

DeKalb County Government

*178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 10, 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: 7 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, Commissioner Nicole Massiah, Commissioner Chakira Johnson, Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Ted Terry, and Commissioner LaDena Bolton

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

Trina Ross - Poet and Orator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Commissioner Ted Terry
District 6*

B. PRESENTATIONS

*National Mentoring Month
S.L. King & Associates (30th Anniversary)*

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.

Larry Foster- 2572 Raintree Drive Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30345; Margaret Lnk- 1219 Oakdale Road Atlanta, Georgia 30307; Rosalind McIntyre (No Address); Regenia Roberts- 1896 Ceder Walk Lane Conley, Georgia; Casey Boudreaux- 822 Heritage Square Decatur, Georgia 30033; Maggie Ingram- 1985 Shamrock Drive Decatur, Georgia 30032; James Wrop- 1252 Weather stone Drive Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30324; Brandon Brown- 4369 Abram Lane Conley, Georgia 30288; Signe Garnitz- 111 Glendale Avenue Decatur, Georgia;

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.

Budget

[2026-0194](#)

Commission District(s): All

To Adopt the 2026 Annual Budget

Favor: None

Against: Clint Monroe- 5499 Woodsong Trace Stone Mountain, Georgia 30087; Joscelyn O'Neil (No Address); Stephen Binney- 1083 Seville Drive Clarkston, Georgia 30021; Charles Earl- 2814 Ash Bury Heights Road Decatur; Georgia 30030; K Sanderson- 655 El Prado Court Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, scheduled February 26, 2026 for Public Hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

“DECISION ONLY” ITEMS – NO PUBLIC HEARING

Planning & Sustainability

[2025-0628](#)

COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): Commission District 1 Super District 7
Application of LMPSF Acquisitions, LLC c/o Troutman Pepper Locke, LLP to rezone property from C-2 (General Commercial) zoning district to HR-1 (High Density Residential - 1) zoning district to allow for single-family, attached and multi-family developments, at 3265 Northeast Expressway.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be to Approve the Substitute with 24 Conditions. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

E. APPEALS

NONE

APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0283](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

Record the Appointment of Gabrielle Rogers to the DeKalb Women's Commission

This agenda item was Read into the record

Chief Executive Office

[2026-0282](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Record Chief Executive Officer Cochran-Johnson's designation of Commissioner Robert Patrick for Post 1 of the DeKalb County Board of Health.

This agenda item was Read into the record

F. APPOINTMENTS

Chief Executive Office

[2025-1617](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint Mr. Nick Nicolosi to the Perimeter Community Improvement District Board

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0191](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint Mr. Hunter Hines to the Chamblee-Doraville Community Improvement District Board.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. Items 2025-1617, 2026-0191, 2026-0302, 2026-0308, 2026-0309 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0302](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint Dr. Sara Patenaude to Post 2 of the DeKalb Regional Land Bank Authority.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. Items 2025-1617, 2026-0191, 2026-0302, 2026-0308, 2026-0309 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0308](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint Rev. Dr. James Todd Speed to Post 1 of the DeKalb County Hospital Authority.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. Items 2025-1617, 2026-0191, 2026-0302, 2026-0308, 2026-0309 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0309](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appoint Elizabeth M. Roberts, Esq. to Post 1 of the DeKalb Regional Land Bank Authority.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. Items 2025-1617, 2026-0191, 2026-0302, 2026-0308, 2026-0309 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Board of Commissioners

[2026-0229](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

Approval of Minutes for the February 3, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0289](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$50,000 from District 2 ARPI Funds to Support Domestic Violence Victims and their Pets

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2026-0221](#)

Commission District(s): Super District 6

To Approve a District 6 Allocation Not to Exceed \$33,500.00 for Continued Focus on Super District 6 Related Sustainable Urban Planning and Policy, Energy/Water/Recycling/Composting, Land Preservation, Affordable Housing, Parks, Trails, Initiatives at the Direction of the Commissioner

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2026-0219](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An Item to Allocate an Amount Not to Exceed \$30,000 of the District 7 ARP Interest to support youth programming through New Birth Missionary Baptist Church.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0220](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An item to allocate an amount not to exceed \$2,500 of the District 7 ARP

Interest to support senior programming through Lou Walker Senior Center.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0222](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An item to allocate an amount not to exceed \$5,000 of the District 7 ARP

Interest to support DeKalb Chamber programming that strengthens DeKalb businesses and the local economy through targeted education and connection opportunities.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0223](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

An item to allocate an amount not to exceed \$3,000 of the District 7 ARP

Interest to support Women's resource center to end domestic violence programming.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2026-0251](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of January 20, 2026.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0270](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of January 27, 2026

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0271](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Zoning Meeting of January 22, 2026

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0276](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Special Called Parks Zoning Meeting of January 22, 2026

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0229, 2026-0289, 2026-0221, 2026-0219, 2026-0220, 2026-0222, 2026-0223, 2026-0251, 2026-0270, 2026-0271, 2026-0276 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

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

2026-0356 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Convene Executive Session

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

2026-0357 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
Adjourn Executive Session

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Approved. Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, and Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson were absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2026-0286](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County, Georgia, Reaffirming the County's Prior Authorization to Seek Recovery of Costs of Impoundment and Care for Court-Held Dogs Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 4-11-9.8; Urging the DeKalb County Law Department to Resume Filing Cost-of-Care Petitions; and to Create a Court-Held Dog Coordinator Position

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, scheduled February 26, 2026. Commissioner Robert Patrick and Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson were absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

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 Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee (ERPS), until February 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0224](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

To adopt an ordinance to establish a community-driven process that allows residents to select five miles of roadway to be designated for repaving as the “People’s Choice” selection.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Withdrawn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Community Development

[2026-0228](#)

Commission District(s): All

Purchase of two Vehicles for the Community Development Department

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Fire & Rescue Services

[2026-0210](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

FY26 Grant Award for EMS Trauma Related Equipment with the Georgia Trauma Commission

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Human Services

[2026-0178](#)

Commission District(s): All

Acceptance of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5310 Funds from the Atlanta Regional Commission in the Amount of \$73,093.58 for Transportation - at a cost to the County of \$18,273.40.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2026-0198](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 1 & 7

Northwoods Historic District (Sign Toppers).
No cost to County.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0198, 2026-0213, 2026-0214 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0213](#)

Commission District(s): County Wide

Reimbursement for Traffic Signal Equipment Relocations, Upgrades, Recycling and Damage

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0198, 2026-0213, 2026-0214 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0214](#)

Commission District(s): County Wide

Request for Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the FY2-2026 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program, Cost to the County \$20,000,000.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Approved. Items 2026-0198, 2026-0213, 2026-0214 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2026-0256](#)**Commission District(s): All**

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD0000172-011 Integrated Security and Surveillance Products and Services. This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let SWC for the purchase of a 5-year agreement for the RAVE Alert solution. This solution will allow the County to send out mass notifications to DeKalb County citizens alerting them of any critical events. Awarded to Motorola Solutions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$687,600.00.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee

[2026-0161](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO- Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1365362 Solicitor General Lease Agreement (Office and Parking Space) [2-Year Lease]: for use by the Office of the Solicitor-General. This contract consists of the leasing of office and parking spaces at the property 160 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur, Georgia 30030, to facilitate the Solicitor-General's daily operations and other essential County activities. This request seeks to increase the contract's term through February 29, 2028, and funds. This request also seeks to add additional leased office spaces. Awarded to Regus Management Group, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$348,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Finance, Audit & Budget Committee (FAB), until February 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2025-1661](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1365939 enQuesta Annual Hosting, Maintenance, and Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of the annual hosting, maintenance, and support of state-of-the-art Customer Information System (CIS) solution for the County's customer billing system integration. This request seeks to increase contract funds. Awarded to Systems and Software, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$7,550,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until February 26, 2026. Items 2025-1661, 2025-1831, 2026-0110 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2025-1831](#)**Commission District(s): All**

SS - Maintenance and Support of the County's Audio-Visual Equipment (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of the maintenance and support of the DCR Digital Recording System audio and video equipment used in the County's courtrooms, conference rooms, and the Maloof Auditorium. This request seeks approval of the sole source and ratification of previously issued Purchase Order No. 5058654. Awarded to BIS (Business Information Systems) Digital, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$266,581.23.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until February 26, 2026. Items 2025-1661, 2025-1831, 2026-0110 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

[2026-0110](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1255805 Avolve Software Corporation SAAS ProjectDox Electronic Plan Review (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) to be used by the Department of Planning & Sustainability (P&S). This contract consists of the purchase of ProjectDox Software to allow citizens to submit commercial and residential plans electronically for review and approval. This request seeks to increase funds for continued support, maintenance, and training services. Awarded to Avolve Software Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$134,352.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until February 26, 2026. Items 2025-1661, 2025-1831, 2026-0110 were heard together. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee[2026-0247](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1214031 Granite Rubble Stone (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA), and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the purchase of granite rubble stone used to address erosion control issues. This request seeks to increase the contract funds and term through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Bedrock Granite Co., Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$925,000.00.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs[2026-0231](#)**Commission District(s): District 5 and 7**

To approve a Tree Trim Easement between DeKalb County and Georgia Power for an easement at 1116 Rock Chapel Road, Lithonia GA, 30002, Parcel ID 18 009 26 001, for \$12,396.00

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Watershed Management

[2026-0212](#)

Commission District(s): 1 & 7

Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with JWC Tucker, LLC. with a contribution of \$25,000.00.

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2025-1189](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Adopting Digital Accessibility Compliance Measures to Meet the Requirements of Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA)

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Defer the substitute with a stop in the County Operations Committee (OPS), until March 10, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2025-1534](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Amend the FY25 Budget to Establish the Office of Legislative Counsel and Authorize the Hiring of Legislative Counsel

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Withdrawn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

2025-1695

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia to Establish a Process for the Selection of Voting Delegates to Represent DeKalb County in Association and Organizational Matters

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

2026-0181

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$3,000 from the 2026 District 2 Reserve for Appropriation Funding to Park Pride to support the 2026 Parks and Greenspace Conference

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0184](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 2

Allocation of \$25,000 from 2026 District 2 Reserve for Appropriation to
Compassionate ATL to Support Interfaith Initiative

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, schedule February 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

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 Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[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 Ted Terry, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS), until March 24, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2025-1506](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Approve a Resolution to Ensure that the County's Judges Receive the Same Benefits as the Judges of the Superior Court of the DeKalb Judicial Circuit, County Employees, and Judges in Other Counties.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, scheduled February 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[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 Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be Deferred to the next meeting, scheduled February 26, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2025-1814](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution To Establish A Temporary Moratorium On New Hangar
Development At DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK) And To Urge The Federal
Aviation Administration To Restrict Nighttime Flights To Emergencies

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be Withdrawn. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No: 1 - Commissioner Long Spears

[2025-1816](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Of The Board Of Commissioners Of DeKalb County, Georgia To
Establish A Formal Process For Appointing A Commissioner To The DeKalb
County Continuum Of Care (Coc) Governance Board

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

Yes: 7 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Massiah, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

[2026-0205](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Of The DeKalb County Board Of Commissioners Concerning Public Safety, The Protection Of Civil Rights, And The Immediate Withdrawal Of Tactical Federal Immigration Enforcement Teams From DeKalb County.

This agenda item was Approved substitute MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be to Approve the substitute.

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

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

No: 3 - Commissioner Long Spears, Commissioner Terry, and Commissioner Bolton

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2025-1265](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 25-100070 Consent Decree - Ongoing Sewer Condition Assessment and Rehabilitation (CD-OSCAR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of performing consent decree assignments along with meeting the urgent needs that arise from operational events of the sewer system. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidders: Kemi Construction Company, Inc. and Southeast Pipe Survey, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$49,752,501.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be Deferred with a stop in the Public Works & Infrastructure Committee (PWI), until February 26, 2026. Commissioner Michelle Long Spears was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Long Spears

[2026-0103](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 2025-098-ITB CD Trunks - Shoal Creek Section 1: for use by the Department of Wastewater Management (DWM). Consists of providing construction services to replace Section 1 of the Shoal Creek Trunk Sewer and all necessary appurtenances. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder JDS, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed \$51,486,473.55.

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

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Long Spears

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

DeKalb County Government does not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities or exclude them from participating in or receiving benefits of its services, programs, or activities, based on disability. Janet Essix, DeKalb County Government's Employee Relations Manager and ADA Coordinator, is designated to coordinate the County's compliance with Part 35 of the Department of Justice regulations regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act. Janet Essix may be contacted at 1300 Commerce Drive, 1st Floor, Decatur, GA 30030, 404.371.2309, to request information about access for persons with disabilities to County services, programs and activities, or to discuss a grievance regarding an impediment to such access. Ten days' notice is requested for special accommodations.

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 February 10, 2026 Board of Commissioners Meeting at 3:57 p.m. Commissioner Michelle Long Spears was absent during this vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, and Commissioner



Chakira Johnson
Presiding Officer



Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
Chief Executive Officer



Barbara Sanders-Norwood
County Clerk