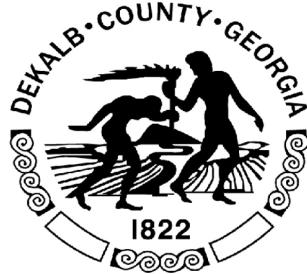


# DeKalb County Government

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, April 25, 2017**

**9:00 AM**

**Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Presiding Officer, Super District 6*

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 2*

*Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1*

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2*

*Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3*

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4*

*Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5*

*Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6*

*Commissioner Gregory Adams, Super District 7*

**Present:** 7 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve R Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Gregory Adams

**Staff Present:** Michael L. Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/Chief Operating Office, Barbara Sanders Norwood, County Clerk, Andrew Cauthen, Communications Manager, O.V. Brantley, County Attorney, Viviane Ernestes, Deputy County Attorney

#### **A. INSPIRATIONAL**

Rabbi Adam Starr  
Young Israel Synagogue

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Jeff Radar  
District 2

#### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

Older Americans Month  
Fire Rescue Smoke Detector Contributors  
Child Abuse Prevention Month

#### **C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

The Public Comments portion of this meeting is reserved exclusively for comments from the public, and not for immediate reply. Statements made during the Public Comments portion do not necessarily reflect the Opinions of the Board or the Administration of DeKalb County Government. 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. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. 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 and yelling will not be permitted. A show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position

1. Charles McCorkle, 4225 Snapfinger Woods Dr. Decatur, GA 30035 – Recommended approval of Hotel/Motel Ordinance 0079, but to change item Nos. 27-503, 27-504 in reference to the number of days in between stays. Also questioned Item No. 0299, Planning and Sustainability, regarding holding a public meeting and adoption of Item on the same day, and expressed concerns over issuances of Business Licenses in regards to issuances of Certificates of Occupancy.
2. Faye Coffield, 3261 Chaparral Way Lithonia, GA 30038 – Apologized to Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson for including her in those who had not spoken out about the immigrant situation. She also asked Commissioners to consider re-evaluating the trash situation in her neighborhood, expressed the need for a another senior center, and asked about what Commissioners plan to do to honor Firefighter Sutton and the rest of Fire Station No. 26.
3. Jocelyn O’Neil, 371 Larkspur Ter. Decatur, GA 30032 – Recognized Mr. Ted Rinehart who facilitated the process to get steps at the DeKalb County Jail as well as handicapped parking at the Porter Sanford building. She also stated that she has requested information of the Housing Authority regarding insufficient inspections, and urged Commissioners to recognize the Advisory Council as a legitimate committee in DeKalb County.
4. Former Rep. Sally Harrell, 2710 Henderson Mill Rd. Atlanta, GA 30341 – Spoke regarding the need for more early voting locations in DeKalb County.
5. Karen Mixon, 3829 Captain Drive Atlanta, GA 30341 – Followed up Rep. Harrell’s comments regarding the need for more early voting locations in DeKalb County.
6. Henri Jordan, 763 Lee Andrews Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315 – Read bible verses I Corinthians 12:7, I Corinthians 12:10, II Thessalonians 2:10, I Corinthians 9:11.
7. Theresa Woodgeard, 4210 Durham Cir. Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding an administrative permit for an Urban Community Garden in District 4 and the DeKalb County Zoning Code’s gray area in the definition of an Urban Community Garden.
8. Evan Lee, 3303 South Flowers Rd. Chamblee, GA 30341 – Spoke in support of opening more early voting locations in DeKalb County.
9. Martha Gross, 1467 Berkeley Ln. Atlanta, GA 30329 – Asked Commissioners to consider keeping the Special Land Use Permit requirement for fast food restaurants within 1000 ft. of the interstate if they are in an activity center, as well as including language in the ordinance that require the submittal of Special Land Use Permit applications.
10. Jessica Whimper, 3431 Kingsbrooke Way Decatur, GA 30034 – Spoke on behalf of Columbia High School’s P.I.L.O.T. Program in support of DeKalb County offering more programs like the Youth Commission Program such as a Youth Advocacy Day, so that students have the opportunity to address issues they face in DeKalb County Schools.

**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 presents 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, please complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If you have any documents for the Commissioners, please provide 10 copies when approaching the podium. Seven copies are for the Commissioners and the remaining copies are for the planning director, the county attorney and the clerk. Applicants or citizens speaking in favor of an item shall speak first and applicants in zoning ordinance cases shall have the right to reserve time for rebuttal. Opponents of a zoning ordinance item shall have no right of rebuttal. Once the citizens have finished speaking, staff shall make a recommendation for action to the commission. At this point, citizens are no longer allowed to speak unless called to the podium by an individual commissioner to answer questions or provide information. When speaking, always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating your name, address and the name of any organization you represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping and yelling to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

**Chief Executive Office**

[2017-0072](#) 2017 Budget - Amendment 1 - Public Safety

**Attachments:** [Amendment 1 - PUBLIC SAFETY PAY INCREASE COST IMPLICATION](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be deferred 30 days, until May 23, 2017. Commissioners Larry Johnson and Gregory Adams were out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Gannon

**Not Present:** 2 - Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Adams

**Planning & Sustainability**

[2017-0299](#) Commission District(s): All commission districts  
Special Land Use Permit Ordinance (SLUP6 Ordinance)

**Attachments:** [Substitute - 5-23SLUP6ORDINANCE.pdf](#)  
[Item 2017-0299 Bernard Knight 2.pdf](#)  
[Item 2017-0299 Bernard Knight.pdf](#)  
[Item 2017-0299 Planning dept.pdf](#)  
[Item 2017-0299 Viviane Ernst 2.pdf](#)  
[Item 2017-0299 Viviane Ernst.pdf](#)

*Michelle Battle, One West Court Sq., Decatur, GA 30030, Gunter Sharp, 2209 Street Deville Atlanta, GA 30345, Bernard Knight Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 29156 Atlanta, GA 30359, spoke in opposition*

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017, for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0269](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 7  
Rezone - CZ-17-21185 --- Courtland Partners  
Deferred from 3/28/17 BOC Zoning meeting for Decision Only

**Attachments:** [Conditions, Staff Report, Application](#)  
[Items 2017-0262 & 2017-0269 Acknowledgment of Intent.pdf](#)

*See video for vote. Vote taken by hand. Items 2017-0269 and 2017-0262. Motion to Defer to May 9, 2017 made by Commissioner Jester and seconded by Commissioner Adams with a vote of 7-0-0-0.*

**MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0262 and 2017-0269 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Public Works - Transportation**

[2017-0093](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6  
Traffic Calming Petition- The By Way (Between Briarcliff Road and Oxford Rd). No Cost to the County

**Attachments:** [The By Way Sheet 1](#)  
[The By Way Sheet 2](#)  
[The By Way Sheet 3](#)

*Mark Petralin, 1177 The By Way Atlanta, GA 30306, Federico Holgado, 1173 The By Way Atlanta, GA 30306, spoke in favor*

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

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

[2017-0094](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6  
Traffic Calming Petition- Beech Haven (Between Sheridan Road and Citadel Drive) No Cost to the County.

**Attachments:** [BeechHavenDesign 09-18-04](#)  
[BeechHavenDesign Replacement.pdf](#)

*Steve Osunsami, 1112 Beech Haven Rd. NE Atlanta, GA 30324, Jeff Bloom, 1058 Citadel Atlanta, GA 30324, spoke in favor*

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

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

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**“DECISION ONLY” ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING**

[2017-0262](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 7  
Land Use Amendment - LP-17-21187 - Cortland Partners  
Deferred from 3/28/2017 BOC Zoning meeting for Decision Only

**Attachments:** [Courtland Partners, LLC LP 17 21187](#)  
[Items 2017-0262 & 2017-0269 Acknowledgment of Intent.pdf](#)

*See video for vote. Vote taken by hand. Items 2017-0269 and 2017-0262. Motion to Defer to May 9, 2017 made by Commissioner Jester and seconded by Commissioner Adams with a vote of 7-0-0-0.*

**MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0262 and 2017-0269 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0263](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 6  
SLUP-17-21140 Community Cure Ministries  
Parcel ID: 15-028-01-008  
Deferred from 3/28/2017 BOC Zoning meeting for Decision Only

**Attachments:** [Community Cure Ministries 17 21140 Final](#)

*See video for vote. Vote taken by hand. Item 2017-0263. To Approve SLUP-17-21140 Community Cure Ministries with 9 staff conditions. Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Adams with a vote of 7-0-0-0.*

**MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved with 9 staff conditions. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**E. APPEALS****F. APPOINTMENTS**



**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2017-0226](#) Commission District(s): All  
Appointment of Jon West by the Board of Commissioners to the DeKalb County Planning Commission

**Attachments:** [Jon West](#)

[JAWest Resume 2017](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0226, 2017-0280, 2017-0201, 2017-0231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Chief Executive Office**

[2017-0280](#) Commission District(s): All  
Appointment to the DeKalb County Board of Health

**Attachments:** [Sonia Alvarez-Robinson CV Nov 2016](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0226, 2017-0280, 2017-0201, 2017-0231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Economic Development**[2017-0201](#)

Commission District(s): All

To approve the appointment of Mr. Sai Reddy as nominated by CEO Michael L. Thurmond for the Decide DeKalb Development Authority, with concurrent appointments to the Private Hospital Authority and the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority.

**Attachments:** [Sai Reddy Resume 2017](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0226, 2017-0280, 2017-0201, 2017-0231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0231](#)

Commission District(s): All

To approve the appointment of Kimberly D Adams as nominated by CEO Michael L. Thurmond for the Decide DeKalb Development Authority, with concurrent appointments to the Private Hospital Authority and the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority.

**Attachments:** [Kimberly D Adams Resume 2017](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0226, 2017-0280, 2017-0201, 2017-0231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES**

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**Board of Commissioners - District 4**

[2017-0256](#) Commission District(s): District 4  
Recording of re-appointment of David Kaminski to the Community Council Board

**Attachments:** [David Kaminski resume 2017 Community Council re-appointment](#)

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

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

**G. CONSENT AGENDA****Airport**

[2017-0175](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Approval of Consent to Encumbrance and Estoppel Certificate with Branch Banking and Trust Company as Leasehold Mortgagee and Helix X Holdings, LLC as Lessee. No Cost to the County

**Attachments:** [Consent to Encumbrance and Estoppel Certificate](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

## Clerk to the Board of Commissioner and CEO

[2017-0238](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2017

**Attachments:** [2017 2.28 BOC Minutes.pdf](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0248](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2017

**Attachments:** [2017 3.28 BOC Minutes.pdf](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0284](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 7, 2017

**Attachments:** [2017 03.07 Special Called Minutes](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0285](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 21, 2017

**Attachments:** [2017 03.21 Special Called Minutes](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

#### Community Development

[2017-0234](#) Commission District(s): All  
2017 CDBG Youth Set-Aside Fund for Summer Voucher Program. An Amount Not to Exceed \$100,000 Would be Federally Funded by HUD at No Cost to the County.

**Attachments:** [2017 Summer Voucher Program Attachment](#)

[2017 Voucher Distribution Information, Locations and Times](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175, 2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234, 2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Public Works - Transportation**

- [2017-0156](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6  
Acceptance of Funds (\$25,000), from Clifton Corridor  
Transportation Management Association (CCTMA)  
for Clifton Pedestrian and Bicycle Sub-Area Connectivity Study  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory  
Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175,  
2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234,  
2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried  
by the following vote:**  
**Yes:** 7- Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader,  
Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw,  
Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner  
Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs**

- [2017-0169](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 6  
Acceptance of a donation (\$64,350), from the Atlanta Hawks  
Foundation, Inc. to renovate the outdoor basketball court at NH  
Scott Park.  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Gregory  
Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0175,  
2017-0238, 2017-0248, 2017-0284, 2017-0285, 2017-0234,  
2017-0156, 2017-0169 were heard together. The motion carried  
by the following vote:**  
**Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader,  
Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw,  
Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner  
Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

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**Community Development**[2017-0227](#)

Commission District(s): ALL  
Contract for the Administering of a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) for DeKalb County Small Businesses with Access to Capital for Entrepreneurs, Inc. (ACE). An Amount Not to Exceed \$450,000 Would be Federally Funded by HUD at No Cost to the County.

**Attachments:** [Contract Document - Administering RLF for DeKalb Small Businesses with ACE 25 April BOC](#)

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred for 2 weeks and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 9, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Purchasing & Contracting**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee*

[2017-0195](#)

Commission District(s): 4  
REN. Facility Maintenance Services (Cooperative Agreement - 2nd Renewal Option): Contract No. 987470 for use by the Sheriff's Office. Awarded to CGL Facility Management LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,320,600.00

**Attachments:** [AGENDA NOTES](#)

[UD Renewal Request Form](#)

[SWC 90806 Facility Maintenance for Sheriff's Office](#)

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

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

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*Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee*

[2017-0191](#) Commission District(s): All  
CO. Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 957615 for Fire Captain Promotional Testing (Multi-year Contract) for use by Fire Rescue Services. Awarded to Cooperative Personnel Services, dba CPS HR Consulting. Amount Not To Exceed: \$115,000.00

**Attachments:** [CPO Notes - Fire Captain Promotional Testing](#)  
[UD Change Order Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0191, 2017-0193, 2017-0197, 2017-0204 were heard together. Commissioner Nancy Jester was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Jester

[2017-0193](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
REN. Pre-Employment Background Investigative Services (Cooperative Agreement - 1st Renewal Option): Contract No. 1019635 for use by the Human Resources and Merit System Department (HRMS). Awarded to HR TruCheck, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$75,000.00

**Attachments:** [AGENDA NOTES](#)  
[SWC data sheet](#)  
[UD Renewal Recommendation Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0191, 2017-0193, 2017-0197, 2017-0204 were heard together. Commissioner Nancy Jester was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Jester



[2017-0197](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
REN. Police Body Cameras (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 4 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1022922 for use by Police Services (PS). Awarded to Utility Associates, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$359,400.00

**Attachments:** [UD Renewal Form](#)

[AGENDA NOTES.doc](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0191, 2017-0193, 2017-0197, 2017-0204 were heard together. Commissioner Nancy Jester was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Jester

[2017-0204](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
REN. Cleaning and Repair of Fire Rescue Turnout Clothing (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Contract No. 989901 for use by Fire Rescue Services. Awarded to Gloves, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00

**Attachments:** [CPO Notes](#)

[UD Recommendation Memo](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-0191, 2017-0193, 2017-0197, 2017-0204 were heard together. Commissioner Nancy Jester was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner Jester

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*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2017-0120](#) Commission District(s): All  
AP. Additional Purchase-110 HP Open Cab Backhoe Loader with Extended Boom: Invitation No. 16-100683 for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by the Department of Watershed Management. Awarded to Flint Equipment Co. Amount Not To Exceed: \$85,800.00

**Attachments:** [departmental recommendation for ITB#16-100683-Additional Purchase.pdf](#)  
[Statement from Flint Equipment Co. for 16-100683.pdf](#)  
[Agenda Notes](#)

**MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-120 and 2017-228 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0228](#) Commission District(s): All  
LB. Invitation No. 17-100822 Supply and Service of Feminine Hygiene Disposal Units (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): For use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Awarded to Southern Textile Rental Services, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$144,000.00

**Attachments:** [AGENDA NOTES ITB 17-100822](#)  
[Market Research ITB 17-100822](#)  
[Department Recommendation ITB 17-100822](#)  
[Bid Price Tabulation - Excel](#)

**MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until May 9, 2017. Items 2017-120 and 2017-228 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

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*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*[2017-0172](#)

Commission District(s): 6

RA. PO# 1053982 for Water Main Repair Services (Ratification). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$342,150.00

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)

[Emergency Request Form and Supp. Docs](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0173](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN. Thermoplastic Traffic Pavement Marker (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Contract Nos.: 1020946 and 1011443 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Awarded to Ozark Materials, LLC and Ennis Paint, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$60,000.00

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)

[Renewal Request Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0174](#) Commission District(s): All  
REN. Fire Hydrant Replacement, Repair Parts and Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Contract Nos.: 1012097 and 1010803 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to Georgia Hydrant Services, Inc. and American Flow Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00

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

[2017-0179](#) Commission District(s): 5  
REN. Clearing Vegetation at Pole Bridge Hay Removal (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Contract No. 968862 for use by the Department of Watershed Management. Awarded to Mark L. Farms. Amount Not To Exceed: \$90,000.00

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)  
[Renewal Request Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0181](#) Commission District(s): All  
REN. Sewer System Cleaning (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Contract Nos.: 971933, 971934 and 971935 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to Crawford Enterprises, Inc., Pipe Logistics, Inc., and Southeast Pipe Survey, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$4,680,000.00

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)  
[Renewal Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0184](#) Commission District(s): 4  
RFP. 16-500413 Lower Crooked Creek Pump Station and Road Restoration. For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to Sol Construction, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$608,400.00

**Attachments:** Agenda Notes  
Recommendation Form  
Cumulative Score Sheet  
Market Survey

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0196](#) Commission District(s): 5 & 7  
LB. Lithonia Industrial Boulevard Extension, Phase III, PI0006889 (12 months): Invitation No. 16-100703 for use by Public Works - Transportation. Awarded to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,080,104.65

**Attachments:** [AGENDA NOTES](#)

[Bid Tab for Agenda](#)

[UD Recommendation Form](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0205](#) Commission District(s): All  
LB. Invitation No. 16-100767 Rental of Uniforms for Public Works - Sanitation (Multi-year Contract with 2 Annual Options to Renew). For use by Public Works - Sanitation and Keep DeKalb Beautiful (KDB). Awarded to Aramark Uniform & Career Apparel, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,281,714.60

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)

[Market Survey](#)

[User Department Recommendation](#)

[BID TAB](#)

**MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0172, 2017-0173, 2017-0174, 2017-0179, 2017-0181, 2017-0184, 2017-0196, 2017-0205 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

- [2017-0326](#) Commission District(s): ALL DISTRICTS  
Add an Item to the Agenda  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

- [2017-0327](#) Commission District(s): All  
15th Amendment to the MARTA Rapid Transit Contract and Assistance Agreement. No Cost to the County.
- Attachments:** [15th Amendment to Rapid Transit Contract and Assistance Agreement.pdf](#)
- Add On Item: 15th Amendment to the Marta Rapid Transit Contract and Assistance Agreement item was Normal Coursed by Commissioner Adams*
- At the request of Commissioner Gregory Adams, this agenda item be normal coursed until May 9, 2017.**

## I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

### Airport

- [2017-0135](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Lease Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 531981 with Flightway Drive, LLC. No Cost to the County
- Attachments:** [Lease Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 531981 with Flightway One, LLC](#)
- MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

**Board of Commissioners - District 1**

[2017-0079](#) An Ordinance to Amend the County Code of Ordinances for Purposes of Regulating Hotels, Motels, and Extended-Stay Hotels

**Attachments:** [Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8](#)

**MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0079 and 2017-0086 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Board of Commissioners - District 3**

[2017-0086](#) Multi-Family Housing Blight Resolution

**Attachments:** [Multi-Family Housing Blight Resolution](#)

**MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. Items 2017-0079 and 2017-0086 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Board of Commissioners - District 5**

[2017-0149](#) To Consider the Proposed Resolution Calling for a SPLOST and E-HOST Referendum on NEXT AVAILABLE DATE

**Attachments:** [Resolution calling for a SPLOST and E-HOST referendum](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve R Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred 30 days, until May 23, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**



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

**Clerk to the Board of Commissioner and CEO**

[2017-0177](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2017

**Attachments:** [2017 03.14 BOC Minutes](#)

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

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

**Planning and Sustainability**

[2017-0080](#) Commission District(s):All  
Loitering Ordinance

**Attachments:** [Temp H2](#)

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days and assigned to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), and return to the Board on May 23, 2017. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**Purchasing & Contracting**[2017-0101](#)

Commission District(s): ALL  
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 1016091 and 1009746 for Temporary Personnel Services (Multi-year Contract): for the Human Resources and Merit System Department. Awarded to Jibe Staffing and Corporate Temps, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00

**Attachments:** [Temp Personnel Serv CPO Notes](#)  
[UD Change Order Request From](#)

**MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0101 and 2017-0115 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

[2017-0115](#)

Commission District(s): All  
SS - LabWorks Laboratory Information Management Systems (LIMS) Software: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to LabWorks, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$120,000.00

**Attachments:** [Agenda Notes](#)  
[Sole Source Request, Support - LabWorks LLC](#)

**MOTION was made by Steve R Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-0101 and 2017-0115 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

**J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

**1. Commissioner Nancy Jester:** Mentioned that she had a great time at Lemonade Days in Dunwoody this past weekend and commended the Fire Department on the tremendous efforts in the recent child rescue.

**2. Commissioner Jeff Radar read the following comments:**

My office number is 404-371-2863 and my email is jrader@dekalbcountyga.gov. I apologize but my website at [www.commissionerrader.com](http://www.commissionerrader.com) has been down and we are working to get it up and running again. In the meantime, I continue to send news blasts to keep you informed of upcoming agendas and events. Also, please follow me on Facebook and Twitter at #raderjeff.

Thank you...

Longtime staff member Debbie Schneider who will be retiring at the end of the week. I hope you all will take the opportunity to thank Debbie for her service to District 2 citizens when you see her this week. She has provided invaluable service through her knowledge and understanding of DeKalb County's code, particularly in the area of Planning and Zoning, and her shoes will be hard to fill.

Upcoming...

Reminder to call 404-378-4475 if you are still experiencing a delay in receiving your water bill.

Saturday, April 29th, join neighbors for a work day in WD Thomson Park from 9am to noon.

Also this Saturday, walk the Peachtree Creek Greenway trail at 9:30am and learn more about this amazing connection to the Beltline. Park at Northeast Plaza and walk east/downhill along Briarwood Road to just before the bridge. Meet at the wide, gravel path at 1801 Briarwood Road.

Library Happenings...

Tonight at 7pm at the Decatur branch, Sucheta Kamath from the International Dyslexia Association will discuss the relationship between motivation, learning and executive functions and provide ways to help middle and high school parents understand cognitive processes behind executive functions.

Wednesday the 26th at the Decatur branch, the Senior Advisory Board will meet at 1:30pm to plan programming for and about seniors.

Saturday, April 29th at 2pm at the Avis G Williams branch come celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month and enjoy a live concert performed by Neshama.

The next Conference Call Book Club will be held Saturday, May 6th at 11am. Join from the comfort of your own home to discuss All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr. To register, call 404-508-7190 ext 2257.

**3. Commissioner Larry Johnson:** Thanked the very strong, vibrant and committed community of County Line in Ellenwood and thanked Commissioner Adams, Judge Panos, State Representative Mosby, Police and Sanitation (Keep DeKalb Beautiful), and the CEO's Office for their participation in the County Line Community Parade. Also thanked Ms. Bussey and Ronald Johnson for honoring the living legends in that area and for the award presented to him. Sent out Kudos to the DeKalb Sheriff's Department, Sanitation and Keep DeKalb Beautiful for a great clean-up on Candler Road, and mentioned the next clean-up event in the Gresham Park Community on April 29th, 2017 and urged business owners and neighborhood associations to help Keep DeKalb Beautiful. Thanked Commissioner Adams for attending the last DeKalb Walk along Candler Road for Earth Day, and thanked the students at Shadow Rock Elementary School for the signs they made that were placed along the walk route and the students at Kelly Lake Elementary for their participation in the walk. Also mentioned the winners of the campaign that walk over 300 miles in four weeks: 1st place Shadow Rock Elementary School, 2nd place Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. Congratulated President Trump and Secretary Price for putting money toward drug abuse treatment and prevention, and mentioned the Opioid Summit at the Porter Sanford Performing Arts Center on May 4th. Announced that there will be a town hall meeting on May 8th about wealth building in our community. Commissioner Johnson mentioned that he will be teaming up with Atlanta City Council President Ceasar Mitchell to offer a free Pre-SAT prep course on April 29th from 7:30am-12:00noon at Atlanta Metropolitan State College and to call 404-330-6052 to register for the course.

**4. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw read the following comments:**

Thank you Madam Presiding Officer, Good Morning Everyone.

First and foremost, I want to thank all of the department heads and employees of DeKalb County for their hard work and on-going dedication to this county.

I want to thank Sanitation Director Tracy Hutchinson and her team for hosting my staff and I at Sanitation Headquarters on April 12. It was a very informative

visit and I have great respect for those charged with the responsibility of keeping our county clean.

I also want to Thank Debbie Furtado of Senior Connections and Latarsha Williams of the Office of Senior Affairs for guiding me around to deliver meals as part of the Meals on Wheels program on April 17. The interactions that we had with the seniors that we visited were eye opening and heartwarming. I'd also like to acknowledge the good people that we delivered meals to that morning: Ms. Laura Heath, Mr. Demetrius Walker, Ms. Dorothy Erva Imasson, Ms. Annie Snow, Ms. Edna Wilkerson, Ms. Lois Battle

It was a great experience for me and certainly something that I will do again.

I also want to commend two of the great municipalities in District 4 for events that were held this past Saturday April 22:

The City of Clarkston held its Annual Cultural Fest. It was a great coming together of various races and nationalities to underscore the point that no matter where we are from, or what the color of our skin happens to be, we are all in this together. I really enjoyed walking around taking in the sights and sounds. Hat's off to Mayor Ted Terry and the other event organizers for putting together a successful event.

Likewise, I want to acknowledge the City of Pine Lake for holding an Earth Day Celebration. It was great hanging out by "the beach" enjoying some great jazz music. When I consider what Earth Day means, I think about the words of President John F. Kennedy, who in a speech in 1962, said the following: "In the final analysis, our most basic common link is that we all inhabit this small planet. We all breathe the same air. We all cherish our children's futures. And we are all mortal." Hat's off to Mayor Melanie Hammet and the organizers of the event in Pine Lake.

I would like to remind everyone that the County Operations Committee will be meeting this afternoon at 2pm.

Of course you are always welcome to reach our team in the office:

Chief of Staff, Alesia Brooks, 404-371-7031,  
adbrooms@dekalbcountyga.gov  
Constituent Coordinator, Robin Detar,  
404-371-4749, rldetar@dekalbcountyga.gov

Me, srbradshaw@dekalbcountyga.gov

As always, I want to thank the citizens of District 4 for trusting me with this responsibility. It is indeed an honor to serve.

Thank you Madam Presiding Officer.

**5. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson read the following comments:**

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

I would like to begin this morning by congratulating all of the newly elected City Council members in the City of Stonecrest. I know that it has been a long journey throughout the campaign, but now the real work begins. I look forward to working with everyone to improve the quality of life in the 5th District.

Hank and I offer our condolences to the friends and family of the late Commissioner Joan Garner of Fulton County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Garner was a true public servant and one who many called friend. She will truly be missed and we are deeply saddened by her passing.

Last weekend, my staff and I, along with the residents of the Kings Ridge Community Association had the pleasure of cleaning up Fowler and South Hairston Roads. I would like to thank everyone who participated in the cleanup. A very special thanks to Officer Emmitt Jenkins of the East Precinct for joining us.

This past weekend, my Director of Constituent Services, Christiana Clerk had the pleasure of joining the Chapel Run Apartments in a Community Clean up. Thank you to the Chapel Run Apartment Community for Keeping DeKalb Beautiful.

If your community or your HOA would like to host a community clean-up, please contact the District 5 Office with the information. Through the month of September, our office will partner with community HOA's in the 5th District efforts to keep our communities clean. For more information, please call my office at 404-371-2412.

Last weekend, my staff and I had the opportunity to meet Bishop Stephen Davis and First Lady Darlene Davis, the new Pastor and first lady at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church. They hosted their community block party where they gave away free clothing and had many events for the children. It was so great to

see so many of the people who we serve.

Also, the DeKalb County Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs announces Summer Food Service Program. Agencies interested in becoming a program site for the Recreation Department's Summer Food Service Program have until May 12 to apply. For more information, contact LaShanda Davis at [lsdavis@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:lsdavis@dekalbcountyga.gov) or 404-371-3643.

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

**6. Commissioner Gregory Adams read the following comments:**

I would like to start off by saying that I was deeply saddened by the passing of the Honorable Joan Garner, let's all continue to keep her family and friends in your prayers.

On Saturday, April 20th, I had the pleasure of being a part of the County Line/Ellenwood Community Day Parade and other activities. This was a Family Oriented Day of Reflection for the entire community. A community wide family reunion allows past, present and future families to experience the special culture and spirit of this monumental community created in the early 1800's. It was great to see every one of the community that came out and also to see that the work of my dear friend Commissioner Larry Johnson does not go unnoticed, he was presented with an award from that community for the outstanding work that he does for all of DeKalb County. Congratulations again!

Saturday, I also attended the Chapel Hill Community Yard Sale Fundraiser that was greatly attended. Which their events typically are. Ms. Cotton Taylor does a good job with keeping the community involved.

I would like to give special recognition to the four District 7 students that received the GLCC scholarships from the Greater Lithonia Chamber of Commerce luncheon last week. These students were:

Technology

Jordan Purcell – Arabia Mountain

Ezekio Gouch – Miller Grove

Leadership

Andreas Wyatt – MLK Business

and Entrepreneurship Chante

Lively – Arabia Mountain

I would like to thank all of the staff for your hard work: Law Department, DCTV, BOC staff, Clerks office, Procurement, IT and Tyrone Hardeman the guy that sets everything up for us every Tuesday. As well as everyone that has a hand in making sure things run smoothly on Board meeting days. Thank you again!

For more information on my upcoming meetings, events, and District news, please contact my District Director, Ashlee Wright at 404-371-2899 or via email at [Adwright@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:Adwright@dekalbcountyga.gov) and my email is [GregoryAdams@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:GregoryAdams@dekalbcountyga.gov). Please be sure to visit my website at [www.CommissionerGregoryAdams.com](http://www.CommissionerGregoryAdams.com). Follow me on social media @GregAdamsD7 on Twitter, and Commissioner Gregory Adams on Facebook.

**7. Commissioner Kathie Gannon:** Offered condolences to the friends and family of Fulton County Commissioner Joan Garner and stated that services for Commissioner Garner will be posted on Commissioner Gannon’s website. Commissioner Gannon also mentioned that the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia and the Georgia Department of Transportation installed a historical marker at 1 Peachtree Street, commemorating their 100 years of service together. Commissioner Gannon stated that she was out of town during the County Line Community Festival Parade, but acknowledged the community for making a very special point of bringing out their “living legends” to meet and interact with the young people coming up today so they can keep the spirit and many contributions of that community in the forefront. Commissioner Gannon also stated that she will have month long life style, money saving, and conservation tips on her website [www.KathieGannon.com](http://www.KathieGannon.com). Congratulated two parks in the County, Briarlake and Hidden Acres, for being inducted into the National Old Growth Forest Network for their exceptional quality of forestry and natural land area, and thanked the DeKalb Parks and Recreation team for being part of the event. Mentioned all April 29th events:

- 8am Walk for Children Safety and Resource fair at the Gallery at South DeKalb, for more information, contact 678-641- 7135

- The “Give Back to Your Community” and Help Clean Up and Beautify W.D. Thompson Park from 9am-12noon



- The new Bouldercrest Park playground opening and Ribbon Cutting ceremony at 10am

- Disposal of old prescription drugs at the Decatur Police Department, Avondale Police Department, and DeKalb Police Headquarters at West Exchange from 10am-2pm

Commissioner Gannon also mentioned the Barriers to Beauty program, installing decorated concrete barriers to prevent illegal dumping. For more information and to organize a project, contact Keep DeKalb Beautiful at [KDB@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:KDB@dekalbcountyga.gov). Announced that Operation Clean Sweep removed 16 tons of debris around the Conley area. Welcomed back the head of the infrastructure group, Ted Rhinehart. Gave office contact information: [www.kathiegannon.com](http://www.kathiegannon.com), office number 404-371-4909, and to like her on Facebook.

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

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Radar and seconded by Commissioner Nancy Jester to adjourn the April 25, 2017 Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:00 p.m.



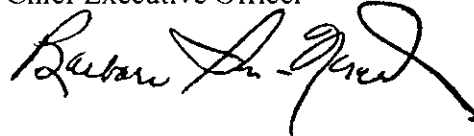
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Chief Executive Officer



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Barbara Sanders-Norwood  
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