

DeKalb County Government

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



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 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

Rev. Stephen Maginas
Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) Campus Minister at Emory University

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson
District 5

B. PRESENTATIONS

Black History Month- Hank Stewart
HOSEA HELPS

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. Joe Arrington, 466 S. Rays Rd. Stone Mountain, GA 30083 – Spoke regarding Commissioner's raises and asked commissioner's to take in consideration the salaries of Police Officers.
2. Melissa Thackery, 3982 Francine Dr. Decatur, GA 30033 – Asked Commissioners Gannon and Bradshaw to help facilitate a long standing issue between herself and Roads and Drainage.
3. Jane Grimmet, 2482 Echo Drive Atlanta, GA 30345 – Spoke regarding hazardous flooding at Briarcliff and Briarlake Roads.
4. Henri Jordan, 763 Lee Andrews Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315 – Read Bible verses Isaiah 14:12, I Peter 3:7, II Corinthians 13:8, Isaiah 13:11.
5. Charles McCorkle, Apostle, 4225 Snapfinger Woods Drive Decatur, GA 30035 – Spoke regarding concerns with the Planning and Sustainability Department being combined with the Finance Department, the House Bill to remove the CEO position, and Commissioner's raises.
6. Victoria Webb, 3137 Rockbridge Rd. Avondale Estates, GA 30002 – Petitioned the Board of Commissioners to appoint a DeKalb County Tree Commission.
7. Faye Cofield, 3261 Chaparral Way Lithonia, GA 30038 – Spoke regarding the need for the CEO position to remain, and the need to raise the starting salary for Public Safety officers.
8. Dr. Ed Williams, P.O. Box 361626 Decatur, GA 30036 – Spoke against salary increases for County Commissioners.
9. Jerry Myer Jackson Jr. 2587 Flat Shoals Rd. Decatur, GA 30034 – Spoke against salary increases for County Commissioners.
10. Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021 – Thanked Commissioners for proposing a 2 year moratorium on new city incorporations and annexations; stated there should be no change in County government, or any increase of County Commissioner and CEO salaries without the input and vote of citizens; spoke in support of a salary increase for Police and Fire.
11. Martha Gross, Briarcliff Rd. Atlanta, GA 30329 – Spoke regarding incomplete permits for businesses in the shopping centers on the corners of Briarcliff and Clairmont Roads and Briarcliff and Woodcliff Roads, and the need for more oversight on issuing liquor and business licenses.

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.

Chief Executive Office

[2018-1696](#) Commission District(s): All
2018 Operating Budget

Attachments: [Agenda Item 2-13-18](#)

Mike Cooper, 663 Ridge Ave. Stone Mountain, GA 30083, Charles Crane, 317 N. Clarendon Avenue Scottdale, GA 30079, spoke in favor.

Faye Coffield, 3261 Chaparral Way Lithonia, GA 30038, Joe Arrington, 466 S. Rays Rd. Stone Mountain, Ga 30083, spoke in opposition

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Larry Johnson, to amend the Budget as proposed on December 15, 2017 and as accepted onto the February 13, 2018 agenda as follows: 1. The fund balances, revenues, and expenditures presented as Schedule A are amended as proposed on Schedule 1, and 2. The capital projects listed on Schedule B are substitute in whole clarifying the intent of capital funding for Stormwater projects. 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

Substitute MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, to approve the amended Budget. 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

Planning & Sustainability

[2017-1130](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 4 & 6
To amend Chapter 27-3.36 the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance the text and map in the Scottdale Overlay District.

Attachments: [TA-18-21949 \(PROPOSED SCOTTDALE TEXT AMENDMENT\)](#)
[TA-18-21949 map Scottdale](#)
[2018 02.27 Item 2017-1130.pdf](#)

James Alec Gelin, 227 First Ave. Avondale Estates, GA 30002, Mario & George Click, 301 N. Clarendon Ave. Scottdale, GA 30079, Robbie Sammons, 3066 Wells Street Avondale Estates, GA 30002, Charles William (Bill) Crane, 317 North Clarendon Avenue Scottdale, GA 30079, Victoria Webb, 3137 Rockbridge Rd. Avondale Estates, GA 30002, spoke in favor

Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA 30021, Katherine Rhodes, 3432 Rockbridge Rd. Avondale Estates, GA 30002, Roy Gipson, 204, 206, 208, 212 Avondale Estates, GA 30002, Marcia Pearson, 313 N. Clarendon Ave. Scottdale, GA 30079, Mike Cooper, 663 Ridge Ave. Stone Mountain, GA (no zipcode), Michelle Battle, One West Court Sq. Suite 750 Decatur, GA 30030, spoke in opposition

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, to defer the substitute submitted from the floor for a full cycle, until May 22, 2018 Zoning 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

[2017-1120](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 5 &7
Text amendment to the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 27-3.5.15, Tier 3.

Attachments: [text amendment stonecrest zoning map](#)
[text amendment stonecrest](#)
[2018 02.27 Item 2017-1120.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor. 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

[2017-1476](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): All Commission districts
Amendment to Chapter 27-7.2.2, D of the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance 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.

Attachments: [TA-18-21948 PCBYLAWS2017Revised](#)
[TA-18-21948 Art 7 PC](#)
[2018 02.27 Item 2017-1476.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be to defer the substitute submitted from the floor to the next meeting, until March 13, 2018 for Public Hearing for second reading. 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

[2017-1488](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 5 & 7
Z-18-21942 Quik Trip Corporation.

Attachments: [Z-18-21942 Recommended Conditions](#)
[N12 Quik Trip Corp Z 18 21942](#)

Michelle Battle, One West Court Sq. Suite 750 Decatur, GA 30030, spoke in favor

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved with staff's 13 conditions. Items 2017-1488, 2017-1494, 2017-1495 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

[2017-1494](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 5 & 7
SLUP-18-21937 Quik Trip Corporation.

Attachments: [SLUP-18-21937 Recommended Conditions](#)
[N13 Quik Trip Corp SLUP 18 21937](#)

Michelle Battle, One West Court Sq. Suite 750 Decatur, GA 30030, spoke in favor

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved with staff's 14 conditions. Items 2017-1488, 2017-1494, 2017-1495 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

[2017-1495](#) COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 5 & 7
SLUP-18-21958 Quik Trip Corporation.

Attachments: [SLUP-18-21958 Recommended Conditions](#)
[N14 Quik Trip Corp SLUP 18 21958](#)

Michelle Battle, One West Court Sq. Suite 750 Decatur, GA 30030, spoke in favor

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved with staff's 14 conditions. Items 2017-1488, 2017-1494, 2017-1495 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 - Transportation

[2018-1665](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 7
Resolution, Order and Declaration of Taking - Easement(s) for “Rockbridge Road Project”.
Cost to County: \$4,100.00
Owner: Cole FD Portfolio V, LLC

Attachments: [Rockbridge Rd Parcel 7 Attachment.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1665, 2018-1667, 2018-1668 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

[2018-1667](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 7
Resolution, Order and Declaration of Taking - Easement(s) for “Rockbridge Road Project”.
Cost to County: \$8,500.00
Owner: Malek Sultan

Attachments: [Rockbridge Rd Parcel 8 Attachment.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1665, 2018-1667, 2018-1668 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

[2018-1668](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 7
Resolution, Order and Declaration of Taking - Easement(s) for
“Rockbridge Road Project”.
Cost to County: \$23,900.00
Owner: Qi Zhang and Jon Shao

Attachments: [Rockbridge Rd Parcel 6 Attachment.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1665, 2018-1667, 2018-1668 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

E. APPEALS

F. APPOINTMENTS

Chief Executive Office

[2018-1725](#) Commission District(s): All
Appointment to the DeKalb Community Service Board - Mr. Jeffrey Taylor

Attachments: [Jeffrey Taylor_001](#)

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, 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

[2018-1729](#) Commission District(s): All
Appointment of an elected official for membership to the DeKalb Community Service Board - Commissioner Kathie Gannon

Attachments: [Kathie Gannon_001](#)

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, 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

[2018-1730](#) Commission District(s): All
Appointment of an elected official to the DeKalb Community Service Board - Dr. David Dude

Attachments: [David Dude_001](#)

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, 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

ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2018-1650](#) Commission District(s): 1
Record the Re-appointment of Gaye Stathis as the District 1 Representative to the Watershed Customer Service and Billing Advisory Group.

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1650, 2018-1731, 2018-1732, 2018-1749, 2018-1747 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

Board of Commissioners - District 2[2018-1731](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Record the Reappointment of Star McKenzie to the DeKalb County Watershed Customer Service and Billing Advisory Board

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1650, 2018-1731, 2018-1732, 2018-1749, 2018-1747 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

[2018-1732](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Record the Appointment of Nancy Love to the Citizens Oversight Committee for SPLOST Revenues and Expenditures

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1650, 2018-1731, 2018-1732, 2018-1749, 2018-1747 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

Board of Commissioners - District 3[2018-1749](#)

Commission District(s): 3

Record the Appointment of Alice Bussey to the Citizen Oversight Committee for SPLOST Revenues and Expenditures

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1650, 2018-1731, 2018-1732, 2018-1749, 2018-1747 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

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2018-1747](#) Commission District(s): District 5
Appointment of Breana Kelly to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Region 3 Advisory Council

Attachments: [BreannaKelly_CV 9.22.17.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1650, 2018-1731, 2018-1732, 2018-1749, 2018-1747 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

G. CONSENT AGENDA**Board of Commissioners**

[2018-1727](#) Commission District(s): All
Revised Board of Commissioners' 2018 Regular Business and Committee of the Whole Meetings Calendar

Attachments: [REVISED 2018 meeting date Calendar.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1727 and 2018-1642 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

Police Services

[2018-1642](#) Commission District(s): All
Grant Acceptance: Police Department Hosting of the North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA) Georgia Certification/Workshop - \$50,000

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1727 and 2018-1642 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

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee

[2018-1585](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1082807 Street Level Imagery Phase III (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Property Appraisal (PA). Consists of the validation of property information entered into the iasWorld CAMA database. Awarded to Tyler Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$272,421.00

Attachments: [Agenda Notes](#)
[Change Order Request](#)

MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, 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 - to OPS Committee

[2018-1616](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1070267 for Technology Solutions with Related Equipment and Accessories: for the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of utilizing the competitively let National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) cooperative agreement to purchase Apple computer hardware, tablets peripherals, printers, network gear and other approved software. Awarded to CDW Government, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$750,000.00

Attachments: [Agenda Notes](#)

[CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR CDW PUNCH OUT](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 2018. Items 2018-1616 and 2018-1617 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

[2018-1617](#) Commission District(s): ALL
REN - Professional and Managed Support and Maintenance of Voice and Data Network Services (Annual Contract - 3rd Renewal of 4 Options to Renew): Contract No. 967790 for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of providing support, maintenance and repair of voice and data network services. Awarded to Layer 3 Communications, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$851,128.47.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes - 2018-1617](#)

[UD Recommendation Form - 2018-1617](#)

[DCG 2018 Network Support Renewal Quote RG-171231-01](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 2018. Items 2018-1616 and 2018-1617 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

[2018-1595](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 4
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Poured-in-Place (PIP) Surfacing for the Playgrounds at Hairston Park and Shoal Creek 1 Park: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of installation of rubber surfacing at Hairston Park and Shoal Creek I Park. Awarded to PlayPower, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$146,646.00.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes](#)[Departmental Recommendation Forms](#)[Quote for PIP Surfacing at Hairston Park](#)[Quote for PIP Surfacing at Shoal Creek 1 Park](#)[Contract No. 030117-LTS](#)

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until March 13, 2018. Items 2018-1595, 2018-1634 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

[2018-1634](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 7
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Poured-in-Place (PIP) Surfacing for the Playground at Henderson Park: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of installation of rubber surfacing at Henderson Park. Awarded to Kompan, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$102,014.37.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes](#)[Departmental Recommendation Form](#)[Quote for PIP Surfacing](#)[Info -- U.S. Communities Contract 2017001135](#)

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until March 13, 2018. Items 2018-1595, 2018-1634 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

[2017-1220](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 17-100849 49 Metric Ton Excavator with Long Reach Heavy Duty Boom: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of one (1) 49 Metric Ton Excavator with Long Reach Heavy Duty Boom. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Tractor and Equipment Co. Amount Not To Exceed: \$449,700.00.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes for Low Bid ITB 17-100849-49 Metric Ton Excavator with Long Reach Heavy Duty Boom.docx](#)
[Departmental recommendation for ITB#17-100849.pdf](#)
[Bid Tabulation for ITB#17-100849](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1220, 2018-1544, 2018-1569, 2018-1571 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

[2018-1544](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Pavement Markings (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No.1004130 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of painting lines on road surfaces. Awarded to Peek Pavement Marking. Amount Not To Exceed: \$600,000.00.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes](#)
[Renewal Request Form](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1220, 2018-1544, 2018-1569, 2018-1571 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

[2018-1569](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Silt Fencing, Sandbags, Straw and Mulch (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1061257 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation. This contract consists of provision and installation of silt fencing, sandbags, straw and mulch for erosion control and landscaping. Awarded to PF Holding and Investment LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$80,000.00.

Attachments: [AGENDA NOTES](#)

[Contract Renewal Request Forms](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1220, 2018-1544, 2018-1569, 2018-1571 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

[2018-1571](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Resilient Wedge Insert Valves (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1007234 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of resilient wedge insert valves for repair of water main lines. Awarded to F.M. Shelton, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$735,376.00.

Attachments: [AGENDA NOTES](#)

[Renewal Request Form](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2017-1220, 2018-1544, 2018-1569, 2018-1571 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

[2018-1554](#) Commission District(s): Districts 3 and 7
Transfer of \$50,000 for Funding of Capital Improvement Project at Porter Sanford Art Center

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

Voter Registration & Elections

[2018-1589](#) Commission District(s): 2,3,4,6 and 7
Adoption of Precinct Boundary Changes due to the Cities of Atlanta and Avondale Annexations.

Attachments: [PROPOSED PRECINCT BOUNDARY CHANGES – 1.11.18](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

Watershed Management

[2018-1593](#)

Commission District(s): Districts 5 and 7
Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area & Recreational Tourism
Development - Lyon Farm Restoration

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be deferred to the next meeting, until March 13, 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

2018-1774

Add Item

MOTION was made by Larry Johnson, seconded by Gregory Adams, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. 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

2018-1775

Item

Attachments:

2018 02.27 Walk-on item Resolution Support for Transit Options.pdf

MOTION was made by Larry 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

2018-1772

Add Item

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved to add an item. 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

2018-1773 Item

Attachments: 2018 02.27 Walk-on item Ordinance to set Salary & Compensation.pdf

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

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

No: 1 - Commissioner Jester

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Airport

[2017-1363](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Lease Agreement with BJS Plaza Fiesta, LLC. There is no cost to the County.

Attachments: [Lease Agreement with BJS Plaza Fiesta, LLC](#)

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

[2017-1370](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Lease Agreement with Outfront Media, LLC. There is no cost to the County.

Attachments: [Lease Agreement with Outfront Media, LLC](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be withdrawn.

Substitute MOTION was made by Nancy Jester, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioners Jeff Rader and Mereda Davis Johnson opposed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Jester, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Bradshaw, Commissioner Gannon, and Commissioner Adams

No: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Board of Commissioners

[2017-1294](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts
Legislative Remedies for Blight; Residential and Commercial
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

[2018-1577](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts
A Resolution Requesting that the DeKalb Delegation to the Georgia General Assembly to have incorporated areas to share in the unfunded legacy cost for employees who provided services to those areas.

Attachments: [Unfunded Pension Resolution 2018.01.22](#)
[Unfunded Pension Exhibit A 2018.01.22](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2018-1688](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia, Supporting the General Assembly in Commissioning a Transportation Feasibility Study to Determine the Transit Needs and Options for the Area that Begins at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, following the I-285 Corridor, and ends at the Northern Most Portion of DeKalb County.

Attachments: [RESOLUTION D3 Transportation Study 2018.02.05](#)

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, 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

Facilities Management

[2017-1480](#) Commission District(s): All
Reallocation parking revenues
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 2018. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw was present 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

GIS Department

[2018-1511](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 6
Resolution to set a date and time for a public hearing related to consideration of abandonment of a 0.336 acre section of Patterson Avenue right of way.

Attachments: [Substitute 02272018 Agenda Item 2018-1511 signed res Patterson Ave pub hearing v 4 map Patterson Ave row aband 10102017 Patterson Ave RW Abandonment 7-26-17 Legal abandonment survey of East Ponce Patterson 7-26-17 2018 02.13 item 2018-1511.pdf 2018 02.27 Item 2018-1511.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Kathie Gannon, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be to approve the substitute submitted from the floor to set a date and time for the Public Hearing related to the consideration of this abandonment of Patterson Avenue for April 10, 2018 at 10:00am. 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 - Transportation

[2018-1503](#) Commission District(s): 5 and 7
Georgia Power Relocations for Panola Road at Marbut Road
Traffic Signal Improvements

Attachments: [BOC Item 2018-1503 - Substitute 2018 02.27 Item 2018-1503.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be to approve the amended 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

Purchasing & Contracting*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2018-1510](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Filters: Automotive, Air, Fuel, Oil, Transmission, Hydraulic, Small Engine and Miscellaneous (Annual Contract-2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1002302, 1002304, 1002307, 1002306, 1002481 and 1002305 for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. These contracts consist of providing various filters for vehicles and equipment. Awarded to: Napa Auto Parts; Ag Pro, LLC; Interstate Truck Equipment, Inc.; Rush Truck Centers of GA d/b/a Rush Truck Center, Atlanta; Gillie Hyde Ford Lincoln, Inc. and Allan Vigil Ford Lincoln. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$170,000.00.

Attachments: [Agenda Notes for Renewal #2 for ITB 15-100626 Filters.docx](#)
[Departmental recommendation for ITB#15-100626-Filters.pdf](#)
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1510, 2018-1516, 2018-1523 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

[2018-1516](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - On Call Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning - HVAC (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): 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 \$1,500,000.00.

Attachments: [AGENDA NOTES FOR HVAC CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR ON CALL HVAC SVCS](#)
MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1510, 2018-1516, 2018-1523 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

[2018-1517](#) Commission District(s): 2
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1072357 for Maloof Building Restrooms Maintenance: for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing selective modification of ten (10) hallway restrooms at the Maloof Administrative Building, 2nd Floor through 6th Floor. Awarded to Hawk Construction Company, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$12,757.81.

Attachments: [Substitute Agenda No. 2018-1517 - Walk-On Agenda Notes](#)
[Change Order Request Form](#)
[2018 02.27 Item 2018-1517.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, 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

[2018-1523](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Chiller Inspection, Repair and Preventative Maintenance Service (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal with 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1052203, 1052096 and 1052175 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing inspection, repair and preventative maintenance for County chillers. Awarded to Carrier Corporation, Galgon HVAC & Mechanical Service, Inc. and Mann Mechanical Company, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$971,193.00.

Attachments: [AGENDA NOTES FOR CHILLER INSPECTION CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR CHILLER INSPECTION, REPAIR AND PREVENT. MAINT. SVC.](#)

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be approved. Items 2018-1510, 2018-1516, 2018-1523 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: \$17,032,445.00.

Attachments: [2017 12.05 Item 2017-0630.pdf](#)
[Agenda Notes](#)
[Change Order Request No 1](#)
[2017-0630 SUBSTITUTE attachment.pdf](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Kathie Gannon, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until March 27, 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

Tax Commissioner

[2017-1004](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between DeKalb County, The DeKalb County Tax Commissioner, and the Cities of Avondale Estates, Chamblee, Clarkston, Doraville, Lithonia, Pine Lake, Stonecrest, Stone Mountain, and Tucker for the billing and collection of taxes and fees.

Attachments: Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services (2017 AVONDALE ESTATES).pdf

[Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services \(2017 CHAMBLEE\).pdf](#)

[Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services \(2017 CLARKSTON\).pdf](#)

[Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services \(2017 DORAVILLE\).pdf](#)

[Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services \(2017 LITHONIA\).pdf](#)

[Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services \(2017 PINE LAKE\).pdf](#)

Tax Commissioner and City IG for Tax Services (2017 STONE MOUNTAIN).pdf

MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be deferred and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on March 13, 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

Watershed Management

[2017-1184](#) Commission District(s): All Reallocation of Project Budgets Within the 2011A Bond Fund

Attachments: [2011 Bond Reallocation 11 13 17V3](#)
[2011 Bond Re-allocation Summary 12 2717](#)

MOTION was made by Gregory Adams, seconded by Nancy Jester, that this agenda item be deferred for 30 days, until March 27, 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 Gregory Adams read the following comments:**

In the previous weeks I had an opportunity to attend various community meetings and events around Super District 7. On Monday, February 12th, my staff and I visited the S.M.I.L.E. (Stone Mountain Improving Lives Everyday) Community meeting. I appreciate the candid feedback we always receive from our constituents. Thank you Ms. Debra Greenwood for the invitation. I look forward to seeing you all again soon.

On February 17th my wife and I were honored to be a part of the Chinese New Year event in Chamblee along with Commissioner Larry Johnson and his wife and Commissioner Jeff Rader. It was a great event with great food and entertainment. I want to thank Charlene Fang for the invitation and the host committee for the Asian community for showing so much hospitality. This is the year of the Dog!

Thursday, February 22nd, I had the pleasure of attending the Asian American Legislative Breakfast. Special thanks to Stephanie Chi, Aisha, Yaqoob and all the amazing staff at Advancing Justice ATL.

Thursday EVENING, February 22, I thoroughly enjoyed the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus Annual Heritage Dinner at the Georgia Freight Depot. It's always a great time seeing and mixing with our state legislators and community leaders.

On Sunday, February 25th my wife and I stopped by the Porter Sanford III Performing Arts & Community Center for the FREE Family Festival for some good family fun. I was delighted to see some of the performances and family interaction.

As we come to a close of February and Black History Month, I would like to say thank you to all who receive my newsletter that allowed me to share those African-American people across the United States and around the world who have inspired me through their life, legacy and works.

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.

2. Commissioner Kathie Gannon mentioned the following:

- On February 28th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Coffee with a Cop will be at the Oak Grove Market, located at 2757 LaVista Road. Your neighborhood police officers will be in attendance and you will have the opportunity to ask questions or voice your concerns. There is no agenda or speeches and everyone is invited! - Are your children interested in track and field? Well, DeKalb Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs Youth Track and Field registration is open until March 3rd. The program is open to children ages 5-14 and the season includes four track meets. Practice dates and times will be determined by each recreation center. Upon registration, you must present your birth certificate. For more information or to register, I have added a link to DeKalb Parks and Recreation to www.KathieGannon.com
- If you want, bring out your old cleats and Softball glove, DeKalb County Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs has opened registration for the adult softball league until March 5th. The season begins in March and will include eight regular games. For registration, call the Parks Athletics office at 770-414-2113
- We are still collecting cans for our “Neighbors in Need” food drive and it ends March 5th. Last year we helped provide a total of 5,855 meals, and we NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN this year! If you’re out shopping this week, please consider buying a few extra items for our Neighbors in Need. Don’t forget there are collection barrels in the Maloof building, all County Libraries and Senior Centers, and the offices of the District Attorney, the Solicitor General, the Clerk of Superior Court, the Tax Commissioner, and the State Court Clerk. Don’t have the time to shop? You can make an online donation to our Neighbors in Need effort directly to the Atlanta Community Food Bank. There’s a link at www.KathieGannon.com
- Work Source DeKalb and Georgia Piedmont College, Clarkston Campus located at 495 North Indian Creek Drive, has partnered to sponsor the Returning Citizens Career Expo on March 7th from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. This expo will equip citizens who have recorded arrests or served prison time with the knowledge and resources to overcome barriers to employment, education, and economic development. This event is free and open to the public. However, due to limited seating, registration is required. A link to their registration site can be found on my homepage by visiting www.KathieGannon.com
- The DeKalb County Sanitation Division will be hosting a FREE Household Hazardous Waste event on March 17th from 8 a.m.- 12 noon at Sanitation Division's Central Transfer Station, 3720 Leroy Scott Drive. Participation is free and only open to DeKalb County residents. Proper identification to prove DeKalb County residency may be requested. However, no commercial vehicles are

allowed. Early arrival is highly recommended. Visit, www.KathieGannon.com for a link to more information and approved waste items.

- The DeKalb County Sanitation Division will host a series of recycling roll cart exchange events throughout the county until December 28th. Starting in March, residents will have the chance to exchange their 18 gallon recycling bin for a complimentary 35 gallon recycling cart, or upgrade to a 65 gallon recycling cart for a one-time \$15 prepaid fee. A limited number of roll carts will be available at each event and new subscriptions can also be processed. All event participants are required to complete a recycling subscription form, which can be found by visiting www.KathieGannon.com
- Engineering and Construction Management Services provides a monthly Lunch and Learn which provides information about different aspects used addressing and improving the overall county water and system. The next Lunch and Learn will be held on Thursday, March 1st from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Watershed Building located at 4572 Memorial Drive, Conference Room B. Scott Kelly, the Southeast Regional Manager with AP/M Permaform will be discussing the effectiveness of the Centripipe System and its process, pipeline design parameters, engineering methods, and specialty concrete additives for concrete preservation

3. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson read the following comments:

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

Today, I would like to focus the majority of my comments on the significant progress that this Board of Commissioners and DeKalb County Government as a whole has made over the course of this last year. For many years DeKalb has endured an onslaught of bad publicity, much of it being false. We have been under a cloud, but we have made it through the storm. Over the last year, this Board has voted together on more issues than in the past. I had my office do a review of the legislation that members of this board put forth for a vote and on average, this board voted 6-1 on most of those issues. We must realize how far this board has come. We work to give, to take, and to compromise to do what is best for the people in DeKalb. Are we all perfect? No, but we strive for perfection.

When CEO Michael Thurmond came into office, he inherited a deficit and through his transformative leadership, he along with this Board has moved this County to operating with a \$75 Million Dollar surplus in the bank and no deficit spending. Many of the hot issues that we have debated, CEO Thurmond began a

plan of attack from Day 1 of being in office by providing:

- \$24.9 Million to fight Blight
- \$250,000 for Youth Employment Jobs.
- \$1.5 Million for Water Billing Improvements
- \$2.6 Million for Operation Clean Sweep
- 3% across the board pay increase for all employees
- \$14.00 minimum wage
- 2018 Budget Amendment passed 7-0 and the Budget passed 6-1

We have made significant strides. We have gone from 37,000 held water bills to less than 1,300 bills. So before we talk about what the County is and is not doing, let us be clear that under this administration, this County has made significant progress, we have turned the corner and we are on a new path towards innovation and development that is built on a firm foundation.

Finally, I would like to congratulate my husband and my Congressman, Hank Johnson and his office, on being named a finalist for the first ever Democracy Awards. Only 3 finalist in the nation were selected; he is the only Georgia Congressperson to be selected. He was selected for outstanding accomplishments for the category of Constituent Services and for acting as an ombudsmen with the federal government and responding to constituent requests and inquiries. Congressional Management Foundation recognizes non-legislative achievement and performance in Congressional Offices. CMF created these awards to highlight the best functioning House and Senate offices. Congratulations Hank!

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.

4. Commissioner Steve Bradshaw mentioned the following:

- Commissioner Steve Bradshaw chose to forego comments, but wished Commissioner Kathie Gannon a happy birthday!

5. Commissioner Larry Johnson mentioned the following:

- Had a chance to recognize and introduce Mr. John Hartley, a Tuskegee Airman
- Had an opportunity to give kind words to the next Small Business

Administrator, Ashley Bell

- Recognized Mr. Charles McCorkle as an African American business owner in the community
- Spoke regarding business closings in communities in his district, and the need for those communities to open new businesses
- Public Safety town hall meeting on February 26th at Bob Mathis Elementary School
- Congratulations to the residents of Line Street for getting rid of a blighted property at 1585 Line Street
- Thanked Ms. Charlene Phong for the Chinese Lunar New Year event in Chamblee
- Visited Oakcliff Theme Elementary school for the Divine Nine event
- Attended the Love Run 5k event
- Applauded District 5 Chief of Staff Demetrius McCoy for the Take A Stand rally on Wesley Chapel
- Initiated a moment of silence for the victims of the school shooting in Parkland, FL
- Thanked the Board of Commissioners, staff, and the District 3 community for the love shown on the passing of his mother

6. Commissioner Nancy Jester mentioned the following:

- Announcements will be on www.NancyJester.com
- Congratulated Bruce Labelle, appointed to serve the SBA office of Advocacy Region 4 Advocate

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 at #raderjeff.

Thank you to the Olmsted Linear Park Association and board for their ongoing work to support the Olmsted Parks with the annual Party for the Parks on Ponce held Sunday evening. Your efforts and partnership with DeKalb County has contributed to the restoration and ongoing maintenance of DeKalb's treasure.

Upcoming...

- WD Thomson Park Workday will be held Sunday, March 18th at 2pm. Come out for a Sunday workday in the Park!

- Briarlake Forest Park will have a ribbon cutting for new park improvements on Friday, March 9th at 10am at the park. We welcome the community to this celebration

- A Rain Barrel Workshop with Friends of Frazier Rowe Park and Oak Grove United Methodist Church along with DeKalb County Parks, Keep DeKalb Beautiful and the Extension office will take place Saturday March 24th from 2 to 3:30pm in the church gym at the corner of Fair Oaks and Oak Grove. Registration and prepayment of \$25 is required. To sign up, call 404-298-4080

- The Civic Association Network will host their next potluck meeting this Wednesday, February 28th at 7pm at the Mack Love Center in Mason Mill Park

- Also tomorrow, join Al Fowler at the Oak Grove Market for Coffee with a Cop at 8:30am. Come share your public safety concerns with Mr. Fowler

- And on Thursday, we welcome Leadership DeKalb to DeKalb County for Government Day. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow commissioners for making themselves available to enjoy lunch and discussion with the class and I also extend my appreciation to the CEO for joining us as the Leadership speaker on Thursday afternoon

In Library news...

- 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!

- And... February is Love Your Library month at DeKalb Public Libraries. You can help provide even more program options at your favorite library location with a donation of \$1 or more at the main desk

- Many on the commission will be attending the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference in Washington DC this weekend into next week, therefore the Committee of the Whole meeting has been moved to next Wednesday, March 7th at 9 a.m. here in the Maloof Auditorium

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 Commissioner Nancy Jester and seconded by Commissioner Kathie Gannon to adjourn the February 27, 2018 Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:52 p.m. Commissioner Gregory Adams 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 Gannon

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Adams



Jeff Rader
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk