



DeKalb County Government

178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030

Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee of the Whole

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, Presiding Officer, District 2

Commissioner Nicole Massiah, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 3

Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Commissioner Chakira Johnson, District 4

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

Commissioner Dr. LaDena Bolton, Super District 7

Thursday, March 6, 2025

9:00 AM

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

Attendance

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

Tentative Agenda

This Agenda is not final and subject to change, as the agenda for the Regular Board of Commissioners' meeting is set at the Committee of the Whole.

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Reports

B. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for March 11, 2025

PROPOSED PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Airport

[2025-0213](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized Office Space Agreement with Skybound Aviation, LLC. There is no cost to the County.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2025-0222](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized Office Space Agreement with Skybound Aviation, LLC. There is no cost to the County.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

- [2025-0270](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Ben Bierbaum. There is no cost to the County.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Finance

- 2025-0347** Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Terminate for convenience DeKalb County Contract No. 1310425, between the County and PFM financial Advisors, LLC for financial advisory services.
This agenda item was removed

- 2025-0348** Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Approve the contract with Piper Sandler for financial advisory services and associated services as reflected in the attached scope of work.
This agenda item was removed

Public Safety

- [2025-0362](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Amendment to Code Section 16-43
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2025-0145](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 2000048 Uniformed Security Guard Services (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Police Services (PS) to be utilized by all County Departments. This contract consists of providing Armed and/or Unarmed Security Guard Services at various County facilities. This request seeks consent to assign the contract and all remaining contract funds and term with Pinnacle Security Inc. dba Paradigm Security Services to Universal Protection Service, LLC dba Allied Universal. There will be no change in existing contract terms or conditions.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2025-0041](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 6
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1309894 On-Demand Architectural and Engineering Consulting Services at DeKalb Peachtree Airport (multi-year): for use by the DeKalb Peachtree (PDK) Airport. This contract consists of providing on-demand architectural and engineering services for the PDK Airport. This request seeks to amend the contractor's schedule of fees, as originally executed in the contract's scope of work to reflect the renegotiated fees for the year 2025. Awarded to Michael Baker International, Inc.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0167](#) Commission District(s): ALL
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0008 Networking Equipment and Related Services: for use by Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let Networking Equipment and Related Services Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0008 for the annual maintenance and support of the County's Juniper network equipment. Awarded to Juniper Networks (US), Inc., c/o MGT Impact Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$510,833.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0172](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1274583 for Voting Equipment (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Voter Registration & Elections (VRE). Consists of the purchase of electronic voting software and hardware products. This request seeks approval to ratify a previously provided sixty (60) day contract term increase, effective January 1, 2025. This request also seeks to increase the contract term through December 31, 2025. Awarded to: Dominion Voting Systems Inc. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0180](#) Commission District(s): ALL
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-NVPUT3229-0001 Data Communication Products & Services: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let SWC No. 99999-SPD-NVPUT3229-0001 for the annual maintenance and support of the County's Palo Alto network equipment. Awarded to Palo Alto Networks, Inc., c/o MGT Impact Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$705,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0231](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1279477 Software and Ancillary Services (SWC 99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0006): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This contract consists of the annual purchase of Microsoft (MS) Azure SCE service credits to operate the County's business systems and data storage. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided forty (40) day contract term increase, effective as of February 22, 2025. This request also seeks a contract funds and term increase through April 30, 2025. Awarded to Dell Marketing, LP. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,001,600.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2025-0183](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Contract No. 1322551 Horse Manure Removal for Little Creek Horse Farm to Seminole Landfill (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of hauling horse manure from Little Creek Horse Farm to Seminole Landfill. This request seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through February 28, 2026. This request also seeks to ratify a previously provided thirty (30) day contract term increase, effective March 1, 2025. Awarded to: Complete Facility Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$49,946.00.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 3/11/2025 .

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2025-0038](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1214031 Granite Rubble Stone (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA), and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the purchase of granite rubble stone used to address erosion control issues. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and term through March 31, 2026. Awarded to Bedrock Granite Co., Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,000.00.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0153](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 2000121 Fleet Management Technologies with Related Software Solutions (Sourcewell Contract No. 020221-RUB): for use by Public Works - Sanitation. This contract consists of providing new route management software for both service planning and execution with capabilities for static, dynamic and real-time routing assignments, scheduling and dispatching for the Sanitation division. This request seeks to increase the contract term through March 26, 2026. This request also seeks a Consent to Assignment to transfer the existing contract's remaining funds and contract term from Rubicon Global, LLC to Wastech Corporation.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0192](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1328331 DeKalb County's GDOT Gateways Landscaping Design, Installation, Enhancement, and Maintenance (Muti-Year): for use by Public Works - Sanitation & Beautification. This contract consists of providing landscaping design, installation, enhancement, maintenance, and litter/debris removal services at various locations within the County. This request seeks to increase funds for the continuous maintenance services of the permanent perennial cover for the wildflower plantings project. Awarded to Russell Landscape, LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$216,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

[2025-0224](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1296180: Ferric Chloride, Liquid Oxygen, & Various Chemicals (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of purchasing sodium hydroxide to treat wastewater and clean water for DeKalb County residents. This request seeks to increase the contract funds. Awarded to Univar Solutions USA, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,300,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

- [2025-0230](#) Commission District(s): All
REN- Contract Nos. 1333003, 1333006 and 1333013 Professional Inspection Services for Public Works (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation. This contract consists of providing inspection of Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) in the County. This request is to exercise the 2nd renewal option through May 31, 2026. Awarded to Atlas Technical, LLC; International Design Services, Inc., d/b/a IDS Global; and Terminus Land Surveying & Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,505,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

- [2025-0281](#) Commission District(s): 2 and 6
Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. Grant Award Zonolite Park
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 3/11/2025 .
- [2025-0282](#) Commission District(s): 5 and 7
Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. Grant Award Biffle Park
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 3/11/2025 .
- [2025-0284](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 6
Authorizing Atlanta Gas Light (AGL) a permanent easement on DeKalb County Property Parcel 15 051 01 002.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent
- [2025-0305](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 6
To authorize accepting funds from Ruby Collins Inc. for the right on entry onto DeKalb County property.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 3/11/2025 .

C. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

APPOINTMENTS

Board Of Commissioners

[2025-0340](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Placeholder Appointment to the Oversight Committee of the Office of the Independent Internal Audit - _____
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Appointment to the FAB-Finance, Audit & Budget Committee due back on 3/11/2025 .

Board of Commissioners - District 3

2025-0363 Commission District(s): District 3
To record the replacement of Tommy Travis as a District 3 representative for the Community Council and confirm the appointment of Muhammad Jihad as the District 3 representative for Community Council
This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2025-0333](#) Commission District(s): District 4
Reappoint District 4 Community Council Board Member Andrea Hart-Vann
This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2025-0334](#) Commission District(s): District 4
Reappoint district 4 Community Council Board member Victoria Webb.
This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2025-0335](#) Commission District(s): District 4
Reappoint district 4 Community Council Board member Wendell Love.
This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

PRELIMINARY

Board Of Commissioners

[2025-0339](#) Commission District(s): ALL
Approval of Minutes for the March 6, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2025-0343](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
To Amend Item 2024-1474 as Previously Adopted on November 12, 2024, Adopting the Board of Commissioners' 2025 Regular Business and Committee of the Whole Calendar.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/6/2025 .

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2025-0342](#) Commission District(s): District 1
To approve the appropriations of an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the renewal of a Contract Agreement for TobinInk for an additional year
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Clerk to the Board of Commissioner and CEO

[2025-0265](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of February 4, 2025.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2025-0317](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of February 25, 2025
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

D. Review/Recap of New Items for the BOC Agenda

E. Items Previously Heard

ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2025-0204](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A Resolution of the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners
Condemning the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Raids
Conducted on January 26, 2025, and Affirming DeKalb County's
Commitment to Diversity, Inclusion, and the Safety of all Residents.

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2024-0935](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Resolution Establishing an Affordable Housing Trust Fund for
DeKalb County, Georgia

Clerk to the Board of Commissioner and CEO

[2025-0082](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of
January 14, 2025

[2025-0170](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of
January 28, 2025

[2025-0232](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of
February 11, 2025

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2025-0085](#) Commission District(s): ALL
REN - Contract No. 1374826 for Irrigation, Maintenance, and Repair
Services (Annual Contract 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use
by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA).
This contract consists of providing irrigation, installation, and repair
services for parks in DeKalb County. This request seeks to ratify a
previously provided sixty (60) day contract term increase effective
January 1, 2025. This request also seeks to exercise the 1st renewal
option through November 30, 2025. Awarded to: Atlanta Irrigation
Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$68,900.00.

- [2025-0086](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CA - Sourcewell Contract Number: GA-A01-040820-KBR, Indefinite Quantity Construction Contract - General Construction (Northern Georgia): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of construction contract services. This request seeks to purchase through the competitively let Sourcewell Contract for roof replacement at Hamilton Mill Recreation Center. Awarded to: Brown & Root Industrial Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$929,680.65.
- [2025-0088](#) Commission District(s): ALL
REN - Renewal No. 2 for Contract No. 1318919, EZGO Golf Cart Repair (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of golf cart repair and maintenance. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided sixty (60) day contract term increase effective February 1, 2025. This request also seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through January 31, 2026. Awarded to: Fat Boys Golf Carts, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$50,000.00.
- [2025-0136](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1289411 Restroom and Shower Facility Solutions (Sourcewell Contract No. 081721-RMT): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the purchase, installation, and all things necessary for the purchase and installation of public restrooms and other structures. This request seeks additional funding due to unforeseen delays in construction scheduling resulting in material and labor price escalation. Awarded to: Romtec, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$257,220.03.
- [2025-0143](#) Commission District(s): All
RFP - Request for Proposal No. RFP No. 24-500671 Zoning Ordinance & Sign Ordinance Project: for use by the Department of Planning & Sustainability (P&S). Consists of providing consulting services for updates to the zoning ordinance and the sign ordinance. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer who is responsive and responsible: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$680,000.00.

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

- [2024-1420](#) Commission District(s): 2 & 6
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1366762 Right Turn Lane on Briarlake Road at Briarcliff Road (180 days): for use by Public Works-Transportation. This contract consists of the construction of a right turn lane at the Briarlake Road intersection with Briarcliff Road, including related curb, ramps, and sidewalk. This request seeks approval to ratify previously provided sixty (60) day contract term increase, effective January 1, 2025. This request also seeks approval to increase the contract funds and contract term through December 31, 2025. Awarded to: SD&C, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$55,250.86.
- [2025-0001](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101674 Engine and Generator Maintenance and Repair (Annual Contract with Two (2) Options to Renew): for use by Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of maintenance and repair of engines and generators. Recommend award to the sole bidders who are responsive and responsible: Power and Energy Services and Generator Maintenance of Georgia, dba Sage Properties, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,925,000.00.
- [2025-0003](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101671 Electrical Switchgear Inspection and Repair (Annual Contract with Two (2) Options to Renew) for use by Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing inspection and repair of switchgear equipment at water and wastewater treatment plants. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: TRC Engineers, Inc. and Brown Electrical Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,250,000.00.
- [2025-0008](#) Commission District(s): All
RA - Ratification of Purchase Order No. 5017519 for Tree Removal Services (Emergency Purchase): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). This request seeks to ratify an issued purchase order for the emergency purchase of tree removal services to clear blocked roads and ensuring emergency access during the state of emergency caused by Hurricane Helene. Awarded to ArborServ Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$225,150.00.

[2025-0040](#) Commission District(s): All
SS - UtiliSphere Software (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing a three-year UtiliSphere software subscription for optimizing field workforce operations, managing underground assets, and ensuring compliance with the GA811 System. This request seeks to establish a three-year agreement with Irth Solutions, Inc. and to ratify Purchase Order No. 1377624 for the subscription fee from March 2024 to February 2025. Awarded to Irth Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$199,018.68.

[2025-0064](#) Commission District(s): All
SS - Rockwell Automation/Allen-Bradley Parts and Services (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing Rockwell Automation/Allen-Bradley hardware and services. This request seeks to establish a three-year agreement with McNaughton-McKay Electric Company to assist in maintaining the functionality and ensure the continued operation of critical machinery at the Scott Candler, Snapfinger, and Pole Bridge plants in DeKalb County, GA. The parts and services support vital systems such as Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs), Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs), and other equipment, which are essential for controlling and maintaining machinery functionality in water treatment processes. Awarded to McNaughton-McKay Electric Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,100,000.00.

[2025-0067](#) Commission District(s): ALL
RA - Ratification of Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1350952, DeKalb Industrial Way at Milscott Drive Traffic Signal (270 days): for use by Public Works - Transportation (PW-T). This contract consists of the installation of a traffic signal on DeKalb Industrial Way at Milscott Drive. This request seeks to ratify an issued Purchase Order for work that had to be completed in the field for the traffic signal project, while in-progress. Awarded to: Brooks Berry Haynie & Associates. Amount Not To Exceed: \$24,000.25.

- [2025-0138](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract 1275646 for Manhole Castings and Accessories (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for the use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the purchase of manhole castings and accessories. This request seeks to increase contract funds for use by R&D. Awarded to Ferguson Waterworks. Amount Not To Exceed: \$20,000.00.
- [2025-0140](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101670 - Fence & Gate Repair (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management, Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation. Consists of the repair and installation of fences and gates throughout the County. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Executive Realty Solutions, Inc. and Wainwright Construction Inc. dba Wayne Construction. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,294,400.00
- [2025-0144](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Vacuum Truck Services (Cobb County Contract No. 24-6825): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let Cobb County contract for the removal and final disposal of materials, such as sand, silt, and/or sewage sludge utilizing vacuum truck services for treatment plants. Awarded to Allsouth Environmental Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.
- [2025-0146](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101687 Sanitary Sewer Chemical Root Control (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract) for use by Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of treating portions of the County's gravity sewer system with a chemical root control herbicide. Recommend award to the sole responsive and responsible bidder: Duke's Root Control, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$19,685,670.00.

[2025-0147](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101686 Roadway Bulk De-Icing (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of the purchase of de-icing materials to make the sand/salt mixture used to maintain the County's roadways, parking lots and sidewalks. Recommend award to the sole responsive and responsible bidder: F.M. Shelton, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$150,000.00.

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2025-0181](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Adoption of the DeKalb County Trails and Greenway Master Plan.

Watershed Management

[2025-0177](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 7
Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with Company with a Contribution of \$216,000.00.

[2025-0201](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
The Authorization of a Georgia Power Easement for the Department of Watershed Management located at 1640 Roadhaven Drive

[2025-0211](#) Commission District(s): All
Watershed Management Capital Improvement Plan for 2025 through 2034

II. Special Called Meeting

A. Executive Session

B. Other Matters