

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

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

*Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1
Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2
Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5
Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6
Commissioner Gregory Adams, 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 Gregory Adams

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

A. INSPIRATIONAL

Imam SH Salahadin Wazir
Ethiopian Higher Islamic Supreme Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Gregory Adams
District 7

B. PRESENTATIONS

Recognizing DeKalb County Law Enforcement and David Manuel

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Public Comments portion of this meeting is reserved exclusively for comments from the public, and not for immediate reply. Statements made during the Public Comments portion do not necessarily reflect the Opinions of the Board or the Administration of DeKalb County Government.

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. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. 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 and yelling will not be permitted. A show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position

1. Charles McCorkle, Apostle, 4225 Snapfinger Woods Drive Decatur, GA 30035 – Spoke regarding transparency in DeKalb County government, and the importance of constituent involvement.
2. Susan “Diane” Taylor, 2322 Veana Dr. Decatur, GA 30034 – Spoke in support of any agenda items regarding the maintenance of Sugar Creek Golf Course.
3. Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021 – Suggested Commissioners increase Public Comment time to 60 minutes, hire additional ambulance services, thanked CEO Thurmond for creating the Charter Review Commission, and that the Cash-Bail system be removed.
4. Joel Edwards, 2129 Tudor Castle Way Decatur, GA 30035 – Thanked the Board of Commissioners and CEO for their support during the loss of his son.
5. Linda Jones, 1971 Redwood Trace Ellenwood, GA 30294 – Spoke concerning trash at the Greenforest subdivision and the non-responsiveness of the appropriate agencies, graffiti on the pavement at the entrance, and problems with a water drain at 1971 Redwood Trace.
6. Joe Arrington, 466 S. Rays Rd. Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding disappointment with the increase in Commissioner’s salaries without a proper increase in Police salaries.
7. Henri Jordan, 763 Lee Andrew Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315 – Read Bible verses Matthew 18:6, Genesis 12:3, Isaiah 48:22, and II Corinthians 1:10.

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 presents 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, please complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If you have any documents for the Commissioners, please provide 10 copies when approaching the podium. Seven copies are for the Commissioners and the remaining copies are for the planning director, the county attorney and the clerk. Applicants or citizens speaking in favor of an item shall speak first and applicants in zoning ordinance cases shall have the right to reserve time for rebuttal. Opponents of a zoning ordinance item shall have no right of rebuttal. Once the citizens have finished speaking, staff shall make a recommendation for action to the commission. At this point, citizens are no longer allowed to speak unless called to the podium by an individual commissioner to answer questions or provide information. When speaking, always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating your name, address and the name of any organization you represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping and yelling to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Planning & Sustainability

[2017-1476](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Amendment to Chapter 27-7.1.2, D of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance, and Section 1117 of Appendix B Home Rule Ordinances related to the duties and procedures for the Planning Commission to be consistent with the amended Bylaws. The amended Bylaws are in accordance with Sec. 21, Amendments of the DeKalb County Planning Commission Bylaws, dated July 9, 2003

Stephen M. Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021, spoke in opposition

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until April 10, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2018-1872](#) Commission District(s): District 6
Record the Appointment of James Alec Gelin to the Initiative for a Green DeKalb Advisory Board

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

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

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2018-1812](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
To transfer \$85,000.00 from 2006 Parks Bond District account 104246.80461.541200.01.601733 to fund a Park Pride grant match for Briarlake Forest Park

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

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

[2018-1815](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
To transfer \$25,000.00 from 2001 Parks Bond District 2 account 100585.80314.541200.06.600020 to fund a Park Pride grant match for Frazier-Rowe Park.

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

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

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2018-1873](#) Commission District(s): District 5
To Transfer \$100,000.00 from 2001 Parks Bond District 5 Account 100632.80314.541100.05.600013 to Create a Lithonia Park Development Account

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

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

District Attorney

[2018-1813](#) Commission District(s): ALL
Acceptance of Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Grant to District Attorney's Office
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1813, 2018-1783, 2018-1759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Works - Fleet Management

[2018-1783](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Grant Acceptance: Vehicle Technologies Deployment Grant
Funding, Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and
Renewable Energy (EERE)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1813, 2018-1783, 2018-1759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2018-1759](#) Commission District(s): 3, 7
Meadowbrook Acres Sign Topper Placement
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1813, 2018-1783, 2018-1759 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Community Development

[2018-1801](#) Commission District(s): All
Amendment to Community Development Lease - Contract #1092034
MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until April 10, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

District Attorney

[2018-1828](#)

Commission District(s): All
Replacement to the Fleet-District Attorney

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be to defer the substitute submitted from the floor and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson

Finance - Risk Management

[2018-1852](#)

Commission District(s): All districts.
Employee & Pre-65 Retiree Group Health Benefits for 2018-2019

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved to table. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to take off the table. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to table until the end of the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to take off the table. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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

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

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2018-1752](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - On Call Roof Maintenance, Repair and Replacement Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1010160 and 1010162 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of maintaining, repairing and installing various types of roofs on County owned facilities. Awarded to National Building Contractors, Inc. and National Property Institute, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$506,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Items 2018-1752 and 2018-1785 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1785](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Maintenance, Cleaning & Inspection of Fuel Tanks including Removal, Relocation and Installation (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1055622 for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. Consists of maintaining, cleaning and inspecting multiple fuel tanks to ensure clean fuel is dispensed to County fleet and removing, relocating and installing fuel tanks as needed. Awarded to SP Petroleum Transporters. Amount Not To Exceed: \$175,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Items 2018-1752 and 2018-1785 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2018-1741](#)

Commission District(s): 4 and 7
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Picnic Pavilion at Wade Walker Park: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of the purchase and installation of a picnic pavilion at Wade Walker Park. Awarded to Poligon by PorterCorp. Amount Not To Exceed: \$48,453.70.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Items 2018-1741, 2018-1748, 2018-1750 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1748](#)

Commission District(s): 4 and 7

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Restroom Building at Wade Walker Park: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of installation of a prefabricated restroom building at Wade Walker Park. Awarded to CXT Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$137,827.94.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Items 2018-1741, 2018-1748, 2018-1750 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1750](#)

Commission District(s): 3

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Musco Lighting System at Sugar Creek Golf Course and Tennis Facility: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of the purchase and installation of an automated lighting system at Sugar Creek Golf Course and Tennis Facility. Awarded to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$419,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Items 2018-1741, 2018-1748, 2018-1750 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee[2018-1588](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 17-100859 Repair Parts for Waterlines (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of supplying repair parts and associated labor to repair waterlines. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Core & Main LP. Amount Not To Exceed: \$514,981.82.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1615](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 17-100860 HDPE Pipe Liners (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of supplying HDPE pipe liners. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Civil Works. Amount Not To Exceed: \$893,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be to approve a 1 year contract. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1654](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Thermoplastic Traffic Pavement Marker (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1020946 and 1011443 for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing thermoplastic pavement marking materials to paint road lines. Awarded to Ozark Materials, LLC and Ennis Flint, Inc (formerly Ennis Paint, Inc.). Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$80,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1686](#)

Commission District(s): All
SS - Non-pathogenic anaerobic bacteria chemical: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing a unique blend of non-pathogenic anaerobic bacteria for fats, oil and grease (FOG) and hydrogen sulfide reduction program. Awarded to State Chemical Manufacturing Company d/b/a State Chemical Solutions. Amount Not To Exceed: \$390,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1698](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Roadway Bulk De-Icing Materials (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1056592 and 1056600 for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of the purchase of de-icing materials to make the sand/salt mixture used to maintain the County's roadways, parking lots, and sidewalks. Awarded to F.M. Shelton and Compass Minerals. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$89,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1702](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 7
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1068774 Annual Water and Sewer Construction (Annual with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the installation and repair of varying size water and sewer pipes. Awarded to The Renee Group, Inc./CamKen Consulting, Inc., JV. Amount Not To Exceed: \$9,677,049.75.

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

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

No: 1 - Commissioner Jester

[2018-1719](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Adjustment and Replacement of Manhole Rings, Covers and Valve Boxes (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No.1048307 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the repair of manhole rings, covers and valve boxes that need to be replaced, adjusted and/or reinstalled. Awarded to Metals and Materials Engineers, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,470,900.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1740](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Fire Hydrant Replacement, Repair Parts and Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1012093 and 1012097 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of providing service, repair and replacement of parts for fire hydrants. Awarded to Georgia Hydrant Services, Inc. and American Flow Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1588, 2018-1654, 2018-1686, 2018-1698, 2018-1719, 2018-1740 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1757](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1063708 Professional Consulting Services to DeKalb County Office of the Chief Executive Officer: for use by the Office of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing consulting services to review the County's Consent Decree Program. Awarded to VNF Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2017-0086](#) 2017 Blight Resolution
MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Planning and Sustainability

[2018-1533](#) Commission District(s): All
An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15 of the DeKalb County Code regarding Business Occupancy Taxes
MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred, until April 24, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

2018-1658

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 17-100902 for Uniforms for County Employees (Annual Contract with 4 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Public Works (Roads & Drainage, Fleet Management and Sanitation), Public Safety (Police Services, E911, and Fire Rescue Services), Watershed Management, Beautification, Code Enforcement, Solicitor General's Office, Marshal's Office, Facilities Management, Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs and DeKalb Peachtree Airport. Consists of the purchase of work uniforms. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: NAFECO and E.R. Partridge, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,049,161.74.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1658 and 2018-1789 were heard together. Commissioner Kathie Gannon was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Gannon

2018-1789

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Two Way Radios: for use by Fire Rescue Services (FRS). Consists of the purchase of 333 portable radios and accessories. Awarded to Motorola Solutions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,800,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1658 and 2018-1789 were heard together. Commissioner Kathie Gannon was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Gannon

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2018-1666](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Installation of Voice, Data and Multi-Media Cabling (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1058193 for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT).

Consists of installing cabling in County-owned facilities. Awarded to GC&E Systems Group, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.

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

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

[2018-1689](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 977669 for Keyscan Access Systems, Installation, Maintenance and Repairs: for use by the Department for Facilities Management (FM). Consists of installation, maintenance and repair services for the Aurora Keyscan Access Systems hardware. Awarded to Southeastern Security Professionals, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,000.00.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1689 and 2018-1690 were heard together. Commissioner Larry Johnson was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

[2018-1690](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1024762 for Maintenance, Support, and Professional Services for Comprehensive Property Tax Billing and Collections System (iasWorld) (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of updating property values and expanding the iasWorld application for data access and transparency. Awarded to Tyler Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$381,705.00

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1689 and 2018-1690 were heard together. Commissioner Larry Johnson was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

[2018-1699](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 13-902635 for Outsourcing of Animal Services for DeKalb County, Georgia (Multiyear Contract): for use by Animal Services Enforcement. Consists of providing animal sheltering operations and services. Awarded to Lifeline Animal Project, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,027,664.00.

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

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

[2018-1788](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 1052207 and 1052210 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing on-call HVAC services for residential, commercial and industrial properties. Awarded to Mann Mechanical Company, LLC and Galgon HVAC Mechanical Services, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

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

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2018-1656](#)

Commission District(s): 3

LB - Invitation No. 17-100904 for Sugar Creek Tennis Courts Resurfacing: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of resurfacing hard and clay tennis courts. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: McGrath Industries dba Talbot Tennis. Amount Not To Exceed: \$107,050.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1656, 2018-1659, 2018-1664, 2018-1687 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1659](#)

Commission District(s): 5
REN - Lifeguard and Pool Services at Browns Mill Family Aquatic Facility (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1012065 for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of providing lifeguard services. Awarded to StandGuard Aquatics, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$190,000.00.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1656, 2018-1659, 2018-1664, 2018-1687 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1664](#)

Commission District(s): All
C - Cancellation of Contract No. 995553 for Landscape Maintenance Service for use by Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of providing landscaping and maintenance services for County public grounds and parks sites. This request is to terminate for convenience and award to MJ Lawn and Maintenance Services, Inc. and Flex Landscaping. Monthly Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1656, 2018-1659, 2018-1664, 2018-1687 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1687](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Picnic Pavilions at Fork Creek Mountain Park: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of purchase and installation of picnic pavilions at Fork Creek Mountain Park. Awarded to Poligon by PorterCorp. Amount Not To Exceed: \$147,675.50.

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1656, 2018-1659, 2018-1664, 2018-1687 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2017-0630](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 14-902800 Consent Decree Program Management Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Awarded to CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$13,449,713.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on April 10, 2018. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw was out of the room and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Rader, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

[2017-1313](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 17-100894 Sanitary Sewer System Easement Clearing Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of clearing vegetation along the County Sanitary Sewer System Easements. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Georgia Power Company Forestry Services and Casey Tree Experts, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,348,900.00

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2017-1320](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 17-100892 Sanitary Sewer Chemical Root Control (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of sanitary sewer chemical root control. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Duke's Root Control, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$1,853,600.00

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2017-1460](#)

Commission District(s): All
REN - Hydrofluosilicic Acid (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1054131 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of Hydrofluosilicic Acid to treat DeKalb County's drinking water. Awarded to UNIVAR USA Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$202,320.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2017-1468](#)

Commission District(s): All
RFP - Request for Proposals No. 17-500456 Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study for Ongoing Sewer Assessment and Rehabilitation Program (OSARP): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of performing an evaluation study on wastewater collection system assets as part of the Consent Decree's Ongoing Sewer Assessment Program. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,753,291.00

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1530](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Fence and Gate Installation and Repair (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1005787 for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Watershed Management (DWM) and Recreation Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the purchase of the installation and repair of fences and gates. Awarded to ASAP Landscape Management Group. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1570](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Ready Mix Concrete (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1009130 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and Transportation. This contract consists of providing ready mix concrete for road patching, curbs and sidewalks. Awarded to SiteMix, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$250,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1582](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 17-100907 Purchase of Supply, Installation and Removal of Traffic Signs: for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of the supply, installation and removal of traffic signs. Recommend award to the lowest, responsible and responsive bidder: Blackjack Paving, Sealing & Stripping, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$265,080.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1661](#)

Commission District(s): All

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 17-500466 Land and Easement Acquisition Services (Annual with 3 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing land and easement acquisition services and other related activities related to land and easement acquisition. Recommend award to highest scoring proposer: Moreland Altobelli Associates, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1684](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Stone, Crushed Granite (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1007554 and 1007556 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of providing crushed granite stone for use in various applications. Awarded to F.M. Shelton, Inc., and Stephens Industries, LP. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,135,000.00.

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[2018-1691](#)

Commission District(s): All

SS -Rockwell Automation Software and Services (Sole Source): Contract No. 1042136 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing support and services for Rockwell Automation software products currently being utilized to run Scott Candler Plant computerized control system. Awarded to McNaughton-McKay Southeast Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$250,000.00

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2018-1786](#)

Commission District(s): Districts 4 & 6
GA DOT George Luther Drive Acquisition

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1313, 2017-1320, 2017-1460, 2017-1468, 2018-1530, 2018-1570, 2018-1582, 2018-1661, 2018-1684, 2018-1691, 2018-1786 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Watershed Management

[2017-1184](#)

Commission District(s): All
Reallocation of Project Budgets Within the 2011A Bond Fund

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred 2 weeks, until April 10, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**1. Commissioner Nancy Jester mentioned the following:**

- Gave briefing to the Dunwoody City Council of things going on
- Tucker Middle School is hosting a rising 6th grade parent night Thursday March 29th at 6 p.m.
- Event to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Dunwoody tornado at the Kingsley Swim and Tennis clubhouse on Sunday April 8th from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Easter Egg Hunt at Blackburn Park on Saturday March 31st from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Today in 1912, the first Japanese cherry trees were planted on the northern bank of the Potomac

2. Commissioner Larry Johnson mentioned the following:

- Thanked the CEO, regional administrator Ashlee Bell, and Ms. Bussey for doing an outstanding job for the Business showcase, “Reclaiming our Roots”
- Thanked Ms. Antoinett Tuft and the student panel for “Kids on the Move”
- Thanked Grady Hospital for the award given to the Commissioners at the White Coat gala
- Participated in and sponsored a bill for “Single Parent Day” at the capitol
- On Saturday March 24th, threw the first pitch for the Belvedere Little League baseball game
- Congratulations to the new pastor at Mt. Welcome, Rev. Aaron Robinson
- 50th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on April 4th
- 15th annual clean-up drive on Memorial Dr. on March 31st, Wesley Chapel on April 7th, Candler Road on April 14th, and Gresham Road on April 21st

3. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw read the following comments:

Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer. Good morning everyone.

As I continue in my growth and development as a commissioner, I had the opportunity to attend training on Property Valuation and Taxation on March 15th and 16th in Tifton, GA. The training is part of the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) certification process. The information that was presented in this class was very interesting. And as always, I enjoy interacting with other county commissioners from around the state of Georgia. I commend ACCG for providing this kind of professional development for us.

On March 19th I was honored to speak at the Montreal Woods Civic Association meeting. As usual I engaged in a lively discussion with our constituents on a number of issues. I would like to thank association President Angela Ross for the invitation. I look forward to returning again in the future.

Since we last met, I spent the balance of my time visiting with family in Wisconsin.

As always you may call our office at 404-371-4749 for any assistance that you might need. Once again I would like to thank the citizens of District 4 for trusting me with this responsibility. It is indeed an honor to serve. Thank you Mr. Presiding Officer.

4. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson read the following comments:

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

I would like to begin my comments by commending all of the students and those who supported our youth this past weekend in the March for Our Lives event. There were many marches held across this Country and here in the City of Atlanta. Hank and I were very proud to stand with our future leaders who are not waiting to take a stand for change that needs to occur in this Country. I encourage everyone to support our youth as they take a stand for their lives and for their future. I was so proud to stand with them for this historic movement. Our good friends, Congressman John Lewis and Jonathan Ossoff were there with us and many others!

A special shout out to the Purchasing Department and the Community Development Department for providing very informative and insightful information at the District 5 ABC's of Doing Business with DeKalb County Town Hall Meeting last Thursday. We will be posting links to the information shared for those who were unable to attend the meeting. A special shout out to Ms. Talisa Clark, Mr. Allen Mitchell, Mr. Felton Williams and Mr. Berry Williams for helping to make this meeting a success.

Last weekend, my staff attended a Birthday Celebration and presented a proclamation to Mayor Marcia Glenn Hunter, former Mayor of Lithonia. I understand that they had a grand time and I would like to wish my friend, Marcia a Happy Belated Birthday.

This past weekend, the Junior League of DeKalb County and Stoneview Elementary

hosted their Community Day. I did not get an opportunity to stop through, however, I wanted to recognize them for the good work they are doing in the District and thank them for partnering in education to make our community stronger and better for our children.

I am looking forward to the CEO's State of the County Address tomorrow and Thursday. I encourage all residents in DeKalb to come out and here the wonderful things that are happening in DeKalb and the significant progress that we have made and that we are making in this County. The evening State of the County Address will be held in my District at the Lou Walker Senior Center located at 2538 Panola Road, Lithonia, GA 30058 at 7:00 PM this Thursday.

I am looking forward to joining the Georgia Coalition of Black Women for their Women's History Month Celebration this Friday. I would like to once again give a very special shout out to women for the many great, sheroic, contributions that we continue to make to this County, the State, this Nation, and this World. I always say, if you want to get something done, have a woman to do it, because it will be sure to get accomplished. We get it done! Happy Women's History Month!

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

5. Commissioner Kathie Gannon mentioned the following:

- I would like to thank the DeKalb/Atlanta Seniors for inviting me attend their St. Patrick's Day celebration. Be sure to visit my Facebook page where you can see how we got together to begin the festivities
- I would like to take this time recognize youth from Metro-Atlanta and all over the country who participated in this past weekend's rally in supporting common sense gun controls. There is truly power in numbers and it was amazing to see so many young people protesting for a good cause. Let's continue to take a stand in this #NeverAgain effort
- Tomorrow March 28th, DeKalb County's North Central Police Department is having a Coffee with a Cop at the McDonald's located at 4075 Memorial Drive. Enjoy a cup and chat with officers from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. There is never

an agenda or speech, just an opportunity to enjoy coffee and conversation!

- Also on Wednesday March 28th at the DeKalb County-Clarkston Library located at 951 North Indian Creek Drive, the City of Clarkston Police will hold an Active shooter Awareness Class. With the dramatic rise in incidents, the Clarkston Police Department is providing this class to increase awareness and to assist in public preparedness in case something like this happens. Everyone is urged to attend this FREE class, so take advantage of this opportunity! For more information contact, Lt. Harry Hess, at 404-292-9465

- Don't forget that CEO Michael Thurmond will be giving his outlook for 2018 and SPLOST business update during two State of the County Addresses: The Atlanta Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort on March 28th at 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. and the Lou Walker Senior Center on March 29th at 7 p.m. You can register for the ticketed luncheon on Wednesday the 28th through a link at www.KathieGannon.com. However the event on Thursday the 29th at the Lou Walker Senior Center is free

- The deadline to apply for the DeKalb County Record Restriction, in advance of the Job fair and Summit, has been extended to Friday, March 30th. Register before it's too late. You can find the registration link on the homepage at www.KathieGannon.com. The event will take place at Saint Philip AME Church, located at 240 Candler Road on April 21st from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- On April 3rd and April 5th, DeKalb County Emergency Management Agency is hosting two FREE Community Emergency Response Team training Workshops. These training workshops are 9-weeks long. The first class, on April 3rd will take place Tuesdays from 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. The second class, on April 5th, will take place Thursdays from 7p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Both classes will be held at the DeKalb Fire and Rescue Headquarters located at 1950 West Exchange Place. They will be teaching DeKalb residents the essentials of what to do before and after a disaster occurs. These workshops are free for DeKalb residents but all participants must pass a background check. For more info and to register, visit www.KathieGannon.com, under "County Events..." and the link will be provided

- My office and I would like to wish Super District 6 a Joyous Easter Holiday. It was predicted Wednesday that the weather will take a turn for the better. So we also send you warm and colorful wishes as we welcome a long awaited Spring!

6. Commissioner Gregory Adams read the following comments:

On Tuesday, March 13th, I was delighted to attend County Line/Ellenwood Community's Black History Program at the Porter Sanford Performing Arts Center. It was great to hear the stories and to reflect on some of the great achievements of African Americans in history. Thank you Ms. Alice Bussey for coordinating a beautiful program.

March 15th- 16th, 2018, I drove down to Tifton, Georgia for continued education courses with the Association for County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG). I thoroughly enjoyed learning more about Property Taxation & Appraisal as it relates to the impact to our counties and our residents.

Saturday, March 17th, we attended Grady's White Coat Gala at the Georgia Aquarium. It was an honor to attend and to be recognized as a vital supporter and Champion of Grady Healthcare. Kudo's to my fellow Commissioners who were also recognized for their efforts and to the Grady Health System and Foundation's leadership that have allowed Grady to remain a vibrant and essential healthcare resource for the metro Atlanta community.

Thursday, March 22nd, my staff and I attended the annual meeting for the Stone Mountain Community Improvement District. The CID's ultimate goal is for every commercial property to reach its highest and best use. The Stone Mountain CID is rising to meet the challenges of our current economic climate in DeKalb County and I want to take a moment to commend Emory Morsberger on the great job he is doing with this organization. He had a full house of business owners and CEO Michael Thurmond, gave an update on county business. A big thank you to our business partners in the DeKalb County community and to our Police Officers at the East Precinct for their service and dedication to the our county.

Don't forget we are counting down to the Hidden Figures of DeKalb event on this Thursday, March 29th at the Porter Sanford III Performing Arts and Community Center, 3181 Rainbow Drive, Decatur, Georgia. We're going to have a great time honoring the achievements and advancements of DeKalb's Women.

For information on this and other events in Super District 7, please visit my website at: www.CommissionerGregoryAdams.com. As always, thanks to my district for allowing me the honor to serve. If you would like to contact me regarding questions, scheduling an event or meeting, please feel free to contact our office at 404-371-2899 Or gregoryadams@dekalbcountyga.gov.

7. Commissioner Jeff Radar read the following comments:

My office number is 404-371-2863 and my email is jrader@dekalbcountyga.gov. My website is www.commissionerrader.com. Also, please follow me on Facebook and Twitter using [@raderjeff](#).

Thank you to all who attended the Animal Services Advisory Board public meeting last week. Your input will help plan for the future and we appreciate your involvement. Thank you also to board members and to DeKalb County staff who supported this meeting.

And a big thank you to Central DeKalb Senior Center and Director Victoria Kingsland for hosting me at the center last Thursday. It is always a pleasure to be with our seniors and hear about areas of improvement we can undertake to better serve our citizens.

Upcoming...

- Civic Association Network monthly potluck and meeting will take place Wednesday, March 8th at 7pm at the Mack Love Building in Mason Mill Park
- DeKalb Public Transit Study Meeting will also take place Wednesday evening at 6:30pm at Brookhaven City Hall, 4362 Peachtree Road, NE. This meeting provides an opportunity to hear from transit experts and gain an overview of the study for cities and the county
- Next WD Thomson Park workday is April 7 at 9 a.m.
- Next Briarlake Forest Park workday is April 21st at 9:30 a.m.
- The Plein Air Invitational begins April 21st - 29th. Come enjoy painting in “plein” air at locations around Atlanta, featuring DeKalb’s Olmsted Linear Parks. For more information visit www.olmstedpleinair.com

In Library news...

- Tonight, a free Debt Clinic is offered at the Decatur Branch at 5:30 p.m.
- Friday the Red Cross will host a blood drive at the Decatur Branch from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Many branches of the library are offering AARP 2018 Tax Assistance for lower and middle-income taxpayers, with special attention to those 60 years of age and

older from now until April 17th. Check your local branch!

- The Senior Advisory Board meeting will take place at the Decatur Branch on Wednesday, April 25th at 1:30pm. Join us as we plan programming for senior citizens

I would like to wish those who celebrate Easter and Passover an enjoyable holiday this weekend and into next week. Please note my office will have limited availability next week during the DeKalb County School Spring Break, but phone calls and emails will be checked throughout the week.

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 Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, to recess the March 27, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson was present and not voting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk