

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, Presiding Officer, District 2
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 4*

*Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1
Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2
Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5
Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6
Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7*

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

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

A. INSPIRATIONAL

Demetrius McCoy
District 5

Pastor Melvin Brooks
Fairfield Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Larry Johnson
District 3

B. PRESENTATIONS

Introduction of Newly Appointed Police Chief Mirtha V. Ramos
Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Crime Prevention Month
Lithonia Lions

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The purpose of public comment is to allow the public to voice county-related requests, concerns or opinions during the Commission meeting. Speakers will only have the opportunity for one public comment per meeting. Each speaker must complete a speaker card and present it to the clerk before the beginning of the public comment portion of the meeting. Cards turned in to the clerk from the time the general meeting is convened (generally 9 A.M.) and by the beginning of public comment portion generally following presentations on the agenda. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. Prior to the clerk's call for public comment, speakers who are residents of DeKalb County shall be allowed to speak before residents of other

counties are allowed to speak. Once the public comment portion of the meeting begins, speaker cards will no longer be accepted. Speakers will be allowed to speak for three minutes each and public comment shall not exceed 30 minutes in length. When the buzzer sounds to indicate that time has run out, the speaker will be expected to immediately cease speaking and to yield the podium. Those who submitted speaker cards but did not speak because of the time allotment will be allowed to speak first at the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting without regard to residence. Speakers should always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating their name, full address and the name of any organization they represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language, holding up signs, clapping, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

1. Calvin E. Sims, 1062 Chapman Lane Stone Mountain, GA (no zipcode) – Spoke asking commissioners for financial support of the preservation of a 9.2 acre historic farm located at 5354 and 5358 Redan Road.
2. Howard Tompkins, 1247 Rowland Rd. Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding the sewage spill on Rowland Road and South Indian Creek Drive.
3. Shell Brown, 4674 Bexly Drive Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding the language in the Noise Ordinance.
4. Audrey Maloof, 206 Nelson Ferry Rd. Decatur, GA 30030 – Thanked commissioners for the work they are doing to assist voters in having equal access to the ballot box.
5. Prophet Curtis Hairston, Under the Bridge Decatur, GA 30321 – Demanded that he receive his belongings back from the officers that recently removed homeless people from under a bridge.
6. Stephen M. Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021 – Spoke regarding the good paving job on Artesian Drive in Venetian Estates; thanked the County for sending workers to remove a tree across Seville Drive; and expressed his disappointment in the NAACP supporting the new Ethics Bill.
7. Dr. Opal Ware, 3220 Miller Creek Dr. Scottdale, GA 30079 – Spoke regarding the need for a traffic light at the Mills Creek Circle facility on North Decatur Road.
8. Michelle Shannon, 4668 Bexly Dr. Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding a problem with noise in the area because of Late Night Establishments that are being approved by the

D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

Citizens may speak for or against an item that is considered by law to be a zoning ordinance and each side will have ten minutes to present its case. Citizens may also speak for or against an item that is placed on the public hearing agenda but is not a zoning ordinance. In that case, each side will have five minutes to present its case. In the event there is more than one speaker per side, speakers must divide their time in order to complete their full presentation within the ten-minute time allotment, or the five minute time allotment. When the buzzer sounds to indicate that time has run out, the speaker will be expected to immediately cease speaking and to leave the podium area. Prior to speaking, a speaker shall complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If a speaker has any documents for the commissioners, the speaker shall provide 10 copies when approaching the podium. Seven copies are for the commissioners and the remaining copies are for the planning director, the county attorney and the clerk. Applicants or citizens speaking in favor of an item shall speak first and applicants in zoning ordinance cases shall have the right to reserve time for rebuttal. Opponents of a zoning ordinance item shall have no right of rebuttal. Once the citizens have finished speaking, staff shall make a recommendation for action to the Commission. At this point, citizens are no longer allowed to speak unless called to the podium by an individual commissioner to answer questions or provide information. Speakers should always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating their name, address and the name of any organization they represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Public Works - Transportation[2019-4158](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 6

Traffic Calming Petition - Tanner Dr. between McLendon Dr. (North) to East Ave. Cost to the County is \$14,900.00.

Stephen Warner, 776 Tanner Dr. Scottdale, GA (no zipcode), spoke in favor

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

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

[2019-4243](#)

Commission District(s): 1 & 7

Traffic Calming Petition - Silvastone Drive between Aspen Drive and Briarlake Road. No Cost to County.

Michael Bernard, 1893 Silvastone Drive Decatur, GA 30033, spoke in favor

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

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

[2019-4273](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6
Traffic Calming Petition - Biltmore Dr. between Stephens Dr. to Clifton Rd. No Cost to County.

Sylvia Broom, 1096 Biltmore Dr. Atlanta, GA 30329, 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 Cochran-Johnson

[2019-4274](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6
Traffic Calming Petition - Biltmore Dr. between Lavista Rd. to Stephens Dr. No Cost to County.

Sylvia Broom, 1096 Biltmore Dr. Atlanta, GA 30329, 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 Cochran-Johnson

Watershed Management

[2019-4034](#) Commission District(s): District 2
Sewer Petition - Oakawana Road(City of Atlanta)

Laura Boyden, 2116 Oakawana Rd. Atlanta, GA 30345, spoke in favor

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

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

[2019-4216](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 7
A Resolution Authorizing the Exercise of the DeKalb County Powers of Eminent Domain in the Acquisition of Certain Interests in Property Situated in DeKalb County, Georgia for Water and Sewerage Purposes

Dr. Anthony Adams, 2616 Sandpiper Dr. Tucker, GA 30084, spoke in opposition

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be to defer the substitute submitted from the floor and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019 for Decision Only. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

E. APPEALS

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners

[2019-4229](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Appointment of Alden Brown to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council
MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4230](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Appointment of Mary Gene Lee to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4231](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Appointment of Cicely Austin to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Region 3 Advisory Council

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4229, 2019-4230, 2019-4231 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Chief Executive Office[2019-4272](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment to the Fulton - DeKalb Hospital Authority (Grady) - Dr. Romeo P. Stockett

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, 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 Cochran-Johnson

[2019-4289](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment to the DeKalb County Hospital Authority (DCHA) - Edna Zimmerman

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on November 12, 2019. Items 2019-4289 and 2019-4291 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4291](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment to the DeKalb County Hospital Authority (DCHA) - Tyler Reynolds, M.D.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on November 12, 2019. Items 2019-4289 and 2019-4291 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport

[2019-4256](#)

Commission District(s): Commission Districts 1 & 6

Termination of Standardized T-Hangar Shop Space Agreement with Max Cohen

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4258](#) Commission District(s): Commission Districts 1 & 6
Termination of Standardized T-Hangar Space Agreement with E. Alan Armstrong

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2019-4321](#) Commission District(s): District 4
Allocate \$25,000 from 2019 mid-term budget reserve funds allocated to District 4 to the R.I.S.E. UP Leadership Development Program.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2019-4378](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An item to designate \$75,000 for use by the District Attorney's Office to provide intensive training to all multidisciplinary team members involved in the investigation, prosecution, intervention, and advocacy of domestic violence cases, particularly strangulation cases.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4379](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

To designate \$50,000 for use by the DeKalb County Solicitor - General's Office to extend the domestic violence prevention initiative into the 5th District

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO[2019-4343](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 13, 2019

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4344](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 27, 2019

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4345](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of September 3, 2019

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Police Services

[2019-4249](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Application, \$69,000.00

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4256, 2019-4258, 2019-4321, 2019-4378, 2019-4379, 2019-4344, 2019-4345, 2019-4249 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

District Attorney

[2019-4300](#) Commission District(s): all
Acceptance of Victims of Crimes Act Grant to District Attorney’s Office-SAKI Advocate

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4300, 2019-4301, 2019-4302 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4301](#) Commission District(s): all
Acceptance of Victims of Crimes Act Grant-Compensation Advocate to District Attorney’s Office

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4300, 2019-4301, 2019-4302 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4302](#) Commission District(s): all
Acceptance of Victims of Crimes Act Grant to District Attorney’s Office

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4300, 2019-4301, 2019-4302 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

GIS Department

[2019-4295](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 1054 Evans Lane, Stone Mountain, GA 30083.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4295, 2019-4296, 2019-4297, 2019-4298 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4296](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 1057 4th Street, Stone Mountain, GA 30083.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4295, 2019-4296, 2019-4297, 2019-4298 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4297](#)

Commission District(s): 1 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4467 Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker, GA 30084.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4295, 2019-4296, 2019-4297, 2019-4298 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4298](#)

Commission District(s): 1 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 4001 Presidential Parkway Unit 102, Atlanta, GA 30340.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4295, 2019-4296, 2019-4297, 2019-4298 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Works - Transportation

[2019-4331](#)

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

Lighting Indication of Support at Covington Highway (SR 12) at DeKalb Medical Parkway to Cragstone Court (GDOT PI No. 0008288)

MOTION was made by Steve 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 Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

2019-3790

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 13-901710 for Employee Health and Benefits Consulting Services (Multi-year Contract): for use by the Department of Finance - Risk Management. This contract consists of professional brokerage/consulting services and assistance in the management of services for the County's health, dental, life and vision insurance programs and benefits. Awarded to Buck Global, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$28,000.00.

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

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

2019-4241

Commission District(s): ALL
REN - Helicopter Maintenance and Repair Services (Annual Contract 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1079637 for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of providing maintenance and repair services for the Aerial Support Units 2004 and 2005 helicopters. Awarded to Rotor Resources, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$450,000.00.

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

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee[2019-4156](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Pest Control Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1126218 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing pest control services at various County locations. Awarded to Power House Termite and Pest Control. Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4156, 2019-4159, 2019-4246, 2019-4263, 2019-4354 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4159](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1070267 for Technology Solutions with Related Equipment and Accessories: for the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT) to be used by various County departments. The contract consists of piggybacking off the competitively let cooperative agreement National IPA- Lead Agency City of Mesa, AZ, Contract No. 2018011-01 for purchasing Apple computer hardware, tablets, peripherals, printers, network gear and other approved software. Awarded to CDW Government, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4156, 2019-4159, 2019-4246, 2019-4263, 2019-4354 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4246](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Repair, Maintenance, and Installation of Fire Intrusion Alarm Systems (Annual Contract 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1138722 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing maintenance, repairing and installation of fire intrusion alarms throughout the County. Awarded to All-Star Fire, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4156, 2019-4159, 2019-4246, 2019-4263, 2019-4354 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4263](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - End-User Computing: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. SWC99999-SPD-SPD0000161-0004 for the purchase of new computers, laptops, scanners and accessories utilized by all County departments. Awarded to Dell Marketing, L.P. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4156, 2019-4159, 2019-4246, 2019-4263, 2019-4354 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4354](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Request approval to appropriate SPLOST funds for the architectural & engineering construction administration services for Fire Station No. 7 from Category 2A and approve Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1023197 for Architectural and Engineering Design Services (Multi-year Contract): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing architectural and engineering design services for various facilities projects. Awarded to Brown Design Group, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$85,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4156, 2019-4159, 2019-4246, 2019-4263, 2019-4354 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2019-4218](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Neighborhood Stabilization Program One (NSP1) and Program Three (NSP3)(Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1124701 for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). This contract consists of acquiring, rehabilitating and selling DeKalb residential properties. Awarded to Synergy Real Estate Developers, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$4,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4218 and 2019-4245 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4245](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN- Poured-In- Place Installation and Repair Services (Annual Contract 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1138579 for use by Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of provision of poured-in-place (PIP or PNP) surfacing for playgrounds throughout the County Parks. Awarded to Playworx Playsets. Amount Not To Exceed: \$50,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. Items 2019-4218 and 2019-4245 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4248](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 19-101126 In-Home Services For Seniors (Annual Contract with 4 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Human Services. Consists of the provision of in-home services for seniors. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: CSS Corp. d/b/a CSS Healthcare Services and Medi Caregivers, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$350,000.00.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4248, 2019-4323, 2019-4324 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4323](#)

Commission District(s): All

C - Cancellation of Contract No. 1115555 for Congregate and Home-Delivered Meals for Seniors (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Human Services (HS). The contract consists of program management for the provision of congregate, shelf-stable and home-delivered meals for seniors. Recommend approval of cancellation with Open Hand Atlanta.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4248, 2019-4323, 2019-4324 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4324](#)

Commission District(s): All

EM -Meals for Seniors (Emergency): for use by the Department of Human Services (HS). Consists of program management for the provision of congregate, shelf-stable and home-delivered meals for seniors. Recommend award to Meals on Wheels Atlanta and Magic Kitchen. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$382,323.00.

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2019-4248, 2019-4323, 2019-4324 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2019-4161](#)

Commission District(s): 2 and 6
CO - Change Order No. 1 for Contract Nos.: 1063844 and 1063841 and Change Order No. 2 for Contract Nos.: 1063831 and 1068774 Annual Water & Sewer Construction (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of providing installation and repair of various sizes of water and sewer pipes. This request will allow for the emergency replacement of water lines in the Briarcliff/Emory/North Decatur/Lullwater area. Awarded to GS Construction, Inc., SD&C, Inc., Granite Inliner, LLC and The Renee Group/CamKen Consulting (RGI/CamKen JV). Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$17,991,019.25.

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

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

[2019-4214](#)

Commission District(s): ALL
CO 1-Sale of Single Stream Recycling Materials (Multi-Year Contract -1st Renewal of 5 Options to Renew): Contract No. 947356 for use by Public Works-Sanitation. This contract consists of recycling single stream materials (paper, can and plastic) collected by the recycling program. This request is to extend the contract for two (2) months at no cost to the County. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY

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

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

[2019-4265](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - Purchase of 10 Cubic Yard Rear Loader Refuse Truck with Diesel Engine: for use by Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of piggybacking off the competitively-let Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #081716-KTC (Class 6,7 and 8 Chassis with Related Equipment, Accessories and Services), to purchase three (3) 10 cubic yard rear loader refuse trucks with diesel engines to be used to collect residential garbage in newly acquired service locations throughout DeKalb County. Awarded to MHC Kenworth-Georgia. Amount Not To Exceed: \$405,297.00.

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

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

[2019-4310](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract Nos.: 1038377 and 1038378 for Storm Drainage Infrastructure System Construction for Public Works Stormwater Projects (Multi-Year Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing storm drainage construction services. Awarded to A&S Paving, Inc. and Kemi Construction Company, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,900,000.00.

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

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Gannon

[2019-4312](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1154952 for Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). The contract consists of providing sanitary sewer system pipe rehabilitation services, including stormwater pipe repair using chemical liners. Awarded to Inland Pipe Rehabilitation (IPR) dba IPR Southeast, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$999,995.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

[2019-4377](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 19-101115 Seminole Road Landfill Cell Construction Phase 3, Unit 2; Cell 1 & Cell 2 Subgrade: for use by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of the construction of Cell 1 and Cell 2 (subgrade only) at the Seminole Road Landfill to continue providing waste disposal capacity for the residents of DeKalb County. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Morgan Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$13,464,285.92.

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

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

Superior Court

[2019-4288](#) Commission District(s): All
CO-Change Order No. 1: For Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Contract for \$197,500

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

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

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners

[2019-3325](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Amendments to DeKalb County Purchasing Ordinance
MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until November 12, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2019-4293](#) Commission District(s): All
Amendment to the Board of Commissioners' Standing Procedural Rules.

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

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

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2019-3522](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

An Ordinance by the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia, to Set Requirements for the Construction of New Educational Facilities within the County in the Building Code of DeKalb County Chapter 7 Article II Section 7-55

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 30 days, until November 12, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2019-4240](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District, County Wide
Request for Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the FY2020 Local Maintenance and improvement Grant Program

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved.

Substitute MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019. Commissioners Larry Johnson, Mereda Davis Johnson, and Lorraine Cochran-Johnson opposed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Gannon

No: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2019-4195](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 18-101158 - Tandem Axle Front Loader Refuse Collection Truck with 37 Cubic Yard Compaction System: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of purchasing eighteen (18) tandem axle front loader refuse collection trucks with 37 cubic yard compaction systems to be used to collect commercial garbage. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Peterbilt of Atlanta, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,262,020.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved.

Commissioners Nancy Jester and Kathie Gannon opposed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

No: 2 - Commissioner Jester, and Commissioner Gannon

[2019-4205](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1022166 for Building Automation Controls (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of the maintenance and servicing of automatic centralized control for heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC), lighting and other systems. Awarded to TSG Automation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$254,000.00.

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, 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 Cochran-Johnson

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2019-4128](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Traffic Signal Equipment (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1128522, 1128551, 1125650, 1125675 and 1128705 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). The contracts consist of providing traffic signal equipment and accessories for repair and new installation of traffic control devices. Awarded to Transportation Control Systems, Temple, Inc., Utilicom Supply Associates, General Traffic Equipment Corporation and Control Technologies, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,180,000.00.

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

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

[2019-4183](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 19-101125 2019 LMIG Road Resurfacing Projects (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of patching, milling and resurfacing of County roads. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: HEH Paving Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$11,478,414.49. **MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved.**

Substitute MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester to defer to the next meeting, until October 22, 2019, to be reviewed in the next SPLOST meeting. Upon further discussion, Commissioner Kathie Gannon withdrew her motion.

The ORIGINAL motion to approve, made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, carried by the following vote. Commissioner Kathie Gannon opposed:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

No: 1 - Commissioner Gannon

Watershed Management[2019-3774](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval and Authorization to Execute Professional Consulting Services to DeKalb County Office of the Chief Executive Officer: for use by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing consulting services to review the County's Consent Decree Program. Awarded to VNF Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on October 22, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

1. Commissioner Nancy Jester mentioned the following comments:

- Congratulated Jackson Jester on meeting a personal record on his 5k in Guntersville, AL
- Yom Kippur starts tonight for our Jewish neighbors and friends

2. Commissioner Larry Johnson mentioned the following comments:

- Congratulated Commissioner Cochran-Johnson for the financial literacy campaign
- Thanked the people of Heart of South DeKalb for a great festival this weekend
- Attended a Town Hall meeting last night, and thanked all the partners that attended
- Walked the Michelle Obama trail this past weekend with residents
- Thanked his staff for attending the Grady Hospital Tour in his stead
- Attended the volunteer appreciation for Juvenile Court and the County Solicitor for the program #NotInMyDeKalb
- Looking forward to the next Mindful Monday event on October 14th at the Starbucks at the Kroger on Flat Shoals Parkway
- October 13th will be the “Garden of Hip Hop” event

3. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw mentioned the following comments:

- Welcomed Chief Ramos to DeKalb County
- Due to lateness of the hour, will forego comments in public but will post them later today in his website for constituents

4. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson read the following comments:

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

This morning, I begin my comments in great excitement and thanks as we welcome our new Police Chief, Mirtha Ramos, the first woman Police Chief of DeKalb County Police Department. I have always said if you want to do something the right way, get a woman to do it. Kudos to our CEO for this appointment, for I truly believe it is what we need at this time in the HERstory of DeKalb County. Welcome Chief and we look forward to working with you.

I would like to invite all District 5 residents out to the District 5 Town Hall Series “Protecting Our Right to Vote” beginning tonight at 6:00 p.m. at Stonecrest Library located at 3123 Klondike Road, Stonecrest, Georgia 30038. If you are unable to attend tonight, you can join us on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at Lou Walker Senior Center. Our special guest at the meetings will be:

Rep. Vernon Jones (GA – 91) – Tonight
Rep. Doreen Carter (GA – 92) – Thursday
Teresa Hardy, DeKalb NAACP President
DeKalb County Census Office
Fair Count Georgia

The Office of Congressman Hank Johnson is accepting applications for the Fourth Congressional District nominations to the military services academies for the Class of 2024. The deadline for the receipt of completed applications and supporting materials is Monday, October 28th. For more information, please contact Congressman Johnson’s office at 770-987-2291.

I would like to invite all citizens of the 5th District out to our community clean up on this Saturday at 8:00 a.m. in the City of Lithonia. We will meet at City Hall located at 6920 Main Street, Lithonia, GA 30058. Last week, members of my staff had an opportunity to join Congressman John Lewis and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi for lunch. As always, they represented the office with excellence and I am very proud of them.

I would like to give a shout out to the Fulton- DeKalb Hospital Authority on a successful 8th Annual Health Summit which took place last week. My office had an opportunity to participate and learn more about mental health which was the focus of this year’s conference. I would like to thank Dr. Sharon Bent – Hartley, Board Chair and Dr. Joshua Murfree for continuing to move FDHA forward and for ensuring that citizens of DeKalb have access to care through Grady Hospital.

This morning, I made mention of the funding that has been designated for the District Attorney and the Solicitor – General’s office. I designated \$75,000 for strangulation training for the DA and \$50,000 to support the fight against domestic violence in DeKalb. I believe that through offering this support that we will continue to work to “Move DeKalb Forward” and make this a safer community for our children and for all of our families.

Last week, my office announced that we have raised \$5,000 to fight sex trafficking and to support Tabitha’s House in its fight to end this epidemic in DeKalb, this State and these United States of America. We must continue to take a stand against Sex Trafficking until it is no more.

Last week, I had the opportunity to stop by First Saint Paul AME Church in the City of Lithonia for their Annual Feed My Neighbor Walk/ Run in support of their continued efforts to provide food to families through their neighborhood food pantry. Thank you to the Pastor, Rev. Dr. Marvin Luther Crawford and Ms. Catrina Scott for inviting me to participate.

I would like to give a shout out to First African Presbyterian Church for the food pantry which they host on

Fridays. My office had a chance to stop by and to see the fresh vegetables and food that citizens are able to receive for free was heartwarming. Thank you to Rev. Dr. Mark Lomax and the entire First African congregation for their continued support of families in District 5 and all of DeKalb.

Finally, I would like to conclude my comments to address a concern for which I have received numerous calls for in my office regarding the Police Services which DeKalb County provides to the City of Stonecrest. To my knowledge, there have been no changes to the current Intergovernmental Agreement that DeKalb County has with the City of Stonecrest. We have an Intergovernmental Agreement to provide those services for 10 years. If there are any changes that occur, there would have to be a revised intergovernmental agreement approved by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners and the City of Stonecrest City Council. Thank you to those who have called me and I want the citizens of the 5th District to be reassured that if there are any changes or any developments available about the change of how DeKalb County delivers service, I will always inform you with the details so that you know what is happening.

I invite you to follow me on social media:

Facebook – Mereda Davis Johnson

Twitter - @MeredaDJohnson

Instagram - @MeredaDJohnson

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

5. Commissioner Kathie Gannon mentioned the following comments:

- Our District 6 Communications and Special Projects Intern has transitioned to bigger and better. Sanae Lahgazi-Alaoui began working with my team in January. She recently accepted a position as a lead facilitator with a non-profit organization that teaches children. Her absence is felt. We will miss her, but also thank her for her contributions and wish her much success. We are currently seeking another undergraduate from Agnes Scott, where I have had a long term relationship with. If you have a daughter who attends Agnes Scott and may be interested in this part-time position, please have her forward her letter of interest to KGannon@DeKalbCountyGA.Gov
- Attended the Clifton Springs bi-monthly community meeting at South Precinct
- Walk & Talk, Sugarcreek last week
- Tonight is my evening Walk & Talk on the South Fork Trail that runs thru Zonolite Park. Join me at 6 p.m. at 1160 Zonolite Place. Two and four-legged family members are welcome... and don't forget to bring plenty of water even with the cooler evening weather
- We will be at Brookside Park at 6 p.m. on October 22nd and our final Fall Walk & Talk" is on Friday,

November 7th at 10:00 a.m. at Frazier Rowe

- DeKalb County Cooperative Extension is hosting a "Building the Perfect Soil" workshop that will teach participants how to build healthy soil for healthy plants on this evening from 6:45 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The speaker will be Gwinnett Technical College professor Tony Gobert. Registration is \$10. To register, contact the DeKalb County Cooperative Extension Office at 404-298-4080
- Sugar Creek Fall Break Tennis Camp this Thursday and Friday, October 10th and 11th for Youth Ages 6-12, Located at 2706 Bouldercrest Road, Atlanta 30316. For more information contact 404-241-7671 for registration information
- iFit in the Park Fitness Festival on Saturday, October 12th from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Mason Mill Recreation Center, located at 1400 McConnell Drive, Decatur, Ga. 30033. Park and Recreation's "iFit in the Park" is open to all ages and will feature sporting games and fitness demonstrations led by trained professionals, nutritional and healthcare vendors, music and more. The festival is designed to educate and provide a full-body workout that can build strength and reduce stress. Participants are encouraged to bring a towel and water. For more information, contact Dawn Cribb, public relations specialist, at (404) 371-6295
- DeKalb County Sanitation is hosting the Fall Household Hazardous Waste event on Saturday, October 12th, from 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon at the Sanitation Division's Central Transfer Station 3720 Leroy Scott Drive, Decatur, GA 30032. Hazardous materials, such as aerosols, batteries, adhesives, flammables, lawn care products, fluorescent light bulbs, photo chemicals, paint, paint-related products and artist supplies, will be accepted. Paint will be limited to 10 gallons per vehicle
- Advanced Absentee In Person Voting begins October 14th. It is also the earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot, and November 1st is the last day to register to issue absentee ballots for the November General Election
- DeKalb Legislative Delegation is hosting two post session town hall meetings to discuss the proposed changes and help DeKalb County voters better understand the ethics referendum provision on the upcoming ballot here at the Maloof Auditorium on Tuesday October 15th at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a Town Hall at Brookhaven City Hall on Monday October 21st also at 6:30 p.m.
- Aetna, a CVS Health company, would like to inform constituents about a series of free health screenings taking place in Super District 6 through the end of the year. These free biometric screenings are worth over \$100 in value to help identify chronic conditions before they become life-threatening illnesses. Screenings are quick and convenient with no appointment necessary. All screenings are held between 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at CVS October 13th at 3820 N Decatur Rd Decatur, for the first screenings to occur. Additional screenings will be held on November 9th at 4037 Glenwood Rd, November 10th at 2485 Candler Road, and December 15th at 3820 N. Decatur Road
- Join DeKalb County and Susan G. Komen Greater Atlanta in the 4th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness 5K to support the fighters, admire the survivors, honor the taken, and show in numbers, that we will never give up

hope; Saturday October 19th at 9:00 a.m. at Northlake Mall located at 4800 Briarcliff Rd. NE Tucker, GA. Visit DeKalbCountyGA.gov for registration and event information. All event proceeds go to Susan G. Komen Greater Atlanta, toward resources for initiatives in DeKalb

- My office number is 404-371-4909. My office is constantly updating our community contact list so if you have not provided current Board information, please email KGannon@DeKalbCountyga.gov with names, contact information and meeting/activities. And please remember that if your Super District 6 community group is planning any Fall community events, please let us know as well. I look forward to opportunities to connect. Also don't forget to visit my Facebook or website www.CommissionerKathieGannon.com regularly for additional events and happenings in Super District 6!

- I would like to also welcome Chief Mirtha V. Ramos to DeKalb County. You are joining some of the best women and men in blue. This is an exciting time for our County. Your experiences and expertise are well received. I look forward to meeting with you after you get settled in

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

- There is now HOPE in DeKalb! On Wednesday, September 25, District 7 in partnership with Operation HOPE and the AEI StartUp Factory opened a HOPE Inside office in Stonecrest. The office will begin providing services on October 1. Please contact 470-285-2756 or 470-203-6596 for further information

- On Saturday, October 5, District 7 co-hosted a breast cancer screening event with Emory Healthcare and The Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority. It was a successful event – over 100 women received free breast cancer screenings at Emory Decatur and Emory Hillandale Hospitals. We thank our partners, and we are looking forward to continuing our work in District 7 to bring a more heightened awareness to breast cancer in DeKalb and to help individuals who would not be able to get screenings otherwise

- This Friday, October 11, DeKalb County will be holding its Homeless Symposium. In order to combat homelessness, Community Development and its partners Our House, Inc., United Way of Greater Atlanta, and DeKalb County Continuum of Care will bring together the community and professionals who work with the homeless population from across the region to share information on homelessness and provide strategic planning on homeless policy initiatives, programs, and best practices. The event will take place at Porter Sanford. Please contact Community Development for more information on registration

- Next week on October 17, I will be attending the White House Intergovernmental Affairs' Regional State Leadership Day events with county commissioners and local elected officials from Alabama, Florida, and Georgia. The meetings will include briefings and discussion with Senior Administration Officials on shared federal-state-local priorities pertinent to each state. I am looking forward to attending this important briefing and bringing back a report to the Board of Commissioners and the County.

Please write, send emails, photos, visit our website, and register for the District 7 newsletter at www.CommissionerLorraineCochranJohnson.com or call us at 404.371.2899. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

7. Commissioner Jeff Rader read the following comments:

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

Please take the time to visit my website at www.commissionerrader.com and sign up for news and information. Please also follow me on Facebook and Twitter using @raderjeff and on Instagram at commissionerjeffrader.

Enjoyed being with community members on Sunday for the Annual Oak Groove Festival. Thanks to all volunteers who worked to produce this fun fall event.

Upcoming...

- Join the DeKalb County Legislative Delegation for the remaining Town Hall Meetings, next Tuesday, October 15th at 6:30 p.m. at the Maloof Auditorium, Decatur and the following Monday, October 21st at 6:30 p.m. at Brookhaven City Hall, Brookhaven

- DeKalb Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs will host an iFit in the Park Fitness Festival this Saturday, October 12th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Mason Mill Park. Open to all ages, this festival will feature sporting games and fitness demonstrations led by trained professionals

- This Saturday, October 12th the 15th annual TEA Walk (Together Empowering Asian Americans) will take place on Buford Hwy from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Last year, over 3,300 community members joined together to walk for solidarity

- The next park work day for Briarlake Forest Park will be Saturday October 19th at 9 a.m.

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

- The Annual Open Streets Emory Village is coming Sunday, October 27th from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. Join neighbors in the streets of Emory Village for a parade, Doggie Halloween Costume contest, musical entertainment, and more

- Lots going on with October Festival of Writer Author Talks. Check your local library for information on when and where. And, tonight, enjoy Angela Easterling Duo for musical offer at the Decatur Branch at 7 p.m.

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

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Larry Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Nancy Jester to adjourn the October 8, 2019 Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:40 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

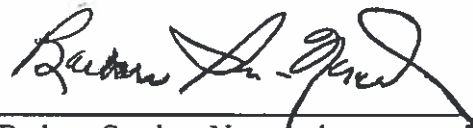
Yes: 7 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Cochran-Johnson



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk