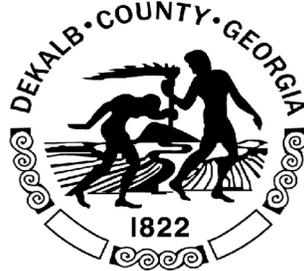


# DeKalb County Government

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



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

**9:00 AM**

**Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium**

### **Special Called Meeting**

*Comm. Robert Patrick, Presiding Officer, District 1  
Comm. Mereda Davis Johnson, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 5*

*Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1  
Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2  
Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3  
Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4  
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5  
Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6  
Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7*

**Present**        6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent**         1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader

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

**Work Session**

**I. Committee of the Whole**

**A. Committee Reports**

**B. MARTA Quarterly Report Briefing**

**C. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for May 24, 2022**

**D. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda**

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

**F. Items Previously Heard**

**II. Special Call Meeting**

**2022-1684**        **Commission District(s): All**

To Convene a Special Called Meeting

**MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to convene a Special Call Meeting. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:**             6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader

**2022-1685 Commission District(s): All**

To convene an Executive Session Meeting

**MOTION was made by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved to convene an Executive Session Meeting. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader

**2022-1686 Commission District(s): All**

To Adjourn an Executive Session Meeting

**MOTION was made by Steve Bradshaw, seconded by Larry Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn an Executive Session Meeting. Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson was absent during this vote. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 5 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

**Absent:** 2 - Commissioner Jeff Rader, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**2022-1687 Commission District(s): all**

Proposed settlement of claims asserted by the U.S. Department of Justice on behalf of Cemetra Brooks.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader

**2022-1688 Commission District(s): all**

Proposed settlement of claims against DeKalb County, former Sheriff Jeffrey Mann, and Sheriff employees Minerva Perry, Donnie Lott, Shanika Terry, and Sonja Davis in Cassel v. DeKalb County et. al., Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-01938, pending in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader

**POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY IN COUNTY SERVICES.**

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ADJOURNMENT:

**There being no further official business, MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved to adjourn the May 17, 2022 Special Called Meeting at 1:07 p.m. Commissioner Jeff Rader was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jeff Rader



Robert Patrick  
Presiding Officer



Michael Thurmond  
Chief Executive Officer



[Barbara Sanders \(May 23, 2022 14:28 EDT\)](#)

Barbara Sanders-Norwood  
County Clerk