

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 5

Commissioner Robert Patrick, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 1

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, District 2

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

Present: 5 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

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

A. INSPIRATIONAL

*Maria Peck
President, SheLends Consulting*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw- District 4

B. PRESENTATIONS

*National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
Senior Center Month*

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.

Therese Alston- 3953 Old Lantern Drive Lithonia Georgia 30038, Barry Graham- 725 Livingstone Place Decatur GA 30030, Charles Bailey-Musgray- 3329 York Place Decatur GA 30032, Stephen Binney- 1083 Seville Drive Clarkston Georgia 30021, Annie Beasley- 2215 April Lane Decatur Georgia 30035, Larry Foster- 2572 Raintree Drive Atlanta Georgia 30345, Andrew W. Bell (No Address), Carolyn Clemons- 2432 Elkhorn Drive Decatur Georgia 30034, Toi Elizabeth Hines- 3019 Sherbourne Cove Lithonia Georgia 30058

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. In all zoning ordinance and traffic calming cases, staff shall make their recommendation for action to the Commission first followed by applicants or citizens speaking in favor of the item. 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. For all other items placed on the public hearing agenda, applicants or citizens speaking in favor of the item shall speak first followed by opponents of the item. 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.

Finance - Risk Management

[2024-0506](#)

Commission District(s): All

Home Rule Ordinance to amend the Pension Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, 1962 Ga. Laws 3088, as amended, to provide for an increase in monthly pension benefit amount to specified eligible retirees, joint annuitants and beneficiaries.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Terry

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

Public Works - Transportation

[2024-1060](#)

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

Traffic Calming Petition - Forest Lake Parkway off Turner Hill Road. Cost to the County is \$53,850.

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1083](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

Traffic Calming Petition - Parker Avenue between DeKalb Drive and McAfee Road. Cost to the County is \$29,700.

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

“DECISION ONLY” ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

Planning & Sustainability

[2023-1146](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 2 Super District 6
Application of Fariz Morani for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to build and operate a restaurant with drive through in a C-2 (General Commercial) zoning district within a Town Center (TC) Activity Center, at 1726 Church Street.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024 for Decision Only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2023-1154](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 2 Super District 6
Application of Fariz Morani for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to operate a drive through coffee shop within C-1 (Local Commercial) zoning district and within a Town Center (TC) Activity Center, at 3823 North Druid Hills Road.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024 for Decision Only. Items 2023-1154, 2024-1249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2023-1249](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 2 Super District 6
Application of Fariz Morani to rezone from NS (Neighborhood Shopping) zoning district to C-1 (Local Commercial) district within a Town Center (TC) Activity Center to use the existing building to create a drive-through coffee shop, at 3823 North Druid Hills Road.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024 for Decision Only. Items 2023-1154, 2024-1249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2024-1134](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment of Melanie Hammet to the DeKalb Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs Citizens Advisory Board.

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport

[2024-1055](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Lawrence Flynn. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1056](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Gregory Solsrud. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1073](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Underground Easement with Georgia Power Company for 2000 Airport Road Beta Charger (DeKalb County) Distribution Line of County owned property located on DeKalb Peachtree Airport. There is no cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Board of Commissioners

[2024-1140](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the September 17, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2024-1141](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Allocation of \$20,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserve for Appropriation to the DeKalb County Office of Youth Services for a Healthcare Fair at Plaza Fiesta

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2024-1137](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Allocate \$100,000.00 of District 4 Pleasantdale Park Land Proceed funds to Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs to set-up a CIP account for Little Creek Horse Park for various projects and maintenance.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2024-1160](#)

Commission District(s): Super District 6

Allocation (Not to Exceed) \$14,767 of the Balance of District 6 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) from POETA Account Tranche 1 and Tranche 2 to the DeKalb County Community Development Department to be Used for the Provision of Non-Congregate Emergency Shelter for Homeless Households Who Are Willing to Accept Emergency Shelter

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1161](#)

Commission District(s): Super District 6

Allocation (not to exceed) \$65,000 of District 6 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) from POETA account tranche 1 and tranche 2 to the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence to assist women and children impacted by COVID 19 Pandemic

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2024-1125](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of September 10, 2024

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-1055, 2024-1056, 2024-1073, 2024-1140, 2024-1141, 2024-1137, 2024-1160, 2024-1161, 2024-1125 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2024-1139](#)

Commission District(s): Districts 1, 2, and 6

A Resolution Supporting Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on Buford Highway in DeKalb County, Georgia

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until October 22, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Fleet Maintenance

[2024-1017](#)

Commission District(s): All Commissioner District

Net Revenue Generating Service - 2024 County Auction

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Public Safety - DEMA

[2024-1106](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Grant Acceptance - FY2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), \$50,000.00

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Transportation

[2024-1074](#)

Commission District(s): 3 and 7

Acceptance of \$750,000 from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development for Sidewalks on Columbia Drive and Rainbow Drive

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2024-0433](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

SS - Flock Safety LPR Camera System (Multiyear Contract): for use by Police Services (PS). Consists of the purchase, installation and service of seventy-five (75) Flock Safety LPR Cameras (Phase 5) for an initial twenty-four (24) months with an automatic renewal for twenty-four (24) months. Awarded to Flock Group, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$498,750.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0433, 2024-0922, 2024-0999, 2024-1012 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0922](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1275787 Records Management System (RMS) Software Maintenance and Support (Multiyear) (Sole Source): for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of providing maintenance and support of proprietary software packages used by public safety for records management and field-based reporting. This request seeks additional funding to implement an interface from Citizen Online Reporting system (DORS) into the Inform RMS (Web RMS/NIBRS). Awarded to CentralSquare Technologies, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$36,465.09.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0433, 2024-0922, 2024-0999, 2024-1012 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0999](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1263615 Information Technology Software (General Services Administration (GSA) Contract No. GS-35F-0253W): for use by DeKalb Emergency Management Agency (DEMA). This contract consists of purchasing off the competitively let GSA contract for the purchase of CodeRED Emergency Notification Solutions. This request is to increase the contract funds and term through November 30, 2025. Awarded to OnSolve, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed \$56,700.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0433, 2024-0922, 2024-0999, 2024-1012 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1012](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RA - Ratification of Purchase Order No. 5002051 Technology Solutions, Products and Services (Omnia Partners Contract No. 01-145): for use by Police Services (PS). This request seeks to ratify an issued purchase order for citation printers, batteries, and accessories for installation in two hundred (200) new Police Tahoe units. Awarded to Howard Industries Inc., dba, Howard Technology Solutions. Amount Not To Exceed: \$157,200.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0433, 2024-0922, 2024-0999, 2024-1012 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee

[2024-0977](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No.1338634 DeKalb LINKS (Annual Contract With 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Purchasing and Contracting (P&C). This contract consists of a customized, cloud-based application designed and integrated specifically for the DeKalb First Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Program. This request seeks a contract funds and term increase through January 31, 2025. It also seeks to reconcile previously issued purchase orders and ratify a previously provided thirty (30) day contract term increase, effective as of September 1, 2024. Awarded to Georgia Minority Supplier Development Council (GMSDC). Amount Not To Exceed: \$155,833.37

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2024-0487](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1334184 DeKalb County Courthouse Parking Deck Renovation Project (445 days): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of repairs to concrete and steel beams, columns, connections, steel plates, expansion joints, waterproofing, new electrical LED lighting, inspection of existing panel boards, plumbing, HVAC unit, fire protection piping, etc. This request seeks to increase contract funds and term through July 14, 2025. This increase will assist in obtaining security fencing, reimbursement of permit fees, and additional needed services discovered while performing structure rehabilitation. Awarded to Restocon Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$642,150.95.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0487, 2024-0964, 2024-0965, 2024-1043 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0964](#)**Commission District(s): All**

SS - Maintenance and Support of the County's Audio-Visual Equipment (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This request consists of maintenance and support of the County's audio-visual equipment. Awarded to BIS Digital, Inc. (Business Information Systems). Amount Not To Exceed: \$112,091.63.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0487, 2024-0964, 2024-0965, 2024-1043 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0965](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1386227 Public Safety Communications Technology and Hardware Solutions (Sourcewell Contract No. 042021-MOT) [Cooperative Agreement]: for use by Police Services - Animal Enforcement Services. This contract consists of purchasing from the competitively let Sourcewell contract for the purchase of remote speaker microphones, chargers, batteries, APX 900 radios, as well as device software, installation, and programming. This request will allow animal enforcement officers continued use of equipment for emergency services. Awarded to Motorola Solutions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$55,278.79.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0487, 2024-0964, 2024-0965, 2024-1043 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1043](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Contract No. 1344391 Inspection and Testing of Water Based Fire Protection Systems (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for Use by the Department of Facilities Management. This contract consists of providing inspection, testing, maintenance, and repair of existing water-based fire protection equipment throughout the County. This request seeks to exercise the 1st renewal option through August 31, 2025. This request also seeks to ratify a previously provided thirty (30) day contract term increase, effective September 1, 2024. Awarded To: All-Star Fire, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$177,340.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0487, 2024-0964, 2024-0965, 2024-1043 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1078](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1365939 enQuesta Annual Hosting, Maintenance, and Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This contract consists of the annual hosting, maintenance, and support of a state-of-the-art Customer Information System (CIS) solution for the County's customer billing system integration. This request seeks to add the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to the contract and increase the contract scope of work and funding. Awarded to Systems and Software, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,674,248.85.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1084](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1349658 Air Quality and Noise Assessment Study at DeKalb Peachtree Airport: for use by the DeKalb Peachtree Airport (Airport). This contract consists of providing data about the relative pollutant, noise emissions, and air quality impacts in the County. This request seeks to increase contract funds and term through December 31, 2025. Awarded to Harris, Miller, Miller and Hanson. Amount Not To Exceed: \$126,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-1084, 2024-1085 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1085](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

SS - Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) Software, License, and Server Maintenance Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of providing proprietary hardware and software maintenance needed to support HPE equipment and software currently used by the County. This request seeks to continue use of a previously approved sole source for one year and ratification of Purchase Order No. 5003031. Amount Not To Exceed: \$260,870.34.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-1084, 2024-1085 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2024-0925](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RFP - Request for Proposal No. RFP No. 24-500667 Presidential Parkway - Embry Hills Arts & Culture Small Area Plan (SAP): for use by the Department of Planning & Sustainability (P&S). Consists of providing professional services for creating, revitalizing and/or recreating the brand of the Presidential Parkway/Embry Hills Regional and Town Center. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer who is responsive and responsible: Pond & Company, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$143,000.00.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until October 8, 2024. Items 2024-0925, 2024-1000, 2024-1019 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1000](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1289411 Restroom and Shower Facility Solutions (Sourcewell Contract No. 081721-RMT): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the purchase, installation, and all things necessary for the purchase and installation of public restrooms and other structures. This request seeks additional funding due to unforeseen delays in the permitting process resulting in material and labor price escalation. Awarded to Romtec, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$170,979.42.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until October 8, 2024. Items 2024-0925, 2024-1000, 2024-1019 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1019](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Contract No. 1301248 Feed, Hay and Shavings for Little Creek Horse Farm and Park (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the purchase and delivery of feed, hay and shavings to Little Creek Horse Farm and Park. This request seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through August 31, 2025. This request also seeks to ratify a previously provided forty-five (45) day contract term increase, effective as of September 1, 2024. Awarded To: The Stock Market. Amount Not To Exceed: \$135,000.00.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until October 8, 2024. Items 2024-0925, 2024-1000, 2024-1019 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

2024-0913

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1307812 Repair, Maintenance, and Installation of Fire Intrusion Alarm Systems: for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM) and Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing maintenance, repair, and installation of fire intrusion alarm systems. This request seeks to increase contract funds and add DWM to the contract. Awarded to: All-Star Fire, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$250,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0913, 2024-1013, 2024-1082, 2024-1098, 2024-1101 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

2024-1013

Commission District(s): Districts 2 & 6

LB - Invitation No. 24-101661 East Rock Springs Roundabout at Beech Valley Way (365 Days): for use by the Department of Public Works - Transportation. Consists of the construction of a roundabout at the East Rock Springs Road intersection with Beech Valley Road and Cumberland Road. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Summit Construction and Development, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,179,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0913, 2024-1013, 2024-1082, 2024-1098, 2024-1101 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1082](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1326920 Equipment Rentals and Related Products and Services (OMNIA Partners Contract No. 201900319): for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. This contract consists of purchasing from the competitively let OMNIA Partners contract to lease four (4) 11-yard rear loader trucks for 26 weeks; four (4) 25-yard rear loader trucks for 52 weeks; and eight (8) 25-yard rear loaders for 12 months. This request seeks to increase contract funds. Awarded to Big Truck Rental. Amount Not To Exceed: \$700,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0913, 2024-1013, 2024-1082, 2024-1098, 2024-1101 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1098](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20190814-0001 Cloud Solutions and Services: for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of purchasing from the competitively let SWC for the purchase and implementation of dash cams on Sanitation garbage trucks for a four (4) year term. Awarded to Carahsoft Technology Corporation. Amount Not to Exceed: \$884,065.02.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0913, 2024-1013, 2024-1082, 2024-1098, 2024-1101 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1101](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA - Cooperative Agreement Sourcewell Contract No. 020221-RUB Fleet Management Technologies with Related Software Solutions: for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of purchasing from the competitively let Sourcewell contract for the purchase of new route management software, hardware, installation and maintenance for a five (5) year term. Awarded to Rubicon Global, LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,587,455.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0913, 2024-1013, 2024-1082, 2024-1098, 2024-1101 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1102](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN- Contract No. 1352465 Residential Single-Stream Recycling Materials, Commercial Cardboard & Mixed Paper (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public-Works-Sanitation. This contract consists of processing residential single-stream recycling materials, commercial cardboard and mixed paper collected by the recycling program. This request seeks to exercise the 1st renewal option through October 31, 2025. Awarded to Pratt Recycling, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$650,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[2023-1503](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appropriation of \$6,884 from 2023 District 2 Youth Reserves for the Youth Aviation Program at Peachtree DeKalb Airport

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred until December 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0380](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution Requesting Accountability and Compliance with Essential Functions Identified within the Classification Specification for the Chief of Staff, Board of Commissioners

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be withdrawn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0663](#)

Commission District(s): District 2

A Resolution Adopting a Contextualization Statement for the Cannon Previously Removed from the Decatur Courthouse Square

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0842](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution to Review and Amend the Board of Commissioners Standing Procedural Rules

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0861](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Prohibit Transient and Outdoor Sales of Dogs, Cats, and Domestic Rabbits in DeKalb County, Georgia

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2023-1497](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Appropriate not to exceed \$10,000 of Youth Violence Prevention Discretionary General Funds to Biplane Rides Over Atlanta for the PDK Youth Aviation Program.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred until December 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2023-0558](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Requesting a Study Regarding the Possibility of Establishing a Police Civilian Review Board in DeKalb County.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred substitute until October 22, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-0525](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution to Establish a DeKalb Environmental Justice Commission

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), due back on October 22, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1009](#)

Commission District(s): All DeKalb County Commission Districts

A Resolution Requesting CEO Michael Thurmond to Enact an HR Policy in Alignment with the Federal Paid Maternity, Parental, and Elder Care Leave Initiatives Championed by Vice President Kamala Harris and Governor Tim Walz

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, October 8, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1165](#)

Commission District(s): District 3 & 6

DeKalb County's objection to the proposed annexation of approximately 23 acres of land in unincorporated DeKalb County into the City of Atlanta pursuant to annexation via the sixty percent (60%) method.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the Special Called Meeting, October 1, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1168](#)

Commission District(s): District 2 & 6

DeKalb County's objection to the proposed annexation of 1481 Lavista Road in unincorporated DeKalb County into the City of Brookhaven pursuant to annexation via the one hundred percent (100%) method.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the Special Called Meeting, October 1, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 7[2024-0347](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution to Address Eliminating Blight Caused by Unattended Donation Boxes.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until October 22, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Chief Executive Office

[2024-1071](#)

Commission District(s): All

Amend the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget; Approve SPLOST II Funds for Various CIP Projects

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be approved the substitute with a friendly amendment to add \$100,000 to the General Fund for the Dunwoody Nature Center. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2024-0987](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

GEFA Stormwater Loan

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2024-0233](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 23-500649 Uniformed Security Guard Services (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Police Services (PS) to be Utilized by all County Departments. Consists of Providing Armed and/or Unarmed Security Guard Services at Various County Facilities. Recommend Award to the Highest Scoring Proposer: Pinnacle Security Inc. dba Paradigm Security Services. Amount Not To Exceed: \$27,046,547.31

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2023-1331](#)**Commission District(s): 1 & 6**

RFP - Request for Proposal No. 22-500625 Eastside Aviation Development on DeKalb Peachtree Airport (Multi-Year Lease): for use by the DeKalb Peachtree (PDK) Airport. Consists of the design, construction, and management of business directly related to aviation for corporate aviation hangar development on the eastside of the airfield at the PDK Airport. Recommend award to the sole proposer: Sky Harbour, LLC. Estimated 50-Year Total Revenue Amount: \$576,607,163.00 (\$211,270,337.00 estimated towards DeKalb County).

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred until December 17, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the September 24, 2024 Board of Commissioners Meeting at 12:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry



Mereda Davis Johnson
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



[Barbara Sanders \(Oct 7, 2024 16:35 EDT\)](#)

Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk