



DeKalb County Government

1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Minutes - Final

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

3:30 PM

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available

(1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage,

(2) on DCTVChannel23.TV

Meeting Started At: 3:31 PM

Attendance: Commissioners Cochran-Johnson, Terry, Patrick, Rader

Present 3 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Robert Patrick, and Commissioner Ted Terry

I. MINUTES

2021-2053 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the January 19, 2021 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting

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

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

II. STATUS UPDATE

CIP 2021 Definition & Funding Report

- presentation by Reggie Wells and Lee Judd
- greatest investment in wastewater collection system; second greatest investment in water distribution system
- project scoresheet provided for tracking & performance
- full presentation of items
- LCJ: we have moved very far in completing this project, only 1% remaining
- JR: 3 points

Point 1: Shoal Creek corridor has great opportunity for amenity of trail system of connecting parks in DeKalb. It would be great to incorporate this into the CIP with its multiple benefits at a low cost. Charge to CIP committee: How much would that cost at Shoal Creek, and how can we incorporate into the CIP project? Please incorporate into your analysis.

Point 2: Percolation is a problem with the cast-iron pipes

R Wells: it is being address

Point 3: Didn't see any notice to inter-system connections with other county systems where DeKalb could provide for the contingency of water treatment capacity/interruption in the event of some catastrophic failure. Is that part of the water distribution system currently

R Wells: not to that extent but there would be different infrastructure/inputs needed to have that inter-system connectivity. In the meantime we have worked to drastically minimize any major issues in the systems.

JR: even if we can't get it done in this first CIP, let's at least see the extent of the investment and be able to interact with our sister systems in the region to define some inter-system connectivity in case of any major system interruption. Requests more information on this from the CIP committee.

-LCJ: we need a far more comprehensive approach to funding the trail system. We need to first speak with Mr Ellis, and work this into the master plan that is currently being developed, while creating a prioritized list of trail projects so that as we add new items this will be captured

-TT: is this connected with the Trail Master Plan?

Z Williams: will set up discussion in the future to have conversation on integrating our trail systems

-TT: on one side there could be a Parks discussion and on the other side there could be a Transportation discussion

Z Williams: it would prudent to involve all relevant parties in the discussion

-LJ: Please ensure I'm included in this discussion on the trails. Let's also look at annexation issues. Secondly, in the CIP, where is the painting of the water tank on Columbia Rd?

R Wells: this will be part of the project and we have the funds allocated for this end. Some of those tanks will actually need to be replaced before we paint

LJ: at least pressure wash it or something so that the aesthetics are addressed

R Wells: yes, we will be able to address this through procurement and correct channels. Some preliminary work will be needed before the paint can be applied, so that rust doesn't come through. Will get on it

III. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

[2020-1634](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 20-101281 2020 LMIG Road Resurfacing Projects (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of patching, milling and resurfacing County Roads. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Pittman Construction Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$13,156,361.97.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/9/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Supported by John Greene in OIIA
-LCJ: This was a forthright item and fiscally responsible

[2021-2011](#) Commission District(s): Districts 2 & 6
Authorize the amendment of the real estate exchange agreement to extend the closing date to a date not to exceed June 30, 2022. The County will exchange the Dresden Tag Office site, located at 1358 Dresden Drive, Brookhaven, Georgia for the property located at 3653 Clairmont Road, Chamblee, Georgia which includes a building that will be renovated prior to the exchange so it can serve as the new North Tag Office

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Request for extension of time in the agreement due to delays in response to COVID
Agreement extension and project completion pushed to June 2022
-Chief Dep Tax Commissioner N Golden: in agreement with the delay; working diligently with the builders throughout this process
-Question JR: confirming that Z Williams is providing previously discussed written agreement?
Z Williams: we are working to get the written commitment that was discussed and will provide to commissioners before it is time to vote
-Question LCJ: will this be a substitute?
Z Williams: expect a memorandum to the County on the vendor's obligations; not an addendum to this amendment

New Agenda Items:

[2020-1269](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

LB - Invitation No. 20-101212 Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant - Ozone Generators Design and Installation: for use by The Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the design, installation, and the commission of two (2) ozone generators, including all supporting components, to operate in parallel with two existing generators. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Heavy Constructors, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$7,112,900.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/9/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-currently in OIIA >\$3M

-R Wells: Part of ongoing CIP. 1 is inoperable and needs replacement. The second generator requires maintenance. There is a third but it is currently not in need of maintenance/update. These generators were put into service in 2007

-J Greene: this was received on Friday so it is still in audit; working on that and will have the results of audit back to commissioners

[2021-2015](#)

Commission District(s): 1, 6 & 7

Change Order No. 2 to Agenda Item 2020-0345 Water Facilities to resurface SR13/Buford Hwy from Chamblee Tucker Rd to Gwinnett County Line additional \$63,336

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-R Wells: Additional valve boxes/manholes that need to be adjusted to grade that weren't initially accounted for in the initial IGA. An agenda item was needed to increase the previously voted upon \$81K approval in Fall 2020. Thus the change order is needed here in 2021; the total amount will be around \$144K requested b/c they can't get an invoice due to it exceeding the initial \$81K that was awarded.

-this item may need a substitute to change the districts being applied to. D1 may actually be involved. Z Williams looking into this

2021-2026

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 8 to Contract No.: 14-902868 for Engineering and Design Services for Public Works Transportation and Infrastructure Improvements: for use by the Department of Public Works - Transportation. This contract consists of the design and construction of various roadway projects. Awarded to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$1,100,000.00.

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Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-D Pelton (Transportation): for completion of the 2 projects that have begun, and will give them the ability to make needed updates

Glenwood Road sidewalks (from Columbia Rd to Covington); funded by SPLOST

Bigger project: Glenn Emerald Park Dam repair - R Lemke states this change order is due to this being such a long project that requires updates over time

-Question LCJ: what is the time of the extension?

D Pelton: this item doesn't extend the time, this is just for the increasing of the contract amount. An extension of time was already approved in Dec 2020

2021-2092

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia declaring its intent to enter into a lease/purchase agreement with a third party vendor to finance the cost of the acquisition of certain sanitation vehicles and other vehicles and equipment now estimated not to exceed \$6.7 million and to reimburse itself for expenditures made in connection with the acquisition of such vehicles and equipment.ody

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-will also be heard in FAB

-Z Williams: purpose is to use vehicles we have purchased as collateral and use that collateral toward a low interest lease agreement for better allocation of funds/savings

-LCJ: first time hearing of equipment used as collateral

V Ernstes: We have not done a reimbursement resolution in the past

-Z Williams: another agenda item would be created later for the funds

-T Lauth (Law): this is a lease purchase transaction. The County would adopt a reimbursement resolution. Lookback period is up to 60 days after the resolution adoption date - any sanitation vehicles purchased during that period can have the proceeds go back into the Fund

-LCJ: I would like to see the document on the transaction. We may need to defer until we see the documentation, with this not being time sensitive. Nor do I see a \$ amount

Z Williams: amount is \$6.7M; the resolution wouldn't be created until after this item 2092 is approved first

-T Lauth: does not obligate the county to enter into this resolution

-Question RP: where would we get the \$ to repay this?

Z Williams: we anticipate that the existing fees should be sufficient. We will have conversations later to discuss fees; we are currently evaluating this now

-RP: would be more comfortable if we understood what we are going forward on

Z Williams: Will provide amortization schedule and other items for consideration in the financial piece; also to note is that this is going to FAB committee also. It will be back in committee

V Ernstes: think of this resolution as a technical issue, preserving your right at a future time to have the option to buy equipment and reimburse from General proceeds.

Meeting Ended At: 4:59 PM

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

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC