

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Presiding Officer, District 4
Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Deputy, District 7*

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 Loraine 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

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Office, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernstes, County Attorney

Work Session

I. Committee of the Whole

A. Committee Report

B. CEO Michael Thurmond - CARES Act Update – Small Business Loan Program

C. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for July 28, 2020

D. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

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

F. Items Previously Heard

II. Special Call Meeting

2020-0846 Commission District(s): All
To Convene a Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to convene a Special Call Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 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

- 2020-0847** Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
2020 DeKalb Board of Education Budget Resolution
MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:
- Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
- Recused:** 1 - Commissioner Nancy Jester
- 2020-0848** Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
To Add an Item
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:
- Yes:** 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
- 2020-0849** Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
To amend the ordinance to require the wearing of a face covering or mask while in public places in DeKalb County, previously adopted on July 14, 2020 [item no. 2020-0597], so as to revise the penalty provisions to require individuals who violate the ordinance a second time to attend a COVID-19 class to avoid a fine; revise the provision regarding fines to be imposed for certain violations of the ordinance; provide an exception to certain penalties for individuals who file an affidavit documenting their status as conscientious objectors to the mask requirement; and make related clarifying changes.
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
- No:** 1 - Commissioner Nancy Jester

2020-0850 Commission District(s): All
Motion to Recess the Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Rader, seconded by Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to recess the Special Called Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 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

2020-0851 Commission District(s): All
Motion to Reconvene the Special Called Meeting
MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Rader, seconded by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to reconvene the Special Called Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 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

A. Executive Session

2020-0852 Commission District(s): All
To Convene an Executive Session Meeting
MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Rader, seconded by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to convene an Executive Session Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 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

2020-0853 Commission District(s): All
To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

MOTION was made by Commissioner Nancy Jester, seconded by Commissioner Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting. Commissioner Larry Johnson did not return after the Executive Session ended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Larry Johnson

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Commissioner Jeff Rader, seconded by Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the July 23, 2020 Special Called Meeting at 12:45 p.m. Commissioner Larry Johnson did not return after the Executive Session ended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Nancy Jester, Commissioner Jeff Rader, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Kathie Gannon, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Larry Johnson

Steve Bradshaw

Stephen R. Bradshaw
Presiding Officer

Michael Thurmond

Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer

Barbara Sanders-Norwood

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County Clerk

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