

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

Comm. Robert Patrick, Presiding Officer, District 1

Comm. Mereda Davis Johnson, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 5

Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2

Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7

Present: 7 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

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

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A. INSPIRATIONAL

Pastor Elijah Collins, Jr.- New Jerusalem Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw- District 4

B. PRESENTATIONS

COVID-19 Response National
Therapy Animal Day
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C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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1. Radhika Tulpule, 9786 Talisman Dr, Alpharetta GA 30022- On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. For over 3 years Bradford Livestock has continued to ignore DeKalb County's cease and desist order. Under the watch of Dekalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams, this illegal slaughterhouse has grown its illegal slaughter operation slaughtering 4019 animals since the cease and desist order according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture records. According to GDA records, the leftover animal remains are buried or composted on the property, a property which also contains a pond that drains into Pole Bridge Creek and runs through many neighborhoods. This means that there is potential for the water to be contaminated by blood, feces, urine, animal flesh, organs and various animal remains. In January and February of this year alone Bradford's Livestock slaughtered 9 cows, 75 sheep and 102 goats for a total of 186 animals. Residential neighborhoods are not zoned for private residents to slaughter at a commercial scale of this nature due to the detrimental impact it has on residential neighborhoods. Allowing a backyard slaughterhouse to operate within our local community has detrimental effects that go beyond killing innocent animals. A research article titled "Slaughterhouses and Increased Crime Rates" states that neighborhoods are negatively impacted because slaughterhouses "increases total arrest rates, arrests for violent crimes and arrests for sex offenses" in comparison with other industries. In the channel 46 news coverage segment covering Bradford Livestock, news reporter Rick Folbaum stated that neighbors "reported hearing gunshots and they question potential health impacts on their families." Additionally a 2015 study titled Animal Operations and Property Values states how slaughterhouses negatively impact the wellbeing of communities and negatively reduces property value of communities. Dekalb County and Dekalb residents are on the same page, they both agree Dekalb residents should not live next door to slaughterhouses. If the county continues to allow a business to operate that they have ordered to shut down it sets a dangerous precedent. What will Dekalb County allow next? This is not a small business owner, this is an illegal operation that has been told to cease and desist by DeKalb County and that DeKalb residents have petitioned against for over three years. Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams, when will you stop this illegal business and protect our neighborhood?

2. Dana Davis, 3102 Robin Rd. Decatur, Georgia 30032- I am writing because I'm incredibly disturbed by something, On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia that is literally within one block of Redan Elementary School. How is this continuing? Do Michael Thurmond and Zach Williams not care about the residents of Dekalb? This is unsanitary, and it is gross to be honest. There are far too many animals being illegally kept on that property. It makes me sad that something that should be so easy to fix and small is being overlooked. I'm sure they'd be very dismayed if this was happening next to their property. Why are laws there if they are not upheld? What kind of message does this send to people? Please do the right thing and close this illegal slaughterhouse. Sincerely, a super upset Dekalb resident

3. Christopher Wells (No Address)- To Whom It May Concern, On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. For over 3 years Bradford Livestock has continued to ignore DeKalb County's cease and desist order. Under the watch of Dekalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams, this illegal slaughterhouse has grown its illegal slaughter operation slaughtering 4019 animals since the cease and desist order according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture

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4. Beth Thompson, 780 Rowland Rd Stone Mountain, GA 30083- I've been a DeKalb resident since 2013 when I moved into an established neighborhood in unincorporated DeKalb County with many wonderful neighbors. When we bought our home, I never imagined that a business slaughtering and selling animals would be allowed to come into our neighborhood and operate out of a residentially zoned property in direct violation of the DeKalb County Codes and with full awareness of Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, DeKalb Animal Enforcement, and DeKalb Code Enforcement. I feel for the neighbors of Bradford's Livestock who have witnessed the same type of distressing event for many years now. Rather than following the codes and shutting Bradford's down, DeKalb County advised Bradford's to rezone the property. When that didn't work DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order in 2019, but they did not ask the court to grant preliminary injunctive relief so that they could follow through and shut this illegal business down. Now 3 years and more than 4,000 animals slaughtered later, the neighborhood is still waiting for the case to make it through the appeals process, in hopes that DeKalb County will finally make the request for preliminary injunctive relief when they again have the opportunity. It is 2022. We should not be in the same place that we were in 2017 when my neighbors and I went to Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, COO Zach Williams, COO Michael Thurmond, and Chief of Staff LaKeitha Carlos to make sure they were aware of the operational failures of both DeKalb Code Enforcement and DeKalb Animal Enforcement as it related to animal slaughter in residential neighborhoods and in general. COO Williams and Chief of Staff LaKeitha Carlos assured us that they would work to make sure the county had a plan to respond to these types of illegal businesses operating in neighborhoods so that there would not be a next time. CEO Thurmond, COO Zach Williams, Chief of Staff La'Keitha Carlos, and Commissioners, I'm here today in 2022, 5 years after living through the horrors of being next door to a slaughter business in my neighborhood. I am sure you are aware that the slaughter business in my neighborhood and Bradford's Livestock are not the only ones in DeKalb since 2017 or currently. How many next times are there going to be

under your watch? I implore you to move forward on enforcing the 2019 cease-and-desist. I implore you to make good on your assurances that there would be a procedure and plan in place so that DeKalb County would have an immediate response when it received complaints about disruptive and illegal businesses operating in residential neighborhoods. When is addressing the failures of DeKalb County Code Enforcement that were identified in 2017 going to be a priority? When are you going to have a plan of how to respond to illegal slaughter businesses operating in neighborhoods? When are you going to have a plan of how to respond to illegal businesses in neighborhoods, period? Neighbors deserve to be able to live in homes in residential neighborhoods without fear that our county leaders will stand idly by when illegal businesses move in and disrupt our neighborhoods. Sincerely,

5. Ryan Brown, 780 Rowland Road- Commissioners, Thank you for the opportunity to make public comments today. As you know, the residential neighborhood slaughterhouse business of Bradford Livestock continues to operate despite being in clear and open violation of the county laws. Over 4,000 animals have been slaughtered since the planning department sent Bradford Livestock a request to cease and desist all operations and thousands more prior to DeKalb County code enforcement and animal enforcement taking any action. A slaughterhouse in a suburban residential neighborhood is not allowed by DeKalb rules. Additionally, a business should not be allowed to continue operations if the county denies a business license application. However, for years and to the detriment of the surrounding neighborhood this has been allowed to happen. In my neighborhood, five years ago, it took almost a year of my community advocating to our commissioner, COO Zach Williams and CEO Micheal Thurmond to get the animal slaughter business in our neighborhood stopped. This neighborhood business ultimately left due to the business owner's decision to leave our neighborhood and the work on behalf of the community by the DeKalb Solicitor's office. My community's efforts identified severe deficiencies in the DeKalb code enforcement department's operations and standard practice. A 2017 Audit of this department documented that this department was failing and could not effectively do its job. In 2018, the department head of code enforcement was replaced by CEO Thurmond and COO Williams, after the previous director was caught defrauding the county of thousands of dollars and working a consulting job during county paid time. A 2021 follow up audit of code enforcement identified many of the same issues as the 2017 audit and new issues not in the 2017 audit. Unfortunately, the man chosen to lead code enforcement by CEO Micheal Thurmond and COO Zach Williams has not addressed DeKalb code enforcement's known failings after four years on the job. In 2017, my community asked our commissioner, Steve Bradshaw, the county COO Zach Williams, and CEO Micheal Thurmond to make sure that a system and plan were in place to not let what happened in our neighborhood in 2017 harm other neighborhoods. Yet here we are five years later without a system and a plan. The choices that Commissioner Bradshaw, CEO Thurmond, and COO Williams made in 2017 to ignore the code enforcement audit and not follow through on meaningful corrective actions led our county to continue to have an ineffective code enforcement department five years later. Zoning and business laws are effectively meaningless in our neighborhoods. It is up to you, the leadership of our county, to ensure protection of DeKalb neighborhoods and fix the severe, systemic problems with enforcing county law. Sincerely,

6. Ryan Bulzan, 1936 Stancrest Trace NW Kennesaw, GA 30152- Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams, when will you stop this illegal slaughterhouse and protect the schools and neighborhoods? On March 1, 2019, DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential community in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. However,

Bradford Livestock has ignored DeKalb County's cease and desist order for over three years and is growing, according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture records. This ignorance is under the watch of DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams. According to GDA records, the leftover animal remains are buried or composted on the property. A property that also contains a pond that drains into Pole Bridge Creek and runs through many neighborhoods. This practice means that there is potential for contaminated water by blood, feces, urine, animal flesh, organs, and various animal remains. In January and February alone, Bradford's Livestock slaughtered nine cows, 75 sheep, and 102 goats for 186 animals. Residential neighborhoods are not zoned for private residents to kill at a commercial scale of this nature due to the detrimental impact it has on residential communities. Allowing a backyard slaughterhouse to operate within our local community has detrimental effects beyond killing innocent animals. A research article titled "Slaughterhouses and Increased Crime Rates" states that neighborhoods are negatively impacted because slaughterhouses "increase total arrest rates, arrests for violent crimes and arrests for sex offenses" compared to other industries. In the channel 46 news coverage segment covering Bradford Livestock, news reporter Rick Folbaum stated that neighbors "reported hearing gunshots and they question potential health impacts on their families." Additionally, a 2015 study titled Animal Operations and Property Values says how slaughterhouses negatively impact communities' well-being and negatively reduce the property value of communities. DeKalb County and DeKalb residents are on the same page. They both agree that DeKalb residents should not live next door to slaughterhouses. However, if the county continues to allow a business to operate that they have ordered to shut down, it sets a dangerous precedent. What will DeKalb County allow next? This operation is not a small business owner; this is an illegal operation told to cease and desist by DeKalb County and that DeKalb residents have petitioned against for over three years. Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams do the right thing and protect the neighborhoods and schools from illegal slaughterhouses.

7. Rosanna Rostad, 3941 Pine Needle Dr. Duluth, GA 30096- Dear DeKalb County Commissioners: On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. For over 3 years Bradford Livestock has continued to ignore DeKalb County's cease and desist order. Under the watch of DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams, this illegal slaughterhouse has grown its illegal slaughter operation slaughtering 4,019 animals since the cease and desist order according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture records. Question #1: Is anyone in local government profiting from this illegal operation? According to GDA records, the leftover animal remains are buried or composted on the property, a property which also contains a pond that drains into Pole Bridge Creek and runs through many neighborhoods. This means that there is potential for the water to be contaminated by blood, feces, urine, animal flesh, organs and various animal remains. In January and February of this year alone Bradford's Livestock slaughtered 9 cows, 75 sheep and 102 goats for a total of 186 animals. Residential neighborhoods are not zoned for private residents to slaughter at a commercial scale of this nature due to the detrimental impact it has on residential neighborhoods. Question #2: Would this be allowed in a more affluent neighborhood? Allowing a backyard slaughterhouse to operate within our local community has detrimental effects that go beyond killing innocent animals. A research article titled "Slaughterhouses and Increased Crime Rates" states that neighborhoods are negatively impacted because slaughterhouses "increases total arrest rates, arrests for violent crimes and arrests for sex offenses" in comparison with other industries. In the channel 46 news coverage segment covering Bradford Livestock, news reporter Rick Folbaum stated that neighbors "reported hearing gunshots and they question potential health impacts on their families." Additionally a 2015

study titled Animal Operations and Property Values states how slaughterhouses negatively impact the wellbeing of communities and negatively reduces property value of communities. Question #3: Will it take people getting sick and dying for this to stop? DeKalb County and DeKalb residents are on the same page, they both agree DeKalb residents should not live next door to slaughterhouses. If the county continues to allow a business to operate that they have ordered to shut down it sets a dangerous precedent. What will DeKalb County allow next? This is not a small business owner, this is an illegal operation that has been told to cease and desist by DeKalb County and that DeKalb residents have petitioned against for over three years. Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams, when will you stop this illegal business and protect our neighborhood? Question #4: Once again...Is anyone in local government profiting from this illegal operation? The issue is clear cut: this is an illegal operation, yet for some reason it has been allowed to continue to operate, despite opposition raised by local residents and (supposedly) by DeKalb County itself. I'm not a resident of the neighborhood, but a dear friend is, and for his sake and all the families impacted, this operation needs to close down.

8. Frank Thompson - 2308 The Valley, Sandy Springs, GA 30328- On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. For over 3 years Bradford Livestock has continued to ignore DeKalb County's cease and desist order. Under the watch of DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams, this illegal slaughterhouse has grown its illegal slaughter operation slaughtering 4019 animals since the cease and desist order according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture records. According to GDA records, the leftover animal remains are buried or composted on the property, a property which also contains a pond that drains into Pole Bridge Creek and runs through many neighborhoods. This means that there is potential for the water to be contaminated by blood, feces, urine, animal flesh, organs and various animal remains. In January and February of this year alone Bradford's Livestock slaughtered 9 cows, 75 sheep and 102 goats for a total of 186 animals. Residential neighborhoods are not zoned for private residents to slaughter at a commercial scale of this nature due to the detrimental impact it has on residential neighborhoods. Allowing a backyard slaughterhouse to operate within our local community has detrimental effects that go beyond killing innocent animals. A research article titled "Slaughterhouses and Increased Crime Rates" states that neighborhoods are negatively impacted because slaughterhouses "increases total arrest rates, arrests for violent crimes and arrests for sex offenses" in comparison with other industries. In the channel 46 news coverage segment covering Bradford Livestock, news reporter Rick Folbaum stated that neighbors "reported hearing gunshots and they question potential health impacts on their families." Additionally a 2015 study titled Animal Operations and Property Values states how slaughterhouses negatively impact the wellbeing of communities and negatively reduces property value of communities. DeKalb County and DeKalb residents are on the same page, they both agree DeKalb residents should not live next door to slaughterhouses. If the county continues to allow a business to operate that they have ordered to shut down it sets a dangerous precedent. What will DeKalb County allow next? This is not a small business owner, this is an illegal operation that has been told to cease and desist by DeKalb County and that DeKalb residents have petitioned against for over three years. Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams, when will you stop this illegal business and protect our neighborhood?

9. APEX Advocacy (No Address)- I am a DeKalb County resident who was recently made aware of Bradford Livestock, an illegal backyard slaughterhouse operating within minutes of my home and I am appalled to discover this slaughterhouse has been operating for over three years without the county shutting them down.

As a tax paying Dekalb County resident it is disturbing to see that the cease and desist order hasn't been enforced in over 3 years. I strongly believe if this were virtually any other business ignoring a cease and desist order from the county, DeKalb's response would be much stronger and more swift. Would the county allow this operation to continue if this location slaughtered over 4000 dogs and cats in the past 3 years instead of cows, pigs, sheep and goats? This is a huge disservice to the residents who have to live near this slaughterhouse everyday as it negatively impacts our neighborhood and the Dekalb community at large. This slaughterhouse is a health hazard to our local community that negatively impacts Dekalb's soil, wastewater and decreases the property value of our homes. CEO Michael Thurmond, COO Zach Williams and Dekalb commissioners, would you allow an illegal slaughterhouse that is a health hazard to your family to operate next door to you for over three years? Would you allow it to occur in your neighborhood? Would you allow it to continue down the road from your child's school. Redan Elementary school is one block from this slaughterhouse and their students and teachers deserve more. The community is not confident DeKalb County has done everything in their power to shut this slaughterhouse down and we demand more. We are asking you all to do what is right and exhaust all possible resources in shutting down Bradford's Livestock.

10. Dr. Ed Williams (No Address)- 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 is the 4th largest county in Georgia, with a large majority African American population greater than the City of Atlanta. What manner of leadership will the commission provide to move us forward and keep Us safe? Every time, violence occurs, it erodes the public confidence in our police to protect and serve. Citizens should not have to live in fear. I am concerned about the crime levels in DeKalb, and how the police respond to residents and how crime scenes are treated in different parts of the county. If we cannot be safe in our homes and communities, then all the other things that the government does to improve the quality of life is not very meaningful. I support the increase in the number of police officers and the increase in pay for officers with the expectation residents would receive better service in return. DeKalb County should focus on increasing the number of police officers in the department and make sure that training is provided so that the quality of policing does not suffer. We need more police on the street to prevent crime. The DeKalb Board of Commissioners should increase the police department budget and have some standards and quality of service throughout DeKalb County in terms of public safety. We must invest more in tag readers, surveillance cameras, and training. As part of the County business license process, businesses that have parking and walk-in customers should be required to have surveillance cameras. Those businesses that have repeat incidents should be required to have security at night and should have proper signage and lighting. Since we know that many of the crimes are committed by juveniles and young adults, the department needs to be more proactive in addressing some of the root causes of crime. The County should be proactive in keeping activities for young people to do in the community, such as roller-skating, library, after-school activities, and YMCA. Police should work with schools to reduce that level of bullying, gangs, drugs, and dropouts in public schools. We need to get the repeat offenders off the streets. The police need to be proactive, and visible and use more technology to help prevent and solve crimes. The County should invest more in tag readers and public surveillance cameras and increase the number of police officers on patrol to help protect and serve the citizens of DeKalb Citizens should not have to live in fear. Thank you

11. Cynthia A. Houston, 5627 Stonington Trace Pkwy Stone Mountain, GA 30087- Mr. Rudolph Bradford's blatant disregard for the law and mistreatment of innocent animals has gone on long enough and DeKalb

County needs to enforce the cease and desist ruling of the judge that was issued on behalf of Rudolph Bradford. His lack of concern for the law and obstinate behavior will encourage others to willfully disrespect the law and feel entitled to make their own decisions. Ecclesiastes 8: 11-14 Because sentence against a bad deed has not been executed speedily, the heart of men becomes emboldened to do bad. • Mr. Bradford is also infringing on surrounding neighbor's mental and emotional health by disturbing and disrupting their peace of mind. Neighbors experiencing anxiety attacks as a result of gunshots from Mr. Bradford killing his livestock in a RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY could and should lead to civil lawsuits! • Mr. Bradford is already running an illegal slaughterhouse in a residential community where people want to live in peace and quiet without fear of him mistreating or inhumanely killing and/or torturing an animal if the slaughter procedure is not quickly executed or professionally done! Based upon DeKalb County's Chapter 5 Animal Ordinance, Mr. Bradford is in violation of not providing adequate shelter Sec. 5-1. Definitions. Neglect means endangering an animal's health by failing to provide or arrange to provide the animal with food or drink if the animal is dependent upon a person for the provision of food or drink, or the act of restraining an animal in a manner that endangers the animal's life or health. Other acts considered to be neglect include, but are not limited to: 2) Leaving an animal outside and exposed to excessive heat or cold without providing the animal with adequate shelter or protection from the heat or cold, or exposing an animal to unsanitary conditions. Disposing of animal remains in an unsanitary way Sec. 5-1. Definitions. Unsanitary conditions means an animal living space, shelter, or exercise area contaminated by health hazards, irritants, pollutants, items, or conditions that endanger or pose a risk to an animal's health. Based upon DeKalb County's Chapter 5 Animal Ordinance, Mr. Bradford is in violation of slaughtering the animals in an inhumane way Sec. 5-8. Cruelty to animals. (b) The method used for killing the animal shall be as humane as possible under the circumstances. A person who humanely kills an animal under the circumstances indicated in subsection (a) of this section shall incur no penalty for such death. Proverbs 12:10 The righteous one takes care of his domestic animals, But even the mercy of the wicked is cruel. Mr. Bradford's defiant attitude displays a lack of regard for the life of INNOCENT animals and the LAW! Sec. 5-19. Enforcement generally. (a) As authorized by 1979 Ga. Laws 516, the police chief shall enforce the provisions of this chapter and applicable provisions of Chapter 13 of this Code. (b) Upon information learned by, or complaint lodged with, the police chief that an animal owner is in violation of this chapter, the police chief shall cause a summons to be issued requiring the owner of the animal to appear before a judge of the DeKalb County magistrate court, at a date and time certain, to stand trial for the violation. If a violation has not been personally witnessed by the police chief or other law enforcement officer, a subpoena shall be issued to the person making the complaint, along with any witness(es), to appear on the date and time set for trial, to testify on behalf of the county. (c) The police chief may respond to anonymous complaints of violations of this chapter. If the owner or custodian of an animal is unknown or not present, and such animal is upon the public streets, alleys, sidewalks, school grounds or other public places or premises, or is upon another person's property without permission or absent proper restraint, or is a classified animal as to which the registration, confinement or insurance requirements have not been met, the police shall immediately impound the animal in a facility designated for the detention of animals. Once impounded, the animal shall be kept for a period of time as set forth in section 5-22. Thereafter, if the animal is not claimed, the animal may be disposed of in a humane fashion in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 4-11-5.1, et seq.

12. Stephen Binney (No Address)- Good Morning Commissioners, I want to congratulate the Davidson-Arabia Mountain Nature Preserve on its 50 year anniversary last week. The Davidson family donated the granite outcrop to the DeKalb County Government to be conserved endlessly as a public green

space. Be aware though, DeKalb County does not believe in endlessly. In 2004 the Arthur Blanc Foundation donated the land known as Intrenchment Creek park to DeKalb County with the promise that it would always remain park land. Real estate investor, Ryan Millsaps, was able to swap some somewhat swampy and unbuildable land owned by Blackhall Studios for this beautiful supposed to be forever park land with the help of Commissioner Larry Johnson and others. At the time former Commission Kathie Gannon said, "You think about the park, down the street in your community. If you think that park is protected green space, you just need to think again. If it's in DeKalb County, it is not protected". The deal raised questions about the county's intentions. Were the DeKalb commissioners inept and had been had by a savvy private developer, or were they in cahoots with Blackhall and intentionally made a bad deal for taxpayers. During this negotiation period, Commission Chairperson Stephen Bradshaw received a \$2800 campaign contribution from Ryan Millshap. Campaign contributions were also made to other Commissioners. Shortly after the land swap Mr Millshap sold Blackhall Studios to an California based investment firm, Commonwealth Real Estate LP. In an inducement resolution approved during a morning meeting, last Thursday, Decide Dekalb offered Blackhall Studios, a conventional \$34 million tax break over the next 20 years. The studio would also receive an additional \$34 million "infrastructure credit" that officials said would help offset the cost of the studio addressing the challenging infrastructure and topography needs" on the expansion site, south of its current operations. That is a total of \$68 million of taxpayer money to a California company which manages around 1.7 billion dollars in assets. It has been said that Blackhall's expansion will add 2400 jobs to an area that's long wanted for economic development. How many local people are currently employed by Blackhall? Most movie makers rent the studio space and bring most of their own people to do the work.

12. CONT. This money could be better used to give tax breaks to support local businesses that will sprout up because of the increased movie production in the area that's long wanted for economic development. How many local people are currently employed by Blackhall? Most movie makers rent the studio space and bring most of their own people to do the work. This money could be better used to give tax breaks to support local businesses that will sprout up because of the increased movie production in the area. Or how many grocery stores might be enticed to move into our South Dekalb food deserts with \$68 million dollars in tax incentives. We should be supporting local businesses who need our help, tax breaks, and credits instead of billion dollar corporations. But it wouldn't look as good on the marquee I guess. Thank you for your time and consideration, Stephen Binney

13. Mary Irvin, 4060 Wooden Court Ellenwood Ga- Good morning, To the Board of Commissioners, Battle Law firm and all others committees on this meeting: I, Mary Irvin who lives in the Woodcrest community at 4060 Wooden Court Ellenwood Ga. We want some houses to be built on Whitfield Road but want to make sure it doesn't cause a water problem for us. We are very concerned about our community which has about 64 houses with many streams going through our property. Especially the properties on Windrock Court. We are concerned about the traffic, due to the fact that all the streets have two lanes. For instance, Bouldercrest Road, Linecrest Road, and Panthersville Road. Also Marta busline. We would like for this area to stay at R-100 or rezone to R-75 until the roads can be widened.

14. Terrell Carstens, 2444 Oostanula Drive Brookhaven Georgia- Concerning the transfer of Brookhaven Park, please include language that assures the citizens that the property will be reserved ONLY as open space, not a new city hall. Brookhaven citizens have been working diligently this weekend to prepare and ask the same at tonight's city council meeting. Please require a deed restriction or language that will protect our park as a park. Thank you,

15. Ryan Bergamini, 3763 Ashford Dunwoody Rd. NE Brookhaven GA 30319- To whom it may concern: As an advocate of and frequent patron of the Brookhaven Dog Park. I am incredibly concerned that the language being used by the city of Brookhaven to describe the future use of the park is too vague to give the citizens of Brookhaven any security that their park will remain a park. We need clear and decisive language that defines the future of Brookhaven Park as ONLY green space! Please provide language and deed space going forward that will protect our park. Thank you.

16. Gina Gianfagna, 1347 Cartecay Drive Brookhaven, GA 30319- Good morning. I am reaching out about the transfer of Brookhaven Park, please include language that assures the citizens that the property will be reserved ONLY as open space, NOT a new city hall. Brookhaven citizens have been working diligently this weekend to prepare and ask the same at tonight's city council meeting. Please require a deed restriction or language to protect our park as a park. Thank you,

17. Patrick Powell, Ph.D., 3761 Ashford Dunwoody Rd NE Brookhaven, GA 30319- Dear Mr. Raider, This email is concerning the transfer of Brookhaven Park. As a citizen of Brookhaven for the last 6 years, I am concerned that Brookhaven's City Council is attempting to move forward on a plan that would convert the front half of Brookhaven Park (an open green space) into a site for the new city hall. As a concerned citizen, I would like assurance that the property at Brookhaven Park will be reserved ONLY as an open green space,

and not a new city hall. Myself and other Brookhaven citizens have been working diligently this week to prepare a statement that will ask the same at tonight's city council meeting. Please require a deed restriction or language that will protect our park as an open green space that will solely be used as a park for the citizens of Brookhaven. Thank you for your consideration of this request. Sincerely,

18. Pamela DeRitis, 1000 Ashwood Parkway #1108 Atlanta, GA 30338- On March 1, 2019 DeKalb County issued a cease and desist order against Bradford's Livestock, an illegal slaughterhouse operating in a residential neighborhood in Lithonia within one block of Redan Elementary School. For over 3 years Bradford Livestock has continued to ignore DeKalb County's cease and desist order. Under the watch of Dekalb County CEO Michael Thurmond and COO Zach Williams, this illegal slaughterhouse has grown its illegal slaughter operation slaughtering 4019 animals since the cease and desist order according to the Georgia Dept of Agriculture records. According to GDA records, the leftover animal remains are buried or composted on the property, a property which also contains a pond that drains into Pole Bridge Creek and runs through many neighborhoods. This means that there is potential for the water to be contaminated by blood, feces, urine, animal flesh, organs and various animal remains. In January and February of this year alone Bradford's Livestock slaughtered 9 cows, 75 sheep and 102 goats for a total of 186 animals. Residential neighborhoods are not zoned for private residents to slaughter at a commercial scale of this nature due to the detrimental impact it has on residential neighborhoods. Allowing a backyard slaughterhouse to operate within our local community has detrimental effects that go beyond killing innocent animals. A research article titled "Slaughterhouses and Increased Crime Rates" states that neighborhoods are negatively impacted because slaughterhouses "increases total arrest rates, arrests for violent crimes and arrests for sex offenses" in comparison with other industries. In the channel 46 news coverage segment covering Bradford Livestock, news reporter Rick Folbaum stated that neighbors "reported hearing gunshots and they question potential health impacts on their families." Additionally a 2015 study titled Animal Operations and Property Values states how slaughterhouses negatively impact the wellbeing of communities and negatively reduces property value of communities. Dekalb County and Dekalb residents are on the same page, they both agree Dekalb residents should not live next door to slaughterhouses. If the county continues to allow a business to operate that they have ordered to shut down it sets a dangerous precedent. What will Dekalb County allow next? This is not a small business owner, this is an illegal operation that has been told to cease and desist by DeKalb County and that DeKalb residents have petitioned against for over three years. Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Williams, when will you stop this illegal business and protect our neighborhood?

19. Darryl James McKoon, 1306 North Cliff Valley Way Atlanta, Georgia 30319-4202 USA - Greetings: Please allow Brookhaven Park remain open park space for families to use.

20. Michael Elliot, 1250 Park Ave Brookhaven, GA 30319- Brookhaven Park - Open Space ONLY Please restrict the Brookhaven Park land to open space & park use only . No non park buildings.

21. Antonio Montez, 703 Glen drive Atlanta Georgia 30319- Keep Brookheaven green please. This makes no sense . We will fight for that park. My name is Antonio Montez

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, April 26, 2022 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 # followed by 2. 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.

Planning & Sustainability

[2021-3516](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): District 03 Super District 06

Application of Rockhaven Homes LLC c/o Battle Law, P.C. to rezone from R-100 (Residential Medium Lot-100) to RSM (Small Lot Residential Mix) Zoning District to allow the construction of single-family detached homes, at 2717 Whitfield Road.

Approve: None

Opposition: Kandia Johnson- 2624 Rockhaven drive, Mary Capers Irvin- 4060 Woodvine Court

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be to defer the substitute for 60 days, until June 28, 2022 for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

“DECISION ONLY” ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

Planning & Sustainability

[2021-3518](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 03 Super District 07
Application of Harold Buckley, Jr. for Caliber Car Wash for a Major Modification of Conditions approved, pursuant to CZ-14-19143, to allow a drive-through car wash in a C-1 (Local Commercial) District, at 3644 Memorial Drive.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2021-3518, 2021-3519 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2021-3519](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 03 Super District 07
Application of Harold Buckley, Jr. for Caliber Car Wash for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow a drive-through car wash in a C-1 (Local Commercial) District, at 3644 Memorial Drive.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2021-3518, 2021-3519 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1174](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 03 Super District 06
Application of Kova Real Estate LLC to rezone property from R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) to R-60 (Residential Medium Lot-60) to construct single family detached homes, at 366 South Howard Street.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be withdrawn without prejudice. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners

[2022-1111](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appointment to the Oversight Committee of the Office of the Independent Internal Audit - [[[CANDIDATE]]].

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 45 days, until June 14, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

No: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

Chief Executive Office

[2022-1447](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Appoint Sheriff Melody M. Maddox to the DeKalb County Community Service Board, Replacing Dr. Dude’s Vacant Position Due to His Resignation as the Superintendent for Decatur City Schools.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1449](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To appoint Joseph N. Kusmik to the Board of Tax Assessors to Fill the Slot

Vacated by John W. Lawson.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport

[2022-1304](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Lease Agreement with Donald R. Andersen. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1319](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Lease Agreement with Nathan Metzger. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1454](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized Lease Agreement with Benjamin J. Cohen. There is no cost to the County

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1455](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Lease Agreement with John G. McGill. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1467](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized Shop Space Agreement with Roland Mark Travis

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1442](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the April 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2022-1496](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Allocation to Appropriate (Not to exceed) \$50,000.00 of Federal America

Rescue Plan Funds reserved for District 4 in POETA Account # ARP POETA

#105726-69110-521209-01-602476 to Decatur Family YMCA for the purpose

of housing insecurity, rental, utility assistance, community food distribution and

other essential needs for individuals and families impacted by COVID-19.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2022-1542](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 6/District 2

Approve a \$4,900 District 6 ARP Appropriation to Assist with Funding for Needed Supplies for the DeKalb Naturalist Program at Mason Mill Park under the Supervision of the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs Department

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2022-1508](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of April 12, 2022

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1519](#)

Commission District(s): all

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of April 5, 2022

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Human Services

[2022-1461](#)

Commission District(s): All

Transfer Funds (\$850,000 for Senior Services) from the General Fund to the Senior Citizens Grant Fund

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1304, 2022-1319, 2022-1454, 2022-1455, 2022-1467, 2022-1442, 2022-1496, 2022-1542, 2022-1508, 2022-1461 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1517](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

Approve a \$250,000 ARP appropriation to assist with funding Community Green Space Improvements at DeKalb County Libraries and green space locations within District 6 qualified census tracts, under the supervision of the DeKalb County Facilities Management Department.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2022-1543](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the DeKalb County Governing Authority to Adopt a Vision and Transition Plan for all library landscapes in DeKalb County by 2023

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Police Services

[2022-1423](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Public Safety Officials and First Responders Supplement Grant, \$2,015,794.00

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Public Works - Transportation

[2022-1314](#)

Commission District(s): 5 and 7

Panola Road Scoping Study Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Stonecrest

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2022-1320](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

COOP - Cooperative Agreement for Law Enforcement Speed Detection & Video Equipment: for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of the purchase, maintenance and warranty of license plate reader systems. Awarded to: Vigilant Solutions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$386,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2022-1283](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order 1 to Contract No. 1225324 for Annual Network Equipment Maintenance and Support: for the use by the Department of Innovations and Technology (IT). Consists of the license and hardware to expand the capacity of the CommVault Backup system and Service. Awarded to Prosys Information Systems, Amount Not to Exceed: \$691,527.57.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1361](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - On-Call Painting and Wallpapering Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1251855 and 1252009 for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Watershed Management (DWM), and Fire Rescue Services (FR). These contracts consist of providing painting and wallpapering services at County-owned facilities. Awarded to A&D Painting, Inc. and Cleanstar National, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,315,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1391](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Juniper Networking Equipment: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20120501-0013 for the purchase of fifty (50) Juniper EX3400-48P switches with redundant power supplies to replace end of life hardware around various locations within the County. Awarded to Layer 3 Communications, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$215,298.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1397](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RA- Ratification of PO No. 1284823 for the Vote-by-Mail Packets (Emergency): for use by the Department of Voters Registration. Consists of the ratification of the purchase of the Vote-by-Mail Packets. Recommend approval to ratify the emergency purchase from Fort Orange Press Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$220,515.75.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1409](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 21-101471 - 20 Ton Tag Trailer: for Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by The Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of eight (8) 20 ton tag trailers for the purpose of transporting equipment to and from jobsites. Recommend award to JME Sales Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$168,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1418](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

SS - This Sole Source for Microsoft Unified Support: for the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consist of the purchase of Microsoft support services that are comprised of a comprehensive support solution that helps reduce cost, enhances productivity, and uses technology throughout the IT lifecycle. Awarded To: Microsoft Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$338,491.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1421](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

COOP - Cooperative Agreement for Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO) Supplies, Parts, Equipment, Materials, and Related Services: for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Police Services (PS), Property Appraisal & Assessment, Fire Rescue (FR), Sanitation, Beautification (PWB), Voter Registration and Elections (VR&E) and Fleet Management. Awarded to W. W. Grainger, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,731,361.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1427](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

SS-Sole Source for Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) Company Software, License, Server, and Maintenance Support Agreement: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of providing proprietary hardware and software maintenance and software licenses needed to support all County business units by logging and archiving data storage and education hours. Awarded to Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$251,727.12.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1429](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA- Cooperative Agreement for McAfee Essential Success and MVISION: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC)

No.99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003 for the maintenance and support of the County's software system. Awarded to SHI International Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$167,281.69.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1436](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA - Cooperative Agreement Ansible Automation: for the use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let GSA Contract No. GS-35F-0119W for the creation of new accounts for new employees in association with CV360 human resources system. Awarded To Emergent, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$114,245.52.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1438](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) Systems (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1251271 and 1251272 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). These contracts consist of providing preventive maintenance (PM) services for UPS systems. Awarded to AC & DC Power Technologies LLC, and Power and Energy Services, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$175,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1457](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1274588 for Card Access (Keyscan) Installation, Maintenance and Repair (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Police Services (PS) and Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the installation, maintenance and repair of all card access points. Awarded to Southeastern Security Professionals, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$585,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1283, 2022-1361, 2022-1391, 2022-1397, 2022-1409, 2022-1418, 2022-1421, 2022-1427, 2022-1429, 2022-1436, 2022-1438, 2022-1457 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2022-1389](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Meal Services for Seniors: Provision of Congregate & Shelf-Stable Meals at Senior Centers (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1226949 for use by the Department of Human Services (HS). This contract consists of the provision of congregate and shelf-stable meals for seniors. Awarded to Meals On Wheels Atlanta. Amount Not To Exceed: \$470,836.92.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. Item 2022-1389, 2022-1441 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1441](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 22-101481, Memorial Drive Corridor Branding: for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). Consists of the development of identity graphics and standards (branding) along a section of Memorial Drive. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Houser Walker Architecture, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$102,400.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. Item 2022-1389, 2022-1441 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee[2022-1448](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 21-101413, Sidewalks and Roadways (Multiyear): for use by the Departments of Public Works - Transportation, Roads and Drainage and Recreation (R&D), Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). To clarify the substitute agenda item awarded in agenda item 2021-3410.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved to "Amend the record to indicate the substitute submitted on January 31, 2022 containing the corrected SPLOST funding and the reduced overall funding is the is the correct and approved substitute for the award of Sidewalks and Roadways for an amount not to exceed \$5,644,595.00". The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Solicitor - State Court[2022-1459](#)**Commission District(s): All Commission Districts**

Victims of Crime Act Grant Award Victim-Witness Advocate Grant Program
Funded by The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) through the
Prosecuting Attorney's Council (PAC) of Georgia. Funding Amount \$212,075

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson was absent during this vote due to technical difficulties, but stated after the vote was completed that her motion was "I". Item 2022-1459, 2022-1460 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2022-1460](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

OVW Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Award Special Victims Unit, Domestic Violence Prosecution Funded by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) Award Amount \$50,000 / \$16,667 (Match)

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson was absent during this vote due to technical difficulties, but stated after the vote was completed that her motion was "I". Item 2022-1459, 2022-1460 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2022-1299](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

A Resolution Requesting The Governing Authority Of DeKalb County Amend Chapter 15 Of The Code Of DeKalb County, Georgia As Revised 1988; To Provide For The Mandatory Used Of Video Surveillance Systems at Convenience Stores, And For Other Purposes

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Finance

[2022-1355](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Approve the resolutions authorizing the execution and delivery of the WIFIA 2 Loan Agreement, including the interest rate and Debt Service Schedule in the WIFIA 2 Note.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2022-1377](#)

Commission District(s): County Wide

Speed Zone Order/Radar Permit Application

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until May 10, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2022-1339](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1257650 BodyWorn™ Body Camera System (Multi-Year): for use by the Marshal' Office and Police Services (PS). Consists of the purchase of the BodyWorn™ Comprehensive Body Camera System and supporting hardware and software accessories. Awarded to: Utility Associates, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$25,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. item 2022-1339, 2022-1428 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1428](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract Nos. 1213056 and 1213057 for Temporary Personnel Services (Four (4) Year Multi-Year Contract): for use by all DeKalb County departments through the Department of Human Resources & Merit System (HRMS). The contracts consist of the provision of temporary staffing. Awarded to: Howroyd-Wright Employment Agency, Inc. dba AppleOne Employment Services and Corporate Temps, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. item 2022-1339, 2022-1428 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2022-1356](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 21-101420 Nuisance Abatement and Remediation Services (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Code Compliance (CC). Consists of providing services to reduce blight in the County including abatement of vacant and abandoned properties (houses and lots). Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Neda Inc. dba Garden of Aden Landscaping and Executive Realty Solutions Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2022-1325](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Consent to Assignment of Contract No. 1176858 from Otto Environmental Systems North American, Inc. to Duramax Holdings, LLC: for use by PW-Sanitation. Consists of the Consent to Assignment to transfer remaining funds and contract term to Duramax Holdings LLC, dba Otto Environmental Systems. No change in the contract's terms, conditions or prices.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1325, 2022-1367 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1367](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RA - Ratification of PO No. 1283762 for the Animal Crematory (Emergency): for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of the ratification of the purchase of the incinerator that replaced the existing incinerator that reached end of life. Recommend approval to ratify the emergency service from Bestech Environmental Recourse, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$137,221.00.

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1325, 2022-1367 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs[2022-1372](#)**Commission District(s): 3 and 7**

To authorize the sale of a permanent easement over 1.82 acres of County owned property located at 3181 Rainbow Drive with such easement area to be utilized by GA Power to install a standard transmission line as part of the Austin Drive - Morrow 115 KV (OHGW) Phase 3 Project (GA Power LIMS project 2019010053 - parcel 055).

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 Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-1417](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

To consider authorizing the sale of County owned property in fee simple and authorizing temporary easements and Rights of Entry to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to allow GDOT to make roadway improvements on I-285 at Bouldercrest Road (PI # 713300).

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1417, 2022-1384 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Watershed Management[2022-1384](#)**Commission District(s): 2 & 6**

Change Order to Agenda Item 2020-0509 & 2021-2153 Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI0009400 Buford Hwy/SR13 from Afton Ln/CS8 to Shallowford Terrace/CS750 for an additional \$1,825,771.89

MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2022-1417, 2022-1384 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Walk-On Items

2022-1572

Commission District(s): All

Add an Item to the Agenda to Amend Item 2021-3544

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

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

2022-1573

Commission District(s): 6

To amend BOC approved agenda item 2021-3544 to Georgia State University-Prevention Research Center as the organization and Clarkston Mental Health Alliance as the “project”.

Georgia State University- Prevention Research Center will be contracted to manage the previously approved scope, scientific reporting, and the outcome via surveys, interviews process, and number of sessions delivered.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2022-1574 Convene an Executive Session Meeting

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2022-1575 Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

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

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

2022-1576

Commission District(s): All

Add Item

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2022-1577**Commission District(s):** All

Proposed approval of Intergovernmental Agreement, Settlement Agreement, and Full and Final Release of Claims (“Agreement”) to settle the City of Brookhaven’s lawsuit against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 21CV1143 in the Superior Court of DeKalb County and proposed approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement.

MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement, Settlement Agreement, and Full and Final Release of all Claims designed to settle the lawsuit filed by the City of Brookhaven against DeKalb County, Civil Action No. 21CV1143, in the Superior Court of DeKalb County. To resolve this lawsuit, the County will transfer the parcel of real property identified with a street address of 2660 Osborne Road, Atlanta, Georgia, 30319, tax parcel identification number 18 240 04 067 to the City of Brookhaven, in return for the City’s contribution of \$1,600,000 (one million six hundred thousand dollars) toward the County’s construction of the new Brookhaven Library, the City’s execution of a lease acceptable to the County Attorney that leases back to the County the building located on the 2660 Osborne Road parcel for \$1 per year so as to facilitate that building’s continued use by the DeKalb County Community Service Board, the City’s dismissal with prejudice of its lawsuit, and the City’s execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement, Settlement Agreement, and Full and Final Release of all Claims and further move to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement to restrict the City’s future use of the Osborne Road parcel described above such that the future use will not include a city hall on any portion of the parcel that is undeveloped as of the Effective Date of the Agreement during the term of the Agreement, will not include a library, and will otherwise be limited to municipal or governmental purposes. The County Attorney or her designee is authorized to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement, Settlement Agreement, and Full and Final Release of all Claims and Amendment No. 1 thereto.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

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 Jeff Rader, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the April 26, 2022 Board of Commissioner Meeting at 1:27p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson



Robert Patrick
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk