

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, Presiding Officer, District 2
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 4*

*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 Gregory Adams, Super District 7*

Present: 5 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Larry Johnson, and Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson

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

A. INSPIRATIONAL

Rabbi Mayer Neuberger, Head of School
Yeshiva Ohr Yisrael of Atlanta

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Gregory Adams
Super District 7

B. PRESENTATIONS

Honoring Sandra Holmes
Towers High School Marching Band
The 58th Annual National Public Works Week

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Public Comments portion of this meeting is reserved exclusively for comments from the public, and not for immediate reply. Statements made during the Public Comments portion do not necessarily reflect the Opinions of the Board or the Administration of DeKalb County Government. The purpose of public comment is to allow the public to voice county-related requests, concerns or opinions during the Commission meeting. Speakers will only have the opportunity for one public comment per meeting. Each speaker must complete a speaker card and present it to the clerk before the beginning of the public comment portion of the meeting. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. Speakers who are residents of DeKalb County shall be allowed to speak before residents of other counties are allowed to speak. Once the public comment portion of the meeting begins, speaker cards will no longer be accepted.

Speakers will be allowed to speak for three minutes each and public comment shall not exceed 30 minutes in length. When the buzzer sounds to indicate that time has run out, the speaker will be expected to immediately cease speaking and to yield the podium. Those who submitted speaker cards but did not speak because of the time allotment will be allowed to speak first at the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting without regard to residence. Speakers should always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating their name, full address and the name of any organization they represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language, holding up signs, clapping and yelling will not be permitted. A show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position

1. Apostle Charles McCorkle, 4225 Snapfinger Woods Drive Decatur, GA 30035 – Spoke regarding the need for decisive and informed leadership, and the importance of informed voting.
2. Chris Billingsly, 5236 Antelope Lane Tucker, GA 30087 – Spoke in support of the confederate monument remaining in Decatur Square.
3. Mary Ellen Kalinowski-Diehl, 867 Willivee Drive Decatur, GA 30033 – Spoke regarding needed traffic calming measures on a part of Willivee Drive, between Scott Circle and Vistamont.
4. Beau Williams, 2840 Briarcliff Rd. Atlanta, GA 30329 – Spoke in support of removing the confederate monument from Decatur Square.
5. Henri Jordan, 763 Lee Andrews Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315 – Read Bible verses Ephesians 5:25, Jeremiah 33:3, Revelation 1:3, and Ephesians 5:28.

D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

Citizens may speak for or against an item that is considered by law to be a zoning ordinance and each side will have ten minutes to presents its case. Citizens may also speak for or against an item that is placed on the public hearing agenda but is not a zoning ordinance. In that case, each side will have five minutes to present its case. In the event there is more than one speaker per side, speakers must divide their time in order to complete their full presentation within the ten-minute time allotment, or the five-minute time allotment. When the buzzer sounds to indicate that time has run out, the speaker will be expected to immediately cease speaking and to leave the podium area. Prior to speaking, please complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If you have any documents for the Commissioners, please provide 10 copies when approaching the podium. Seven copies are for the Commissioners and the remaining copies are for the planning director, the county attorney and the clerk. Applicants or citizens speaking in favor of an item shall speak first and applicants in zoning ordinance cases shall have the right to reserve time for rebuttal. Opponents of a zoning ordinance item shall have no right of rebuttal. Once the citizens have finished speaking, staff shall make a recommendation for action to the commission. At this point, citizens are no longer allowed to speak unless called to the podium by an individual commissioner to answer questions or provide information. When speaking, always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating your name, address and the name of any organization you represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping and yelling to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Public Works - Transportation

[2018-1994](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6
Traffic Calming Petition - Willivee Drive between Scott Circle and Vistamont Drive. No Cost to the County.

Mary Ellen Kalinowski-Diehl, 887 Willivee Dr. Decatur, GA 30033, spoke in favor

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Kathie Gannon was out of the room and not voting. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Gannon

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2018-2083](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
Appointment of Tom Branch to the Parks BOND Citizen Advisory Committee and the Initiative for a Green DeKalb Advisory Council for District 2

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2018-2082](#) Commission District(s): District 1
Record the Appointment of Jenna Teston to the Citizens Oversight Committee for SPLOST

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport[2018-2101](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Resolution To Accept GDOT Contract for Costs Associated with Rubber Removal & Remarketing and Runway Incursion Mitigation at PDK - DeKalb Peachtree Airport. The cost to the County is \$246,102.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-2101, 2018-2048, 2018-2049, 2018-2030, 2018-2098 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO[2018-2048](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 27, 2018

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-2101, 2018-2048, 2018-2049, 2018-2030, 2018-2098 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-2049](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Zoning Meeting of March 27, 2018

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-2101, 2018-2048, 2018-2049, 2018-2030, 2018-2098 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2018-2030](#)

Commission District(s): Commission Districts County Wide Reimbursement for Traffic Signal Equipment Relocations, Upgrades, Recycling, and Damage

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-2101, 2018-2048, 2018-2049, 2018-2030, 2018-2098 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting[2018-2098](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 995560 for Landscaping Maintenance Service for use by Public Works - Beautification. Consists of providing landscaping and maintenance services for County public rights of ways. Awarded to Flex Landscaping. Amount Not To Exceed: \$75,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-2101, 2018-2048, 2018-2049, 2018-2030, 2018-2098 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**Board of Commissioners - District 6**[2018-2089](#)

Commission District(s): All
Climate Change Resolution

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, 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 June 12, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Chief Executive Office

[2018-2102](#)

Commission District(s): All
Comcast Franchise Agreement Extension

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

District Attorney

[2018-1996](#)

Commission District(s): All
D.A. and Public Defender staffing for increased courtroom at Juvenile Court

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-2086](#)

Commission District(s): All
Pre-acceptance of 2019 Child Support Contract Between the State of Georgia and the Office of the District Attorney

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Finance

2018-2056

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Authorizing the Issuance of Sale of Tax Anticipation Notes for 2018

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Nancy Jester opposed. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

No: 1 - Commissioner Jester

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Human Services

2018-2035

Commission District(s): ALL
Time Extension for New Freedom Program Subgrant Agreement with MARTA

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, 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 June 12, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-2074](#)

Commission District(s): All

Human Services Plan for Senior Services Future State

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, 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 June 12, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Planning and Sustainability

[2018-2084](#)

Commission District(s): All

Adoption of the 2018 Service Delivery Strategy (SDS)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until June 12, 2018.

Substitute MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee[2018-1980](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Pre-Employment Background Investigative Services (Cooperative Agreement - 2nd Renewal Option): Contract No. 1019635 for use by the Department of Human Resources and Merit System (HRMS). The contract consists of providing pre-employment background investigative reporting services for onboarding of potential County employees. Awarded to HR TruCheck, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$75,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee[2018-1763](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Portable Toilet Rentals (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1021260 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation, the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and the DeKalb Peachtree Airport. This contract consists of providing portable toilet rentals for County hosted events and worksites. Awarded to M.A.S.S. Services, Inc. dba Comfort Zone Portables. Amount Not To Exceed: \$78,800.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on June 12, 2018. Items 2018-1763 and 2018-1909 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1909](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Decals for DeKalb County Vehicles (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1022754 for use by Police Services and Public Works - Fleet Management. Consists of providing decals for public safety and other vehicles. Awarded to AKO Signs Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$79,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on June 12, 2018. Items 2018-1763 and 2018-1909 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2017-1390](#)

Commission District(s): All

SS - Flow Meters & Spare Parts/Equipment: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of replacement parts and equipment for flow meters. Recommend award to Endress & Hauser c/o Carotek. Amount Not To Exceed: \$205,563.11.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1390, 2018-1979, 2018-1983 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1864](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 17-500449 Design-Build Services for Gravity Sewer System Rehabilitation, Replacement and Construction - Package No. 3: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing design, permitting and construction services for gravity sewer collection system rehabilitation and improvements as part of the County's \$1.345 billion Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)/Consent Decree. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Garney Companies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$22,957,580.00

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1979](#)

Commission District(s): All

SS - Water Distribution Monitoring Panels: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of water distribution monitoring panels, accessories and services. Awarded to Hach Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$564,845.88.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1390, 2018-1979, 2018-1983 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1983](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 975615 and 975721 for Tree Cutting and Removal Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs and PW - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing tree and stump removal, tree trimming and emergency debris removal services. Awarded to Arborserv, Inc., and Casey Tree Experts, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,920,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1390, 2018-1979, 2018-1983 were heard together. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Watershed Management[2018-2024](#)

Commission District(s): All
Approval and Authorization to Execute Updated Technical Assistance Contract As It Relates to Continued Legal Requirements in the Multi-State Water Court Actions. COST TO THE COUNTY: \$450,000

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

2018-2133 Add Item

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

2018-1993 Commission District(s): District 3, 5, 6, 7

2018 NRPA 2018 Healthy Out-of-School Time Grant

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD**Chief Executive Office**[2018-1974](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appropriation of Anticipated SPLOST Funds in Accordance with the Referendum Approved by the Voters on November 7, 2017.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Community Development

[2018-1995](#)

Commission District(s): All

To Approve the Submission of a HUD Section 108 Loan Guarantee Application in the amount of \$7,836,375 for the Design, Engineering, and Construction of a Senior Center with Pool in Districts 4 & 7 - Cost to County -Annual Debt Service on the Loan - \$547,664 Per Year

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be to defer the substitute submitted from the floor and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on June 12, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office

[2018-2053](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Intergovernmental Agreement for the Distribution of Homestead Option Sales Tax Proceeds and Equalized Homestead Option Sales Tax Proceeds.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be to approve the May 7th amended version, with a reference to the city of Dunwoody to be removed. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Planning and Sustainability

[2018-1533](#)

Commission District(s): All

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15 of the DeKalb County Code regarding Business Occupancy Taxes

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2018-1874](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 1025662, 1023197 and 1031586 for Architectural and Engineering Design Services (Multi-year Contract): for the Departments of Facilities Management (FM) and Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of the provision of architectural and engineering design services for various facilities projects. Awarded to AMEC Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., Brown Design Group, Inc. and Pond & Company. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,800,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1875](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Inspection and Maintenance of FM 200 Fire Suppression Systems (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1015889 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). The contract consists of providing equipment inspection and repair services for the existing fire suppression systems. Awarded to Century Fire Protection, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$15,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2017-0997](#)

Commission District(s): 3 and 6
CA - Cooperative Agreement Lease of Utility Vehicles for Sugar Creek Golf and Tennis Club: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Awarded to Club Car, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$243,360.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee[2017-0630](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 14-902800 Consent Decree Program Management Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$11,363,633.00.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be tabled. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be taken off the table. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until June 12, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1657](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 17-100913 for Sidewalks and Roadways (Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Transportation and Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of sidewalks, drainage improvements and minor road improvements. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Autaco Development and SD&C, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$9,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2018-1757](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1063708 Professional Consulting Services to DeKalb County Office of the Chief Executive Officer: for use by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing consulting services to review the County's Consent Decree Program. Awarded to VNF Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Tax Commissioner[2017-1004](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between DeKalb County, The DeKalb County Tax Commissioner, and the Cities of Avondale Estates, Chamblee, Clarkston, Doraville, Lithonia, Pine Lake, Stonecrest, Stone Mountain and Tucker for the billing and collection of taxes and fees..

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Watershed Management[2017-1184](#)

Commission District(s): All
Reallocation of Project Budgets Within the 2011A Bond Fund

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until June 26, 2018. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

**** Commissioners Mereda Davis Johnson and Larry Johnson were absent from the meeting**

1. Commissioner Nancy Jester mentioned the following:

- Reminded everyone to go vote today!
- Attended Breckenridge Civic Association Meeting with Commissioners Rader and Adams, on May 20th
- Attended the PDK Airshow on May 19th
- May 26th from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., the Dunwoody Police will be holding a free childcare seat check at the Dunwoody City Hall
- Friday night, May 25th, the city of Doraville will be hosting its monthly Movie Under the Stars at Honey Suckle Park, with free admission
- To catch up on all the news in District 1 or to sign up for the newsletter, please visit www.NancyJester.com

2. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw read the following:

Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer. Good Morning Everyone.

As it is graduation season, I would like to start today by congratulating all of our graduates. In particular I would like to recognize the honor graduates of the high schools in district 4:

Clarkston HS:

Richard Tran, Valedictorian

Irudukunda Tresor, Salutatorian

DeKalb Early College Academy:

Sydney Cobb, Valedictorian

Kelis Johnson, Salutatorian

Redan HS:

Aiyasia Peoples, Valedictorian

Star Corner, Salutatorian

Stephenson HS:
Franklin Smith, Valedictorian
Jada Raphael, Salutatorian

Stone Mountain HS:
Cameron Moore, Valedictorian
Lyndy Le, Salutatorian

Now technically, Redan HS is in District 5. Redan Road happens to be the border between District 4 and District 5 and Redan HS's address places it on the south side of that road. Although, I'm pretty certain that there are students at Redan HS who reside in District 4. So, hopefully my esteemed colleague Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson does not mind me recognizing the Redan HS honor students. I wish these distinguished young scholars all the best in all of their future endeavors.

It is always an honor to attend the DeKalb County Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial Service. This year's service was held on May 9th. As always, the ceremony was conducted with the professionalism and dignity that is worthy of the sacrifice of those who fell in the line of duty for our collective protection. Let us not forget the enormity of their sacrifice and that of their families. I want to commend Director Lumpkin and Chief Conroy for a job well done.

On May 10th I was honored to attend the Champions for Change Luncheon hosted by the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence. I also want to commend this year's Champion for Change our esteemed District Attorney Sherry Boston. Domestic Violence is a blight on our community. Just as we are engaged in the mission of eradicating blight from our communities, we should also be engaged in eradicating the scourge of domestic violence. I will always be supportive of this effort to the fullest extent possible. I want to thank my friend, and center board member Virginia Rece for the invitation to the event.

On May 11th I was honored to attend the Tucker State of the City address. Mayor Frank Auman provided the Tucker residents with an excellent update on their progress. I would like to commend the mayor, the city council members and all of Tucker's leaders for their efforts to date.

The next day May 12th was Tucker Day and there was an excellent festival on Main Street. I always enjoy walking around and checking out all the excellent displays.

Earlier that day I attended the Chapman Mill/Redan Park Community Garden Festival. There was live music, food vendors, arts and crafts workshops by master gardeners and pony rides. I would like to commend Calvin Sims who organized the event and who is a tireless advocate for this great DeKalb County Asset.

On May 19th I was honored to give welcome remarks at the Ethiopian American Investment Group Stakeholders meetings. I am always happy to offer my support to our immigrant groups who are making such a positive contribution to our community. I would like to thank my friend Leake Malede for the invitation.

Once again I would like to thank the citizens of District 4 for trusting me with this responsibility. It is indeed an honor to serve. And I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Memorial Day! Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer.

3. Commissioner Kathie Gannon mentioned the following comments:

- Today is the LAST day to vote in the primary election! You have until 7 p.m. to make your final selections. If you didn't participate in early voting than you MUST go to your assigned precinct to vote. I have added the link to www.KathieGannon.com if you don't know where your voting precinct is or to view the sample ballots. There are important statewide races on the ballot and it is more important now, more than ever, that you get out and vote. Please get out and make it count

- I would like to congratulate all of the Super District 6 Class of 2018 graduates. Whether it is Pre-K, kindergarten, 8th grade, 12th grade or higher education, you must feel very proud of what you have earned. I wish you many successful endeavors as you journey to your next levels

- DeKalb and Decatur City Schools will be closing this week for the summer break. Please, please, please be cognizant that there may be more young ones out playing. Let's all commit to what we can do to make sure that everyone has a happy, healthy, safe summer

- Lastly, I would like to welcome the Super District 6 WorkSource Summer Interns who will be learning valuable work related skills and earning money. We are pleased to have been able to submit 8 referrals and I look forward to periodic emails from you letting me know where you have been placed and how you are enjoying this employment program

- DeKalb County offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day Monday, May 28th. DeKalb County Sanitation will also be closed and will run a day late through Friday. That includes garbage, recyclable materials and yard trimmings. Tuesday May 29th will be “5th Tuesday” so there will be no board or committee meetings. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Memorial Day and thank all of our brave military personnel who have faithfully given everything, even their lives. Thank you for the sacrifices you have made for our freedom. Even though we don’t know them all, we owe them all

- DeKalb County Swim Season is scheduled to begin Memorial Day weekend. For pool information visit www.Dekalbcountyga.gov/parks/aquatics

- On May 29th, the DeKalb County Police Departments South Precinct will host a community outreach meeting. The meeting will be held in the south precinct meeting room at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to get more engaged with your neighborhood officers

- On May 30th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Decatur Recreation Center, adults and seniors can participate in the National Senior Health & Fitness Day! Celebrate the wellness health fair with sponsorships from the DeKalb County Library and Decatur Active Living. This free event will include vendors, health screenings, panel discussions, exercise demos, group sessions and much more! The first 150 people will receive a gift, however parking is limited and they ask that you carpool or take MARTA. For more information Contact Sara Holmes at 678-553-6559

- Mark your calendars! DeKalb County Sanitation Division will be hosting a paper shredding event on June 9th at the Central Transfer Station from 8 a.m. to noon. Participation is free and open only to residents of DeKalb County. Proof of residency is required. You are allowed a maximum of 10 standard-sized boxes of documents per vehicle. Take full advantage of this opportunity to prevent identity theft, protect the environment, and properly dispose of sensitive documents. More information can be found at www.DeKalbSanitation.com

- Spring is here and it’s just the beginning of growing season. All throughout Super District 6, there are local neighborhood markets that provide vendors with locally-produced fresh food, cut flowers, homemade goodies and more! By visiting www.KathieGannon.com, you can find many neighborhood markets near you!

- Due to several inquiries about crime in Super District 6, at

www.KathieGannon.com there is a link to CrimeTRAC, an innovative mapping system used by DeKalb County Police. This tracking system is designed to give citizens a first-hand look at crime statistics in unincorporated DeKalb County

- Is your Super District 6 community scheduling any future neighborhood or HOA meetings or activities? Please contact my office at 404-371-4909 to provide details. I look forward to opportunities to connect! Also, like me on Facebook!

4. Commissioner Gregory Adams read the following comments:

Good Morning!

Wednesday, May 9th, I along with some of my fellow colleagues, attended the DeKalb County Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial service. It was an honor to join everyone in recognizing all the men and women who give so much to serve this great county. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to protect and serve!

Also on Wednesday, May 9th, I joined several Georgia Piedmont Technical College faculty, staff, and community donors in recognizing more than 16 graduates at the College's annual scholarship luncheon. I would like to extend my congrats to all the recipients on the successful completion of their respective degree program! Being an alumnus of this educational institution, I look forward to the continued success and advancement of GPTC.

On Thursday May 10th, I was pleased to attend the Champions for Change Luncheon and Silent Auction. The Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence honored Sherry Boston, our District Attorney as a Champion for Change. Kudos on a great event and to DA Boston on her award.

Friday, May 11th, I was particularly pleased to participate in Career Day at the "Fantastic" Freedom Middle School where Dr. Marchell Boston is the Principal. I've known him since he was a young boy, and I can't say enough about how proud I am of what he is doing at the school. Freedom is a very diverse school home to over 40% International students. I shared about the JOYS of being Commissioner of Super District 7 and that "If it's gotta be, then It's up to me!"

The PDK press ride on May 18th was an amazing experience! I, along with Commissioner Rader, my beautiful wife, and other attendees each got an opportunity to fly in one of the airplanes featured in the Good Neighbor Day Open House and Airshow. The event, held the very next day on May 19th, was

well-attended and all the participants had a wonderful time while enjoying some incredible weather.

Lastly, I would like to thank Commissioner Rader for inviting me to attend the Breckenridge Civic Association's annual meeting on May 20th. Along with him as well as Commissioner Jester, I addressed the group's public safety concerns and provided updates. Thank you again Commissioner Rader and Commissioner Jester!

For more information on THIS and other happenings in Super District 7, please go to my website at www.commissionergregoryadams.com, or if you would like to contact me, please feel free to contact our office at 404-371-2899 or gregoryadams@dekalbcountyga.gov. As always, thanks to my district for allowing me the honor to serve.

5. Commissioner Jeff Radar read the following comments:

My office number is 404-371-2863 and my email is jrader@dekalbcountyga.gov. My website is www.commissionerrader.com. Also, please follow me on Facebook and Twitter using [@raderjeff](https://www.facebook.com/raderjeff).

Upcoming...

- We hope all our seniors have been taking part in the theme of "Engage at Every Age" this May during Older Americans Month. Thanks to our senior centers, libraries and our Parks and Recreation Staff for providing so many activities highlighting the vim and vigor of our senior community in DeKalb County
- Please note that next Wednesday, May 30th at 9 a.m. at the Decatur Library there will be an Adult and Senior Wellness Health Fair with aerobic classes, massage tutorials, health screenings, exercise demonstrations and gourmet popsicles from Steel City Pops
- The Civic Association Network will be holding its monthly potluck on Wednesday, May 23rd at 7 p.m. in the Mack Love Building.
- This weekend, come out and enjoy the Decatur Arts Festival Saturday May 26th and Sunday May 27th, in downtown Decatur. The Decatur Library will also be hosting their annual Memorial Day book sale on the front lawn of the library this Saturday from 9 a.m - 3 p.m.

- Briarlake Forest Park Work Day, May 26th 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Congratulations to all DeKalb County and City of Decatur High School Seniors who may be graduating this week! We wish all our graduates the very best in their future endeavors. Have an enjoyable and safe Memorial Day next Monday.

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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 Kathie Gannon and seconded by Commissioner Nancy Jester to recess the May 22, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:45 a.m. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Mereda Davis Johnson were absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following hand vote:

- Yes:** 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams
- Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk