# **DeKalb County Government**

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



# **Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, August 13, 2024 9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

# **Board of Commissioners**

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 5

Commissioner Robert Patrick, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 1

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, District 2 Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4 Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6 **Present:** 

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

### A. INSPIRATIONAL

Dr. Devon Horton
Superintendent, DeKalb County School District

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw District 4

### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

New Life Church and Community Alliance

### 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.

Larry Forster- 2572. Raintree Drive Northeast Atlanta GA, Charles Bailey Musgray- 3329 York Place Decatur GA 30032, LaDena Bolton- 1583 Peachcrest Cove Decatur GA 30032, Stephen Binney- 1083 Seville Drive Clarkston GA 30083, Toi Elizabeth Hines- 3019 Sherbovrne Cove Lithonia GA 30053, John Jones- 3065 Midway Road Decatur GA, Andrew W. Bell- P.O. Box 82348 Atlanta GA 30354, Jocelyn O'Neil- 3711 Larkspur Terrace Decatur GA 30032

### D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

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

Finance - Risk Management

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Home Rule Ordinance to amend the Pension Code of DeKalb County, Georgia,

1962 Ga. Laws 3088, as amended, to provide for an increase in monthly pension

benefit amount to specified eligible retirees, joint annuitants, and beneficiaries.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, August 27, 2024 for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 4 - 0

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

**Abstain:** 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

### Planning & Sustainability

# 2024-0109

### COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 3 Super District 6

Application of Brad Noble with Metro Capital Investment, LLC for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) for a self-storage facility in the C-2 (General Commercial) zoning district, at 2020 & 2030 Moreland Avenue; and, 1022 & 1032 Hillcrest Drive.

Favor: Brad Mobile- 780 Johnson Ferry Road Atlanta GA 30342, Dr. Kennith Walker- 1326 Heights Park Drive Atlanta GA 30316, Amy Taylor- 1162 Key Road Southeast Atlanta GA 30316

Against: Ricky Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316, Melissa Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316

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

Yes:

Favor: Brad Mobile- 780 Johnson Ferry Road Atlanta GA 30342, Dr. Kennith Walker- 1326 Heights Park Drive Atlanta GA 30316, Amy Taylor- 1162 Key Road Southeast Atlanta GA 30316

Against: Ricky Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316, Melissa Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316

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

Yes:

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

Favor: Brad Mobile- 780 Johnson Ferry Road Atlanta GA 30342, Dr. Kennith Walker- 1326 Heights Park Drive Atlanta GA 30316, Amy Taylor- 1162 Key Road Southeast Atlanta GA 30316

Against: Ricky Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316, Melissa Echols- 2010 Moreland Avenue Atlanta GA 30316

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, August 27, 2024 Decision Only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0632

**COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 02 Super District 06** 

Application of Fifth Third Bank c/o Dillard Sellers for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow for a drive through for a bank in the C-1 (Local Commercial) zoning district, at 2933 North Druid Hills Road.

Favor: Julie Sellers- 1776 Peachtree Street #415-S Atlanta GA 30309, Gloria Davis- 4794 Fenbrook Drive Stone Mountain GA 30088
Against: None

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, August 27, 2024 for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

2024-0882

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

Traffic Calming Petition - Adcox Road between Redan Road and Fenbrook

Drive. Cost to the County is \$14,850.

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

Yes:

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

### E. APPEALS

### **Planning and Sustainability**

# **2024-0917 COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 2 & 6**

Appeal of a Decision of the Historic Preservation Commission at 1384 Emory Road

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

Yes:

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

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

Yes:

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

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

# F. APPOINTMENTS

### **Chief Executive Office**

# 2024-0844

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

Reappointment to the Development Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Kevin Gooch

Reappointment to the Private Hospital Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Kevin Gooch.

Reappointment to the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority - Mr. Kevin Gooch.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until September 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0845

# Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Reappointment to the Development Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Don Bolia.

Reappointment to the Private Hospital Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Don Bolia.

Reappointment to the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority - Mr. Don Bolia.

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

Yes:

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

Reappointment to the Development Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Andrew Greenberg.

Reappointment to the Private Hospital Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Andrew Greenberg.

Reappointment to the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority - Mr. Andrew Greenberg.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until September 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0847

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

Reappointment to the Development Authority of DeKalb County - Ms. Rebekah Coblentz.

Reappointment to the Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Authority - Ms. Rebekah Coblentz.

Reappointment to the Private Hospital Authority - Ms. Rebekah Coblentz. MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0906

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appointment to the DeKalb County Hospital Authority - Ms. Shunda Harper.

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

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

### ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

**Board of Commissioners - District 2** 

2024-0974

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Record the Appointment to the District 2 Community Council Board - Bob Fox

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

Yes:

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

### G. CONSENT AGENDA

**Board of Commissioners - District 2** 

2024-0828

Commission District(s): District 2

Appropriation of \$16,000 from the District 2 2024 Youth Reserve for

Appropriation to the Fruitful Community Foundation for an Inter-Generational

Climate Resilient Community Hub Spanning the Central DeKalb Senior Center

and the Toco Hill Library

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0828, 2024-0955, 2024-0957 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

Commission District(s): District 2

Appropriation of \$50,000 from the District 2 American Rescue Plan Funding to the Clyde Shepherd Nature Preserve for Stormwater Management Projects

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0828, 2024-0955, 2024-0957 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0957

Commission District(s): District 2

Appropriation of \$50,000 from the District 2 American Rescue Plan Funding to the Wylde Center for a Stormwater Management Project at Oakhurst Garden

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0828, 2024-0955, 2024-0957 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### **Board of Commissioners - District 5**

### 2024-0984

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to allocate an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to the 100 Black Men if DeKalb from the District 5 Reserve for Appropriation Funds for Youth Safety and Violence Prevention Programs

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-0984, 2024-0923, 2024-0920 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

#### Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

2024-0923

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of July 23,

2024

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-0984, 2024-0923, 2024-0920 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

#### **Superior Court**

2024-0920

Commission District(s): All Districts

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Accountability Court Housing Grant to the

DeKalb County Accountability Courts via Bureau Justice Assistance-\$94,080.00

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Item 2024-0984, 2024-0923, 2024-0920 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

Walk-on Items

**2024-1026** Add an Item

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

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

#### 2024-1027

## Commission District(s): All

Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Application (CFI) USDOT/FHWA SPLOST2 category D-5 funds allocated for Clean Energy projects to construct Electric Vehicle Charging stations. Anticipate \$800,000.00 for the purpose of matching funds for the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant.

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

Yes:

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

### **2024-1028** Add Item 2024-0996

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

Yes:

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

### 2024-0996 Commission District(s): 4

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 24-500661 Stone Mountain PATH Trail (CDAP): for use by the Planning and Sustainability. Consists of assessments of existing conditions and technical analysis, public engagement, conceptual planning, and analysis report development. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Pond & Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

### **2024-1030** Add an Item

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

Yes:

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

# 2024-1031

### Commission District(s): District 5

A resolution clarifying that the change of the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit's name to the DeKalb Judicial Circuit will not negatively impact county benefits and other compensation to judges of that circuit

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be reconsidered. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

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

Yes:

### **2024-1032** Add an Item

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

Yes:

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

# 2024-1033

Commission District(s): District 1

To approve the appropriation of \$30,000 from Non-Departmental -

Unincorporated Fund assigned to Account (09130.579002.272.0000.0000) to

Grant Fund (09130.611250.272.0000.0000) reserved for District 1 to The Mind

of a Winner for the 2024 District 1 Fur Run

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

Yes:

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

# H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

**Airport** 

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Non-Federal Reimbursable Agreement with the Department of Transportation

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to Establish Low Power Distance

Measuring Equipment (DME) at Peachtree-DeKalb Airport (DeKalb Peachtree

Airport). There is a cost to the County in the total estimated amount of \$29,801.20.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0827, 2024-0849 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0849

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Resolution to Accept GDOT Contract for Costs Associated with Airfield Lighting Replacement at the DeKalb Peachtree Airport. There is a \$130,579.80 cost to the County.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0827, 2024-0849 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

#### **Board of Commissioners**

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Amendment to the July 9, 2024 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes (for item 2024-0728).

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

#### Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

### 2024-0983

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Zoning Meeting of July 25, 2024

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0983, 2024-0973, 2024-0980, 2024-0981, 2024-0982 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### **Board of Commissioners - District 2**

### 2024-0973

Commission District(s): District 2

Appropriation of \$25,000 from District 2 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funding to South Fork Conservancy for the Peavine Creek Restoration Project

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0983, 2024-0973, 2024-0980, 2024-0981, 2024-0982 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

### **Board of Commissioners - District 4**

### 2024-0980

Commission District(s): District 4

Rescind allocation of District 4 ARP Tranche I funds to Ahisma House in the amount of \$50,000.00 described in agenda item 2021-3568.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0983, 2024-0973, 2024-0980, 2024-0981, 2024-0982 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0981

Commission District(s): District 4

Rescind allocation of District 4 ARP Tranche I fund to Pets are Loving Support (PALS) in the amount of \$50,000.00 described in agenda item 2021-3568.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0983, 2024-0973, 2024-0980, 2024-0981, 2024-0982 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

Commission District(s): District 4

Transfer remaining \$100,000.00 ( 105744-602479-521209) District 4 ARP

Tranche Funds balance to District 4 ARP Tranche II (10638810.4-602778)

balance.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0983, 2024-0973, 2024-0980, 2024-0981, 2024-0982 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# **Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office**

# 2024-0958

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Authorizing Grading Easement Request on DeKalb County's Property - AP

1246427 - Baron Court

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

Yes:

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

#### Finance - Risk Management

### 2024-0915

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Rescinding Contract Offer to WEX Inc. for Spending Account Management Services

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

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

### Fire & Rescue

# 2024-0911

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant totaling \$104,250.00

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

Yes:

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

### Public Works - Roads & Drainage

# 2024-0987

Commission District(s): All Districts

**GEFA Stormwater Loan** 

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### **Purchasing & Contracting**

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

# 2024-0267 Commission District(s): ALL

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 23-500654 Architectural and Engineering Services for Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) (Multiyear): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of providing on-call architectural and engineering design services. This request also seeks to reserve the right to transfer funds between contracts based on the needs of the County. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposers: Columbia Engineering & Services., Inc.; TSW; Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.; Foresite Group, LLC; Pond & Company; American Engineers, Inc.; WSP USA Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.; Jericho Design Group, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$10,800,000.00.

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

Yes:

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

# 2024-0822 Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract 1323040 Comprehensive Trail - Greenway Master Plan (Multiyear): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of providing professional planning services, to include the creation of a comprehensive master plan that will incorporate expansion and creation of future greenways within the County's existing network of over 33 miles of greenways. This request seeks to increase the scope of work, funds, and term through December 31, 2024. This request also seeks to ratify a previously provided sixty-five (65) day contract term increase, effective as of June 30, 2024. Awarded to: Toole Design Group, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$249,800.00.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be approved. The motion

carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

# 2024-0752 Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1263589 SPLOST Phase II Road Resurfacing Projects - Area B (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works -Roads & Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of patching, milling, and resurfacing of County Roads. This request seeks to increase the scope of work, contract funds, and contract term through December 31, 2024. Awarded to HEH Paving, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$1,099,965.84.

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

Yes:

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

# 2024-0807 Commission District(s): All

RES - Rescission of Award under ITB No. 21-101466 Rental of Various Heavy Equipment (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Departments of Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), Watershed Management (DWM), and Sanitation. These contracts consist of the rental of various heavy equipment. This request seeks to rescind the award to Yancey Brothers Company and re-award to the next lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: H&E Equipment Services, Inc., Herc Rentals, Inc., and Sunbelt Rentals, Inc. Total Amount Not to Exceed: \$500,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0807, 2024-0810, 2024-0818 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

### 2024-0810 Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1372099 Cooperative Agreement for Safety Shoes (Fairfax County, Virginia Contract No. 44000012004): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (RAD). This contract consists of the purchase of safety shoes of various styles, types, and sizes. This request is to increase the contract funds and add the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Public Works - Fleet Management (FM), Beautification, and Sanitation Divisions to the contract. Awarded to Saf-Gard Safety Shoe Co. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$256,400.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0807, 2024-0810, 2024-0818 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

# 2024-0818 Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1172083 Meter Testing Equipment, Hardware/Software Maintenance and Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of software maintenance of MARS Meter Testing Equipment. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and contract term through July 31, 2025. This request also seeks to ratify PO No. 1375538 and a previously provided forty (40) day contract term increase, effective as of July 22, 2024. Awarded to OW Investors, LLC dba Mars Company. Amount Not to Exceed: \$150,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0807, 2024-0810, 2024-0818 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### **Superior Court**

### 2024-0910

**Commission District(s):** All

Increase DeKalb County Fleet by 4 Vehicles

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

**Board of Commissioners - District 1** 

Commission District(s): All Districts

To Request the Department of Planning and Sustainability Staff to Explore the

Feasibility of Adopting Standard Dumpster Requirements for Apartment

Complexes and Multi-Family Units

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until September 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

**Board of Commissioners - District 2** 

2023-1503

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appropriation of \$6,884 from 2023 District 2 Youth Reserves for the Youth

Aviation Program at Peachtree DeKalb Airport

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred until September 24, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

2024-0380

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution Requesting Accountability and Compliance with Essential Functions

Identified within the Classification Specification for the Chief of Staff, Board of

Commissioners

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred until September 24, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

### 2024-0663

Commission District(s): District 2

A Resolution Adopting a Contextualization Statement for the Cannon Previously

Removed from the Decatur Courthouse Square

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee(PECS), until September 24, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0797

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution to Create a Citizen Oversight Committee for SPLOST II Revenues and Expenditures

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute with two friendly amendments. Amendment 1: Changing the word "Citizen" to "Resident". Amendment 2: Change "August 1, 2024" to "October 1, 2024" located in Section 5. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution to Review and Amend the Board of Commissioners Standing

Procedural Rules

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until September 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0935

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution Establishing an Affordable Housing Trust Fund for DeKalb County,

Georgia

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until September 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0937

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appropriation of \$5,000 from the 2024 District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to

GALEO to Support Efforts to Increase Civic Participation in the Latino

Community Programs and Develop Prominent Latino Leaders.

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

Yes:

#### **Board of Commissioners - District 4**

### 2023-1497

Commission District(s): District 4

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

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred until September 24, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

#### **Board of Commissioners - District 6**

### 2023-0526

Commission District(s): District 3, 6, and all commission districts

A Resolution to Encourage DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond to End the Executive Order Closing Intrenchment Creek Park and to Reopen It to the Public

As Soon As Possible

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until August 27, 2024. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and

**Commissioner Terry** 

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution requesting a study regarding the possibility of establishing a police civilian review board in DeKalb County.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until September 24, 2024. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

No:

1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

### 2023-0835

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution to Commit to the Transformation of the South River Forest by

Adopting the Recommendations of the "Explore South River Forest" Report and

For the Administration to Prepare and Deliver an Implementation Plan

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be defer the substitute with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until August 27, 2024. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

**Absent:** 

1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

**Board of Commissioners - District 7** 

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution to Address Eliminating Blight Caused by Unattended Donation Boxes.

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

Yes:

 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

**Absent:** 

1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

### **Chief Executive Office**

### 2024-0593

# Commission District(s): All

Appropriation of Emergency Rental Assistance ("ERA 2") funds to several

DeKalb Non-Profit Agencies for assistance with the DeKalb County "Integrated

Community Care Initiative" in an aggregate amount of \$13,000,000.

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

Yes:

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

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

Yes:

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

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

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

# **Public Works - Roads & Drainage**

### 2024-0808

# Commission District(s): Countywide

Accept the Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the FY2024 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program, (Supplemental Grant)

Amount Appropriated for DeKalb County - (\$5,315,481.51)

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

Yes:

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

### **Purchasing & Contracting**

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

### **2024-0805 Commission District(s):** 3 & 6

LB - Invitation No. 24-101650 Pool Renovation at NH Scott Park (Multiyear): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of the renovation of the pool, pool site, and all things necessary to complete the renovation. Recommend award to the sole responsive and responsible bidder: Summit Properties and Development Co., LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,662,368.81.

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

Yes:

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

# 2024-0289 Commission District(s): 1,3,6,7

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-S20200901-00023 Indefinite Quantity Construction (ezIQC®) Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let SWC for small to medium sized construction projects. This request is for miscellaneous repairs and repainting of three potable water ground storage tanks and one elevated water storage tank located at four locations inside the County. Awarded to Lichty Commercial Construction, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,668,230.45.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until August 27, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### 2024-0601 Commission District(s): 1 and 6

LB-Invitation No. 23-101559 Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant (SCWTP) Electrical Building No. 2 Structural Design Improvements (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing services to structurally rehabilitate the Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant (SCWTP) Electrical Building No. 2. Recommend award to the sole responsive and responsible bidder: Heavy Constructors, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$1,993,483.80.

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

Yes:

# 2024-0713 Commission District(s): All

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Electrical/Mechanical & Electronic Repairs (Cobb County, GA Contract No. 24-6802): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of services to replace and repair electric motors. Awarded to Cole Technology, Inc. and Tekwell Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,400.000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0713, 2024-0793, 2024-0812, 2024-0839 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0793 Commission District(s): All

SS - Flygt Equipment and Services (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing parts and services for Flygt Pumps and Controls. This request seeks to establish a three year agreement with and will assist in the continuous operation of County lift stations. Awarded to Xylem Water Solutions USA, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$750,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0713, 2024-0793, 2024-0812, 2024-0839 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

### 2024-0812 Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 24-101658 Four Pedestrian Crossings with Rectangular Rapid

Flashing Beacons (120 Days): for use by the Department of Public Works -

Transportation. Consists of the construction of crosswalks with rectangular rapid

flashing beacons on Central Drive, Indian Creek Way, Redan Road, and Briarlake

Road. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder: NGT

Group, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,514.49.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0713, 2024-0793, 2024-0812, 2024-0839 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

# 2024-0839 Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1334397 Right-of-Way Mowing (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Sanitation and Beautification. This contract consists of mowing and lawn maintenance services at one hundred thirteen (113) right-of-way locations throughout the County. This request seeks to increase service locations by twenty-two (22) additional locations and contract funds. Awarded to Flex Landscaping, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$458,132.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2024-0713, 2024-0793, 2024-0812, 2024-0839 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

### J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

### K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2024-1037 Convene Executive Session

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to Convene an Executive Session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

2024-1038 Adjourn Executive Session

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

Yes:

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

#### 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 Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the August 13, 2024 Board of Commissioners meeting at 1:45 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

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

Mereda Davis Johnson Presiding Officer

Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer

Barbara Sanders-Norwood County Clerk