

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

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 Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7*

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

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

A. INSPIRATIONAL

Rev. Demetrius McCoy
District 5

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
District 7

B. PRESENTATIONS

National Recovery Month
Drew Charter Varsity Golf Club

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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. Cards turned in to the clerk from the time the general meeting is convened (generally 9 A.M.) and by the beginning of public comment portion generally following presentations on the agenda. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. Prior to the clerk's call for public comment, 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, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

1. Hagiga Bolling, 220 Kings Hwy Decatur, GA 30030 – Spoke regarding voter protections.
2. Liz Throop, 612 Clifton Rd. NE Atlanta, GA 30307 – Spoke regarding voter protections.
3. D.D. Guster, 6697 Baynes Hill Cir. Clarkston, GA 30031 – Spoke regarding her concern that homeowners in the Brannon Hills subdivision are being forced out of their homes without being offered a fair amount for their homes.
4. Martha Gross, 2855 Briarcliff Rd. Atlanta, GA 30329 – Spoke regarding concern about the Business License and Permits process.
5. Rep. Bee Nguyen, (no house #) Flora Ave. Atlanta, GA (no zipcode) – Spoke regarding elections and voter integrity.
6. Greg Studdaro, 1389 Cornell Rd. NE Atlanta, GA 30306 – Spoke regarding the need to have more transparency with our Elections Board.
7. Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021 – spoke regarding loopholes in the County accepting gift cards; the lack of response to his Open Records request regarding gift cards; and problems with the Watershed Department.
8. Jerry Jackson, 2580 Flat Shoals Rd. (no city, no zip) – Spoke regarding Commissioner Nancy Jester’s work with the Recovery program, thanked Commissioner Steve Bradshaw for his work at the veterans Town Hall meeting, and the need for the auditing department to audit questionable departments.
9. Whitney McGinnis, 2883 Mt. Olive Dr. Decatur, GA 30033 – Spoke regarding the need for oversight of the Board of Elections.
10. Jamie L. Lavigne, Robins Landing Decatur, GA 30036 – Spoke regarding inhumane conditions at the jail.

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 present 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, a speaker shall complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If a speaker has any documents for the commissioners, the speaker shall 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. Speakers should always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating their name, address and the name of any organization they represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Public Works - Transportation[2019-4099](#)

Commission District(s): 4 and 6

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia -
Parking Restrictions on Blueberry Trail, Country Squire Drive,
Delcourt Drive, Harcourt Drive, and Mount Olive Drive

Whitney McGinnis, 2883 Mt. Olive Dr. Decatur, GA 30033, spoke in favor

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved with an amendment submitted by Commissioner Kathie Gannon to correct an error on the second page of the Ordinance in reference to Delcourt Drive and Mount Olive Drive, that there be no parking from 8:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4157](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 6
Traffic Calming Petition - Otello Avenue between Erskine Road and Williams Street/Cimarron Drive. No Cost to County.

Henry Griesbach, 1253 Otello Ave Clarkston, GA 30021, Mike Walker, 1268 Otello Ave Clarkston, GA 30021, Michelle Erin Harris, 1262 Otello Ave Clarkston, GA 30021, Stephanie Minderhout, 1273 Otello Ave Clarkston, GA 30021, spoke in favor

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

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

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners

[2019-4229](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Appointment of Alden Brown to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until October 8, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4230](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts
Appointment of Mary Gene Lee to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 30 days, until October 8, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4231](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts
Appointment of Cicely Austin to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 30 days, until October 8, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2019-4206](#)

Commission District(s): All
Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 23, 2019

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4206, 2019-4207, 2019-4208, 2019-4189, 2019-4175 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4207](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Zoning Meeting of July 23, 2019

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4206, 2019-4207, 2019-4208, 2019-4189, 2019-4175 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4208](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of August 6, 2019

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4206, 2019-4207, 2019-4208, 2019-4189, 2019-4175 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Human Services

[2019-4189](#)

Commission District(s): 3,5,6 & 7

Acceptance of a Grant from the United Way of Greater Atlanta in the amount of \$11,500 to recruit volunteers for a tutoring program to help improve literacy skills in students living in DeKalb- at no cost to the County

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4206, 2019-4207, 2019-4208, 2019-4189, 2019-4175 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Works - Fleet Management

[2019-4175](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
2019 Auction List of DeKalb County Vehicles, Pieces of Equipment & Warehouse Furniture

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4206, 2019-4207, 2019-4208, 2019-4189, 2019-4175 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2019-4254](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 6
To Transfer \$125,000.00 from District 1 Park Bond Funds (POETA 104863.80314.541200.314) to the City of Dunwoody for the Purchase of 8 Acres of Park Land.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2019-4252](#) Commission District(s): District 3
Improve the A/V Equipment at Porter Sanford III Performing Arts & Community Center

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

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

Public Works - Transportation

[2019-4155](#) Commission District(s): 4 and 7
Appropriation of Funds for Rockbridge Road Stormwater Management Pond Retrofit

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

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

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2019-4050](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CA- Cooperative Agreement for Public Safety Two-Way Radios: for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of the purchase of new portable radios and chargers. Awarded to Motorola Solutions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$409,378.02.

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

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2019-4027](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1081988 for Professional Services for the Implementation of Oracle Hyperion Planning and Budgeting Cloud Services for Public Sector: for the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT) for use by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This contract consists of providing services that streamline the budget preparation process and enhance the County's ability to track and manage budgets in real-time. This request is to add an additional funding and extend the contract term to December 31, 2021. Awarded to Deloitte Consulting, LLP. Amount Not To Exceed: \$9,534.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until September 24, 2019. Items 2019-4027, 2019-4086, 2019-4112 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4086](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Repair of Equipment: All Automobiles, On-the-Road, Off-the-Road, Vehicles, Motorcycles, Trucks, Trailers and Motorized Equipment (Annual Contract - 1st of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1131126, 1130730, 1131165, 1131291, 1130733, 1131262, 1130975, 1131127, 1131275, 1131352, 1130740, 1130827, 1130764, 1131128, 1131139, 1130747, 1131368, 1130750, 1130979, 1131371, 1131295, 1131268, 1135749, 1131132, 1130801, 1130726, 1130884, 1130795, 1130888, 1130960, 1131373, 1130885, 1130753, 1130767, 1130869, 1130727, 1131167, 1130770, 1131178, 1130972, 1130886, 1130729, 1130944, 1130822, 1130732, 1130828, 1130734, 1131269, 1130806, 1131264, 1131180, 1130889, 1131608, 1131436, 1130776, 1130775, 1131279, 1131370 and 1130717 for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. These contracts consist of obtaining repairs to keep vehicles on the road and equipment operating in the field from qualified and /or manufacturer dealers when the required repair is beyond the capability or expertise of Fleet Management personnel. Awarded to 59 vendors (please see list below). Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,972,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until September 24, 2019. Items 2019-4027, 2019-4086, 2019-4112 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4112](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1150081 Jcats DeKalb License & Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). This contract consists of providing software maintenance, customization and support for the Juvenile Court system. Awarded to Canyon Solutions Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$287,500.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until September 24, 2019. Items 2019-4027, 2019-4086, 2019-4112 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2019-3912](#)

Commission District(s): ALL
REN - Asbestos Abatement, Demolition and Debris Removal (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1126726, 1126727 and 1126728 for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). These contracts consist of asbestos abatement, demolition and debris removal services. Awarded to Complete Demolition Services, LLC, Kissberg Construction & Demolition and Diversified Environmental Management, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$600,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on September 24, 2019. Items 2019-3912 and 2019-4024 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4024](#)

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

LB - Invitation To Bid No. 19-101084 Lou Walker Senior Center Classroom Renovation: for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). Consists of the augmentation of the Lou Walker Senior Center by converting offices into classrooms. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Ward-Humphrey, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$336,667.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on September 24, 2019. Items 2019-3912 and 2019-4024 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2019-4043](#)

Commission District(s): 1 & 6

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1127550 for Runway Incursion Mitigation - Phase I Project at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport: for use by the DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (Airport). This contract consists of removing and replacing the Airport's runway materials, lights, and markings to improve airport safety. Awarded to Astra Group, Inc. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4043, 2019-4120, 2019-4129, 2019-4133, 2019-4186 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4049](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Testing Services for Soil and Materials (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1073330, 1073319, 1073328 and 1073331 for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Watershed Management (DWM), and Public Works - Transportation and Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing testing services for soils and materials. Awarded to Matrix Engineering Group, Inc., Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC, Oasis Consulting Services, and Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$790,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4120](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Ferric Chloride (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1127398 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing ferric chloride to clarify and dewater sludge for sanitary wastewater treatment. Awarded to PVS Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$850,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4043, 2019-4120, 2019-4129, 2019-4133, 2019-4186 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4129](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Water & Wastewater Treatment Chemicals (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1078248, 1078280, 1078335, 1078400 and 1159365 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of purchasing various chemicals to treat wastewater. Awarded to Polydyne, Inc., Chemrite, Inc., Brenntag Mid-South, Inc., Premier Magnesia and C & S Chemicals. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,698,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4043, 2019-4120, 2019-4129, 2019-4133, 2019-4186 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4133](#)

Commission District(s): ALL
LB - Invitation No. 19-101121 Trailer Landfill Tipper: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of two (2) Low Profile Truck Trailer Landfill Tippers to be used to lift the garbage trailers and dump the garbage out the rear of the trailer onto the landfill. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Columbia Industries, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,079,638.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4043, 2019-4120, 2019-4129, 2019-4133, 2019-4186 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4186](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Maintenance, Repair, Operating Supplies, Industrial Supplies, (MRO) and Related Products and Services: for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Fleet Management, Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of maintenance, repair, operating supplies, industrial supplies and related products and services for use in making repairs and improvements to County-owned facilities. Awarded to Home Depot U.S.A., Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$592,654.57.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4043, 2019-4120, 2019-4129, 2019-4133, 2019-4186 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners

[2019-3325](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Amendments to DeKalb County Purchasing Ordinance
MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until October 8, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2019-3826](#)

Commission District(s): All

An Ordinance to Amend the Chapter 13.5 (Historic Preservation)

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

GIS Department

[2019-3855](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2021 Cedar Grove Road, Conley, GA 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3941](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 7

To Consider Consenting to the Deannexation of Property at 546 Carillon Lane, Stone Mountain, GA. 30083

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3985](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2037 Cedar Grove Road, Conley, GA 30288

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3989](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2029 Cedar Grove Road, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3990](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2025 Cedar Grove Road, Conley, GA 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3992](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2017 Cedar Grove Road, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3993](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4228 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3994](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4221 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-3995](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4215 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4108](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4191 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4111](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of An Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property At 4209 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4113](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4203 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4114](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4197 Cedar Commons Way, Conley, GA, 30288.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4115](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 6

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale - 3196 Zion Street, Scottdale, GA, 30079, Parcel Identification Number 18-046-03-129.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4118](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 6
A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale - 3190 Zion Street, Scottdale, GA, 30079, Parcel Identification Number 18-046-03-127.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved with contingencies stated by Commissioner Kathie Gannon that all Cedar Grove and Zion related items have overlay zones. Items 2019-3855, 2019-3941, 2019-3985, 2019-3989, 2019-3990, 2019-3992, 2019-3993, 2019-3994, 2019-3995, 2019-4108, 2019-4111, 2019-4113, 2019-4114, 2019-4115, 2019-4118, were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2019-4028](#) Commission District(s): ALL
REN - HVAC Equipment, Installation, Service and Related Products (1st Renewal of 4 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing additional heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) services, supplies and maintenance as needed. Awarded to Daikin Applied Americas Inc. dba Daikin Applied. Amount Not To Exceed: \$350,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4028, 2019-4048, 2019-4051, 2019-4088 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4048](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 989294 for Preferred Digital Multi-Functional Imaging Devices (MFD) Supplier (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). This contract consists of the lease/purchase of multifunctional copiers with copying, faxing, printing, and scanning capabilities to be used by all County departments. Awarded to Xerox Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed \$900,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4028, 2019-4048, 2019-4051, 2019-4088 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4051](#)

Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Kronos Technical Software and Equipment Support Services: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let OMNIA Partners (previously U.S. Communities) Contract No. 18220, Lead Agency, Cobb County, Georgia for the purchase of software, hardware, support and maintenance of the Kronos equipment. Awarded to Kronos, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$127,953.72.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4028, 2019-4048, 2019-4051, 2019-4088 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4088](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 6

RA - Juvenile Justice Court Center Parking Deck Structural Repairs (Emergency): for use by Facilities Management (FM). Consists of the repair and waterproofing of the Juvenile Justice Court Center parking deck. Recommend approval to ratify the emergency purchase with Metro Waterproofing, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$330,370.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4028, 2019-4048, 2019-4051, 2019-4088 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2019-3998](#)

Commission District(s): All

SS - Enterprise License Agreement (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Geographical Information Systems (GIS). This contract consists of proprietary software that allows the County the capability to create publicly accessible GIS Apps/Dashboards/Maps, deploy software and is fully integrated into other departmental workflows and business systems. Awarded to: Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,584,000.00.

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

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

Watershed Management[2019-3774](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval and Authorization to Execute 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: \$200,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until September 24, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2019-4276

Add Item

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

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

2019-4277

Commission District(s): District 5

To designate an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for a structural assessment of 2449 Bruce Street, Lithonia, Georgia which is located on the same parcel as the future home of the new East DeKalb Senior Center

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

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

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

1. Commissioner Nancy Jester mentioned the following comments:

- Acknowledged the Recovery Month Proclamation
- Attended a Town Hall on yesterday evening

2. Commissioner Larry Johnson mentioned the following comments:

- Attended an event with Breakthrough Ministries on August 29th at an extended stay hotel on Ember Drive
- Thanked District 3 staff for their work on the Creative Tech Renaissance event last week
- Attended the Grady Memorial Hospital Board of Directors meeting
- Annual Heart of South DeKalb event Friday September 27th at the Rainbow Park Pavilion
- Introduced “Mindful Mondays”, to talk about mental health, at the Starbuck’s in the Kroger on Flat Shoals Pkwy
- Politics, Poetry, and Jazz night on October 18th

3. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw read the following comments:

Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer. Good Morning Everyone.

This Saturday, September 14th, we will be hosting our Second Annual Veterans Resource Expo. This event is designed to connect DeKalb County’s veterans with various resources that they may not even be aware of. Last year we helped over 80 veterans, and we hope to surpass that number this year. Obviously, this is something that is close to my heart. This event has been well publicized and I wish to thank all of our sponsors in advance for their participation.

On September 20th I will be proud to be joining a number of sponsors in hosting an Immigrant Job Fair, which will be open to everyone in the community who is seeking employment. You can view the video here <https://youtu.be/6uuc7dLG8cI>

Speaking of potential employers, on August 26th it was an honor to attend the “Foundations for the Future Event” to celebrate the construction of Underpriced Furniture’s new distribution center which is in District 4. This will be a 164,000 Square Feet facility, which will employ 100 people by the end of phase 1, and up to 300 people upon completion. This is a significant investment in DeKalb County. I sometimes feel like people forget that businesses can locate essentially anywhere. And that those decisions are primarily driven by their own business needs. With this in mind, I want to commend the leadership of the Tucker Summit CID headed by Emory Morsberger and the leadership of the City of Tucker headed by Mayor Frank Auman for setting the right conditions that attracted such a great business here. Also during the event, a new name was unveiled.

Going forward, Underpriced Furniture will now be known as Georgia's Furniture Mart. Again, I want to thank Founder and Owner, Mike Hall for choosing DeKalb.

It was a pleasure to join my friend and colleague Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson for her Fourth Annual Old School New School Block Party in downtown Lithonia on August 31st. It was great to see so many people out having a good time. And I commend Commissioner Davis Johnson and Lithonia Mayor Deborah Jackson for hosting this wonderful event for the community.

I want to thank Dr. Dave Ross of the Task Force for Global Health for taking the time to meet with me on September 6th and provide me with an update on the work of that great institution. This organization takes on the world's most intractable diseases, and makes it their mission to eliminate them or bring them firmly under public health control. This is a noble mission and we are so proud to have them headquartered right here in DeKalb County. In fact, they are essentially right across the street from here.

Congratulations are in order for Former Commissioner and Interim CEO and now Pastor Lee May of the Transformative Faith Church for celebrating his 2 year anniversary on September 8th. As the grandson of two pastors, I know the importance of such milestones. It was a wonderful service and I was honored to be invited. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call my office at 404-371-4749. And as always I want to thank the citizens of District 4 for affording me this opportunity to serve. Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer.

4. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson read the following comments:

Thank You, Mr. Presiding Officer, and Good morning again everyone.

Tomorrow, on September 11th, we will honor and reflect on those who lost their lives and the heroes who put their lives on the line to help save others. September 11th is a reminder of why we must work every day to reclaim the soul of this nation, and that we would be a nation that does not seek to spread division and hate, but unity and love. We will always remember and we will continue to spread love as we reflect on September 11th 2001.

I would like to thank all District 5 residents and DeKalb County residents who came out in great numbers to our 4th Annual Old School/ New School Family Fun Day. The event was a major success thanks to our sponsors and all that supported this event. I would like to give a special shout out to my colleagues, Commissioner Larry Johnson and Commissioner Steve Bradshaw for stopping by the event. Again, this year, we were able to raise \$5,000 for Tabitha's House, bringing our total to over \$17,000 that we have been able to provide to aide in bringing young teens out of sex trafficking.

I would like to thank my Chief of Staff, Demetrius McCoy for participating in a panel on my behalf last week. The panel discussion was about the importance of protecting our precious right to vote. As we know, there is no time more important than the time that we are presently living in to ensure that everyone has the right to vote.

I would like thank our CEO Michael Thurmond and Allen Mitchell of the Community Development

Department for assisting us with keeping District 5 beautiful and for demolishing the apartment buildings at The Hillside Condos located off of Snapfinger Woods Drive. We hope to have more of these types of demolitions to occur in the 5th.

I would like to invite all District 5 residents to join us for our final community clean up this year. As many residents may be aware, we host community clean-ups from March through September each year. Our final clean-up will take place at the Hidden Creek Subdivision on September 21st from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. The meeting address is 2205 Creekview Trail, Decatur, GA 30035.

Lastly, I would like to introduce a new member of my staff, Majenta Vaughn who will serve as an intern for the 5th District. Majenta is a proud graduate of Huston-Tillotson University in Austin, TX where she studied psychology. She is the CEO of SHEEK Esteem Management where she mentors, coaches and develops young ladies into fulfilling their destiny. The organization focuses its efforts on teaching young ladies high self-esteem through the performing arts, mentoring and opportunities for development. Welcome to the District 5 team, Majenta!

I invite you to follow me on social media:

Facebook – Mereda Davis Johnson

Twitter - @MeredaDJohnson

Instagram - @MeredaDJohnson

Finally, I would like to wish my Director of Constituent Services, Demetrius Pinkett a Happy 25th Birthday!

For more information on any of the announcements, District 5 upcoming events, please feel free to visit my website at www.commissionermeredajohnson.com or you may call my office at 404-371- 2159. And as always, don't hesitate to contact my office with any of your questions, concerns, or suggestions. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your District 5 Commissioner.

5. Commissioner Kathie Gannon mentioned the following comments:

- Happy September everyone, I hope you had a relaxing Labor Day weekend. We are now into the second week of September which is recognized as National Preparedness Month
- I want to send my thoughts and prayers to the people of the Bahamas and our coastal neighbors. I want to commend Sherriff Mann, Tax Commissioner Johnson, and Superior Court Clerk DeBerry for your immediate coordination of relief efforts for the Bahamas. We cannot always anticipate when these disasters will happen but we can be better prepared for them. As residents, one way you can be prepared is to sign up for DeKalb County's Code Red for weather and emergency notifications
- Congratulations to Ronald E. McNair Middle School staff and students. I've heard that this middle school is unlike any other, and is touted to be a game changer with state of the art, 21st century amenities for these lucky students. I was out of the country in Iceland for the official ribbon-cutting so my staff attended the event and

told me all about the dry-erase walls, classrooms that open up to the outdoors, and amphitheater-style seating that make me want to go back to school!

- There are a lot of things going on in District 6 within the next few days. This Thursday, DeKalb County Extension is having a class on gardening trends at their office auditorium on Memorial Drive
- Then, early registration ends on September 13th for October's DeKalb County Breast Cancer Awareness 5K. Registration is still open for the 5th Annual DeKalb County Police Departments "Beat the Badge" 5K on the 28th
- There is a clinic to learn how to do business with DeKalb County being held on September 13th at 10 a.m.
- Tire Amnesty Day is September 14th at both Seminole Road Landfill in Ellenwood and the Tax Commissioner's office parking lot on Memorial Drive
- To register or find out more information about any of these events please go to the "Events" section of my website www.CommissionerKathieGannon.com
- Thursday, September 19th I will be out and about in District 6. Come find me. At 10 a.m. I will be hosting a walk and talk with naturalist Jonah at Mason Mill Park. Come learn about flora and fauna in the area. Then, I am going to pop in and have lunch at noon with my friends who are members of the Central DeKalb Senior Center. Later on, at 1:30 p.m. I will be recognizing Susan Neugent along with some of my board colleagues, LifeLine staff, and Animal Service Board members for her animal service dedication plaque at DeKalb Animal Control at 3280 Chamblee Dunwoody Road. Finally, I invite you to a community meeting to learn about the Tobie Grant Recreation Center updates at 6:30pm at 3262 Chapel Street
- My office number is 404-371-4909. My office is constantly updating our community contact list so if you have not provided current Board information, please email KGannon@DeKalbCountyGA.Gov with names, contact information and meeting/activities. And please remember that if your Super District 6 community group is planning any Fall community events, please let us know as well. I look forward to opportunities to connect. Also don't forget to visit my Facebook or website www.CommissionerKathieGannon.com regularly for additional events and happenings in Super District 6!

6. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran- Johnson read the following comments:

- I am proud to announce that on Wednesday, September 25, 2019, District 7 in partnership with Operation HOPE and RBC Bank will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new HOPE Inside office that will be located in the AEI StartUp Factory. The event will take place at 10:00 a.m. Distinguished guests will include John Hope Bryant, Founder and CEO of Operation Hope, Bill Allen, Founder and CEO of the Allen Entrepreneurial Institute, and senior leadership from RBC bank. Immediately following will be a panel discussion about financial dignity, home ownership, and entrepreneurship moderated by Anita Ward, President of Operation HOPE. HOPE Inside will focus on homeownership, financial dignity, and wealth building. Thanks to PNC for funding of staff. There will be a panel discussion led by John Hope Bryant immediately following

the ribbon cutting. This will be an incredible opportunity for DeKalb

- Next Thursday, September 18, 2019, District 7 in partnership with the Beautification Department will be holding a Code Compliance Town Hall (Code Compliance Posse) at Porter Sanford at 6:00 p.m. Topics that will be covered include the most common code violations, code violation reporting, the code compliance process, safety, and code compliance sweep dates. Speakers will include Tim Hardy, Director of Code Compliance, Tracey Hutchinson, Director of the Beautification Department. All are welcome to attend, and we look forward to seeing you there

- This evening I will be participating on a panel along with other guests, including Deshawn Bullard, Dee Dawkins Haigler, Latasha “Tadda” Lewis, and Eleshia Cash, for the Stonecrest Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Council Event: Level Up Your Business, Wine Down Tuesday Networking Event. The event will be held at The Red Door at 4600 Rockbridge Rd. in Stone Mountain and begins at 6:00pm. We would love to see you there

- DeKalb legislators will be holding a series of town halls to discuss ethics reform, which will appear on the ballot in November. Senate Bill 7, approved by the General Assembly earlier this year, would revise the make-up of the county’s ethics board and implement other changes on how the board carries out ethics investigations. The bill requires voters to sign off on the reforms via a ballot referendum during the year’s general election. Please visit our website for meeting times and locations

- This Wednesday, DeKalb County will be commemorating the 18th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. The attacks killed 2,997 people and injured over 6,000 in New York City, Washington, DC, and outside of Shanksville, PA. The ceremony, sponsored by DeKalb Fire Rescue and Police, will be held at the DeKalb County Public Safety Complex at 1960 West Exchange Place in Tucker at 8:45 a.m.

- Please write, send emails, photos, and visit our website at www.CommissionerLorraineCochranJohnson.com or call us at 404.371.2899. Thank you for the opportunity to serve

7. Commissioner Jeff Rader read the following comments:

My office number is 404-371-2863 and my email is jrader@dekalbcountyga.gov.

Please take the time to visit my website at www.commissionerrader.com and sign up for news and information.

Please also follow me on Facebook and Twitter using [@raderjeff](#) and on Instagram at [commissionerjeffrader](#).

Upcoming...

- Briarcliff Corridor Water Infrastructure Replacement Project began Monday, September 22nd. Please refer to my website for a list of FAQs

- DeKalb Beat the Badge 5K will be this Saturday September 28th 8 a.m. at DeKalb Police Headquarters, 1960 W Exchange in Tucker

- The Callanwolde Concert Band, DeKalb County's premiere symphonic wind ensemble, will perform this Sunday September 29 at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Decatur, 308 Clairmont Avenue, Decatur, Georgia featuring works by Shostakovich, Mozart and Alfred Reed. Further information is available at www.calcb.org

- Callanwolde's Jazz on the Lawn Series continues Friday October 4th with Joey "Papa J" Sommerville

- Join the DeKalb County Legislative Delegation for remaining Town Hall Meetings:
Oct 1st at 6:30pm at the Tucker Reid Cofer Library, Tucker
Oct 15th at 6:30pm at the Maloof Auditorium, Decatur
And Oct 21st at 6:30pm at Brookhaven City Hall, Brookhaven

- Annual Winship Win the Fight 5K takes place Saturday, October 5th at 8:30 a.m. A family-friendly event dedicated to raising money for state-of-the-art cancer research, registration is open at Winship5k.emory.edu

- The Annual Oak Groove Festival is coming Sunday October 6th from 1 p.m. – 7 p.m. in Vista Grove Shopping Center at the corner of Oak Grove and LaVista, featuring great music, activities and fun for all ages

- 58th Annual Methodist Men's Barbecue will take place Saturday, October 19th 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Oak Grove UMC 1722 Oak Grove Rd. Oak Grove UMC is seeking volunteers to help serve over 5,000 meals as they raise funds for causes all over DeKalb County including New American Pathways, Toco Hills Community Alliance, Breakthru House, Mountain View Personal Care Home, Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance, Montclair Elementary School Blessing Bags, Boy Scout Troop 77, Cub Scout Pack 577, Venture Scout Troop, and many other organizations

POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN COUNTY SERVICES.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Larry Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson to adjourn the September 10, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

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



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk