

DeKalb County Government

*178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 3, 2024

9:00 AM

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Special Called Meeting

Comm. Mereda Davis Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 5

Comm. Robert Patrick, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 1

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

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

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

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Reports

B. Water & Sewer Rate Increase - Status Update

C. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for December 10, 2024

D. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

E. Review/Recap of New Items for the BOC Agenda

F. Items Previously Heard

II. Special Call Meeting

2024-1621

Commission District(s): All

To Convene a Special Called Meeting

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

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

2024-1622

Commission District(s): All

To Convene an Executive Session

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved to convene an Executive

Session Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2024-1623

Commission District(s): All

To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2024-1624

Commission District(s): all

Proposed authorization to sign and submit Government Participation Agreement for proposed settlement with Publix in opioid litigation.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved that the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners authorize the County Attorney or her designee to execute and submit, on behalf of DeKalb County, the Government Participation Agreement for the Confidential Agreement to Dismiss and Release Claims between Publix Super Markets, Inc. and certain local governments, related to opioid litigation, MDL 2804 in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio and Civil Action No. 1:23cv01193 in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the December 3, 2024 Special Called Meeting at 11:35 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

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



Mereda Davis Johnson
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk