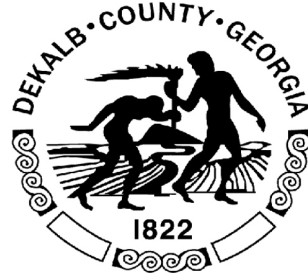


# DeKalb County Government

*178 Sams Street  
Decatur, GA 30030*



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, April 28, 2026**

**9:00 AM**

**178 Sam's Street, Decatur, GA 30030 (Multipurpose Room A1201)**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Chakira Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 4*

*Commissioner Dr. LaDena Bolton, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 7*

*Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1*

*Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, District 2*

*Commissioner Nicole Massiah, District 3*

*Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5*

*Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6*

**Present:** 7 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, Commissioner Nicole Massiah, Commissioner Chakira Johnson, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner LaDena Bolton

**Administration:** Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Terry G. Phillips, Interim County Attorney

## A. INSPIRATIONAL

*Rev. Dr. Gerald L. Durley*

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson  
District 5*

## B. PRESENTATIONS

*Celebrating Earth Day  
Honoring Kathy Register*

## 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.

Kristina Roberts- 2081 Candler Road Suite 68 Decatur, Georgia 30034; Lance Robertson (No Address); Jan Dunaway- 4672 Fellowood Drive Stone Mountain, Georgia 30038; Gina Mangham- 8179 Pleasant Hill Road Lithonia, Georgia 30058; Jackie Malcom (No Address); Larry Foster- 2572 Raintree Drive Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30345; Stephen Binney- 1083 Seville Drive Clarkston, Georgia 30021; Joscelyn O'Neil (No Address); Sue Sullivan and Sherri McCoy- 2 Lullwater Place Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30307; Mariel R. Sivley (No Address); Shelly Fine- 225 East Ponce De Leon Avenue Suite 323 Decatur, Georgia 30030; Judy M. Kelly- 3602 Crown Point Court Deatur, Georgia 30032

#### **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.

#### **Public Works - Transportation**

[2026-0522](#)

**Commission District(s):** 4 & 7

**Traffic Calming Petition** - Post Road Pass between Martin Road and Lost Creek Circle (East). Cost to the County is \$15,100.00.

*Favor: Laurie Williams- 5140 Post Road Pass Stone Mountain, Georgia 30088*

*Against: None*

**MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**E. APPEALS**

NONE

**APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

**Board of Commissioners**

[2026-0719](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

An Item to Record the Appointment of Joyce McKibben to the DeKalb County Women’s Commission as the City of Lithonia Government Appointee

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

**Board of Commissioners - District 4**

[2026-0624](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 4

Record the Appointment of Stephanie Fleming as the District 4 Appointee to the DeKalb Women’s Commission.

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

[2026-0625](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 4

Record the Appointment of Melanie Hammet to the DeKalb Arts Council.

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

[2026-0657](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 4

Record the Appointment of Tess Snipes to Post 4 of the DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board.

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

**Board of Commissioners - District 5**

[2026-0717](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

An Item to Record the Appointment of Demetrius McCoy as a standing member with voting privileges to the DeKalb United Sports Commission as the District 5 Representative

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2026-0745](#)

**Commission District(s):** Super District 6

Record the Appointment of Mckenzie Parkins as the Commission District 6 Appointee to the DeKalb County Environmental Justice and Sustainability Resident Review Group

**This agenda item was Read into the record**

## **F. APPOINTMENTS**

**Chief Executive Office**

[2026-0756](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Appoint Dr. Jeremy Cole, Ph.D., to Post 9 of the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0756, 2026-0757, 2026-0758, 2026-0759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0757](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Appoint Mr. Jerome Edmondson to Post 3 of the DeKalb County Housing Authority

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0756, 2026-0757, 2026-0758, 2026-0759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0758](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Appoint Ms. Rhonda F. Briggins, J.D. to Post 1 of the Development Authority of DeKalb County, Post 1 of the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority and Post 1 of the Private Hospital Authority.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0756, 2026-0757, 2026-0758, 2026-0759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0759](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Appoint Bruce McMillian to Post 1 of the DeKalb County Housing Authority

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0756, 2026-0757, 2026-0758, 2026-0759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

Airport

[2026-0593](#)

**Commission District(s):** 1 and 6

Standardized T-Hangar Shop Space Lease Agreement with Douglas Martin.

There is no cost to the County.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**                7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0663](#)

**Commission District(s):** 1 and 6

Termination of Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with John D.

Mullins. There is no cost to the County.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**                7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0664](#)

**Commission District(s):** 1 and 6

Termination of Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Bryce Angell. There is no cost to the County.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners**

[2026-0763](#)

**Commission District(s):** ALL

Approval of Minutes for the April 21, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 1**

[2026-0746](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 1

To Approve the Appropriations for an Amount to Not to Exceed \$125,000 (00201.579002.100) to The Mind of a Winner for District 1's 2026 Event Management and Program Support

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[2026-0658](#)

**Commission District(s):** Commission District 2

Allocation of \$10,000 from District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to Tucker First United Methodist Church to Support Their Cold Weather Shelter and Shower Ministry

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0721](#)

**Commission District(s):** Commission District 2

Allocation of \$10,000 of District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to Compassionate Atlanta to Support the "Creature Corner" at the 2026 Compassion Con

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 5**

[2026-0718](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

An Item to Appropriate \$25,000 from the District 5 Reserve For Appropriation Account to provide legal aid assistance support to the DeKalb Lawyers Association and for other purposes

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved as amended to reflect the funding source as the District 5 ARP interest account. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0727](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

An item to allocate \$100,000 from District 5 ARP Interest account to Decatur Legacy Project, Inc. for the express purpose of assisting in financing the creation, dedication, and placement of Phase II of the Memorial to the late John Lewis on County-owned property

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved as amended to reflect the total dollar amount decreasing from \$100,000 to \$50,000. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0749](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

An Item to Appropriate \$50,000 of the District 5 ARP Interest Accounts to the District 5 Beautification Mini-Grant Program and for other purposes

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2026-0685](#)

**Commission District(s):** Super District 6

To Allocate \$5,000.00 from the 2026 District 6 Reserve for Appropriation Account to Support Nia's Place Supervised Visitation and Exchange Center

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0686](#)

**Commission District(s):** Super District 6

To Allocate \$10,000.00 from the 2026 District 6 Reserve for Appropriation Account to Support 38 Participants in the Amani Women's Sewing Academy Initiative

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0743](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 4 and Super District 6

To Appropriate an Amount Not To Exceed \$5,000 from the 2026 District 6 Reserve for Appropriation to Devine GA for Removal of Invasive Species at Anderson Family Cemetery

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Chief Executive Office**

[2026-0706](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Acceptance of \$3,259.50 in grant funds from the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Civic Affairs Foundation to fund one (1) Executive Intern - Economic Development position through the 2026 Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP) summer program.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2026-0643](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 26, 2026.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0688](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of April 14, 2026

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Juvenile Court

[2026-0645](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commissioners

Approval of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council \$6,159 Emergency

Subgrant Award Accountability Court Grant

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0648](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commissioners

Approval of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council \$28,008 Emergency

Subgrant Award Accountability Court Grant.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Planning and Sustainability**

[2026-0633](#)

**Commission District(s): All Districts**

Application of the Director of Planning & Sustainability to modify the 2026-27 Zoning, SLUP, and Land Use Amendment Calendar to reflect the public hearing date change for the July Board of Commissioners’ Zoning meeting from July 23, 2026 to August 13, 2026.

**MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Solicitor-State Court**

[2026-0695](#)

**Commission District(s): All Districts**

Seeking approval to accept the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FY26 Grant Award from the Prosecuting Attorneys’ Council of Georgia (PAC) in the amount of \$122,528.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Superior Court**

[2026-0660](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Grant to the DeKalb County Adult Felony

Drug Court-Supplemental Funding-\$16,200.00

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0593, 2026-0663, 2026-0664, 2026-0763, 2026-0746, 2026-0658, 2026-0721, 2026-0749, 2026-0685, 2026-0686, 2026-0743, 2026-0706, 2026-0643, 2026-0688, 2026-0645, 2026-0648, 2026-0660 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

*The Board may take a 1-Hour Break at 12:00PM*

**H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

**Board of Commissioners**

[2026-0729](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Request to Update the Board of Commissioners' Committee Areas of Responsibility

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[2026-0728](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, Chapter 5, to Regulate the Sale of Dogs, Cats and Rabbits in Pet Shops

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERSPS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2026-0744](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A Resolution Adjusting All DeKalb County Tire Tip Fees to \$1.00

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI) , until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Finance**

[2026-0668](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A resolution authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN 2026) for 2026, due December 15, 2026 in the aggregate principal amount of \$142,300,000, to xxx Bank, for the purpose of obtaining a temporary loan to pay current expenses during the 2026 calendar year.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. Commissioner Nicole Massiah was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Massiah

**Human Services**

[2026-0636](#)

**Commission District(s):** ALL

Transfer Funds in the Amount of \$850,000 from the General Fund to the Senior Citizens Services Grant Fund

**MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, scheduled on May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Police Services**

[2026-0592](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Amend the FY 2026 Metro Atlanta Multi-Jurisdictional DUI Task Force (HEAT) Grant to Include a County Match of \$30,194.84.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0592, 2026-0635 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0635](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Collection and Analyzation of Pawn, Secondhand, Scrap Metal Recycler, OfferUp and eBay Transaction Data (Multiyear) (Purchasing Policy Exemption). For use by the Department of Police Services (PS) to obtain a subscription to LeadsOnline PowerPlus Investigations System to search for and identify stolen items, potential suspects and criminal activity patterns. Awarded to LeadsOnline, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed: \$239,484.96.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0592, 2026-0635 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

### Public Works - Transportation

[2026-0588](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Renewal of Master Agreement with PATH Foundation, Inc.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Purchasing & Contracting**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee*

[2026-0532](#)

**Commission District(s):** 1,3,5,7

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 2025-142 Fire Station 5, 16, and 27 Build (Multiyear Contract). For use by the Department of Fire Rescue (FR) to complete the construction of a new fire station in Tucker, Decatur, and Lithonia. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Cooper & Company General Constructors, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed: \$26,588,000.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2026-0278](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1384581 On Call Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew). For use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Watershed Management (DWM) and Fire Rescue (FR) to obtain on-call HVAC services. Seeking contract funds increase. Awarded to B&W Mechanical Contractors, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$300,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0279](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1244308 and Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1244310 Uniforms for Public Safety Personnel (Annual Contract with 4 Options to Renew). For Police Services and E911 to obtain work uniforms. Ratifying term increase and an increase in contract funds and term through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Galls, LLC and Smyrna Police Distributors: Total Amount Not to Exceed: \$560,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0279, 2026-0761 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0761](#)**Commission District(s): All**

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000210-0004

Audiovisual Equipment and Related Services. For use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM) to obtain audiovisual equipment for the Maloof Annex Auditorium. Awarded to Atlanta Soundworks, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0279, 2026-0761 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee*

[2026-0408](#)**Commission District(s): 3 and 4**

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000172-006 Integrated Security and Surveillance Products and Services. For use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) to obtain cameras for security surveillance. Awarded to Convergent Technologies, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed \$201,986.78.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Defer the substitute with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0432](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Contract Nos.: 1382471, 1382499, and 1382509 Plumbing Services for the Community Development DeKalb Cares (1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Seeking to exercise the 1st renewal option through June 30, 2027. Awarded to J2 Connect, Inc., Facility Maintenance & Services Group, and Raw Plumbing and HVAC Services, LLC: Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,926,356.50.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0475](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RFP - Request for Proposal No. 2025-122 Kensington LCI Master Plan Study Update. For use by the Department of Planning and Sustainability to obtain an update to the Kensington Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) master plan study. Recommend award to highest scoring proposer: Tunnell-Spangler & Associates: Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*

[2026-0510](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement - Plastic Refuse and Recycling Containers with Related Technology Solutions (Sourcewell Contract No. 120324-REH). For use by Public Works-Sanitation to obtain various sizes of new garbage and recycling roll carts. Awarded to Rehrig Pacific Company: Amount Not to Exceed \$654,271.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0510, 2026-0579 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**           7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0579](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 7**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 2000167 CNG Fueling Station Maintenance & Repairs. For use by Public Works - Sanitation to obtain routine and on-call repair and maintenance services to the CNG fueling stations located at the Seminole Road Landfill and the Central Transfer Station. Seeking increase in contract funds and term through November 30, 2026. Awarded to Atlanta Gas Light Company: Amount Not To Exceed: \$35,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0510, 2026-0579 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**           7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0604](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

EM - Snapfinger Advance Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Wet Weather Pumping Storage (Emergency): For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain design and implementation of wet weather pumping storage. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$10,989,000.00

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 12, 2026. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0606](#)**Commission District(s): All**

EM - Construction of the Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Phase 3C (Emergency): For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to buildout and upgrade SFAWTF membrane capacity in Clusters 1 through 4. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed: \$32,371,087.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 12, 2026. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0613](#)**Commission District(s): All**

EM - Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Phase 3C Influent Lift Station (ILS) Pumping System Upgrades (Emergency). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to assess, upgrade, and maintain the pumping capabilities of ILS. Seeking to ratify an emergency. Awarded to Cole Technology, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$4,277,957.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 12, 2026. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0617](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract Nos.: 1309232, 1309234, 1309236, and 1309239 Storm Drainage Infrastructure System Construction for Public Works Stormwater Project (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract). For use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) to obtain storm drainage system construction services. Seeking increase in contract term through December 31, 2027. Awarded to Kemi Construction, Inc., A&S Paving, Inc., Site Engineering, Inc., and GS Construction, Inc.

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

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

2026-0627**Commission District(s): ALL**

EM - Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) (Emergency). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain the membranes to upgrade Phase 2 equipment to reliably treat plant design flow. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. A contract will be developed in a form acceptable to the County Attorney. Awarded to Kovalus Separation Solutions, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed \$5,360,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs**2026-0602**Commission District(s): All Districts**

2026 Summer Food Services Program

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Defer the substitute with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Watershed Management**

[2026-0661](#)

**Commission District(s):** 4 & 6

Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with Wesley Woods Senior Living, Inc. with a contribution of \$591,500.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0661, 2026-0662 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0662](#)

**Commission District(s):** 2 & 6

Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with Related Development, LLC (Company) with a contribution of \$922,500.00.

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0661, 2026-0662 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD**

**Board of Commissioners - District 1**

[2025-0683](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

To Approve a Resolution to Address Egregious Littering and the Illegal Dumping of Scrap Tires

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 12, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[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 to the County Operations Committee (OPS), until May 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0385](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia, Urging Adoption of the Unhoused Support and Services Plan; Establishing Implementation Expectations and Accountability; and for Other Lawful Purposes

**MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2026-0596](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Regulate the Restraint and Transportation of Animals and for other Purposes.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 12, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

**Board of Commissioners - District 3**

[2026-0550](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 3

To Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County to Address Public Safety, Vagrancy, Unauthorized Camping and Certain Public Nuisance Behaviors

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 15, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2025-1506](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

To Approve a Resolution to Ensure that the County’s Judges Receive the Same Benefits as the Judges of the Superior Court of the DeKalb Judicial Circuit, County Employees, and Judges in Other Counties.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:**        1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2026-0158](#)

**Commission District(s):** Commission Super District 6

To Approve a Resolution to Establish a DeKalb “For The People AI Tech Dividend Fund” and Fiscal Stability Policy

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**            7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0244](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A Resolution Requiring A Baseline Assessment Of DeKalb County's Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status And A Third Party Analysis Of DeKalb's Proposed Data Center Regulations Before Issuance Of A Land Disturbance Permit (LDP) For Data Centers.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. Items 2026-0244, 2026-0245 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

[2026-0245](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

An Allocation Not To Exceed \$15,000 Of The DeKalb County General Fund To Be Considered For The 2026 Budget To Science For Georgia To Conduct a Baseline Assessment of DeKalb County's Current Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status and Provide a Third Party Analysis of DeKalb County's Proposed Data Center Regulations Contextualized By The County's Current Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. Items 2026-0244, 2026-0245 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2026-0341](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A Resolution Of The DeKalb County Board Of Commissioners Requesting The Administration And Planning Department To Update The Recommended Substitute For Text Amendment 2025-0972 Regarding Data Center Regulations.

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 12, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0218](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

To establish regulatory oversight of blasting operations in DeKalb County through the adoption of a Control Blasting and Safety Ordinance; to promote public safety, environmental protection, and community stability; and for other purposes.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 12, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2026-0551](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 7

An Item to Allocate \$2,000 of Reserve for Appropriation Funds to 100 Black Men of DeKalb County “Legacy Is Not Extinct Event” for Enhancement of Educational Programming for Youth.

**MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

**Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office**

[2025-1577](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Resolution of the DeKalb County Governing Authority Regarding the Charter Review Commission’s Report and Recommended Changes to the Organizational Act

**MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the County Operations Committee (OPS), until May 12, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

**Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs**

[2025-1760](#)

**Commission District(s):** 2 and 6

Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. \$50,000 Grant Award - Frazier Rowe

**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Approved.**

**Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

## **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 Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Approved to adjourn the April 28, 2026 Board of Commissioners Meeting at 12:13 p.m. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson



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Chakira Johnson  
Presiding Officer



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Lorraine Cochran-Johnson  
Chief Executive Officer



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Barbara Sanders (May 11, 2026 12:27:23 EDT)

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Barbara Sanders-Norwood  
County Clerk