



DeKalb County Government

178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030

Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee of the Whole

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

Thursday, March 26, 2026

9:00 AM

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

Attendance

Present: 6 - Robert Patrick, Chakira Johnson, Mereda Davis Johnson, Ted Terry, Nicole Massiah and LaDena Bolton

Not Present: 1 - Michelle Long Spears

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. Review of the Proposed Executive Agenda for April 14, 2026

PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Watershed Management

[2026-0601](#)

Commission District(s): 4 and 7

Septic to Sewer Petition - Pine Lake, Georgia - Forrest Road

This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Public Hearing

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Chief Executive Office

- [2026-0599](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Clara Burks-Jones to the DeKalb County Women’s Commission as the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County Government Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

PROPOSED APPOINTMENTS

Chief Executive Office

- [2026-0570](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Appoint Commissioner Chakira Johnson to Post 9 of the Development Authority of DeKalb County and Post 9 of the Private Hospital Authority.
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

PROPOSED PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Airport

- [2026-0505](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement Charles E. Taylor. There is no cost to the County...Body
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent
- [2026-0571](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized T-Hangar Space Lease Agreement with James Weaver. There is no cost to the County...Body
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent
- [2026-0585](#) Commission District(s): 1 and 6
Standardized Office Space Agreement with Jenna Kim. There is no cost to the County.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Fire & Rescue Services

[2026-0563](#) Commission District(s): Commission Districts 3 & 6
Fire Rescue Training At 3211 Glenwood Road & 1816 Candler Road
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

[2026-0572](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
First Responder Kits 4 Kids Program
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

[2026-0580](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Kidde Smoke Alarm Donation
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2026-0587](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Proposed Stormwater Utility Fee Increase
This agenda item was Withdrawn

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2026-0481](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract Nos.: 1297340, 1297345 & 1297347 Vehicle Mounted GPS Devices (Cooperative Agreement). For use by Public Works-Fleet Management (Fleet), DeKalb County Code Compliance Administration (DKCCA), and the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) to obtain GPS vehicle services, safety and work management applications, and tracking capabilities. Seeking increase in contract funds and term through June 30, 2027. Awarded to Verizon Connect NWF, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$202,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/26/2026
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[2026-0496](#) Commission District(s): All
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0006
Software and Ancillary Services. For use by Department of Innovation
and Technology (DoIT) to pay outstanding Microsoft Azure license
overages for June through December of 2025. Awarded to Dell
Marketing, LP: Amount Not To Exceed: \$473,050.71.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned
to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/26/2026**

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[2026-0526](#) Commission District(s): 1 & 6
CA - Cooperative Agreement - Scoreboards, Digital Displays, and
Video Boards with Related Services (Sourcewell Contract No.
030223-DAK). For use by the DeKalb Peachtree Airport (PDK) to
obtain replacement and additional digital displays and signs at the
airport. Also seeking to ratify a previously issued purchase order.
Awarded to Daktronics, Inc.: Amount Not To Exceed: \$215,467.00.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned
to the OPS-County Operations Committee due back on 3/26/2026**

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Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2026-0413](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 2025-137-ITB County Abatement Properties
Mowing and Maintenance (Annual Contract with 3 Options to Renew):
for use by Public Works - Sanitation and Beautification to obtain
mowing and maintenance services at various County abatement
locations. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible
bidder: Flex Landscaping Management, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed:
\$100,000.00.

**This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned
to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back
on 3/26/2026 .**

- [2026-0473](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement Sewer Vacuum, Hydro-Excavation, and Municipal Pumping Equipment with Related Accessories and Supplies (Sourcewell Contract No. 101221-VAC): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let Sourcewell Contract No. 101221-VAC for the provision of one (1) Vac-Con International Truck, Cab & Chassis, (Model No. HV507) with Hot Shot Jetting Machine, for the purposes of unclogging sewer manholes and residential sewer lines throughout the County. Awarded to Vac-Con, Inc., c/o Carolina Environmental Systems. Amount Not To Exceed: \$412,880.15.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

- [2025-1760](#) Commission District(s): 2 and 6
Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. \$50,000 Grant Award - Frazier Rowe
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee due back on 4/14/2026 .

Watershed Management

- [2026-0436](#) Commission District(s): 2, 4 and 6
Intergovernmental Agreement For Paving of SR-10/US-278 Between DeKalb County, Georgia and The City of Avondale Estates, Georgia
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .
- [2026-0568](#) Commission District(s): 5 & 7
Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with the Company with a contribution of \$682,000.00.
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

C. Review of Board of Commissioners Preliminary Agenda

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2026-0576](#) Commission District(s): District 1
Record the Appointment of Charlene Fang to Post 1 of the DeKalb Arts Council as a Standing Member and the District 1 Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0558](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Nia Z. Harper to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the City of Stonecrest Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2026-0559](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Beverly Echols to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the City of Tucker Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2026-0560](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Sarai Y'hudah-green to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the City of Pine Lake Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2026-0561](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Cheryl Glover to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the City of Chamblee Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2026-0562](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Elizabeth Appley to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the City of Brookhaven Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

[2026-0565](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Joyce Neal to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the DeKalb County Tax Commissioner's Office Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

- [2026-0566](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Record the Appointment of Victoria Anglin to the DeKalb County Women's Commission as the Junior League of DeKalb County Appointee
This agenda item was Accepted to BOC agenda - Appointment

PRELIMINARY**Board of Commissioners**

- [2026-0600](#) Commission District(s): ALL
Approval of Minutes for the March 26, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Board of Commissioners - District 1

- [2026-0574](#) Commission District(s): District 1
To Approve the Appropriations of an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the Renewal of a Contract Agreement for TobinInk for an Additional Year - from District 1's Operating Account (00201.521209.100)
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

- [2026-0575](#) Commission District(s): District 1
To Approve the Appropriations of an Amount not to Exceed \$50,000 for the Renewal of a Contract Agreement for DesignBee/Hailey Curtis for an Additional Year - from District 1's Operating Account (00201.521209.100)
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

- [2026-0577](#) Commission District(s): District 1
To Approve the Appropriation of \$6,500 from District 1's Reserve for Appropriations Account (00201. 579002.100.000) to iCare Atlanta for Food Distribution
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Board of Commissioners - District 2

- [2026-0556](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
Allocation of \$15,000 of District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to EcoAddendum to Fund Training for District 2 Parks Volunteers
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2026-0596](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
An Ordinance to Regulate the Restraint and Transportation of Animals and for other Purposes.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda and assigned to the ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee due back on 3/26/2026 .

[2026-0597](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
Allocation of \$216,149.50 from 2001 District 2 Bond Account 600010 for Improvements at Rutledge Park.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Board of Commissioners - District 3

[2026-0537](#) Commission District(s): District 3
To Appropriate \$2,500 from the District 3 Reserve for Appropriation Fund to the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) DeKalb Chapter.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2026-0549](#) Commission District(s): District 3
To Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$100,000 from the District 3 Reserve for Appropriation Funds for the District 3 Live, Laugh, Love - A Community Arts, Music & Engagement Series

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2026-0573](#) Commission District(s): District 6
To Appropriate An Amount Not To Exceed \$39,300 From The Super District 6 Reserve For Appropriations To Roots Down For Impact Analysis, Reporting, And Public Engagement Around DeKalb's Regenerative Land Projects As Well As Landscape Installation And Site Management.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

Clerk to the Board of Commissioner and CEO

[2026-0612](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 17, 2026.

This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2026-0615](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of March 24, 2026
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

[2026-0616](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Zoning Meeting of March 26, 2026
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

District Attorney

[2026-0567](#) Commission District(s): all
Acceptance of Violence Against Women Act Grant for \$55,405 to the District Attorney’s Office
This agenda item was Accepted to the BOC agenda - Consent

D. Review/Recap of New Items for the BOC Agenda

E. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

F. Items Previously Heard

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0508](#) Commission District(s): Commission District 2
Record the Appointment of Ben Bell to the Friends of the DeKalb Sports Commission as the District 2 Representative

APPOINTMENTS

Chief Executive Office

[2026-0442](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Appoint Mr. Sheldon Fleming to Post 8 of the Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs Board.

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.

[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.

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0385](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A Resolution of the Governing Authority of Dekalb County, Georgia, Urging Adoption of the Unhoused Support and Services Plan; Establishing Implementation Expectations and Accountability; and for Other Lawful Purposes

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.

[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.

[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

[2026-0158](#) Commission District(s): Commission Super District 6
To Approve a Resolution to Establish a DeKalb “For The People AI Tech Dividend Fund” and Fiscal Stability Policy

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0551](#) Commission District(s): District 7
An Item to Allocate \$2,000 of Reserve for Appropriation Funds to 100 Black Men of DeKalb County “Legacy Is Not Extinct Event” for Enhancement of Educational Programming for Youth.

[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.

Executive Assistant - Chief Operating Office

[2026-0458](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Authorizing \$9,067,525.00 of SPLOST II Funding for Facilities Improvements to Include Roofing and HVAC System Repairs and Replacements for DeKalb County Physical and Mental Health Facilities.

Finance

[2026-0504](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN 2026) for 2026, due December 15, 2026 in the aggregate principal amount of [\$_____], to [name of winning bidder], for the purpose of obtaining a temporary loan to pay current expenses during the 2026 calendar year.

GIS Department

[2026-0491](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 7
To consider consenting to the deannexation of property located at 5499 Woodsong Trace, Stone Mountain, GA, 30087.

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

- [2026-0339](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement Heavy Construction Equipment with Related Attachments and Technology (Sourcewell Contract No. 011723-KOM): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let Sourcewell Contract No. 011723-KOM for the provision of two (2) Komatsu (Model No. WA270-8) Rubber Tire Wheel Loaders with Attachments, for the purposes of clearing debris, dirt & rocks, as well as loading items into dump trucks at various work sites throughout the County. Awarded to Komatsu America Corporation, c/o Tractor & Equipment Co. Amount Not To Exceed: \$489,396.08.
- [2026-0340](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement Grounds Maintenance Equipment & Related Attachments (Sourcewell Cooperative Contract No. 112624-KBA): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let Sourcewell Cooperative Contract No. 112624-KBA for the provision of one (1) Kubota Mini Compact Excavator with Attachments, and two (2) Kubota Compact Track Loaders with Attachments, for the purposes of excavating various worksites throughout the County, as well as cleaning up debris and landscaping. Awarded to Kubota Tractor Corporation, c/o Lashley Tractor Sales. Amount Not To Exceed: \$268,143.58.
- [2026-0401](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement Heavy Construction Equipment with Related Attachments & Technology (Sourcewell Contract No. 011723-JDC): 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 No. 011723-JDC for the provision of one (1) John Deere (Model No. 333P) Compact Track Loader for the purpose of mulching and maintenance around retention ponds, sweeping roadways, picking up yard debris, loading and unloading supplies, and routine maintenance at the Seminole Landfill. Awarded to John Deere Construction Retail Sales, a division of John Deere Shared Services, LLC., dba John Deere Construction Retail Sales, c/o Dobbs Equipment, SE, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$192,515.00.

[2026-0402](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 2000120 Police Pursuit and Special Service Vehicles (Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-001-SPD0000183-0002): for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. This contract consists of purchasing off the competitively let SWC to support law enforcement and emergency responders in carrying out their daily duties that rely on the use of these pursuit and special service vehicles. This request seeks to increase contract funds and term through October 31, 2027. Awarded to Hardy Chevrolet Buick GMC, Inc., Amount Not To Exceed: \$16,223,265.00.

[2026-0405](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 2000416, 2000417, 2000418 and 2000419 Administrative Vehicles (Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-001-SPD0000218): for use by Public Works-Fleet Management. These contracts consist of purchasing off the competitively let SWC to supply the County with administrative vehicles like sedans, SUVs, vans, and trucks to be used for daily operational tasks that necessitate the use of such vehicles. This request seeks to increase contract funds and term through August 31, 2027. Awarded to Hardy Chevrolet Buick GMC., Inc., Allan Vigil Ford Lincoln, Inc., Family Ford, Inc., dba Hardy Family Ford, and Akins Ford, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,387,763.00.

[2026-0410](#) Commission District(s): All
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0010 Networking Equipment and Related Services: for use by Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let SWC No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0010 for the annual technical support and maintenance for the Palo Alto Networks software utilized throughout the County. Awarded to Palo Alto Networks, Inc., c/o MGT Impact Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$699,316.86.

[2026-0411](#) Commission District(s): All
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0008
Networking Equipment and Related Services: for use by Department of
Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consist of purchasing from the
competitively let SWC No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000219-0008 for the
annual maintenance and onsite support of the Juniper Networks
software utilized throughout the County. Awarded to Juniper Networks
(US), Inc., c/o MGT Impact Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed:
\$567,129.93.

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2026-0384](#) Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Information Technology Products and
Services (Omnia Partners Contract No. 2024056-02): for use by the
Department of Planning and Sustainability (P&S). Consists of
purchasing of the competitively let Omnia Partners Contract No.
2024056-02 for implementation of a Cloud-Based Short-Term Rental
Monitoring and Compliance Platform. Awarded to Deckard
Technologies. This request also seeks to ratify Purchase Order No.
5066515. Amount Not to Exceed: \$120,720.43

[2026-0433](#) Commission District(s): 4
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Playground, Water Play and Aquatic
Equipment, Site Amenities, and Outdoor Fitness Equipment with
related Accessories and Services (Sourcewell Contract #101625-PLP):
for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs
(RPCA). Consists of purchasing through the competitively let
Sourcewell Contract No. 101625-PLP for renovations and upgrades to
the amenities at parks, playgrounds, and recreational areas. This
request is for a replacement shelter at Lithonia Park Shelter and
modifications to the playground at Cedar Park. Awarded to PlayPower
LT Farmington, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$134,170.97.

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2025-1759](#) Commission District(s): 4 and 7
Park Pride Atlanta, Inc. Grant Award for Wade Walker

[2026-0409](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts
Approval of a Contract between DeKalb County Government and
the DeKalb County School District

II. Special Called Meeting

A. Executive Session

B. Other Matters