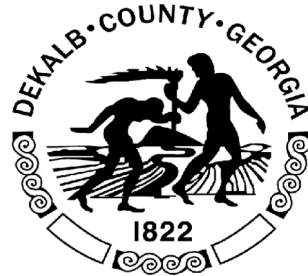


DeKalb County Government

*178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

9:00 AM

178 Sam's Street, Decatur, GA 30030 (Multipurpose Room A1201)

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Chakira Johnson, Presiding Officer, District 4

Commissioner Dr. LaDena Bolton, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 7

Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, District 2

Commissioner Nicole Massiah, District 3

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

Present: 6 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, Commissioner Nicole Massiah, Commissioner Chakira Johnson, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, and Commissioner LaDena Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Ted Terry

Administration: Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Terry G. Phillips, Interim County Attorney

A. INSPIRATIONAL

*Pastor Micah Dial
Rainbow Park Baptist Church*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Commissioner Nicole Massiah
District 3*

B. PRESENTATIONS

*Public Works Week
Recognition - Former Sheriff Thomas Brown
Recognition - Former Tax Commissioner Irvin Johnson*

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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. Cards turned in to the clerk from the time the general meeting is convened (generally 9 A.M.) and by the beginning of public comment portion generally following presentations on the agenda. The clerk will accept cards on a first-come, first-served basis. Prior to the clerk's call for public comment, 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, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Stephen Conover- 2775 Augusta Way Decatur, Georgia 30032; Lafayette Nelson III- 3303 Marchwood Place Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20776; Gina Mangham- (No Address); Jackie Malcom- (No Address); Karyl-Lyn Sanderson- 655 El Prado Court Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083; Vanessa Faraj- 1847 Glendale Drive Decatur, Georgia 30032; Chris Langro- 1416 Lively Ridge Road Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Donna Priest-Brown- 5959 Fairing Drop Stonecrest, Georgia 30038; Rosalind McIntyre-(No Address); Jan Dunaway-4672 Fellswood Drive Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083;

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 present 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, a speaker shall complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If a speaker has any documents for the commissioners, the speaker shall 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. In all zoning ordinance and traffic calming cases, staff shall make their recommendation for action to the Commission first followed by applicants or citizens speaking in favor of the item. 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. For all other items placed on the public hearing agenda, applicants or citizens speaking in favor of the item shall speak first followed by opponents of the item. 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. Speakers should always talk directly into the microphone and begin by stating their name, address and the name of any organization they represent. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted. Holding up signs, clapping, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

Planning & Sustainability

2026-0908

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): All Districts

Extend Public Hearing for 5 minutes for Item 2026-0972

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2025-0972](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): All Districts

Application of the Director of Planning and Sustainability to amend Chapter 27 to Establish a Definition, Regulatory Guidelines, and Development Standards for Data Centers in M (Industrial), M-2 (Heavy Industrial), O-I (Office-Institutional), and O-D (Office-Distribution) zoning districts. This text amendment is County-wide.

Favor: None

Against: Gina Mangham- (No Address); Tina Ross- (No Address); Renee Cail- (No Address); Chris Langro- 1416 Lively Ridge Road Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30329; Ginger Gonzaja- 916 Paoli Avenue Southeast Atlanta, Georgia 30316; Hannah Davis- 1171 Larch Lane Decatur, Georgia 30033; Heidi Lopez- Plunkett Road Lithonia, Georgia 30038; Emily Diffenderfer- (No Address); M. Bavcomebe-Pattillo Way Lithonia, Georgia, 30058; Keyanna Jones Moore- 3635 Broadview Court Decatur, Georgia 30032; Claire S.- 116 Drexel Avenue Decatur, Georgia 30030;

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Deferred until June 23, 2026 for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Transportation

[2026-0795](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

Resolution, Order, and Declaration of Taking- Required Temporary Easement for "Constitution Road Freight Corridor Improvement". Cost to County: \$2,205.00

Address: 3316 Fayetteville Road (15 080 02 058)

Warren E. Pope, Jr. et al.

Favor: Tina (GAY) Holliman- 933 Ashton Park Drive Mableton Georgia, 30126

Against: None

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

E. APPEALS

NONE

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Board of Commissioners

[2026-0841](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Record the Appointment of Cheryl Kortemeier to the DeKalb County Women’s Commission as the City of Decatur Appointee

This agenda item was Read into the record

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2026-0831](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Record the appointment of Dennis Allen to the DeKalb United Sports Commission as a standing member with voting privileges to the DeKalb United Sports Commission as the District 4 Representative

This agenda item was Read into the record

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2026-0807](#)

Commission District(s): Super District 6

Record the Appointment of Eric Carlton to the DeKalb United Sports Commission as a standing member with voting privileges to the DeKalb United Sports Commission as the District 6 Representative

This agenda item was Read into the record

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0789](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

Record the Appointment of Amaryllis Alexander to the District 4 Community Council. The appointment will continue at the pleasure of Commissioner Bolton.

This agenda item was Read into the record

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0754](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint David Garcia to Post 7 of the Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs Board.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. Commissioner Robert Patrick was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Reconsidered. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Board of Commissioners

[2026-0846](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

Approval of Minutes for the May 5, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0828](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$9,000 from District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to Carl Vinson

Institute to Conduct a Survey on Residents' Views on Spay/Neuter Policies

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0830](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$10,000 from District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to Support Globe Academy Summer Camp

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0836](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$176,050 from District 2 Park Bond Accounts and D2 Capital Reserves for Improvements at Pendergrast Park.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2026-0849](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Appropriate an Amount Not to Exceed \$30,000 to Superior Court for the Law Clinic from the District 3 Reserve for Appropriation

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0850](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,000.00 to DeKalb Pro Bono from the District 3 Reserved for Appropriation

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0851](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,000.00 to START:ME Program East Lake Coalition from the District 3 Reserved for Appropriation

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0853](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,000.00 to the Office of DeKalb County’s District Attorney Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Unit from the District 3 Reserved for Appropriation

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0855](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$10,000.00 to Atlanta Masjid, Sisters United In Human Services, Rites of Unthaa Program from the District 3 Reserved for Appropriation

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0772](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$3,000 of the Reserve for Appropriation contributed towards The Hank Stewart Foundation & Southwest DeKalb Alumni 16th Annual Career Day programming.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0780](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$35,000 of District 7 Reserve for Appropriation Contributed to Flat Rock Archive for historical T. A. Bryant, Sr. House and Grounds Preservation.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0782](#)**Commission District(s):** District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$2,100 of the District 7 Reserve for Appropriation funds to R Johnson Community for The 29th Annual County Line/ Ellenwood Community Day and Parade.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0785](#)**Commission District(s):** District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$3,500 to the Women's Resource Center and \$3,500 to the International Women's House for Domestic Violence Survivors and Awareness.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0786](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$15,000 of the District 7 Reserve for Appropriation Funds to How Big is Your Dream Foundation for Youth Summer Programming.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0787](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$5,000 of the District 7 Reserve for Appropriation Funds to Rainbow Park Baptist Church, Harvest Sponsorship for the “Our Food Pantry & Clothes Closet Ministry”

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0788](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount not to Exceed \$1,000 of District 7 Reserve for Appropriation to Planning & Sustainability for World Planning Day 2026.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2026-0696](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of April 28, 2026

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Transportation[2026-0793](#)**Commission District(s): 2 & 6**

Lighting Agreement SR 236/LaVista Rd from LaVista Drive to Richard Stokes Drive. The financial impact on the Transportation Division budget will be \$3660.00 yearly.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0797](#)**Commission District(s): 5 & 7**

Lighting Agreement SR 12/Covington Highway from Belmont Place to the East of Strathmoor Manor Drive. The financial impact on the Transportation Division budget will be \$1582.56 yearly.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0798](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 7

Lighting Agreement SR 154/Memorial Drive from Beginning Mile Point 0.83 to Ending Mile Point 0.43 (Between Beech Drive and Northeast of Covington Drive). The financial impact on the Transportation Division budget will be \$6,168.60 yearly.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0846, 2026-0828, 2026-0830, 2026-0836, 2026-0849, 2026-0850, 2026-0851, 2026-0853, 2026-0855, 2026-0772, 2026-0780, 2026-0782, 2026-0782, 2026-0786, 2026-0787, 2026-0788, 2026-0696, 2026-0793, 2026-0797, 2026-0798 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

The Board may take a 1-Hour Break at 12:00PM

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Board of Commissioners

[2026-0801](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

To Amend Section II of The Board of Commissioners' Standing Procedural Rules To Establish Limits On Commissioners' Speaking Time.

