

# DeKalb County Government

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



## Meeting Minutes - Final

**Thursday, June 20, 2024**

**9:00 AM**

**Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium**

### **Committee of the Whole**

*Comm. Mereda Davis Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 5*

*Comm. Robert Patrick, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 1*

*Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, District 2*

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4*

*Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6*

**Present:** 5 - Robert Patrick, Michelle Long Spears, Steve Bradshaw, Mereda Davis Johnson and Ted Terry

### ***Tentative Agenda***

*This Agenda is not final and subject to change, as the agenda for the Regular Board of Commissioners' meeting is set at the Committee of the Whole.*

#### **I. Committee of the Whole**

##### **A. Committee Reports**

##### **B. Decide DeKalb - Quarterly Update**

##### **C. Water and Sewer Update**

##### **D. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for June 25, 2024**

###### **PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

###### **Chief Executive Office**

[2024-0753](#) Commission District(s): All  
2024 Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rates; Budget Revisions  
**This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Public Hearing**

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

[2024-0679](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 6  
Traffic Calming Petition - Dawn Drive between Tilson Road and Dawn Court. No Cost to County.  
**This agenda item was accepted to BOC agenda - Public Hearing**

###### **PROPOSED PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

###### **Airport**

[2024-0766](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Douglas Crosby. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

- [2024-0767](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Rohan K. Bhatia. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0768](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Frank B. Lieppe. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0769](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Stuart J. Marsden. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0770](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Ryan Dwyer. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0771](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Stephen E. Raville. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0772](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with James Frank. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**
- [2024-0773](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6  
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with Marc Wise. There is no cost to the County.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**Community Development**

- [2024-0764](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
The 2024-2028 Consolidated Plan for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Programs, including the 2024 Annual Action Plan - Federally Funded, No Cost to the County  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development &**

**Community Services Committee due back on 6/25/2024 .****Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office**[2024-0745](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Authorize \$45,000.00 of SPLOST funding to DeKalb County  
Public Works-Traffic for the Proposed Traffic Signal Upgrades at  
Columbia Drive and Peachcrest Road Intersection.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and  
assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee  
due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**Fire & Rescue Services**[2024-0754](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Extension of Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of  
Brookhaven for Public Safety, Fire and Emergency parking and  
break facilities through December 31, 2024 and ratification of  
previous extension.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and  
assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety  
Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**GIS Department**[2024-0716](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6  
A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and  
Authorize its Sale - 1918 Delphine Drive, Decatur, GA, 30032,  
Parcel Identification Number 15-172-11-050.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and  
assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back  
on 6/20/2024 .**

**Police Services**[2024-0718](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Grant Acceptance - FY24 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area  
(HIDTA) Grant, \$276,156.00

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and  
assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety  
Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**Public Works - Sanitation**

- [2024-0728](#) Commission District(s): All Districts  
Sanitation Division Annual Residential Services Rate Increase  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**Public Works - Transportation**

- [2024-0759](#) Commission District(s): 2 and 6  
Road Diet Concept Study for North Decatur Road from Clairmont Road to Scott Blvd  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**Purchasing & Contracting**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

- [2024-0621](#) Commission District(s): All  
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1254433 Secured Signing Enterprise Plan (Three (3) Year Contract) [Sole Source Purchase]: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This contract consists of a customized electronic cloud-based digital signature solution that allows the County to sign and complete documents online. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and term through July 12, 2026. Awarded to Secured Signing Ltd. Amount Not To Exceed: \$94,350.00.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

- [2024-0649](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1335674 Licensing, Maintenance, and Support Services for Cityworks (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This contract consists of support and updates for the Cityworks software currently used for public asset and work management solutions. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and term through August 17, 2029. Awarded to Azteca Systems, LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$1,279,205.74.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 6/20/2024**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*

- [2024-0730](#) Commission District(s): All  
CO - Change Order No. 3 for Contract No. 1201898 Consent Decree - Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement (CD-GSRR) [Multiyear Contract with 1 Option to Renew]: for use by the Department of Watershed (DWM). This contract consists primarily of providing gravity sewer rehabilitation and replacement via cured in place pipe (CIPP), internal and external point repairs, as well as open cut, and pipe bursting. This request seeks to increase scope of work, contract funds, and contract term through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Kemi Construction Company, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$15,271,478.64.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 6/20/2024 .**

**Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs**

- [2024-0670](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 7  
Rename Shoal Creek III Park to John Evans Legacy Park  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 6/25/2024 .**

**WorkSource**

- [2024-0721](#) Commission District(s): ALL DISTRICTS  
To appropriate \$889,209 of the ARP Interest to DeKalb County Summer Youth Program for the purposes of administering a DeKalb Virtual Career Academy.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 6/25/2024 .**
- [2024-0722](#) Commission District(s): ALL DISTRICTS  
Approval to transfer up to \$500,000 of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds from the FY24 Dislocated Worker program to the FY24 Adult program.  
**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development &**

**Community Services Committee due back on 6/25/2024 .**[2024-0723](#)

Commission District(s): ALL DISTRICTS

Acceptance of Multiple Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grants - Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth for Program Year 2024 from the Technical College System of Georgia not to exceed \$3,193,584.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 6/25/2024 .**

**E. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda****PRELIMINARY****Board Of Commissioners**[2024-0798](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the June 20, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**[2024-0797](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution to Create a Citizen Oversight Committee for SPLOST II Revenues and Expenditures

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the Committee of the Whole due back on 6/27/2024 .**

**Board of Commissioners - District 4**[2024-0736](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Allocate \$2,000.00 of District 4 Reserve for Appropriation funds to The Rock of Ages Lutheran Church of Stone Mountain, Georgia, Inc. Memorial Drive Hunger Ministries summer feeding program.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

[2024-0796](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Allocation of District 4 Reserve for Appropriation Public Art Fund of \$25,000 to the Living Walls Mural Organization for mural projects in Scottdale and Clarkston Georgia areas.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2024-0794](#) Commission District(s): District 4 and Super District 6  
To Approve Allocating the District 6 Public Art Fund of \$50,000 and a District 6 Reserve for Appropriations of \$3,994.00 toward the Living Walls Mural Projects at Bridges in Scottsdale and Clarkston areas.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

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

[2024-0699](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of May 28, 2024

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

[2024-0760](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of June 4, 2024.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

[2024-0776](#) Commission District(s): All  
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of June 11 2024

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**Magistrate Court**

[2024-0795](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Request to Accept Subgrant Award in the Amount of \$98,816 from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for Fiscal Year 2025.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**State Court**

[2024-0731](#) Commission District(s): All Districts  
Criminal Justice Coordinating Counsel FY25 DUI Court Program Award

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

**Superior Court**

[2024-0724](#) Commission District(s): All  
Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Grant to the DeKalb County



Adult Felony Drug Court-\$133,804.00

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

[2024-0777](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts  
FY2025 Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and  
Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) Grant By Way Of The  
Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) to the DeKalb  
County Felony Drug Court - \$197,500.00

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent**

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

## **G. Items Previously Heard**

### **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

#### **Finance - Risk Management**

[2024-0506](#)

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.

#### **Planning and Sustainability**

[2023-1142](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 3  
SUPER DISTRICT 7  
Application of Stix & Stones Homes for a major modification of  
zoning conditions #1 and #2 pursuant to Z-22-1245596 to increase  
the number of units and construct a single-family detached cottage  
development at 1484 & 1520 Columbia Drive.

[2023-1146](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 2  
SUPER DISTRICT 6  
Application of Fariz Morani for a Special Land Use Permit ( SLUP)  
to build and operate a restaurant with drive through in a C-2  
(General Commercial) zoning district within a Town Center (TC)  
Activity Center, at 1726 Church Street.

[2023-1154](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 2  
SUPER DISTRICT 6  
Application of Fariz Morani for a Special Land Use Permit ( SLUP)  
to operate a drive through coffee shop within C-1 (Local

Commercial) zoning district and within a Town Center (TC) Activity Center, at 3823 North Druid Hills Road.

[2023-1249](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 2  
SUPER DISTRICT 6

Application of Fariz Morani to rezone from NS (Neighborhood Shopping) zoning district to C-1 (Local Commercial) district within a Town Center (TC) Activity Center to use the existing building to create a drive-through coffee shop, at 3823 North Druid Hills Road.

**"DECISION ONLY" ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING**

**Planning and Sustainability**

[2024-0109](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): COMMISSION DISTRICT 3  
SUPER DISTRICT 6

Application of Brad Noble with Metro Capital Investment, LLC for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) for a self-storage facility in the C-2 (General Commercial) zoning district, at 2020 & 2030 Moreland Avenue; and, 1022 & 1032 Hillcrest Drive.

**ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD**

**Board of Commissioners - District 2**

[2024-0190](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
An Ordinance for Companion Animal Litter Permit and Transfer and Sale of Dogs and Cats in DeKalb County, Georgia

[2024-0380](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Resolution Requesting Accountability and Compliance with Essential Functions Identified within the Classification Specification for the Chief of Staff, Board of Commissioners

[2024-0663](#)

Commission District(s): District 2  
A Resolution Adopting a Contextualization Statement for the Cannon Previously Removed from the Decatur Courthouse Square

**Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2023-0526](#)

Commission District(s): District 3, 6, and all commission districts  
A Resolution to Encourage DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond to End the Executive Order Closing Intrenchment Creek Park and to Reopen It to the Public As Soon As Possible

- [2023-0558](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
A Resolution requesting a study regarding the possibility of establishing a police civilian review board in DeKalb County.
- [2023-0835](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
A Resolution to Commit to the Transformation of the South River Forest by Adopting the Recommendations of the “Explore South River Forest” Report and For the Administration to Prepare and Deliver an Implementation Plan
- [2023-1137](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
Resolution Encouraging the DeKalb County Governing Body to Collaborate with Metro Atlanta Counties and Their Health Departments to Support Access to Abortion Health Services and Resources
- [2024-0282](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
To Approve a Resolution to Collaborate with MARTA to Achieve Portions of the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan Goals without Additional Sales Tax Levies
- [2024-0347](#) Commission District(s): All Districts  
Resolution to Address Eliminating Blight Caused by Unattended Donation Boxes.
- [2024-0525](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts  
A Resolution to Establish a DeKalb Environmental Justice Commission

**Board of Commissioners - District 7**

- [2023-1515](#) Commission District(s): All Districts  
A Resolution Of The Governing Authority Of DeKalb County, Georgia, To Provide Annual Funding To DeKalb Pro Bono
- [2024-0347](#) Commission District(s): All Districts  
Resolution to Address Eliminating Blight Caused by Unattended Donation Boxes.

**Chief Executive Office**

- [2024-0428](#) Commission District(s): All  
DeKalb County Healthcare Asset Mapping and Gap Analysis.

Consists of Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM) providing Healthcare Asset Mapping and Gap Analysis services to DeKalb County Government staff. This request will enable the completion of a healthcare delivery strategy.

[2024-0593](#)

Commission District(s): All.  
Appropriation of Emergency Rental Assistance (“ERA 2”) funds to several DeKalb Non-Profit Agencies for assistance with the DeKalb County “Integrated Community Care Initiative” in an aggregate amount of \$13,000,000.

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

[2024-0698](#)

Commission District(s): All  
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of May 22, 2024.

**District Attorney**

[2024-0720](#)

Commission District(s): all  
Creation of a temporary, part-time, grant-funded Cold Case Investigative Program Director position in the District Attorney’s Office; no County funds required

**Human Services**

[2024-0653](#)

Commission District(s): All  
Acceptance of funds from the Atlanta Regional Commission for DeKalb Senior Services for SFY 2025

**Purchasing & Contracting**

*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*

[2024-0608](#)

Commission District(s): ALL  
REN - Contract Nos.: 1296353, 1296358, 1296360, 1295907, 1296448, 1295914, 1296454, 1296417, 1296362, 1296020, 1296458, 1321602, 1296027, 1296365, 1296467, 1296559, 1296815, 1296651, 1295939, 1298227, 1296826, 1296828, 1295932, 1296472, 1295979, 1295933, 1296529, 1295934, 1295945, 1296668, 1295952, 1296803, 1296574, 1295957, 1296535, 1296957, 1296434, 1295975, 1300505, 1295981, 1296971, 1296829, 1295992, 1295997, 1296000, 1295994 and 1296008 Parts for Vehicles and Off-Road Equipment (Annual Contract - 2nd of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works-Fleet

Management, Police Services, and the Department of Fire & Rescue. These contracts consist of repair parts for all types of vehicles and equipment. This request seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through June 30, 2025. This request also seeks to reserve the right to transfer funds between contracts based on Department needs. Awarded to below listed 47 vendors. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$7,325,000.00.

[2024-0665](#)

Commission District(s): ALL  
RFP - Request for Proposals No. 24-500664 Standby Mechanical Engineering and Energy Support Services (Multiyear): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing quality mechanical engineering and energy engineering design support, assessments, and consultations to ensure that the County's infrastructure and facilities operate at peak efficiency. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposers: S.L. King & Associates, Spellman & Associates, Inc., and TLC Engineering Solutions. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00.

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee*

[2024-0524](#)

Commission District(s): All  
LB - Invitation No. 24-101631 Plumbing Services for Community Development (DeKalb CARES) (Multi-Year Contract -with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). Consists of the installation and repair of plumbing fixtures and ensuring plumbing code enforcement for qualified low to moderate-income households throughout DeKalb County. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders and reserve the right to transfer funds between contracts based on the needs of the County: J2 Connect, Inc., Facility Maintenance & Services Group, Mighty Plumbing, LLC and Raw Plumbing and HVAC Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,500,000.00.

[2024-0611](#)

Commission District(s): ALL  
RFP - Request for Proposals No. 24-500669 Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP-1) Implementation: for use by the Department of Community Development (CD). Consists of acquiring, rehabilitating, and selling DeKalb residential properties. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: National Property Institute LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,000,000.00.

*Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee*

- [2024-0151](#) Commission District(s): All  
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Consent Decree - Trenchless Pipeline Rehabilitation Services (Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGACBUY) Contract No. TP07-18) [DeKalb Cooperative Agreement]: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). The contract consists of providing assessment services in small and large diameter sanitary sewer lines, sewer cleaning and supporting services. These services include CCTV, Sonar/TISCIT Inspection, Sewer Flow Control, Manhole Height Adjustment, Point Repairs, CIPP, Sanitary Sewer & Manhole Cleaning, Access Route and Easement Clearing, Site Restoration, and Erosion Control. In a form acceptable to the County Attorney, the County intends to execute a cooperative agreement with Vortex Services, LLC. Awarded to Vortex Services, LLC (fka VacVision Environmental, LLC). Amount Not To Exceed: \$15,450,699.44.
- [2024-0224](#) Commission District(s): All  
LB - Invitation No. 22-101496 Repair Parts for Waterlines (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of various repair parts for waterlines. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Core & Main LP. Amount Not to Exceed: \$3,200,000.00.
- [2024-0482](#) Commission District(s): ALL  
CA - Class 4-8 Chassis with Related Equipment, Accessories, and Services (Sourcewell Contract No. 060920-KTC): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by Public Works-Sanitation. This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let Sourcewell contract for twelve (12) 28 cubic yard high compaction rear loader refuse trucks. These trucks will be used to collect residential refuse, recycling, and yard waste throughout DeKalb County. Awarded to Kenworth Truck Company, Division of PACCAR Inc. (authorized dealer MHC Kenworth - Atlanta). Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,337,360.00.
- [2024-0592](#) Commission District(s): All  
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1297573 Debris Collection Services (Emergency Purchase): for use by Public Works - Sanitation.

This contract consists of debris collection routes at the North Collection Lot. This request seeks an increase in contract funds and term through June 30, 2025. Awarded to Russell Landscape, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,950,000.00.

## **II. Special Called Meeting**

### **A. Executive Session**

### **B. Other Matters**