

# DeKalb County Government

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



## Summary

**Tuesday, September 22, 2020**

**9:00 AM**

**Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium**

## **Board of Commissioners**

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

*Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1*

*Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2*

*Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3*

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4*

*Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5*

*Commissioner Kathie Gannon, Super District 6*

*Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7*

**Staff Present:** Michael Thurmond, Chief Executive Officer, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/  
Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders- Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernstes, County Attorney

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**A. INSPIRATIONAL**

Pastor Dr. Jerome E. King  
Mount Moriah Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Jeff Rader  
District 2

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

COVID-19 Response - CEO Michael Thurmond  
Senior Center Month - Commissioner Gannon/ Human Services

**C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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1. Teresa Hardy, President NAACP DeKalb County Branch #5192, 3011 Rainbow Drive, Suite 180A Decatur, Georgia 30034 - To the Board of Commissioners and CEO Michel Thurmond, we are writing to express our concerns regarding the upcoming elections. We have been in the community educating and providing tools and information for citizens to #GetVoteReady. We must inform you that we are receiving many calls regarding not receiving ballots for the 9/29/20 Congressional special election. This raises a flag for our readiness for 11/3 so we wanted to let you know so that we can address asap. As discussed in the voter experience townhalls, we are expecting more communications, more poll workers, more drop box locations as well as precincts. We have been waiting for the communications to share with voters however the website has not been updated as we had expected. In the town halls, it was mentioned that we were hiring additional help to support the unreadiness that occurred on June 9th. Have we hired the person(s) for all the available jobs? We continue to get calls asking to be poll workers and we refer them to the Voter Registration & Elections department. However people are informing us that they are not receiving any communication regarding the status. Please understand that we are faced with many crises but DeKalb can be the Leader in excelling in the midst of the Pandemia season. We are here to assist and support to make this season successful. Now today is National Voter Registration Day and we usually are set up throughout DeKalb high schools but due to COVID we have adjusted. NAACP Volunteers will be at DeKalb Libraries conducting voter registration drives from 10 am -4pm (see attached). We welcome volunteers and anyone who needs to register to drive through to #GetVoteReady. We appreciate all of you and your dedication to serve DeKalb County citizens and look forward to working together for a successful election

2. Dr. Ed Williams, P.O. Box 361626 Decatur, Georgia 30036 - Good Morning Commissioners. My Name is Ed Williams, I have lived in unincorporated south DeKalb for over twenty years. I am the chair of the group Concerned Citizens for Effective Government. The mission of the commission is to improve quality of life and provide a responsive government through its function as the legislative branch through appropriations and making public policy. This morning I would like to take a moment to ask the commission to look into the franchise fees and the police services agreement between the cities of Tucker and Stonecrest. The amount of Franchise fees lost to the City of Stonecrest is 3 million in 2019 and 3.8 million in 2020. The amount of the City of Tucker Franchise fees lost to Tucker is 1 million in 2019, and 2.3 million in 2020. The BOC has a fundamental responsibility of oversight through its power to adopted ordinances and appropriations. So why does the commission continue to allow the City of Stonecrest and City of Tucker to collect their franchise fees for cable, power, and phone services and yet pay the same property tax for police services as unincorporated DeKalb residents? Currently, unincorporated residents franchise fees go to the county and help to supplement the police services, but the city of Tucker and Stonecrest receive the same police services however they get to collect their franchise fees and use them for other purposes. This arrangement means that Tucker and Stonecrest residents are getting the same police services as unincorporated DeKalb residents at a lower cost. This is not fair and the commission and the CEO should do something to correct this inequity. What does it take to get elected officials to look out for residents in unincorporated DeKalb the same as you all are doing for residents that live in cities? The residents in unincorporated DeKalb County votes should count the same as residents in cities. The commission should stop taking the residents in unincorporated DeKalb for granted. It is a sad day when elected officials are not providing equal services and discriminate against residents in terms of service delivery and costs. As I speak to you today I think of the song "I'll take you there" song by the Staple Singers. I am yearning for a DeKalb County where the commission and CEO take the residents to a place: Where there are smilin' faces, Where Ain't nobody cryin', Where Ain't nobody worried, Where Ain't nobody

Lyin' to the races. Thank You

3. Ryan Brown, 780 Rowland Rd, Stone Mountain, GA 30083 - Commissioners, I think it is great that the county is now able to conduct business by zoom meetings and virtually. It is also great that I can email my comments and not miss work to make public comments. I want to talk about concerns that I have about the process for adopting the Memorial Drive Plan into the county's Comprehensive Plan. According to the Memorial Drive Plan, the "market area" is home to over 90,000 people. The land use changes proposed for adoption will affect A LOT of people. For a plan that touts its public participation, why has it been buried at the end of a 5 hour+ agenda? Additionally, as you may know, I was not allowed to make comments on this item before the Planning Commission on September 1, 2020. After waiting over 8 business days for a response from the planning department, I found out that the legally required policies and procedures for comment on zoning public hearings have not been updated since 2019. I urge you to get these procedures updated and adopted. Following the law and having a transparent process is important and may have avoided issues like I had at the Planning Commission meeting. I've copied all of you on my emails to Andrew Baker on this issue - please read these for more detail. Overall, the Memorial Drive Plan's adoption into "the official policy of the county concerning designated land uses and development types," which is how county law defines the Comprehensive Plan - deserves more public awareness of the land use changes proposed and to not have questions about whether there was appropriate public hearing of this zoning decision. Additionally, deferring the Memorial Drive Plan would put it at the top of the agenda, where it deserves to be, so that the public doesn't have to wait until 10:30/11 pm at night to hear and comment and hope that someone notices a virtual hand raised late at night. You should update your public hearing procedures to be in compliance with Georgia zoning law and defer the Memorial Drive Plan's adoption. Thank you

4. Stephen Binney, (no address) - Good Morning Commissioners, During the Marta update last week we were told that 3 of the old Dekalb routes have been reinstated. Route 125 and one of its destinations, DFACS, is one of those routes. I want to thank those commissioners who led the effort to get this route going again as it was sorely missed by those Dekalb residents and children most in need. With MARTA's sale tax collections remaining stable and their charging of fares again, I believe it is pass time for Dekalb county to demand full bus service restoration. If you are paying full price you should be getting full service. MARTA has been short changing us for decades and it continues today. Your help is needed to get county residents the service they are paying for. In addition, the ATL has recently recommended nine transit projects for possible state funding next year. I don't believe that any of these projects are in Dekalb county. Will the circle ever be unbroken? In 2010 the Special Purpose Grand Jury found many "Red Flags" of LSBE abuse in Dekalb County. We will be reviewing these one by one in the coming months because none of these "red flags" has been addressed or corrected over the last 10 years. Today's "red flag". "Contracts for work for which the LSBE has no previous history, licenses, or equipment". This allows the prime contractor to receive the extra bid points allotted to prime contractors who make use of an LSBE for 20% of the contracted work. This continues today since there are still not enough employees to check the veracity of submitted contracts or registrations. A news story this week suggested that Dekalb County has an employee with a second job that includes helping companies navigate the county's LSBE process. Her knowledge and information could be of great use to correct our LSBE problems, if you would only take the time to talk to her. But you would rather give an additional 260 thousand dollars to a company that has failed to do the job over the last 5 years. Will the circle ever be broken? Dekalb County Watershed has taken credit for the small number of sewage spills over the last few

months. Will they also take responsibility for what happened last Thursday? At least 18 sewer spills were reported in DeKalb County, as the remnants of Hurricane Sally dumped several inches of rain in our county. Initial spill reports did not provide information about the potential volume, but earlier this year amounts were in the millions of gallons during a similar rainy period. Many of the spills were at regular trouble spots like the Meadow Creek Path near Lithonia that saw two multi-million gallon spills earlier this year. Yet the County still seems more involved with increasing capacity for future business than in correcting the mistakes of the past and keeping our rivers and streams safe for our children. Will this circle remain unbroken also? Thank you

5. Robert Hanna, ISA Sports Owner 5639 Memorial Drive Stone Mountain, Ga 30083 - Greetings Committee Members, my name is Robert Hanna and I am a co-owner of the International Sports Arena located at 5639 Memorial Drive in Stone Mountain Ga. The International Sports Arena ([www.ISA-Sports.net](http://www.ISA-Sports.net)) is a 25,000 square foot sporting events and youth athlete development center serving the diverse families in Stone Mountain, Decatur, Clarkston, and other cities in DeKalb County. We offer a place for the youth to get off the streets and play, train, compete, and recover from sport competition. We currently serve over 2,000 youth athletes with our programs and events annually and project that number to more than double over the next 12 months. We are excited to be located on Memorial Drive as the area is underserved with businesses that offer our families in our community opportunities to come together and celebrate youth development and achievement. We see value in bringing our citizens opportunities to "Live, Work, and Play" right here on Memorial Drive. Daily we see more and more residents coming into our facility excited about how our business and others have committed to making memorial drive their home and seeing our commitment to helping revitalize the community NOW! Our business and investment on Memorial Drive is to both current and future residents and the Memorial Drive revitalization plan is spot on with our vision... it is both timely and critical for stimulating local jobs for residents and business tax base to improve community services for underserved residents who live on the corridor.

Our hope at ISA Sports is that all residents and businesses will take immediate action and support the immediate passing of the Memorial Drive Revitalization Corridor Plan. We can't wait... let's put on our hard hats and kick start working together to revitalize the Memorial Drive Corridor today!

6. Martha Gross, 2855 Briarcliff Road 30329 - We are now in an emergency situation in this part of DeKalb – an emergency that will directly any residents that use North Druid Hills for access to and from I -85, Buckhead, GA 400, Downtown or Midtown. The emergency is that we currently have \$2 Billion in new development entitled and under construction at Children's Health Care and Emory's Executive Park campuses. Those campuses will consist largely of hospitals and high-density medical office space, without any significant investment in transportation infrastructure other than potential upgrades to the actual interchange and CHOA from the interchange. In addition to those already entitled developments, there are two new major developments planned for the newly annexed area from Briarcliff to Mt Mariah Road – potentially another Million Square feet of commercial space generated more traffic. North Druid Hills already operates with a fail rating – even before the addition of millions of square feet of new construction – and yet DeKalb County is doing nothing to prepare for this crippling new density. On the last Comprehensive Plan update, we begged for a new and customized Small Area Plan that would reflect the new reality of Children's and Executive Park redevelopments and were promised just that by Planning. They did nothing about that promise and we are all going to pay the consequences, especially North Druid Hills. I am here to beg you to Invest in a third-party professional planner to put a small area plan in place for North Druid Hills and Briarcliff Roads and determine

what can be done to improve traffic mobility. I suspect it will require installation of a median at least in the commercial areas and perhaps an additional lane each direction. We might need to create a CID or some means of financing this, but we need to plan for that now. The old Comp Plan does not work for this area. The current character area is neighborhood center which is defined as serving the needs of local residents and encourage walking. Our Planning Department decided on their own, without any public input, that it was appropriate to permit a 4-story self-storage warehouse in this Character area. They also argued strongly that a Racetrac and a Wendy's could be defined as a mixed-use project and were consistent with a character area designed to encourage walking. This is NOT our idea of either mixed-use development or encouraging walkability. That is why we beg you to hire a third party planner to do a small area plan for our area NOW before it is too late

7. Ammanuel Dawit, 824 Hearthstone Drive, Stone Mountain, GA - My name is Ammanuel Dawit and I am a teenager who lives at 824 Hearthstone Drive, Stone Mountain, GA. off Memorial drive. My mom took me to several meetings held regarding the Memorial Drive Revitalization Project. I was excited to give my opinion on what I wanted to see on Memorial drive. Memorial drive really needs an update. I can't wait to see things change and be better so we can enjoy our community even more. I love living in this diverse community unlike any other place in Atlanta and this project will help towards this vision of mine and many others. Please approve the Memorial Drive Revitalization Project. Thank you for your time

8. Minilik Tewabe (no address) - I greatly support the Memorial Drive Revitalization Plan as an Ethiopian Community vice director. We wish for a healthy environment with easy and safe access for people to get service from any direction. We provide service to 20,000 Ethiopians who live in the DeKalb area. Therefore it is important for us to have a secure area in order to fulfill their needs. Especially to have a pedestrian cross walk. There has been a high number of crashes due to pedestrian safety from the Mall to the Ethiopian Community Center and the Marta bus stop. It's a very serious safety concern that needs to be set

9. Zene Berhanu, 824 Hearthstone Dr, Stone Mountain, GA 30083 - This is Zene Berhanu - 824 Hearthstone Dr, Stone Mountain, GA 30083. I have lived off Memorial drive for over 12 years and raised two boys. Memorial drive is my daily commute and I'm highly involved in the community. My neighbor initially informed me about the Memorial Drive Revitalization project. I went to all the meetings and shared information within my community. Furthermore, I volunteered to be one of the community liaisons as we live in a very diverse community. I personally reached out to the leaders in the Caribbean, Somalian, Ethiopian, Pan Asian, and faith based communities including Moslem and Christian to inform their members about this project. It was great to see the turn out at meetings, as well as, the online involvement of the community. The support from the diverse community for the Memorial Drive Revitalization Project was overwhelming to see. We thank you for engaging the community and hearing our voices as it reflects in the recommendations. We love our community and want it to continue evolving for the better. The new generation deserves to grow and have access to new improved opportunities. The Memorial Drive Revitalization Project is a great step towards that. We strongly support it... please support it too! Thank you for your consideration.

10. Ambassador Shanta Lana Hereford (no address) - To the Attention of the Commissioners and the Residents of DeKalb County, my name is Ambassador Shanta Lana Hereford. I live and work along the Memorial Drive corridor. My business address is 5481 Memorial Dr. Stone Mountain, GA. I have sent several

correspondences in the past to express my support of the plans to revitalize Memorial Drive. Recently, I began receiving emails from a local neighborhood group PRISM, which stands for Pride Rings in Stone Mountain. I was actually quite surprised to receive a message since I hadn't heard from them since March but wasn't surprised at their agenda. They are sending out a survey to residents that has misleading questions and statements and give a false narrative knowingly. When I first started attending the PRISM meetings I expected a non-biased community group that represented the views and opinions of all of the people living in Stone Mountain but quickly learned that this was a very special group of citizens. A group whose main purpose and mission are to create chaos and fight the county on EVERYTHING! Well, I am here to say enough is enough! They are wasting taxpayers money and now they are wasting our time. Hundreds of people attended the Memorial Drive revitalization meetings and contributed their input. These plans represent what we have told you we want for our community. The county has a public site where information is posted and also they have done a great job on communicating the entire way. Those who are showing concern now are people solicited by this group and other individuals to purposely provide doubt and deter development. I ask that we not accept this devious and misleading behavior to silence the voice of the many people who sacrificed their time and showed concern when it was time to and not only because their friend or neighbor is pushing a certain agenda. It's time to rebuild Memorial Drive! Please adopt the Memorial Drive plan this week. It's way past due

11. William Teddleton, (no address) - I have been a Dekalb County resident for 40 years I seen the good, bad and ugly on memorial Drive. Please let us unite and move forward with the plan too revitalizing memorial Drive just like Tucker and Brookhaven

12. Nancy Funny, 5802 Belmont Ridge Circle Lithonia, Georgia 30038 - Please find below the following questions that "RETIRED DEKALB COUNTY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES" need answers to:

- What's the compelling reason to only approve some retirees to receive a COLA?
- Are you being arbitrary and capricious about the decision regarding the distinction of who receives the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Increase?
- Who initiated the "Home Rule" Ordinance?
- What is the justification for selecting the date on or before January 1, 2015? Why was this year used as a benchmark?
- Do you think the DeKalb County Retired Employees that retired after January 1, 2015 is not worthy of a COLA increase?
- Why not approve a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) increase to "ALL" Retired Employees as annotated in the CEO's 2020 Budget proposal?
- Do you think it was "Morally and Ethically" appropriate for you (BOC) to quietly approve a 60% Raise for yourselves for working a part-time job? But refuse to give "ALL RETIREES" a Cost of Living Adjustment?
- Who are decision makers?
- Who voted for this "Home Rule" Ordinance amendment?
- Did you receive any inputs from citizens and/or retirees?
- On September 17, 2020, I sent an email to the CEO, Board of Commissioners, and the CEO's Chief of Staff, regarding the Cost of Living Increase Adjustment for retirees. To date, only Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson responded. Thank you Commissioner Cochran-Johnson for being a "Public Servant." Is it the norm to not respond to email inquiries? Thank you.

13. +14044225286@tmomail.net (no name or address) - Support project for memorial drive dekalb county residence
14. Louise Tomlinson, 928 Fireside Way (no city, zipcode) - I believe that the exceptional turnout of a very diverse representation in attendance at the planning meetings for the revitalization project is a true reflection of the interest of the corridor communities, their desire for improvement, and their agreement on many elements of the plan for improvement, which bodes well for its success

#### **D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING**

*The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular Business meeting on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available (1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage, and (2) DCTVChannel23.TV. The public is invited to watch the broadcast on DCTV's UStream link <https://video.ibm.com/channel/dctv-channel-23>), or join the meeting using the Zoom link (<https://dekalbcountyga.zoom.us/j/7753778046>), or by telephone (602-333-0032 or 888-270-9936, conference code: 217687). For those joining the meeting by telephone, please be aware that your phone number may be displayed to the public viewing or participating in the online meeting. The Board will provide 15 minutes of time for citizens to speak in favor of an agenda item, and 15 minutes for citizens to speak in opposition. Citizens who attend the meeting via the Zoom link above may join the public comment queue by raising their hand in the Zoom application, while citizens who attend the meeting via telephone may join the comment queue by pressing # followed by 2. There will be no comment cards, so when you are called upon, please state your name and address for the record. Also, please be conscious of speaking time so that everyone has an opportunity to provide input in the allotted time. Citizens may also email documents for inclusion into the official record by submitting such materials by 9:00 a.m. on the date of the public hearing to [PublicHearing@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:PublicHearing@dekalbcountyga.gov).*

#### **Finance**

[2020-0947](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Home Rule Ordinance to amend the Pension Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, 1962 Ga. Laws 3088, as amended, to provide for an increase in monthly pension benefit amount to specified eligible retirees, joint annuitants and beneficiaries.

**Withdrawn**

#### **Public Works - Transportation**

[2020-0188](#)

**Commission District(s):** 3 & 7

Traffic Calming Petition - Kingsbrook Blvd between Flakes Mill Rd and Brycewood Dr. Cost to the County is \$29,565.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0235](#)

**Commission District(s):** 4 & 6

Traffic Calming Petition - Harcourt Dr between Mt Olive Dr and Atterberry Pl.  
Cost to the County is \$15,100.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0281](#)

**Commission District(s):** 3 & 7

Street Light Petition- Cedar Crest Way, Shoals Park Dr., Highgrove Ln.,  
Flat Shoals Pkwy

**Approved**

**E. APPEALS**

NONE

**F. APPOINTMENTS**

**Magistrate Court**

[2020-1002](#)

**Commission District(s):**

Senior Magistrate Court Judge Appointment - Albert R. Sacks

**Approved**

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Airport**

[2020-1048](#)

**Commission District(s):** Commission Districts 1 & 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Lease Agreement with Ryan Funk

**Approved**

[2020-1051](#)

**Commission District(s):** Commission Districts 1 & 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Lease Agreement with William V. McAleer

**Approved**

**Board of Commissioners**

[2020-1070](#)

**Commission District(s):** All  
Approval of Minutes for the September 22, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Approved the Minutes of the September 15, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting, upon correction by the Clerk**

[2020-1104](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts  
Authorize the temporary suspension of the start time of the Night Committee of the Whole Meetings for the October 20, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting and modify timing for public comment at such meeting.

**Approved**

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[2020-1098](#)

**Commission District(s):** Districts 2 and 6  
Kittredge Park Restroom

**Approved**

**Board of Commissioners - District 3**

[2020-1102](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 3

JenCare Senior Medical Center Van Donation

**Approved**

[2020-1135](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 3

To Appropriate Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Assigned to POETA Account #105424.63258.521209.01.03.602313 Reserved for District 3.

**Approved the substitute**

**Board of Commissioners - District 5**

[2020-1118](#)

**Commission District(s):** District 5

To Appropriate Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act “CARES Act” Assigned to POETA Account #105424.63258.521209.01.05.602313 Reserved for District 5 Appropriations to the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) Described in the Fiscal Impact Section of this Agenda Item Below for Maintaining Food Security, Assistance with Rent/Mortgage/Utilities, Virtual Learning Assistance for Students and the Community at Large Who Have Been Severely Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic

**Approved the substitute**

**Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO**

[2020-1056](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of September 15, 2020

**Approved**

[2020-1092](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2020

**Approved**

**Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs**

[2020-1046](#)

**Commission District(s):** Districts 5 and 7

Lithonia Park Grant from Park Pride Atlanta

**Approved**

[2020-1047](#)

**Commission District(s):** Districts 4 and 7

Redan Garcia Park Grant

**Approved**

**H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

**Board of Commissioners**

[2020-1105](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

DeKalb County Incentives Policy

**Deferred for 30 days, until October 27, 2020**

**Chief Executive Office**

[2020-1094](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Allocate \$6,000,000 in CARES Act Funding for Immediate Needs County-wide in Priority 1 Public Health Services as described in the DeKalb County COVID-19 Emergency Budget Outline as listed below.

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020**

[2020-1107](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Appropriation of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Funding to Eligible Programs and Operating Expenses

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020**

[2020-1108](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Allocate \$275,000 in CARES Act funding for Immediate Needs County-wide to DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS) for the General Assistance Program as described in the DFCS COVID-19 Response Proposal to DeKalb County.

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020**

**Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office**[2020-1119](#)**Commission District(s): Districts 1 & 7**

Authorize the amendment of a November 17, 2009 agenda item and resolution requiring the sale of a 1.11 acre tract of surplus property at 4316 Church Street, Tucker, Georgia by sealed bid; and

Authorize the sale of a 1.11 acre tract of surplus property at 4316 Church Street to the City of Tucker pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-9-3(a)(3)(A), which allows the County to sell real property to another body politic.

**Approved**

**Finance**[2020-1072](#)**Commission District(s): All Commission Districts**

Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Loan Agreement and Note

**Approved an authorizing Resolution for each item, and to come back with a supplemental Resolution on October 13, 2020, with an interest rate associated with the items**

[2020-1077](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Agreement and Note

**Approved an authorizing Resolution for each item, and to come back with a supplemental Resolution on October 13, 2020, with an interest rate associated with the items**

[2020-1078](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Agreement and Note

**Approved an authorizing Resolution for each item, and to come back with a supplemental Resolution on October 13, 2020, with an interest rate associated with the items**

#### GIS Department

[2020-0953](#)

**Commission District(s):** 3 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 1773 Parkhill Drive, Decatur, GA 30032.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-0954](#)

**Commission District(s):** 4 & 6

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 3089 Robinson Avenue, Scottdale, GA 30079.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-0955](#)

**Commission District(s):** 3 & 7

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 3479 Longleaf Drive, Decatur, GA 30032.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-0956](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2410 Fair Lane, Decatur, GA 30032.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-0957](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 7**

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 2326 Greenway Drive, Decatur, GA 30035.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-0958](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of an Unredeemed and Unforeclosed Interest in Property at 692 Clifton Road S, Atlanta, GA 30316.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-1050](#)**Commission District(s): 4 & 6**

Resolution to Set a Date and Time for a Public Hearing Related to Consideration of Abandonment of a 0.175 Acre Section (7,629 Square Feet) of Ohm Avenue Right of Way.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-1052](#)**Commission District(s): 4 & 6**

Resolution To Set A Date And Time For A Public Hearing Related To Consideration of Abandonment of a 0.034 Acre (1,497 Square Feet) Section of Alley Located Between 3103 & 3109 Kelly Street, Scottdale, GA 30079

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

[2020-1053](#)

**Commission District(s):** 4 & 6

Resolution to Set a Date and Time for a Public Hearing Related to Consideration of Abandonment of a 0.117 Acre Section of Ford Place Right of Way.

**Deferred to the next meeting, until October 13, 2020**

#### Human Services

[2020-1049](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$641,382 from the Georgia Department of Public Health for the DeKalb Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program- at no cost to the County.

**Approved**

[2020-1122](#)

**Commission District(s):** Districts 5 & 7

Approval of \$12,000 for the Human Services Department to Support the Implementation of a Virtual Entrepreneurial Training Program for DeKalb Youth- At A Cost of \$12,000 to the County

**Approved \$12,000 for the Human Services Department to support the implementation of a Virtual Entrepreneurial Training Program for DeKalb Youth in all DeKalb County districts**

#### Planning and Sustainability

[2020-1129](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Fourth Amendment to Zoning Resolution

**Approved**

#### Purchasing & Contracting

*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2020-0949](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Professional Services for Implementation of Oracle HCM Cloud System: for use by the Department of Innovations and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let GSA Contract No. GS-35F-06174 (SIN132-51) to provide professional services for the implementation of an Oracle HCM Cloud system to replace the current PeopleSoft HCM on-premise system. Awarded to Deloitte Consulting, LLP. Amount Not To Exceed: \$7,645,000.00.

**Deferred for 30 days and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 27, 2020**

[2020-0962](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Professional Services for Implementation of SIEMS (Insight IDR) system: for use by Department of Innovations and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003 to provide professional services for the implementation of SIEMS system. Awarded to SHI International Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$150,670.00.

**Approved**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee*

[2020-0906](#)**Commission District(s): All**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 20-500541 for Meal Services for Seniors (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Human Services (HS). Consists of the provision of congregate and shelf-stable meals for seniors. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Meals On Wheels Atlanta. Amount Not To Exceed: \$436,883.00.

**Approved**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*

[2020-1041](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Traffic Signal Equipment (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1128522, 1128551, 1125650, 1125675 and 1128705 for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). The contracts consist of providing traffic signal equipment and accessories for repair and new installation of traffic control devices. Awarded to Transportation Control Systems, Temple, Inc., Utilicom Supply Associates, General Traffic Equipment Corporation and Control Technologies, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$525,000.00

**Approved**

[2020-1042](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Ferric Chloride (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1127398 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing ferric chloride to clarify and dewater sludge for sanitary wastewater treatment. Awarded to PVS Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$850,000.00

**Approved**

[2020-1043](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Fence and Gate Installation and Repair (Annual Contract - 1<sup>st</sup> Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1181007 for use by the Department of Watershed Management and Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), Sanitation, and Beautification. Consists of the purchase of the installation and repair of fences and gates. Awarded to A.S.A.P. Management Group. Amount Not To Exceed: \$705,000.00

**Approved**

[2020-1100](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - PVC Sewer Pipes (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1127752 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing PVC sewer pipes for replacement and/or installation in water lines. Awarded to Fortiline Waterwork. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$505,000.00.

**Approved**

**Watershed Management**

[2020-0937](#)**Commission District(s):** 4 and 7

Intergovernmental Agreement Between Gwinnett County, Gwinnett County Water and Sewage Authority and DeKalb County for The Norris Reserve Development Sewer Services

**Approved**[2020-1044](#)**Commission District(s):** 4, 5, 6 & 7

Change Order to Agenda Item 2020-0345 Water Facilities to resurface SR8/Lawrenceville Hwy from Fulton County Line to Gwinnett County Line

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020****2020-1148****Commission District(s):** All

Add an Item to the Agenda

**Approved****2020-1149****Commission District(s):** All Districts

A Resolution to Appropriate Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund Proceeds Assigned To Grant Fund #258, Reserved For District 6 Appropriations To The DeKalb County Public Library System For The Purpose Of Maintaining Security By Providing Technology For Virtual Learning and Broadband Access To Students In DeKalb County Affected By The COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Approved****2020-1150****Commission District(s):** All

Add an Item

**Approved**

**2020-1151**

**Commission District(s):** District 3

District 3 Parks Restrooms

**Approved**

**I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD**

**Airport**

[2020-0919](#)

**Commission District(s):** 1 and 6

Approval of Consent to Assignment by PDK Hospitality, Inc. dba Downwind Restaurant & Lounge to PGH Hospitality, L.L.C. Downwind Restaurant & Lounge. There is no cost to the County.

**Approved**

**Board of Commissioners**

[2020-0400](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Resolution Amending the 2020 DeKalb County Budget

**Deferred for 30 days, until October 27, 2020**

**Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO**

[2020-0773](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approve the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of September 1, 2020

**Approved**

[2020-0913](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of August 18, 2020

**Approved**

[2020-1034](#)

**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of August 27, 2020

**Approved**

**Community Development**

[2020-0896](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Contract with the Urban League of Greater Atlanta using CDBG funds for the delivery of a Micro-Enterprise Program to Small Businesses and Citizens in DeKalb County. Amount Not to Exceed \$115,000.

**Approved**

**District Attorney**

[2020-1029](#)

**Commission District(s):** all

Acceptance of \$648,006 Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) Grant to District Attorney's Office

**Approved**

[2020-1030](#)

**Commission District(s):** all

Acceptance of \$80,660 Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) Grant-Compensation Advocate to District Attorney's Office

**Approved**

[2020-1031](#)

**Commission District(s):** all

Acceptance of \$24,050 Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) Grant to District Attorney's Office-SAKI Advocate

**Approved**

**Fleet Maintenance**

[2020-0950](#)

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

2020 Auction of DeKalb County Vehicles and Pieces of Equipment & Facilities

Warehouse Furniture

**Approved**

**Purchasing & Contracting**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2020-0286](#)

**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101150 Engine and Generator Maintenance and Repair Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM) and Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of maintenance and repair of engines and generators. Recommend award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders: Prime Power Services, Inc. and Power and Energy Services. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$903,370.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0883](#)

**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No 1 to Contract No. 1149330 for HVAC Equipment, Installation, Service and Related Products: for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) services, supplies and maintenance as needed. Awarded to Daikin Applied Americas Inc., dba Daikin Applied. Amount Not To Exceed: \$125,000.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0901](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

AP - Diesel Powered Truck, Cab & Chassis with Service Body and 41 ft. Aerial Bucket Lift: for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by Public Works-Roads and Drainage. Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Sourcewell Cooperative Contract #081-716-PMC to purchase one (1) diesel powered truck, cab and chassis with service body and 41 ft. aerial bucket lift used to service traffic signals. Awarded to Peterbilt of Atlanta, LLC/Peterbilt Motors Co. Amount Not To Exceed: \$189,433.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0946](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No.: 1195797- Renovation of Maloof Building Lobby Area: For use by Facilities Management (FM). The contract consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No.: 99999-SPD-SC0160216 for the renovation of the Maloof Building Lobby area. Awarded To F. H. Paschen, S. N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$44,279.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0961](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 for Contract Nos.: 1191813, 1191815, 1191816, 1191817 and 1191818 for General Contractor Services (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Fire Rescue Services (FR). These contracts consist of providing general contracting work for minor construction projects throughout the County. Awarded to AUTACO Development, LLC; Engineering Design Technologies, Inc. (EDT); Greenheart Construction Inc.; Kissberg/Parker-Fry JV, LLC; and SOCO Contracting Company, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,910,000.00.

**Deferred for 30 days and assigned to the County Operations Committee (OPS), and return to the Board on October 27, 2020**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*

[2020-0513](#)**Commission District(s): 1 and 6**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1073854 Design Build Services Roof Replacement and Painting of Steel Ground Storage Tanks at Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing services to design; repair, demolish, and replace storage tank roofs; and complete interior and exterior painting of three (3) steel potable water ground storage tanks at the Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant. This request is to increase the scope of work, funding, and contract term to June 30, 2021 to allow for the completion of work. Awarded to Reeves Young, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,748,323.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0654](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitations No. 19-101147 Pump Repair Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of services to repair pumps at various wastewater treatment plants. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Goforth Williamson, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$510,000.00.

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020**

[2020-0860](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No 1 to Contract Nos. 1073328, 1073330, 1073331 and 1073319 for Testing Services for Soil and Materials (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Transportation. These contracts consist of providing testing services for soils and materials. Awarded to Matrix Engineering Group, Inc, Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC, Oasis Consulting Services and Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$375,000.00.

**Approved**

[2020-0868](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101127 Common Brick (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of the purchase of common brick. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: F.M. Shelton, Inc. Amount not to Exceed: \$94,674.00.

**Deferred to the next meeting and assigned to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), and return to the Board on October 13, 2020**

[2020-0902](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Landfill Professional Engineering and Surveying Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 3 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1122508 for use by Public Works - Sanitation. This contract consists of providing engineering and surveying services related to municipal solid waste landfills, including services related to construction, operating, permitting and compliance at the County's solid waste management facilities. Awarded to Stearns, Conrad and Schmidt Consulting Inc. dba SCS Engineers. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

**Approved**

**Superior Court**[2020-1001](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Acceptance of FY2021 Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Award for \$197,500 For DeKalb County Accountability Courts

**Approved****Tax Commissioner**[2020-1007](#)**Commission District(s): All Commission Districts.**

Renewal of Sublease for Tax Commissioner's Satellite Office at 2901 Candler Road, Suite 66, Decatur, GA

**Approved****Watershed Management**[2020-0921](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Sewer Cooperation Agreement of Fulton County and DeKalb County for the Ball Mill Creek Drainage Basin

**Approved**[2020-0964](#)**Commission District(s): 1 & 6**

Georgetown Gateway project for City of Dunwoody CS 5156/Chamblee Dunwoody Road from Cotillion Drive to Peeler Road: Not To Exceed \$566,777.20

**Approved****J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD****K. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**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.