This agenda item was Approved first reading, deferred for second reading on May 26, 2026.

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2026-0769](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Requesting the Administration to Establish Independent Civilian Oversight and Auditing For DeKalb County’s Digital Shield Initiatives and Surveillance Infrastructure

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Chief Executive Office

[2026-0860](#)

Commission District(s): All

To Amend the Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Budget and Appropriate Capital Funding for Various Items.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until June 9, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0862](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Amendment to Agenda Item #2026-0396 Changing the “DeKalb County Day Center” Venue from Peace Baptist Church to New Life Community Alliance, Inc -3592 Flat Shoals Road, Decatur, GA 30034 and Reduction in Overall Costs - \$23,077.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Public Safety

[2026-0808](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

FY2026 FIFA World Cup Grant Program (FWCGP) in Amounts Not to Exceed \$1,487,037.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2026-0587](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Proposed Stormwater Utility Fee Increase

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Public Works - Transportation

[2026-0589](#)

Commission District(s): 2 and 6

Allocate \$8,000,000.00 of SPLOST II Funding (Line-Item B.3) for South Peachtree Creek Trail Extension from Medlock Park to Lulah Hills Development

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0813](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Acceptance and appropriation of \$625,000.00 from the Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority (The ATL) for the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan Update.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0814](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Acceptance and Appropriation of \$500,000.00 of Funds from the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for the DeKalb County Transit Master Plan Update

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2026-0438](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

Surveillance Detection Equipment (Purchasing Policy Exemption): for use by the Department of Police Services (PS). Consists of purchasing detection, mapping devices, and training for equipment. Awarded to Research Electronics International, LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$122,395.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0476](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Contract No. 1377595, Medical Exam Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 4 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Fire Rescue (FR). This contract consists of medical and mental health screening and evaluations of Fire Rescue personnel. This request is to exercise the 2nd renewal option through May 31, 2027. Awarded to Site Med North America, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$350,000.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0525](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No.1342927 Decals for County Vehicles (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Police Services (PS), Animal Enforcement Services (AES), Fire Rescue (FR), Fleet Management (Fleet) and Marshal's Office. This contract consists of providing the production and installation of vinyl decals for County vehicles. This request seeks to increase the contract term and funds through March 31, 2027. Awarded to AKO Signs, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$137,500.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0650](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Contract No. 1379950 Biohazardous Police Car Cleaning Service (Annual

Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Police Services (PS).

This contract consists of the cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting of police vehicles as

needed. This request seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through June 30,

2027. Awarded to Dokun Technologies LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$45,000.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0673](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 2000484, 2000485 and 2000486, Guns, Ammunition, and Accessories (Annual Contract with 5 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Police Services and the Marshal's Office. This contract consists of purchasing through the competitively let Statewide Contracts for Guns, Ammunition and Accessories. This request seeks to increase contract funds for Police Services. Awarded to: Gulf States Distributors, Inc., Dana Safety Supply Inc. and Precision Delta Corporation. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$265,000.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0674](#)**Commission District(s): 5**

CO - Change Order No.: 3 to Contract No. 1258334, Soils & Materials Testing, Surveying Services and Structural Analysis (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Public Works Transportation (PW-T), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), Watershed Management (DWM) and Planning and Sustainability(P&S). This contract consists of providing geotechnical and geo-environmental evaluations for the engineering constructability and/or potential environmental risks of multiple sites throughout the County. This request seeks to increase contract funds to add the Department of Police Services. Awarded to ACCURA Engineering & Consulting Services, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$37,360.00

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0682](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Contract No. 2000274, Aviation Fuel for Police Helicopters (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Police Services (PS). This contract consists of the purchase of aviation fuel for the County's police helicopters on an as-needed basis. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided contract term increase. This request further seeks to exercise the 1st renewal option through May 13, 2027. Awarded to: Perry Brothers Aviation Fuels, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$75,000.00.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0438, 2026-0476, 2026-0525, 2026-0650, 2026-0673, 2026-0674, 2026-0682 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2026-0634](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1192609 Tyler Cloud Hosting Services Migration for the ias World Software (Sole Source). For use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) to obtain three (3) year cloud SaaS hosting services to assess and collect property taxes. Seeking increase in contract funds and term through December 31, 2029. Awarded to Tyler Technologies, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$4,094,807.88.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the County Operations Committee (OPS), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner LaDena Bolton was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2026-0614](#)

Commission District(s): 3, 5, 6, and 7

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1373363, Restoration and Maintenance of Athletic Fields (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of site restoration and maintenance of athletic fields. This request seeks to increase contract funds and extend the contract term through August 31, 2026. Awarded to JMB Landscaping Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$200,000.00.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner LaDena Bolton was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2026-0232](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 2025-066-ITB Chemicals for Odor Control (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain chemicals for odor control. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Acuity Specialty Products, Inc. (dba Zep Sales and Service); Break-Thru Solutions Janitorial Supply; Ferguson Waterworks; Peoples Janitorial Supplies, Inc.; and State Industrial Products Corp. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$494,049.15.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0232, 2026-0477, 2026-0655, 2026-0677, 2026-0678 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0477](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 2025-123-ITB Right-of-Way Mowing and Maintenance Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew). For use by Public Works - Sanitation & Beautification to obtain mowing and lawn maintenance services at various right-of-way locations. Seeks to reserve the right to transfer funds between contracts based on the needs of the County. Recommend awards to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: ReIMAGE General Contractors, and Russell Landscape, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$719,650.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0232, 2026-0477, 2026-0655, 2026-0677, 2026-0678 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0655](#)

Commission District(s): All

REN - Contract Nos.: 1381670 and 1381672 Litter Removal Services (2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). For use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation & Beautification to obtain year-round litter removal services on various roadways, exit ramps and medians. Exercising 2nd renewal option through June 30, 2027 and adding Department of Watershed (DWM) to contract. Awarded to American Eagle, LLC and Russell Landscape. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,435,487.32.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0232, 2026-0477, 2026-0655, 2026-0677, 2026-0678 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0677](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1337545 Design and Engineering Services During Construction for Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Expansion - Phase 3A Project. For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Seeking increase in contract scope of work, funds, and term through December 31, 2031. Awarded to CDM Smith, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$658,789.35

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0232, 2026-0477, 2026-0655, 2026-0677, 2026-0678 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0678](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 2000331 Snapfinger Vault Assessment and Cleaning (Emergency). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain continued assessment and cleaning of sanitary sewer pipes and contract term extension. Seeking to ratify a previously issued contract term increase and obtain increase in contract funds and term through March 31, 2027. Awarded to Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,014,358.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Items 2026-0232, 2026-0477, 2026-0655, 2026-0677, 2026-0678 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2024-1237](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

A Request for the Director of Planning & Sustainability to amend the DeKalb County Nuisance Ordinance to Add a Closure of Chronic Nuisance Properties Ordinance Chapter.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2024-1239](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, As Revised 1988, Chapter 18, Article III, Property Maintenance to Establish Minimum Standards for Vacant Property, Require Property Owners to Apply for a Board-up Permit, and for Other Purposes.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2025-0683](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

To Approve a Resolution to Address Egregious Littering and the Illegal Dumping of Scrap Tires

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0596](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Regulate the Restraint and Transportation of Animals and for other Purposes.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until June 23, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

[2026-0728](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, Chapter 5, to Regulate the Sale of Dogs, Cats and Rabbits in Pet Shops

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until July 14, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2026-0550](#)

Commission District(s): District 3

To Adopt an Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County to Address Public Safety, Vagrancy, Unauthorized Camping and Certain Public Nuisance Behaviors

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2025-0015](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Ordinance to Amend The Code of DeKalb County, Georgia Chapter 16 Pertaining To Regulation Of Sound And For Other Purposes.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2025-0017](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution to Create an Electric Landscape Maintenance Device Rebate Program, to Encourage Switching from Gas-Powered Landscape Maintenance Devices, and for Other Lawful Purposes.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 9, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2025-1525](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution by The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners Establishing A DeKalb County Water Customer Bill Of Rights

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until June 6, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0244](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Requiring A Baseline Assessment Of DeKalb County's Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status And A Third Party Analysis Of DeKalb's Proposed Data Center Regulations Before Issuance Of A Land Disturbance Permit (LDP) For Data Centers.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), June 23, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0245](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

An Allocation Not To Exceed \$15,000 Of The DeKalb County General Fund To Be Considered For The 2026 Budget To Science For Georgia To Conduct a Baseline Assessment of DeKalb County's Current Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status and Provide a Third Party Analysis of DeKalb County's Proposed Data Center Regulations Contextualized By The County's Current Health, Socio-Economic, And Environmental Status.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 23, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0341](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Of The DeKalb County Board Of Commissioners Requesting The Administration And Planning Department To Update The Recommended Substitute For Text Amendment 2025-0972 Regarding Data Center Regulations.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until June 23, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0744](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Adjusting All DeKalb County Tire Tip Fees to \$1.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0218](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To establish regulatory oversight of blasting operations in DeKalb County through the adoption of a Control Blasting and Safety Ordinance; to promote public safety, environmental protection, and community stability; and for other purposes.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until June 23, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office

[2025-1577](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution of the DeKalb County Governing Authority Regarding the Charter Review Commission’s Report and Recommended Changes to the Organizational Act

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Human Services

[2026-0636](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

Transfer Funds in the Amount of \$850,000 from the General Fund to the Senior Citizens Services Grant Fund

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Approved.

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2026-0532](#)

Commission District(s): 1,3,5,7

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 2025-142 Fire Station 5, 16, and 27 Build (Multiyear Contract). For use by the Department of Fire Rescue (FR) to complete the construction of a new fire station in Tucker, Decatur, and Lithonia. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Cooper & Company General Constructors, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed: \$26,588,000.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute.

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2026-0408](#)**Commission District(s):** 3 and 4

SWC -Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD00001 72-006 Integrated Security and Surveillance Products and Services. For use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) to obtain cameras for security surveillance. Awarded to Converjint Technologies, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed \$201,952.18.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Approved the substitute. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0432](#)**Commission District(s):** ALL

REN - Contract Nos.: 1382471, 1382499, and 1382509 Plumbing Services for the Community Development DeKalb Cares (1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew). Seeking to exercise the 1st renewal option through June 30, 2027. Awarded to J2 Connect, Inc., Facility Maintenance & Services Group, and Raw Plumbing and HVAC Services, LLC: Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,926,356.50.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2026-0604](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

EM - Snapfinger Advance Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Wet Weather Pumping Storage (Emergency): For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain design and implementation of wet weather pumping storage. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$10,989,000.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0606](#)**Commission District(s): All**

EM - Construction of the Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Phase 3C (Emergency): For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to buildout and upgrade SFAWTF membrane capacity in Clusters 1 through 4. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed: \$32,371,087.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0613](#)**Commission District(s): All**

EM - Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Phase 3C Influent Lift Station (ILS) Pumping System Upgrades (Emergency). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to assess, upgrade, and maintain the pumping capabilities of ILS. Seeking to ratify an emergency. Awarded to Cole Technology, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed \$4,277,957.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0604, 2026-0606, 2026-0613 were heard together. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

[2026-0627](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

EM - Snapfinger Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (SFAWTF) Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) (Emergency). For use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain the membranes to upgrade Phase 2 equipment to reliably treat plant design flow. Seeking to ratify an emergency purchase. A contract will be developed in a form acceptable to the County Attorney. Awarded to Kovalus Separation Solutions, LLC: Amount Not To Exceed \$5,360,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop to the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until May 26, 2026. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2026-0602](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

2026 Summer Food Services Program

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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2026-0909 Commission District(s): All
Convene Executive Session

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

2026-0910 Commission District(s): All
Adjourn Executive Session

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Long Spears

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further official business. MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved to adjourn the May 12, 2026 Board of Commissioners Meeting at 12:44 p.m. Commissioner Michelle Long Spears was absent during this vote, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson left the meeting at 11:55 a.m. and Commissioner Ted Terry was absent from the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Bolton
- Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner Terry



Chakira Johnson
Presiding Officer



Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
Chief Executive Officer



[Barbara Sanders \(May 22, 2026 17:35:56 EDT\)](#)

Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk