



DeKalb County Government

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1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Agenda Item

File ID: FileID

Walk-On Item

Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Board of Commissioners

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Districts

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY FOR A DEKALB COUNTY DEKALB COUNTY TRANSIT MASTER PLAN

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PURPOSE:

To adopt a resolution for the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan that will serve as transit element of the DeKalb County Comprehensive Transportation Plan Update.

NEED/IMPACT:

The resolution is needed to adopt the recommendations of the Transit Master Plan to be forwarded to the Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority (ATL) by July 31, 2019 for inclusion in the Regional Transit Plan project list;

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs will vary by project;

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the resolution and authorize the chief executive officer to execute all necessary documents.....

A RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY FOR A DEKALB COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, viable and affordable transportation and mobility options are critical to the collective success of DeKalb County and the cities within the County; and,

WHEREAS, a transportation network containing different types of transit solutions can enhance residents' quality of life and improve business outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, mobility options throughout the County must consider the unique circumstances and needs of all potential riders; and,

WHEREAS, DeKalb County has led a countywide, comprehensive master planning process to identify transit enhancements for today and expansion opportunities for the future; and,

WHEREAS, over the past year the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan Project Management Team has met with stakeholders, neighborhood groups and residents to gather input to inform the development of a master plan; and,

WHEREAS, the planning process has resulted in the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan for consideration of approval by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, and it is hereby resolved:

- 1) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees with the process used to develop the transit master plan; and
- 2) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County generally agrees with the four transit scenarios generated by the planning process; and
- 3) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees that more education/engagement with the public should be undertaken to identify the level of transit investment to pursue; and
- 4) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees that more research on project delivery and innovative financing opportunities should be undertaken; and,
- 5) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees that further negotiation with MARTA regarding the investment of the current one percent sales tax is needed; and,
- 6) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees that further collaboration and coordination is needed with agency partners such as Georgia Department of Transportation, The ATL, and the Atlanta Regional Commission; and
- 7) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees that land use and development codes need to be aligned to support transit investments; and
- 8) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County agrees to coordinate closely with municipalities within DeKalb County on the identification of project priorities, any public vote to fund the plan, and the implementation of an oversight team to oversee the implementation of the transit master plan; and
- 9) The Governing Authority of DeKalb County adopts the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan to serve as the transit element of the DeKalb County Comprehensive Plan Update.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this _____
_____, 2019.

JEFF RADER
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this _____ day of
_____, 2019.

MICHAEL L. THURMOND
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

BARBARA SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
and Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

VIVIANE H. ERNSTES
County Attorney