan with a five-year schedule of actions. This is also missing from the final report. The county should slow this process down. It should properly present this study in a public forum. It would be preferable to wait until a public meeting is possible where people can ask questions in person in a town hall format. The county is scheduled to update its Comprehensive Plan next year. Why is it rushing to amend the Comprehensive Plan immediately to include a 124-page, \$175,000 incomplete study that the public paid for but has barely seen and has not had a reasonable opportunity to review? Thank you.

3. Stephen Binney (no address) - Good Morning Commissioners, Social Control or Social Justice? American taxpayers currently spend 108 Billion dollars more on police than on public housing. The state's Fair Market Rent for a two-bedroom apartment or rental property is about \$994. To be able to afford this it's recommended that Georgians should earn at least \$19.11 per hour. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities — without paying more than 30% of income on housing — a household must earn \$3,313 monthly or \$39,758 annually. This is assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks a year. In the metro Atlanta area the numbers are even higher. Nearly 3 times the amount Georgia's current minimum wage of \$7.25 pays. In Dekalb County a very large number of people are paying 50% and more of their income towards rent and utilities. With rents increasing and the promise of rising electric bills and water bills. How can people hope to improve their living conditions, save money for their children's education or their retirement under these conditions? Many people's living circumstances today bare a scary resemblance to the share croppers of years past. This is a form of Social Control that is being used to keep people in their place. 37% of Georgia households, over 1.3 million, are renters. This figure is closer to 50% in metro counties like Dekalb. In order for someone making minimum wage to afford a 1-bedroom rental, they would need to work 91 hours per week. That works out to 13 hours a day for a 7 day week and over 19 hours a day for a 5 day week. Last week Dekalb County Courts starting hearing eviction cases again. Is this a smart thing to do? Forcing more individuals and families into the great wide open during a pandemic. Since mid-march over 2000 eviction notices have been filed and the courts will be hearing them soon. The possibility of thousands of homeless adults and children in Dekalb County is frightening to me under our current circumstances. May I suggest that a portion of the county's CARES act money be put to use paying these owed back rents. The money could be payed directly to the landlords under allowed business allocations. Renters continue to have a place to stay inside and the landlords get to stay in business. Everybody wins, especially the Dekalb County Health system. It can be a small start with lowering the 108 Billion dollars more we spend on police than on public housing in this country. Social Control or Social Justice? Join me on the road less traveled. Thank you.

4. Deborah Mitchell, R.B. Communications, Inc. (no address) - My public comments are in support and to advocate for a Monument Honoring Congressman John Lewis outside the former courthouse in the Decatur square. Our world would not be what it is today without the legacy and impact of John Lewis. Thank you, DeKalb County, for removing the confederate monument. We still have a long way to go but removing the

confederate monument will let the world know we want change now. I graduated from Decatur High School in 1975 and 4 generations of family still reside in City of Decatur. I am also a Minority Female Business Owner in DeKalb County. Thank you Congressman John Lewis for paving the way for me. Thanks to Audrey Maloof for reaching out and getting the community involved in Honoring Congressman John Lewis.

D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular Business meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available (1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage, and (2) DCTVChannel23.TV. The public is invited to watch the broadcast on DCTV's UStream link (<https://video.ibm.com/channel/dctv-channel-23>), or join the meeting using the Zoom link (<https://dekalbcountyga.zoom.us/j/7753778046>), or by telephone (602-333-0032 or 888-270-9936, conference code: 217687). For those joining the meeting by telephone, please be aware that your phone number may be displayed to the public viewing or participating in the online meeting. The Board will provide 15 minutes of time for citizens to speak in favor of an agenda item, and 15 minutes for citizens to speak in opposition. Citizens who attend the meeting via the Zoom link above may join the public comment queue by raising their hand in the Zoom application, while citizens who attend the meeting via telephone may join the comment queue by pressing 2 followed by #. There will be no comment cards, so when you are called upon, please state your name and address for the record. Also, please be conscious of speaking time so that everyone has an opportunity to provide input in the allotted time. Citizens may also email documents for inclusion into the official record by submitting such materials by 9:00 a.m. on the date of the public hearing to PublicHearing@dekalbcountyga.gov.

“DECISION ONLY” ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

Planning & Sustainability

[2020-0600](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 1 & 7

Application of BE3 Holdings, LLC c/o Battle Law P.C. to request a modification of zoning conditions of CZ-15-20076 within the RSM (Residential Small Lot Mix) District to allow the construction of four single-family lots by amending conditions #1, #3-7, and by adding three conditions (#9 - 11), at 4575 Chamblee Tucker Road.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

NONE

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport

[2020-0783](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Resolution to Accept GDOT Federal Funding Assistance Associated with the Mid-field Taxiway Improvements (Runway Incursion Mitigation) at PDK - DeKalb Peachtree Airport. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Board of Commissioners

[2020-0884](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the August 4, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2020-0897](#)

Commission District(s): District 2

Increase the Project Account for the Acquisition of 1634 Briarcliff Road

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2020-0894](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

2020 Reserve for Appropriation Super District 6

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2020-0855](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of August 4, 2020.

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0869](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 28, 2020

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0882](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Zoning Meeting of July 30, 2020

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

District Attorney

[2020-0858](#)

Commission District(s): all

Acceptance of DeKalb County's Allocation under the 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) - \$224,081

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Magistrate Court

[2020-0842](#)

Commission District(s): All districts

Request To Accept Subgrant Award from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for Fiscal Year 2021 for the Benefit of the Magistrate Court of DeKalb County's Misdemeanor Mental Health Court (MMHC) in the sum of \$58,195 with a County Match of \$6,466.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2020-0766](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 3, 7

Green Forrest (Sign Toppers) Signage within DeKalb County Right-of-Way

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0783, 2020-0884, 2020-0897, 2020-0894, 2020-0869, 2020-0882, 2020-0858, 2020-0842, 2020-0766 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2020-0688](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Batteries for Two-Way Radios (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1125015 for use by the Police Services (PS). This contract consists of the purchase of batteries for two-way radios. Awarded to Motorola Solutions. Amount Not To Exceed: \$60,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0774](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Reversible Rain Jackets for Police Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1175407 for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of providing reversible rain jackets for Police Officers. Awarded to Safeguard Printing & Promotional Products Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$44,500.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), and return to the Board August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee

[2020-0826](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 966523 for Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Certification and/or Contract Compliance Services: for use by the Department of Purchasing and Contracting (P&C). This contract consists of the outsourcing of certification and compliance services in accordance with the DeKalb First LSBE Ordinance. Awarded to Georgia Minority Supplier Development Council (GMSDC). Amount Not To Exceed: \$280,668.30.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2020-0445](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - On-Call Roof Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1175305, 1175306 and 1175307 for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM) and Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of maintaining, repairing and installing various types of roofs. Awarded to National Building Contractors, Inc. (NBC), RYCARS Construction, LLC and Hawk Construction Co., LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,720,770.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. Items 2020-0445, 2020-0787, 2020-0792 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0787](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1070267 for Technology Solutions with Related Equipment and Accessories: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT) to be used by various County departments. This contract consists of piggybacking off the competitively let National IPA (Lead Agency City of Mesa, AZ) Contract No. 2018011-01 for purchasing Apple computer hardware, tablets, peripherals, printer, network gear and other approved software. Awarded to CDW Government, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. Items 2020-0445, 2020-0787, 2020-0792 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0792

Commission District(s): 1 & 6

LB - Invitation No. 20 -101257 Runway Incursion Mitigation - PDK 11 - Taxiway Improvements: for use by the DeKalb Peachtree Airport. Consists of the removal and replacement of existing runway materials' including replacement of runway lighting and markings as required to enhance airport safety. Recommend to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Astra Group, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,074,888.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. Items 2020-0445, 2020-0787, 2020-0792 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2020-0684](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Architecture and Engineering Services for Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1174317, 1174318, 1174320 and 1174324 for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of providing on-call comprehensive architectural and engineering services. Awarded to: Lose & Associates, Inc. *dba* Lose Design, Pond & Company, Inc, Foresite Group, Inc. and Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0745](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1214182 for Bunker Renovations at Sugar Creek Golf Club (SCGC) (Request for Quote): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of renovating bunkers at the SCGC. Awarded to Fore Front Construction Corp. Amount Not To Exceed: \$190,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on August 25, 2020. Items 2020-0745, 2020-0818 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0818](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

RES - Contract No. 1213768 for ITB No. 20-101233, Bunker Renovation Services at Mystery Valley Golf Club (One-Time Buy): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of renovating the existing golf course bunkers. This request is to rescind the award to Duininck, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$190,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on August 25, 2020. Items 2020-0745, 2020-0818 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2020-0518](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 2 for Contract Nos.: 1063844 and 1063841 and Change Order No. 3 for Contract Nos.: 1063831 and 1068774 Annual Water & Sewer Construction (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of primarily providing installation and repair of water and sewer pipes in various sizes. This request is to increase funding and the contract term through May 31, 2021. Awarded to GS Construction, Inc., SD&C, Inc., Granite Inliner, LLC and The Renee Group/CamKen Consulting (RGI/CamKen JV). Amount Not to Exceed: \$22,689,271.00.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0793](#)**Commission District(s): 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1156154 for DeKalb Sidewalk Program Phase 2C - Salem Rd., Henderson Rd. and Flat Shoals Rd. - PI#0007618/PI# 008268 (548 days): for use by Public Works - Transportation. This contract consists of the construction of sidewalks along Salem, Henderson and Flat Shoals Roads. Awarded to: Precision 2000, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$77,840.00.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0830](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Water Meters and Parts (Annual Contract - 1st of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of water meters and parts. Awarded to Kendall, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$8,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0898](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 7**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 13-902684 Construction Management (CM) Services for Snapfinger Creek Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion - Phase II: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing construction management services for the Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facilities Expansion - Phase II. This request is to increase funding and extend the contract term through June 30, 2022. Awarded to Tetra Tech, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$9,162,850.00

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0923**Commission District(s): All**

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0924**Commission District(s): 7**

An item to Record the Appointment of Jamie Clarke to the District 1 Community Council.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0925

Commission District(s): All

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0926

Commission District(s): 7

An item to Record the Appointment of Leona Perry to the District 5 Community Council.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0927

Commission District(s): All

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0928**Commission District(s): 7**

An item to Record the Appointment of John Tolbert, Jr. to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0929**Commission District(s): All**

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0930**Commission District(s): 7**

An item to Record the Appointment of Barbara Mobley to the DeKalb County Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs Citizens Advisory Board.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0931

Commission District(s): All

Add an Item to the Agenda

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0932

Commission District(s): All

DeKalb County COVID-19 Citizens Assistance Program - Grants Administered by Non-Profits

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners

[2020-0400](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution Amending the 2020 DeKalb County Budget

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0640](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

A Resolution to Appropriate Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund Proceeds Assigned to Grant Fund #258, to a Grant Program for the Purpose of Giving Support and Relief to Current Local Small Business Owners Located within the County.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be to approved the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

GIS Department

[2020-0695](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 7

To consider consenting to the deannexation of property located at 5287 Mountain Village, Stone Mountain, GA, 30083.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0695 and 2020-0696 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0696](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 7

To consider consenting to the deannexation of property located at 694 Ridge Avenue, Stone Mountain, GA, 30083.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0695 and 2020-0696 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

2020-0483

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Purchase of Automobiles, Vans, Trucks and Accessories (Annual Contract - 2nd renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1119757, 1119777, 1119784 and 1119786 for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. These contracts consist of purchasing replacement vehicles to enable County personnel to complete daily tasks that require the use of automobiles. Awarded to Wade Ford, Hardy Chevrolet, Hardy Family Ford and Don Jackson C/D/J/R. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$7,500,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0692

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1024762 for Maintenance, Support and Professional Services for Comprehensive Property Tax Billing and Collections Systems, *iasWorld* (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovations and Technology (IT). Consists of updating property values and expanding the *iasWorld* application for data access and transparency. Awarded to Tyler Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$430,100.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0699

Commission District(s): ALL

AP- 10 Cubic Yard Rear Loader Refuse Truck with Diesel Engine: for Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by Public Works-Beautification. Consists of piggybacking off the competitively-let Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #081716-KTC (Class 6,7 and 8 Chassis with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services), to purchase one (1) 10 cubic yard rear loader refuse truck with diesel engine to complete county wide refuse collections which is needed to ensure that DeKalb streets and thoroughfares remain clean and free from discarded trash. Awarded to MHC Kenworth-Georgia. Amount Not To Exceed: \$135,099.00.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2020-0705**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN- Repair of Equipment: All Automobiles, On-the-Road, Off-the-Road, Vehicles, Motorcycles, Trucks, Trailers and Motorized Equipment (Annual Contract - 2nd of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1131126, 1130730, 1131165, 1131291, 1130733, 1131262, 1130975, 1131127, 1131275, 1131352, 1130740, 1130827, 1130764, 1131128, 1131139, 1130747, 1130750, 1130979, 1131371, 1131295, 1131268, 1135749, 1131132, 1130801, 1130726, 1130884, 1130795, 1130888, 1130960, 1131373, 1130885, 1130753, 1130767, 1130869, 1130727, 1131167, 1130770, 1131178, 1130972, 1130886, 1130729, 1130944, 1130822, 1130828, 1130734, 1130806, 1131180, 1130889, 1131608, 1131436, 1130776, 1130775, 1131279, 1131370 and 1130717 for use by Public Works-Fleet Management. These contracts consist of obtaining repairs to keep vehicles on the road and equipment operating in the field from qualified and /or manufacturer dealers when the required repair is beyond the capability or expertise of Fleet Management personnel. Awarded to 55 vendors (please see list below). Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$5, 972,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0734](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 20-101250 - Refuse Transfer Open Top 53' Trailer: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of seven (7) refuse transfer, standard aluminum top loading 53 foot trailers used to transport collected garbage from the transfer stations to the Seminole Road Landfill. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Travis Body and Trailer, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$618,975.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0755](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101135 Landfill Compactor Tractor: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of the purchase of one (1) Landfill Compactor Tractor to be used to push and compact trash at the Seminole Landfill. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Yancey Brothers Co. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,126,995.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0758](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Microsoft Enterprise Software: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) 99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0004 for software licenses and technical support to cover all existing Microsoft Corporation proprietary products utilized by the County. Awarded CDW-Government. Amount Not To Exceed: \$10,226,232.48.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on August 25, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0816](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

AP - Truck Tractor with 5th Wheel, Tandem Drive, CNG Engine & Automatic Transmission: for Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by Public Works-Sanitation. Consists of the purchase of two (2) additional truck tractors with 5th wheels to be used to pull the loaded refuse trailers to the Seminole landfill from the transfer stations. Awarded to Peterbilt of Atlanta, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$363,316.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0816 and 2020-0817 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2020-0817](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 20-101227 Maintenance, Cleaning & Inspection of Fuel Tanks including Removal, Relocation & Installation (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management. Consists of maintaining, cleaning and inspecting multiple fuel tanks as needed to ensure clean fuel is dispensed to County fleet. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: SP Petroleum Transporters. Amount Not To Exceed: \$150,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2020-0816 and 2020-0817 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2020-0534](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 20-101232 George Luther Property Remediation (120 Days): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of providing all labor, equipment, materials, incidental work and construction methods necessary to complete the soil remediation activities for the Former DOT Maintenance Yard property. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: ATC Group Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$344,965.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**II. SPECIAL CALLED MEETING****A. EXECUTIVE SESSION****B. OTHER MATTERS****POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN COUNTY SERVICES.**

DeKalb County Government does not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities or exclude them from participating in or receiving benefits of its services, programs, or activities, based on disability. Janet Essix, DeKalb County Government's Employee Relations Manager and ADA Coordinator, is designated to coordinate the County's compliance with Part 35 of the Department of Justice regulations regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act. Janet Essix may be contacted at 1300 Commerce Drive, 1st Floor, Decatur, GA 30030, 404.371.2309, to request information about access for persons with disabilities to County services, programs and activities, or to discuss a grievance regarding an impediment to such access. Ten days' notice is requested for special accommodations.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Nancy Jester and seconded by Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson to adjourn the August 11, 2020 Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:33 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Stephen R. Bradshaw
Presiding Officer

Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer

Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk