

DeKalb County Government

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



Summary

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Presiding Officer, District 4
Comm. Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Deputy Presiding Officer, District 7*

Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2

Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Edward "Ted" Terry, Super District 6

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Super District 7

Staff Present: Michael Thurmond, Chief Executive Officer, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/
Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders- Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernstes, County Attorney

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A. INSPIRATIONAL

Micki Carter, Facilitator & Trainer
Workplace Learning Solutions LLC

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
District 7

B. PRESENTATIONS

COVID 19 Response - CEO Michael Thurmond

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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1. Lori Murphy, 401 Melrose Ave Decatur, GA 30030 - I would like to submit a comment in favor of opening up outdoor fields, parks, and other options for youth soccer to use, specifically our community's DDY club. Giving kids outdoor options for low-risk sports is vital to their mental health right now as for many the bulk of their days are on screens and isolated. Please consider reopening and prepping fields, and if possible working with schools, churches, and other entities to give as many outdoor alternatives as possible on days after it rains, such as turf fields, parking lots, and other creative options. As it stands now we are borrowing fields from other counties making families drive far away to practice, fields get rained out more often than not, and trainings are moving indoors which is more dangerous for COVID transmission and means more cautious families miss out on participating. If the county could work together with youth soccer clubs to give as many safe and creative outdoor options in and around Dekalb - taking into consideration rain-soaked field alternatives as well - many kids and families would benefit. Anything you can do to help with this would be so much appreciated. Thank you for your consideration!

2. Dr. Ed Williams, P.O. Box 361626 Decatur, GA 30036 - Good Morning Commissioners. My Name is Ed Williams, I have lived in unincorporated south DeKalb for over twenty years. I am the chair of the group Concerned Citizens for Effective Government. I have five major points to make this morning.

- DeKalb County's method of funding the DeKalb Pension obligations is not equitable to all the residents in both unincorporated and municipalities of DeKalb County regarding legacy liability.
- The BOC should require MARTA to restore all the Bus routes that were terminated on April 20 in DeKalb County. Because the BOC has not done so, I have filed a complaint with the Federal Transit Administration.
- The residents who live in unincorporated DeKalb interests are being neglected compared to the interests of the cities and the county as a whole. Unincorporated DeKalb must have proportional representation.
- The CEO should appoint a new chair to the county charter review commission. A sitting judge should not chair a political commission for several ethical and legal reasons.
- DeKalb County should continue to invest in more coronavirus testing sites and quicker test results for the residents of DeKalb County.

I have made several efforts to expose the inequities using the "see something and say something" approach and warn the commission. Today, I ask the board not to remain silent. Will you be the voice who says enough, and stand up and represent all the people? There is a disparity between municipalities and unincorporated residents in how the DeKalb Pension plan is being funded with the property tax funds. One of the problems with the DeKalb pension is that much of the liability was created before 2008 when more than 80 percent of residents lived in unincorporated DeKalb. The population has shifted to municipalities but the burden has not. The unfunded obligations of the pension should be paid from the county general fund. Other jurisdictions pay their pension liability from their General Fund. The commission should demand equity for MARTA services, Pension, and CARES, and SPLOST funding. If you do nothing the people will seek redress from the courts. Thank You

3. Stephen Binney, (no address) - Good Morning Commissioners, Mr. Bradshaw, have you changed your opinion about anything lately? If so, please let your constituents know. Thank you. Two years ago Atlantica Properties bought 72 rental homes from the Housing Development Corporation of DeKalb County as part of an effort to increase home ownership rates in the county. As of now, nearly all of them have been sold to first-time homeowners. This is something Dekalb County should have been doing all along and should be doing on it's own right now. Around 53% of all homes in DeKalb are owner-occupied, which is about 10% less than the state average. Transitioning renters into homeowners helps people stabilize their monthly housing costs. Home ownership can be a very important part of the solution to many of our problems in Dekalb County. First off, the rental market is getting out of hand and becoming unaffordable. With a little help a lot of folks could have the ability to buy their homes. Second, when a person or a family owns a home, instead of rents, their sense of community and self worth increases. The neighborhood will be cleaner, the yards and homes will look nicer, and most importantly it will be safer. Third, the percentage of home ownership is a determining factor in where large grocery stores locate. If you want fewer food deserts in south dekalb increase home ownership. Homeowners are also more likely to become a member of school PTA's and other organizations because they will not be moving from district to district. Because of the current historically low mortgage rates the opportunity is now to convert rental properties into homes for families. Most buyers will be able to lock in monthly payments nearly equivalent to what they now are paying in rent. Consider tax breaks to corporations as an incentive to do so instead of giving tax breaks to those that build large multi-use developments. Atlantica Properties turned down higher offers to meet their mission. "There was an opportunity to honestly make a lot more money off of this, but that really wasn't our intent," they said. The future of Dekalb County is more dependent on helping those people who want to stay here and less dependent on slowly but surely forcing those people to move out of the county. Finally Mr. Terry, has CEO Thurmond appointed anyone to the Charter Review Commission yet? Promises, promises, promises. Thank you for your time and consideration

4. Karla Bernard, 307 Ohm Ave. Avondale Estates, GA 30002 - Dear Mr. Bradshaw, I have witnessed your actions in response to a number of concerns that community residents have in your district. Thank you for taking time to partner with community residents. Currently, an issue of concern is opening parks & recreation facilities that remain closed due to COVID. Currently many sports are taking precautions to adhere to the CDC guidelines and reduce the spread of COVID as athletes continue to engage in sports. As student athletes struggle for a sense of normalcy through these times, staying active, even with restrictions and precautions can be an important factor to a child's well-being. Georgia state parks remain open with restrictions, as do many other parks and recreation facilities. Currently, the Avondale -Dunair and the Dekalb School of the Arts, as well as other Decatur fields remain closed. How can we get these facilities open, maintaining precautions set by CDC guidelines so that our children of the community can still engage in these stressful times? Currently many athletes are having to practice indoors, as opposed to an outdoor facility like Avondale-Dunair, Dekalb School of the Arts Field, and other Decatur fields, which remain closed. Bars, restaurants, skating rinks, bowling alleys and other facilities continue to service the public, while these outdoor facilities remain closed to the children of our community. Many would like to see these outdoor facilities open, allowing families to be responsible in following the guidelines of CDC, while our children continue to engage in sports. Can you please address the question of how and when these facilities will re-open?

5. I am writing to request that you re-evaluate the current covid restrictions, and open parks to accommodate safe athletic activities. Many kids remain in virtual school, and have limited access and opportunities to safely

interact with their peers. Outdoor activities are one of the only options that some children have to socialize and exercise safely with other children. And while I do believe that we need to continue to be cautious, I am confident that there are ways to take a step forward within our community, as long as proper precautions are followed. For the past several months, the DDY soccer program has been managing effective safety protocols for their teams. They have worked hard to put strict guidelines in place, and they communicate each step of the way to maintain a safe environment for the players, coaches and families. It is evident that they care about the health and safety of our community. Since DDY soccer has resumed, I have been comforted to see players, coaches, and parents complying with the utmost safety protocols. The guidelines ([link here](#)) encompass every consideration, and the club is receptive to feedback regarding how to improve any aspect of their procedures. The success of DDY's soccer program, and the willingness of its players to follow covid safety procedures encourages me that our communities can and will find safe ways to return to athletic activities. Please consider the benefits of providing safe opportunities for kids to get back to the activities they love, safely. Please open the parks to DDY programs so we can be assured that our communities are following protocols that will keep our kids and families safe.

Laura and Paul Spriggs
Sarah and Ryan Florence
Mark and Jennifer DeLoach
Christie and Toby Chalberg
Kristina Lundberg
Yuping Tsai
Heidi Gleason
Sarah and John Chamberlin
Greg and Angie Prophet
Kate and Lee Martini
Catherine and Marcus Johansson
Keri Musgraves
Anna and James Hamilton
Devin and Amber Weinberg
Sandy and Bobby Zayac
Allison M. Richardson
Sheria and Alan Locke
Curt Arey
Chris Cherven
Scott McDonald
Alex Lopez
Luis Lopez
Hector Lopez
Patrick Lopez
Martha Patricia Lopez
Jose' Luis Lopez
Ana Arevalo
Kimberly and Yoann Turquetil

Lisa Rhodes
Yazan Duwayri
Ben and Merry Pope

6. Billy Elek, 1048 Hess Drive Avondale Estates, GA 30002 - It is long overdue for the playing fields at Avondale Dunaire and DeKalb School for the Arts to be reopened for recreational activities. Numerous counties in the greater Atlanta area made similar decisions months ago. The data certainly points in a positive direction with respect to Covid and it's now time to take action.

7. Kyle J. Frantz, Ph.D., Georgia State University, PO Box 5030 Atlanta, GA 30302 - Dear DeKalb County Commissioners, so that our children and families can utilize public spaces to maintain mental health through outdoor activities, I request that you consider opening parks, at least for scheduled use by teams in the region

8. Dr. Mandy Suhr-Sytsma, Department of English, Emory University, 1557 Dickey Drive Atlanta, GA 30322 - I am writing to urge you to remove the 1836 "Indian War" cannon from its location next to the old DeKalb County courthouse in Decatur, GA, just a short walk from my home in the city of Decatur. The cannon does not honor any leaders, memorialize any specific event, or bring our community together. Instead, it was used in conjunction with many other physical and political weapons of violence to perpetuate the act of genocide known as the Muscogee Creek trail of tears. As a resident of this county, parent to children in our public school systems, community member, and educator, I call on you to remove the cannon from the square. I also call on you to instead invest in accurate public education informed by Muscogee Creek nation citizens and historical experts. And I call on you to initiate government to government relations with the Muscogee Creek nations in Oklahoma and Alabama, to pursue reparative actions with members of these nations, and to invest in resources and programs that support Muscogee and other Indigenous people living in our county and region. In addition to the many Indigenous residents of our region, every year many Muscogee and Cherokee individuals make pilgrimages here to remember and reconnect with this land and to retrace the steps of their ancestors who were forced to leave here on deadly journeys west. The United States Poet Laureate, Joy Harjo, is one such pilgrim; who documents this process in her new poetry collection *An American Sunrise*. As Emory University host Harjo for a series of events next month and as many other Native Americans journey here, increasing the strong Indigenous presence already here, let's welcome these pilgrims and residents with truth, openness, and justice, not a cannon

9. Matthew Martz, (no address) - Dear Dekalb Board of Commissioners. Firstly, thank you for your service and for your time today. Out of respect for your time, I will be efficient: I am the parent of a 10-year-old who plays Academy-level soccer for Decatur Dekalb YMCA Soccer Club—being on the team is a privilege we are very grateful to have, and kudos to all the associated leaders involved in DDY Soccer Club. At present, the soccer club is forced to get creative regarding where and how to have safe outdoor practices for the boys because our primary practice field—Avondale Dunair fields—remains closed. I recently wondered if the Board was aware that the children are currently forced to practice on pavement when the only alternative is no practice at all. It would seem the county is in a bind that it might not have fully considered, whereby our boys are actively representing our good county and the organization of the YMCA at presently ongoing and active tournaments in the state, without the means to properly prepare for such competitions, putting the boys at what may or could be an unnecessary disadvantage. As a citizen speaking to the Board, I pose my question to you

this way: Is it safer to have high-level competition soccer teams, composed of Dekalb's own children, practicing on pavement or is it safer to practice on grass fields, given that they must practice somewhere and cannot afford to have no practices at all? If the Board remains in favor of keeping our practice fields closed, can the Board please explain why—at the present moment—it is safer to have no practices at all or to have practices on pavement, versus simply creating the means for Dekalb's children to practice safely on grass at Avondale Dunair fields?

10. SJ Dillon, Emory University, 1557 Dickey Drive Atlanta, GA 30322 - I hope you are doing well and staying safe. My name is SJ Dillon. I have been a resident of Dekalb County all my life, a fact that I want to be proud of. How can I be proud, though, when symbols of white supremacist violence sit in exalted place? The cannon on Decatur Square is a calling card of the genocide committed against Indigenous peoples throughout the United States, and a blessing on Georgia's specifically bloody history with that violence. When I was in Dekalb County Schools, we studied the history of the Trail of Tears, a campaign of forced deportation against Indigenous peoples across the Southeast United States. It was kicked off by the government of Georgia, when Governor Wilson Lumpkin asked President Andrew Jackson to "remove" the Cherokee and the Muscogee-Creek nations from land that he wanted open for white, non-Native people. Remove is, of course, a polite word for walk thousands of miles away from home and potentially die or die now at the hands of American soldiers. Andrew Jackson complied with Lumpkin's request with the Indian Removal Act in 1830. What followed were acts of brutality I urge you to research if you can stomach it: violence against women, killing of children, horror upon horror. The land we stand on now was bought through terror. Cruelty begets cruelty, and following the forced movement of Indigenous people, slavery of people of African descent and the plantation economy spread. Why are we celebrating this? Why are we blessing this? A cannon immersed in that bloodshed, in the removal of Muscogee-Creek people in 1836 from what we now call Atlanta, is horrifying. It's a piece of violence sitting in the space in which people are meant to congregate. What message does that send to Native people, to our children, to ourselves? Removing this cannon is the first step towards reckoning with that history, building a positive relationship with the Muscogee-Creek nations, and starting the journey towards reparation. It's a step our county must take. Thank you for considering my words

11. Lorie Burnett (no address) - Esteemed DeKalb County Commissioners. I'm writing to request that you allow the closed fields, particularly those at Medlock Park and Avondale Dunaire, to be reopened for use by local youth sports. Keeping fields closed is not supported by data, which clearly tell us that coronavirus is not spread by kids playing outside or by parents watching games while wearing masks and sitting in family groups. The CDC is even telling us that schools can safely reopen, with mitigation in place. What possible justification is there for continued closure of fields? It is unnecessary and nonsensical. For those with kids in the DDY soccer program, you've added inconvenience to the stress and strain caused by a year of school closure by forcing us to drive to Buckhead for practice. Kids need to be playing outside and families need convenient access to fields that our tax dollars support. Evidence does not support the closure of outdoor facilities

12. Amanda Hallauer (no address) - Good morning, I am a DeKalb resident and parent, and I urge the Board of Commissioners to reopen Dekalb County's recreational fields for use by our soccer clubs that have invested so much in them and for the kids that desperately need to be out there playing on them. It is imperative for our children to have access to organized, safe, outdoor sports right now, and keeping the Dekalb fields closed is a huge inconvenience to families as well as detrimental to our kids' mental and physical well-being. The

Decatur-DeKalb YMCA Youth Soccer organization has been implementing excellent Covid protocols since they returned to play in the fall, and all players, coaches, and others have stayed safe and healthy. It is unfair to keep us from using our home fields at Avondale Dunaire and DSA, and it has led to long drives, canceled practices, missed games, and headaches, to say the least. We are all cognizant of CDC and public health guidelines by now, and the clubs know how to safely engage in recreational outdoor sports. Thank you for your consideration

13. Matt Knoop, 976 Hess Drive Avondale Estates, GA 30002 – Commissioners, thank you for treating the COVID-19 pandemic with the seriousness it deserves. We have collectively learned a lot about how the virus transmits, who it seriously affects, and how we as a community can abate the spread. On a positive note, we have learned that community spread does not appear to increase through children playing outdoor sports. Equally as important, outdoor sports provide in-person social and physical developmental opportunities our school system has not provided in almost a year. Please open the DeKalb County playing fields (in particular Avondale Dunaire and DeKalb School for the Arts) for recreational activities so our younger children can have the same opportunities as high school students to participate in community events. Thank you for your consideration

D. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing during its Regular Business meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available (1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage, and (2) DCTVChannel23.TV. The public is invited to watch the broadcast on DCTV's UStream link (<https://video.ibm.com/channel/dctv-channel-23>), or join the meeting using the Zoom link (<https://dekalbcountyga.zoom.us/j/7753778046>), or by telephone (602-333-0032 or 888-270-9936, conference code: 217687). For those joining the meeting by telephone, please be aware that your phone number may be displayed to the public viewing or participating in the online meeting. The Board will provide 15 minutes of time for citizens to speak in favor of an agenda item, and 15 minutes for citizens to speak in opposition. Citizens who attend the meeting via the Zoom link above may join the public comment queue by raising their hand in the Zoom application, while citizens who attend the meeting via telephone may join the comment queue by pressing # followed by 2. There will be no comment cards, so when you are called upon, please state your name and address for the record. Also, please be conscious of speaking time so that everyone has an opportunity to provide input in the allotted time. Citizens may also email documents for inclusion into the official record by submitting such materials by 9:00 a.m. on the date of the public hearing to PublicHearing@dekalbcountyga.gov.

Finance

[2020-1643](#)

Commission District(s): All

To Adopt the 2021 Operating Budget

Approved

Planning & Sustainability[2020-1169](#)**COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 4 & 6**

A Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow an alcohol outlet within a new 4,993 square foot convenience store (Quik Trip) within the C-1 (Local Commercial) District, in accordance with Chapter 27 Article 4, Table 4.1 Use Table and Section 4.2.8 Supplemental Regulations of the DeKalb County Code.

Approved the substitute with 14 staff conditions

[2020-1170](#)**COMMISSION DISTRICT(S): 4 & 6**

Application of Quik Trip Corporation c/o Battle Law P.C. for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow fuel pumps for a new 4,993 square foot convenience store (Quik Trip) within the C-1 (Local Commercial) District, in accordance with Chapter 27, Article 4, Table 4.1 Use Table and Section 4.2.28 Supplemental Regulations of the DeKalb County Code, at Memorial Drive and Collingwood Drive .

Approved the substitute with 14 staff conditions

[2021-2089](#)**Commission District(s): All Districts**

Application of the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners to consider approving a resolution to adopt updates to the Urban Redevelopment Plan.

Approved the substitute, with a return to the Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee (PECS) for further discussion

Public Works - Transportation[2020-1515](#)**Commission District(s): 5 & 7**

Traffic Calming Petition - Alice Ave between Old Greystone Ct and Cypress Trace. No Cost to County.

Approved

[2021-2081](#)

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

Traffic Calming Petition - Weelaunee Rd between Weelaunee Rd and River Rd.
Cost to the County is \$29,485.00.

Approved

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2021-2213](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to re - appoint Dennis Allen to the DeKalb County Recreation, Parks,
and Cultural Affairs Citizen Advisory Board, District 5 post

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2021-2165](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

Approve the Appointment of Richard Alvarez to the Recreation, Parks &
Cultural Affairs Citizens Advisory Board.

Approved

[2021-2166](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

Approve the Appointment of James Grubiak to the Charter Review Commission.

Approved

Chief Executive Office

[2021-2148](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment to the Fulton DeKalb Hospital Authority - Karen Leeper Bennett

Approved

ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2021-2139](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Reappointment of Richard Rose to the District 4 Community Council Board.

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2021-2206](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Dennis Allen to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2207](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Jan Costello to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2208](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Charles Peagler to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2209](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Kenesha Barksdale to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2210](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Jocelyn O’Neil to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2211](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Eric Hubbard to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

[2021-2212](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Mike Reeves to the DeKalb County
Airport Advisory Board
District 5 post

Approved

[2021-2214](#)

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to record the re - appointment of Marshall English to the District 5
Community Council Board

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2021-2164](#)**Commission District(s):** District 6

Recording of the District 6 Appointment of Jana Johnson to the Planning Commission.

Approved[2021-2191](#)**Commission District(s):** District 6

Recording of the Appointment of David Clark to the Watershed Customer Service & Billing Advisory Board

Approved[2021-2192](#)**Commission District(s):** District 6

Recording of the Appointment of Kathleen “Kate” Donovan to the Animal Services Advisory Board

Approved[2021-2193](#)**Commission District(s):** District 6

Recording of the Appointment of Art Hanson to the District 2 Community Council

Approved[2021-2194](#)**Commission District(s):** District 6

Recording of the Appointment of James Spotts to the Technical Board of Appeals

Approved

[2021-2238](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

Recording of the Appointment of Regenia Roberts to the District 3 Community Council.

Approved

[2021-2239](#)

Commission District(s): District 6

Recording of the Appointment of Shamsh Jaffer to the Watershed (CIP) Advisory Group

Approved

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Board of Commissioners

[2021-2177](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the February 16, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Approved

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2021-2133](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approve the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of February 16, 2021

Withdrawn

[2021-2186](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Zoning Meeting of January 28, 2021

Approved

[2021-2187](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 9, 2021

Approved

H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Airport

[2021-2085](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized Office Space Agreement with SIMflightATL, LLC. There is no cost to the County.

Approved

[2021-2128](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Lease Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 14-801028 with The Maintenance Group, Incorporated. There is no cost to the County.

Approved

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2021-2132](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approve the Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of February 02, 2021

Approved

GIS

[2021-2067](#)

Commission District(s): 4 & 6

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale - 297 Ohm Avenue, Avondale Estates, GA, 30002, Parcel Identification Number 18-009-26-004.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2170](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 100 Wesley Avenue, Atlanta, GA, 30307, Parcel Identification Number
15-210-03-109.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2171](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 1311 Veasey Road, Decatur, GA, 30030, Parcel Identification Number
15-216-17-008.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2172](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 1325 Veasey Road, Decatur, GA, 30030, Parcel Identification Number
15-216-17-006.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2173](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 1331 Veasey Road, Decatur, GA, 30030, Parcel Identification Number
15-201-02-045.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2174](#)**Commission District(s): 4 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 629 Warren Avenue, Scottdale, GA, 30079, Parcel Identification Number
18-046-01-012.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2175](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 7**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 2723 Amelia Avenue, Decatur, GA, 30032, Parcel Identification Number
15-184-03-005.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2176](#)**Commission District(s): 4 & 6**

A Resolution to Declare County Real Property as Surplus and Authorize its Sale
- 1176 Clark Street, Clarkston, GA, 30021, Parcel Identification Number
18-119-01-004.

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

Police Services[2021-2051](#)**Commission District(s): All Commission Districts**

2018 - 2019 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Memorandum of
Understanding (MOU), \$194,261.39

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2021-2057](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

Change Order No. 1 to Contract No.1056035 Hyland On Base Software Licenses and Maintenance: for Information Technology (IT) for use by Police Services, Probate Court, Tax Commissioner and Property Appraiser. Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let GSA Contract No. GS-35F-4127D for the OnBase Software Licenses for electronic content management system. Awarded to Hyland Software Inc. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY.

Approved

[2021-2072](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Light Bulbs, Fixtures, Lamps & Ballasts (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1204344 for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of the purchase of light bulbs, fixtures, lamps, and ballasts. Awarded to Regency Enterprises Inc. dba Regency Lighting. Amount Not To Exceed: \$100,000.00.

Approved

[2021-2087](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Palo Alto: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let GSA Contract No. GS-035F-0119Y for the maintenance and support for the County's Palo Alto network equipment. Awarded to Layer 3 Communication LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$312,345.19.

Approved

[2021-2106](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Juniper: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20120501-0013 for the maintenance and support for the County's Juniper network equipment. Awarded to Layer 3 Communications LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$252,894.66.

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2021-2063](#)**Commission District(s): All**

SS - Sole Source for Products and Services for the Snapfinger, Pole Bridge, and Scott Candler Wastewater Treatment Plants (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing vital parts and services for numerous Endress+Hauser flowmeter systems. Awarded to Endress+Hauser c/o Carotek. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,125,000.00.

Approved

[2021-2080](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Right of Way Mowing and Lawn Maintenance (Annual Contract 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew) to Contract Nos.: 1151237 and 1151240: for use by Public Works - Sanitation and Beautification (PW-S/B). These contracts consist of providing six (6) rounds of mowing and lawn maintenance services at 128 right-of-way locations; every six (6) weeks. Awarded to Flex Landscaping, LLC and Executive Realty Solutions, Inc. Total Amount Not to Exceed: \$1,082,738.58.

Approved the substitute

[2021-2082](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Herbicide Growth Regulator Services (Annual Contract, 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew) to Contract No.: 1148695: for use by Public Works - Sanitation and Beautification (PW-S/B). This contract consists of providing seven (7) rounds of herbicide applications on sixty-two (62) roads and rights-of-way throughout the County every six (6) weeks. Awarded to DeAngelo Brothers, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$226,327.64.

Approved

[2021-2083](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Tree Cutting and Removal Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1149581, 1149590 and 1149595 for use by the Departments of Watershed (DWM), Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RCPA), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Public Works - Beautification (PWB). These contracts consist of providing tree cutting and removal services on an as-needed basis. Awarded to Arborserv, Inc., Casey Tree Experts, Inc. and K2R Legacy Group, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,200,000.00.

Approved

[2021-2144](#)**Commission District(s): 5 & 7**

Change Order No. 2 to Agenda Item 2018-2275 Water and Sewer Utility Installation for the Georgia Department of Transportation Project for SR 212/Browns Mill Rd at CR 594/Salem Rd for an additional \$40,313.81

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

Watershed Management[2021-2146](#)**Commission District(s): 2 & 6**

Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI 0013991 State Route 42 at South Fork Peachtree Creek 3.35 miles northwest of Decatur in DeKalb County

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2150](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI M005976 State Route 42/US 23 from 0.3 miles south of Key Street to 0.08 miles north of Wade Street in Fulton County - Resurfacing

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2152](#)

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI 0013758 State Route 12/Covington Highway at County Road 5190/Hairston Road in DeKalb County

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2153](#)

Commission District(s): 2 & 6

Change Order to Agenda Item 2020-0509 Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI0009400 Buford Hwy/SR13 from Afton Ln/CS8 to Shallowford Terrace/CS750 for an additional \$1,136,200

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2155](#)

Commission District(s): 2 & 6

Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI 0013971 State Route 236/LaVista Road and State Route 42/Briarcliff Road in DeKalb County

Deferred to the next meeting, until March 9, 2021

[2021-2219](#)

Commission District(s): All

Watershed Management Capital Improvement Plan for 2021 through 2030

Approved

2021-2268

Commission District(s): All

Add an Item

Approved

2021-2269**Commission District(s):** District 3

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of DeKalb County, as Revised 1988, to Remove Requirement that Landlords Consent to Licensing of Home-Based Businesses with No Customer Contact. Business Licenses for Home Based Businesses

Approved**2021-2270****Commission District(s):** All

Add an Item

Approved**2021-2271****Commission District(s):** District 1

Recording of the Appointment of Robert Wittenstein to the Dekalb County Charter Review Commission

Approved**I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD****Chief Executive Office**[2021-2092](#)**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

A resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia declaring its intent to enter into a lease/purchase agreement with a third party vendor to finance the cost of the acquisition of certain sanitation vehicles and other vehicles and equipment now estimated not to exceed \$6.7 million and to reimburse itself for expenditures made in connection with the acquisition of such vehicles and equipment.

Approved

Community Development[2021-2039](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program Funds, to include Funding allocations for CDBG-CV1 and CV3 of \$6.8 million; ESG-CV1 and CV3 of \$5.4 million in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic for a total of \$12.2 million.

Approved

District Attorney[2020-1638](#)**Commission District(s): all**

Creation of a Director and Deputy Director of Operations and Special Projects in the District Attorney's Office

Withdrawn

[2020-1639](#)**Commission District(s): all**

Creation of two Victim Advocates in the District Attorney's Major Case Unit

Withdrawn

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2020-1470](#)**Commission District(s): 4**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment (FF&E) at the Stone Mountain-Sue Kellogg Library: for use by the Library (DCPL). Consists of piggybacking from the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-001-SPD0000100 for FF&E to accompany the renovation of the Stone Mountain-Sue Kellogg Library. Awarded to Agati, Inc., Arcadia Chair Company, Ditto Sales, Inc. dba Versteel, Egan Visual International, Everest Expedition, LLC dba SNAP! Office, Keilhauer LTD, Krueger International, Inc., LIAT, LLC and Safco Products, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$209,528.51.

Approved

[2021-2151](#)**Commission District(s): 3 & 6**

CO - Change Order No.1 to Contract No.1233520 for Glen Emerald Lake Dam Repair (365 days): for used by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Consists of the rehabilitation of the dam located at Glen Emerald Lake Park. Awarded to Reeves Young, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$470,913.63.

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2020-1269](#)**Commission District(s): 1 and 6**

LB - Invitation No. 20-101212 Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant - Ozone Generators Design and Installation: for use by The Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the design, installation, and the commission of two (2) ozone generators, including all supporting components, to operate in parallel with two existing generators. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Heavy Constructors, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$7,112,900.00.

Approved

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs[2021-2149](#)**Commission District(s): Districts 3 and 6**

GEFA Loan for Glen Emerald Lake and Dam Renovation

Approved

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

2021-2272 **Commission District(s): All**
Convene Executive Session

Approved

2021-2273 **Commission District(s): All**
Adjourn Executive Session

Approved

J. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**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.