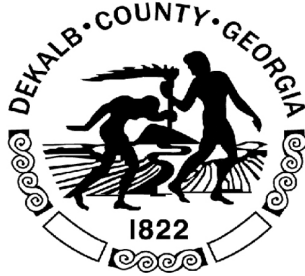


DeKalb County Government

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



Summary

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

9:00 AM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

Comm. Robert Patrick, Presiding Officer, District 1

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

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

Administration: Michael Thurmond, CEO, Zachary Williams, Executive Assistant/ Chief Operating Officer, Barbara Sanders-Norwood, County Clerk, Viviane Ernestes, County Attorney

A. INSPIRATIONAL

Demetrius McCoy, Sr. Pastor- Word of Life Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson- District 5

B. PRESENTATIONS

COVID-19 Response

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. Public comments may be made in person or submitted by sending an email no longer than one page to PublicComments@dekalbcountyga.gov which must be received between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Only those emails received during the allotted time may be read aloud. Public comment emails received outside of the allotted time will be included in the public comment record for the next meeting after receipt of those emails. The body of your email must include your first and last name, followed by your address. By submitting an email for public comment at any time, you agree to have your name, address and email entered into the record/minutes. Each in-person speaker must complete a speaker card and present it to the clerk before the beginning of the public comment portion of the meeting.

Cards must be 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, in-person 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 in-person attendees 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. If time remains in the proscribed public comment portion of said meeting, email comments will be read into the record by the clerk or designee. Any remaining email public comments received between 9:00 am and 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting not read into the record will be submitted into the minutes by the clerk or designee and shall be forwarded to each commissioner by email. 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.

Public Comment–November 8, 2022 Unread Emails

1. Dr. Norma Green, 2645 Pangborn Road, Decatur, GA 30033- RE agenda item: 2022-1907, As a life-long resident of Dekalb County, I have been proud of the county. For decades in the past, this county was an innovative leader in many ways. Yet over the past few years, I have become increasingly disappointed with the way the county has been governed and the decisions that have been made especially related to development. Being in a metropolitan area individuals have access to numerous resources to meet their needs and wants. Therefore, my comments relate to the agenda item's request to ALLOW Senior Housing and to INCREASE the building height. With postdoctoral studies and a certificate in gerontology, it is my understanding that there is not a critical need for senior housing in this area, which is already congested. Plus, the height increase of the structure tends to do more for the profits of the developer and owner(s). Seniors do not need more stairs to climb, especially in the event of a fire or emergency. The best plans are those for one story units, not stacked on top of each other. The "Druid Hills Historic" area should be preserved and not used for more revenue generation for the county. I am confident that there have been thousands of dollars already invested in this project, and that it is likely to proceed quickly. What a shame that the true needs of our senior citizens are not given significant value as you commissioners make decisions that the area will have to live with for many years to come. Dekalb County is already lacking in services to taxpayers. Why do you want to burden the system by adding a greater population through this development? I am requesting a copy of the need analysis. Thanks for this opportunity to comment. Sincerely,

2. Kim Fredrickson (No Address)- To whom it may concern, As a mother, grandmother, resident, tax payer and voter in De Kalb County, Georgia, I urge you to PASS the Declaration of Reproductive Freedom in De Kalb County. Women's rights are human rights. Women must have control over the decisions about their own bodies. PASS the DRF NOW. Thank you,

3. Melonie Yeats, 2357 Dunwoody Xing Apt. B, Atlanta, GA 30338- To the Dekalb County Board of Commissioners, My name is Melonie Yeats. I am a resident of Dekalb county with the local address of 2357 Dunwoody Xing Apt. B, Atlanta, GA 30338. It has come to my attention that the Dekalb County Board of Commissioners is considering the resolution on the Declaration for Reproductive Freedom, and there has been a continued delay in passing this declaration which has now extended to a third meeting. I am writing today to express the importance of the Board of Commissioners passing the Declaration of Reproductive Freedom without further delay. This resolution would support reproductive freedom in Dekalb county by affirming the support of reproductive healthcare access as a human right as declared by the United Nations, and condemn any local attempts to criminalize the provision or receipt of abortion care. The resolution sides with the pre-existing decisions of Roe and Casey and would prompt mitigation of the effects of HB 481 which went into effect in July of 2022. This bill bans abortion after fetal cardiac activity, around 6 weeks of pregnancy, and defines a fetus as a person under Georgia law. The bill explicitly criminalizes abortion providers and could be used to criminalize people who seek or support others to get abortion care. Counties have a responsibility to prevent criminalization of their constituents for pregnancy related decisions. Dekalb County should make a commitment to NOT provide any resources toward the investigation or prosecution of those providing or seeking abortion care and ask legal entities to do the same. Access to abortion care has been proven to decrease maternal mortality. With Georgia leading the country in maternal death, it's a public health imperative to prevent criminalization of people providing and seeking abortion care. As a Black female resident of Dekalb County, I make up part of the the tapestry of the very diverse population living here. Like many other Black women, I have reproductive and general health issues that make abortion access a critical part of my

healthcare. I am current diagnosed with conditions that place me at a high risk of pre-eclampsia and ectopic pregnancies. It is critical that I am able to access needed healthcare in the event of an emergency. Affirming the Declaration for Reproductive Freedom would ensure my needed healthcare would not be criminalized and I urge you to pass the resolution today. Respectfully,

4. Rev. Robert V Thompson, 535 Harold Ave NE Atlanta, GA 30307- Due to a pre-existing commitment, I am unable to show up in person for a public comment. It is absolutely essential that DeKalb County unanimously confirm this very important resolution that speaks the truth about our current situation regarding reproductive rights. Reproductive freedom is a human right. Indeed, we must all come together and "ensure that all people have the economic, social, and political power and resources to make informed decisions about their bodies, sexuality and reproductive rights". Having served as an American Baptist minister for 40 years, I support not only "soul liberty" but also the larger community coming together to protect the basic human rights of sexual and reproductive freedom. As a resident of DeKalb County, I encourage the DeKalb County Commission to support this fundamental human right for one and all. Sincerely,

Public Comment- November 8, 2022 Read Email

1. Dr. Ed Williams (No Address)- 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 six major points to make this morning that the Commission should take action on.

1. DeKalb County's method of funding the DeKalb Pension obligations is not equitable to all the residents in unincorporated compared to those in municipalities of DeKalb County regarding legacy liability. 2. The BOC should fight for MARTA to provide rail service to South DeKalb, and not suppose any increase in the MARTA Sales Tax. 3. The BOC should do more to ensure that residents have clean drinking water, and that our water is not polluted. 4. Unincorporated DeKalb must have proportional representation. The residents who live in unincorporated DeKalb interests are being neglected compared to the interests of the cities and the county as a whole. 5. The residents of DeKalb should be given choice of self-determination to remain unincorporated, its own city, part of City of Atlanta, City of Decatur, the City of Stonecrest, or some other City. 6. DeKalb County should change its form of government to change the CEO position to a chairperson. Today, I ask the board not to remain silent. Will you be the voice who says enough, and stand up and represent 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. Did you know that the DeKalb County pension plan is only funded at 52% of its total liability \$2,397,341,803 well below many similar counties? Did you also know that taxpayers who live in existing municipalities do not contribute the same ad valorem taxes towards the pension at the same rate as citizens in unincorporated DeKalb in violation of the constitution and the statute Ga. law 1962 p 3088? 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 SPLOST funding. Thank You

2. Mary-Kate Starkel, 376 Third Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079- Dear Commissioners, My name is Mary-Kate Starkel and I'm a resident at 376 Third Ave, Scottdale, GA 30079 where I live with my spouse and two young daughters. I'm unable to attend today's meeting but want to express my strong support of your Declaration for Reproductive Freedom. I hope that you move quickly and with conviction to put this resolution up for vote and approve this resolution. Your deferral of this agenda item since introducing the resolution on Aug 2 is notable and equivalent to silence, and the women, girls, and birthing people of DeKalb County have noticed. HB 481 was allowed to go into effect in July, banning abortion after 6 weeks of pregnancy, defining a fetus as a person under Georgia law, and criminalizing abortion providers. More important to your role as a Commission, HB481 could be used to criminalize people who seek or support others to get abortion care. DeKalb County has a responsibility to prevent this criminalization for pregnancy related decisions and should make a public statement-- via resolution-- to NOT put resources towards the investigation or prosecution of abortion seekers or providers. It should also ask law enforcement to do the same. While it's easy to assume that DeKalb is a safe place for women and "this would never happen", horrifying examples are already popping up across the U.S. and we cannot afford to wait. Each of us should be able to live, work, and make decisions about our health and our future with dignity and without fear of criminalization. DeKalb County is one of the largest and most diverse counties in Georgia and as a majority-minority population, the County needs to take swift action to protect its constituents and ensure that we have access to the full spectrum of reproductive health services we may need or want to exercise, including abortion care. I'm proud to be a native Georgian and want my daughters to have a full future here. By adopting the Declaration for Reproductive Freedom, DeKalb will be

making an important step in creating a safer home for them and so many others.

3. Jill Daugherty, 1624 McLendon Ave. NE Atlanta, GA 30307- I live in DeKalb County and support the Declaration for Reproductive Freedom. Each of us should be able to live, work, and make decisions about our health and our future with dignity and without fear of criminalization. Counties and cities have a responsibility to prevent criminalization of their constituents for pregnancy-related decisions. Dekalb County is one of the largest and most diverse counties in Georgia and as such can play a pivotal role in ensuring that Georgians have access to the full spectrum of reproductive health services, including abortion care. Dekalb County should make a commitment to NOT put any resources towards the investigation or prosecution of people providing or seeking abortion care and ask law enforcement to do the same. No one deserves to be criminalized for seeking essential healthcare. I support access to abortion in DeKalb county because a woman should have the right to make decisions about her own body. Being forced to carry an unwanted pregnancy to term is not healthy for the pregnant woman, that fetus, or her community.

4. Annie Davis, 1403 Willivee Dr Decatur, GA 30033- To whom it may concern, As a resident of Dekalb county, I want to make explicitly clear my support for the Dekalb County Decriminalization of Abortion Bill. People who seek abortion should not be dissuaded from accessing important and safe reproductive care because of laws that aim to control their bodies and medical decisions. As a public health student and advocate of global access to safe, affordable, and compassionate abortion care, I believe that decriminalizing abortion in Dekalb county would help quell fears for people who worry that their pregnancy outcomes or self-managed abortions may put them at risk of legal trouble. Nobody should be criminalized for accessing reproductive health care. Please vote to decriminalize abortion in Dekalb County. Thank you.

5. Atampokah El (1926 Cannon Street Decatur Georgia 30032)- I am Atampokah El, Allrights reserved, Moorish American AA222141, Johnson has been sending notices to my mailing location to an {ATAMPOKAH EL}. Since March of 2017 I have tried to convey to him no such person is at my domicile. I Atampokah El am now the only person at my mailing location. I have been coerced, forced harassed, etc. to participate in the fraudulent activity to so call pay taxes on my Allodial Property. June 30 20222 I Atampokah El submitted a Quo Warranto to him received by Cynthia Huiel(?) who identified herself again as his DIRECTOR, which she also date stamped. The writ included a 30 day response time. I did not receive . a response to the writ. In August another notice addressed to {Atampokah El} was received at my domicile, I Atampokah El wrote on the notice addressee unknown, wrote return to sender on the envelope. Since then I called his office several times requesting to speak to JOHNSON, I have been told that I can't speak to him , when call was directed to CYNTHIA HUIEHI who said she would call me back, two weeks ago I called and was told she is no longer with the office, I was directed to her replacement and was told she would call me back. Last week I called the office and asked to speak with JOHNSON again I was told it was no one available I could speak with. I later called back twice and when asked who I was the call were disconnected. On Nov. 4th a late notice to [Atampokah El] was deliver to my domicile, Again called the office to no avail. I need immediate remedy to this situation, JOHNSON has totally violated his Oath of office and I don't have \$3000.00 federal reserve notes to participate in this fraudulent activity and Johnson has not provided any assistance to resolve this matter Atampokah El, Allrights reserved AA222141, In person persona je suis juri

6. Lawson Wright (No Address)- My name is Lawson Wright and I live in Dekalb County just outside of

Decatur. I am emailing to express my support to vote immediately on the Declaration for Reproductive Freedom. Please make this y'all's priority TODAY! I support access to abortion health care and hope this bill is signed into law and make us all proud to be Dekalb citizens. Thank you

7. Margarita Szechenyi, 3902 Faronview Rd. Atlanta, GA 30340- Dear Commissioners, Thank you for your service to Dekalb County. Your task is not an easy one, and I write today to encourage you in the face of heated debate surrounding the issue of abortion in Dekalb. Your task as public servants is to help ensure equal protection of absolute liberty principles for every human being in Dekalb County and to pursue the greatest good for the people of this county. The first question has to be, "What is the foundation of absolute liberty principles and the human rights flowing from them?" Without recognizing that solid foundation, you can be like a ship tossed around by every wave. In question with this proposed declaration is the recognition of equal rights for human beings in the stages of their lives prior to birth and how those rights are affected by the human rights of the mother. I recognize the difficulty that pregnancy due to rape presents to the right of bodily autonomy, but in reflecting upon absolute liberty principles (Natural Law), it is clear that the right to life supersedes all other rights. A recognition of this in law is not out of disrespect or disregard for women who become pregnant due to rape, nor is it a dismissal of the extreme trauma rape imposes on a woman. Rather, it is out of a consistent respect for the boundaries established by Natural Law, which we must hold to as our foundation of liberty even when difficult to do so; otherwise we have no foundation. As Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." In protecting the paramount right to life of the child in the womb, we are protecting liberty at its foundation for both the mom and the child...and all of us. It is clearly proven by science and logic that an individual living human being is present when you have: 1. An organism made up of human DNA, and 2. That organism's human DNA is unique, and 3. That organism is autonomously seeking nutrition and avoiding harm at any level. Another difficulty in this matter, which I acknowledge, is that of risks to the mother's life or health with medically difficult pregnancies. Doctors take the Hypocratic Oath to "do no harm". This means they must strive to save the lives of every human being equally who is in their care. A majority of doctors confirm that especially with today's medical advances, it is never necessary to directly kill a preborn human being in order to save the mother. Abortion, by its radically invasive nature disrupts chemical processes in the body or scar the uterus, both of which can cause serious complications for subsequent pregnancies. It also increases the risk for breast cancer. Killing preborn children is not the answer to Georgia's higher rate of maternal mortality; rather, an increase in accountability for medical care is the answer, and the removal of policies which block healthy competition in the medical marketplace or deter obgyns from practicing in our state. I do not ask you to prosecute women get an abortion and most definitely not who experience the tragedy of miscarriage. I do ask that at the very least, while the lives of preborn children have been given some protection (after detection of their heartbeat), you refrain from protecting doctors who violate that restriction. Thank you and God bless you!

Public Comments- In Person

Pamela Privette- 111Mockingbird Ln Decatur GA 30030, Alrza Barnett- 3547 North Druid Hills Road Decatur GA 3033, Phillip W. Cuffey- 408 Adams Street Decatur GA 30030, Rachel Wright 1064 Forrest Boulevard 30030, Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Drive Clarkston GA 30021, Allison Coffman- 120 Howard Street Southeast, Desirrae Thomas- 1017 Margaret Place Northwest Atlanta GA 30318

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. Citizens may also email statements or documents related to public hearing items for inclusion in the public record by submitting such statements or materials by 9:00 a.m. on the date of the public hearing to PublicHearing@dekalbcountyga.gov. The body of your email must include a reference to the particular public hearing item to which your statement or documents apply by agenda number and your first and last name, followed by your address. By submitting an email related to any public hearing item, you agree to have your name, address and email entered into the record/minutes. In-person comments will be heard first. Prior to speaking, an in-person speaker shall complete a speaker card and present it when approaching the podium. If an in-person 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.

If time remains in the appropriate public hearing portion of said meeting, email comments will be read into the record by the clerk or designee. Any remaining email public comments not read into the record will be submitted into the minutes by the clerk or designee and shall be forwarded to each commissioner by email. 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. In-person 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.

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2022-2387](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Set a Public Hearing for November 8, 2022, for Consideration of Approval of the DeKalb County Tax Allocation District #4: Market Square TAD Redevelopment, a Precursor Step to the Creation of the Market Square TAD.

Approved

Finance

[2022-2055](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Home Rule Ordinance to amend the Pension Code of DeKalb County, Georgia, 1962 Ga. Laws 3088, as amended, to provide for an increase in monthly pension benefit amount to specified eligible retirees, joint annuitants and beneficiaries.

Approved

GIS Department

[2022-2278](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 6

A Resolution for the Consideration of Abandonment of a 4,681.24 Square Feet Section of Right of Way at 1069 Mountain View Way, Conley, GA 30288.

Deferred 30 days, until December 13, 2022

Planning & Sustainability

[2022-1907](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 02 Super District 06

Application of Charles F. Palmer for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow senior housing in the O-I (Office Institutional) Zoning District and the Druid Hills Historic District; and to increase building height beyond 70 feet up to 101 feet, at 1256 Briarcliff Road.

Approved the substitute with conditions

[2022-1910](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 01 Super District 07 Application of The Church in Atlanta Inc. c/o Dennis J. Web Jr., Smith Gambrell & Russell, LLC for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to replace the existing church building with a new church in the R-100 (Residential Medium Lot-100) zoning district, at 2345 Shallowford Road.

Approved with conditions dated October 27, 2022, referencing the site plans and landscape plans dated October 24, 2022

[2022-1911](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 03 Super District 07 Application of Troy Morrison for a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to allow a Personal Care Home (Community Living Arrangement - CCI) for four (4) individuals in the R-75 (Residential Medium Lot-75) zoning district, at 3771 Elkridge Drive.

Denied

[2022-1979](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 02 Super District 06 Application of Stein Investment Group c/o Smith Gambrell & Russell to rezone properties from C-1 (Local Commercial) zoning district to HR-3 (High Density Residential-3) zoning district to allow for the construction of a mixed-use development to include approximately 30,000 square feet of accessory restaurant/retail space, 6,000 square feet of accessory office space, 392 multi-family units, and a shared structured parking garage, at 3082 Briarcliff Road.

Approved substitute dated October 25, 2022 and site plan dated October 21, 2022

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners

[2022-2447](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Appointment of the Internal Auditor to the Office of the Independent Internal Audit

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

Chief Executive Office

[2022-2370](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Reappointment to the Housing Authority of DeKalb County - Mr. Charles Yi

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2371](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Reappointment to the Housing Authority of DeKalb County - Ms. Eloise Hudson

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2427](#)

Commission District(s): All

Reappointment to the DeKalb County Public Library Board of Trustees - Mr. Joel Gottlieb

Approved

[2022-2440](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appointment to Post 6 of the Development Authority of DeKalb County - Ms. Ann Hanlon

Deferred the substitute, until November 15, 2022

ITEMS FOR RECORDING IN THE MINUTES

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2022-2020](#)

Commission District(s): District 1

Recording of the Appointment of Will Childs to the Airport Advisory Board

Deferred, until December 13, 2022

[2022-2459](#)

Commission District(s): District 1

Recording of the Appointment of Deanna Murphy to the Planning Commission

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 4

[2022-2418](#)

Commission District(s): District 4

Appointment of Wendell Charles Love to the District 4 Community Council Board.

Approved

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Board of Commissioners

[2022-2394](#)

Commission District(s): All

Approval of Minutes for the November 1, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 1

[2022-2460](#)**Commission District(s):** District 1

To approve the appropriation of \$100,000 from Non-Departmental - Unincorporated Fund assigned to Account (09130.579002.272.0000.0000) to Grant Fund (09130.611250.272.0000.0000) reserved for District 1 for the purpose of providing funding to City of Dunwoody Parks and Recreation for the construction of the Veteran's Memorial at Brook Run

Approved

[2022-2461](#)**Commission District(s):** District 1

To approve the appropriation of \$31,800 from Non-Departmental - Unincorporated Fund assigned to Account (09130.579002.272.0000.0000) to Grant Fund (09130.611250.272.0000.0000) reserved for District 1 for the purpose of providing funding to DeKalb Library Foundation to support the Take the Internet Home With you Mobile Hotspot Initiative

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 2[2022-2455](#)**Commission District(s):** Commission District 2

District 2 ARP Funding Appropriation for \$33,000 for Stride Ahead, Inc in Little Creek Horse Farm

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2456](#)**Commission District(s):** Commission District 2

District 2 ARP Funding Appropriation of \$25,000 to the DeKalb Library Foundation for Mobile Hotspots for the Take the Internet Home with You Initiative

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 4[2022-2395](#)**Commission District(s):** District 4

Allocation to appropriate (not to exceed) \$ 23,571.00 to the National Council of Negro Women - DeKalb Section of Federal America Rescue Plan Funds reserved for District 4 in ARP POETA #105744.63258.521209.01.04.602479 for the purpose of housing insecurity, rental, utility assistance, community food distribution, education, technology, health and mental health, transportation and other essential needs for individuals and families impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

Approved

[2022-2407](#)**Commission District(s):** District 4

Allocation to appropriate (not to exceed) \$20,000 to South DeKalb Improvement Association Education of Federal America Rescue Plan Funds reserved for District 4 ARP POETA Account#105744.63258.521209.01.04.602479 for the purpose educational and enrichment services and programs for K-12 students due to learning deficits impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

Approved

Board of Commissioners - District 5

[2022-2050](#)**Commission District(s):** District 5

An item to allocate \$100,000 of the American Rescue Plan funds, reserved for District 5 appropriations to DeKalb Pro Bono (formerly DeKalb Volunteer Lawyers Association) for the purpose of providing legal assistance to tenant and landlord eviction disputes in DeKalb County and other COVID-19 related purposes

Approved

[2022-2424](#)**Commission District(s):** District 5

An item to rescind Agenda Item #2022-1641 allocating \$100,000 of the American Rescue Plan funds, reserved for District 5 appropriations to The DeKalb Volunteer Lawyers Foundation for the purpose of providing legal assistance to tenant and landlord eviction disputes in DeKalb County and other COVID-19 related purposes

Approved

[2022-2457](#)**Commission District(s):** All Districts

Acceptance of a Donation (valued at \$3500) from Clover Health for the District 5 Senior Holiday Outreach Gathering

Approved

[2022-2458](#)**Commission District(s):** District 5

An item to allocate \$15,000 of the American Rescue Plan funds, reserved for District 5 appropriations for the purposes of the District 5 Senior Holiday Health, Wellness, and Food Holiday Initiative.

Withdrawn

Board of Commissioners - District 7[2022-2422](#)**Commission District(s):** District 7

To Appropriate \$50,000 American Rescue Plan Grant Funds Assigned to POETA Account 105744.63258.521209.01.07.602479 Reserved For The District 7 Appropriation To The DeKalb County Juvenile Court To Mitigate The Public Health Emergency Created By The COVID-19 Pandemic

Approved**Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO**[2022-2410](#)**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting of October 25, 2022

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022**Human Services**[2022-2336](#)**Commission District(s):** All

Acceptance of a Grant from the Georgia Department of Public Health in the amount of \$214,459 in American Rescue Plan Act Funds for Emergency Supplies to support the DeKalb Maternal Infant & Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program during the Ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic- At No Cost to the County

Approved

[2022-2338](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$603,856 from the Georgia Department of Public Health for the DeKalb Maternal Infant & Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program- At No Cost to the County.

Approved**H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS****Board of Commissioners - District 7**[2022-2423](#)**Commission District(s): District 7**

To Appropriate \$250,000 In American Rescue Plan Grant Funds Assigned to POETA Account 105744.63258.521209.01.07.602479 Reserved For The District 7 Appropriation To The DeKalb County Recreation Parks & Cultural Affairs To Mitigate The Public Health Emergency Created By The COVID-19 Pandemic

Withdrawn**Community Development****Facilities Management**[2022-2377](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

Approval and Authorization to Accept and Approve the Georgia Power Electric Transportation Make Ready Program Customer Proposal Acceptance Letter for \$382,266.00.

Approved**Fire & Rescue**

[2022-2333](#)

Commission District(s): Commission District 5

Approval of Usage of SPLOST Funds in Category 2A, Replace Existing Fire Station(s) and Construct New Fire Station(s) and Related Capital Equipment for Fire Station 27

Approved

Human Services

[2022-2374](#)

Commission District(s): All

Acceptance of a federal grant in the amount of \$1,500,000 from the Department of Justice for a Community Based Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative for DeKalb- At No Cost to the County

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

Police Services

[2022-2343](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Official Retirement of K-9 Drago to his handler Master Patrolman Burrell Daniel

Approved

[2022-2347](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

GY2019 and GY2020 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant,
\$265,362.96.

Approved

Public Safety - DEMA

[2022-2334](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

2022 Countywide Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Approved

Public Works - Roads & Drainage

[2022-2361](#)

Commission District(s): County-wide

Request for Funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for the FY2023 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant Program

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2022-2214](#)

Commission District(s): All

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 22-500618 for Medical Examiner Services (Multi-Year): for use by the DeKalb County Medical Examiner's Office. Consists of providing reasonable and comprehensive interpretation of medical findings to determine the cause, manner, and circumstances of death. Recommend award to the sole proposer: Forensic Medicine Associates, Inc. Total Amount Not to Exceed: \$20,305,866.00.

Approved

[2022-2246](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

REN - Emergency Medical Supplies (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1246736 and 1240826 for use by Fire Rescue (FR). These contracts consist of the purchase of emergency medical supplies for Fire Rescue and Emergency Medical Service units/vehicles. Awarded to Bound Tree Medical, LLC and Henry Schein, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$400,000.00.

Approved

[2022-2325](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Contract No. 1232712 Helicopter Maintenance and Repair Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Police Services (PS). This contract consists of providing helicopter repair and maintenance services for existing County helicopters. Awarded to: Rotor Resources, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00.

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2022-2145](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 22-500610 Clean Energy Transportation Transition Plan (Annual Contract With 3 Options to Renew): for use by the Board of Commissioners. Consists of providing professional consultant services to develop a Transition Plan for Clean Energy and Clean Transportation powering of the County's needs by 2050. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Southface Energy Institute, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$250,000.00.

Approved

[2022-2216](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA- Cooperative Agreement - Avaya Telephone System Upgrade: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20120501-0004. Awarded to Carousel Industries, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$524,781.65.

Approved

[2022-2276](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA - Cooperative Agreement - Avaya Support and Licensing: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20120501-0004. Awarded to Avaya Inc. Amount Not To Exceed \$1,123,391.88.

Approved

[2022-2279](#)**Commission District(s): 1 & 6**

RFP - Request for Proposals No.: 22-500617 - On-Demand Architectural and Engineering Consulting Services at DeKalb Peachtree Airport (Multi-Year): for use by the DeKalb Peachtree (PDK) Airport. Consists of providing on-demand architectural and engineering services for the PDK Airport. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Michael Baker International, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,000,000.00.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2022-2400](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1179052 for Enterprise License Agreement (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Geographical Information Systems (GIS). This contract consists of proprietary software that allows the County the capability to create publicly accessible GIS Apps/Dashboards/Maps, deploy software and is fully integrated into other departmental workflows and business systems. Awarded to: Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$528,000.00.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2103](#)**Commission District(s): 2 and 6**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1272696 Reindeer Drive Water Main Replacement (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the removal of existing galvanized pipe and asbestos cement water mains; abandonment of a steel main; construction and installation of ductile iron pipe (DIP) watermains; and removal and replacement of fire hydrants. This request is to increase the scope of work, funding, and the contract term through June 30, 2024, to allow for completion of additional work. Awarded to GS Construction, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$15,502,309.70.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2115](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Electrical Maintenance Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Cobb County contract for Bid # 22-6623 to provide electrical maintenance services. Awarded to Capital City Electrical Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed \$600,000.00.

Approved

[2022-2137](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - Contract No. 1264488 Hauling Services (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options of Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of providing hauling services. This request is to exercise the 2nd renewal option through October 31, 2023. Awarded to Brown Management Services Enterprises, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$630,000.00.

Approved

[2022-2209](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1208627 Consent Decree - Construction Management Services: Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement (CD-GSRR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing construction management services for various gravity sewer collection system rehabilitation and replacement projects. This request is to increase funding for completion of work. Awarded to Benchmark Management, LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,450,000.00.

Approved

[2022-2210](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 7 for Contract Nos: 1063844 and 1063841 Annual Water & Sewer Construction (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed (DWM). These contracts consist of primarily providing installation and repair of water and sewer pipes in various sizes. This request seeks to increase the contract scope of work and funding. Awarded to GS Construction, Inc. and SD &C, Inc. Total Amount Not to Exceed: \$6,663,431.00.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2217](#)**Commission District(s): 4**

CO - Change Order No. 6 to Contract No. 1171444 for Road Widening, Sidewalks, Bike Lanes (Rockbridge Road - Allgood to Rowland Road) - PI#s 008121/0012789: for use by Public Works - Transportation (PW-T). This contract consists of the widening of Rockbridge Road from Allgood To Rowland Road to allow for the construction of sidewalks and bike lanes. Awarded to E.R. Snell Contractors, Inc. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY

Approved

[2022-2220](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 5 to Contract No. 14-902884 Professional Engineering Services (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management. This contract consists of the provision of engineering services. This request is to increase the contract term through December 31, 2024. Awarded to Prime Engineering Incorporated. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.

Approved[2022-2244](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 947356 Sale of Single Stream Recycling Material (Multi-Year Contract): for use by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of recycling single stream materials collected by the recycling program. Awarded to Pratt Recycling, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$480,000.00.

Approved[2022-2373](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 22-101519 2022 LMIG Road Resurfacing Projects (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of resurfacing DeKalb County roads. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder: C.W. Matthews Contracting Co. Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$23,772,020.00

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022**Sheriff's Office**[2022-2446](#)**Commission District(s): All Districts**

State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) Grant

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022**Watershed Management**

[2022-2178](#)

Commission District(s): All

Agreement for River/Lake Information Management Services

Approved

[2022-2193](#)

Commission District(s): All

City of Atlanta CIP Payment (3rd Quarter 2021- 2nd Quarter 2022) Cost:
\$3,022,530.34

Approved

Walk-On Items

2022-2485

Add Item

Approved

[2022-2486](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act Funding to Fund Premium Pay for Eligible Workers; to Fund Employee Vaccine Incentives; and to Fund Eligible Programs and Expenditures for the Departments of Facilities Management and Innovation & Technology

Normal course

2022-2487

Add Item

Approved

[2022-2488](#)

Commission District(s): All

An Appropriation of \$10.5 Million Dollars of American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) Funding to Continue Support to District Related Eligible Community Initiative Programs and Operating Expenses

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

2022-2489 Add Item
Approved

[2022-2490](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Amend the Healthcare Safety Net portion of the CEO’s ARP Budget to Continue the Objective to Better and Holistically Address the Needs of The Greater DeKalb

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2021-3499](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

DeKalb County’s adoption of a safe gun storage ordinance to impact and prevent accidental injuries and deaths.

Deferred, until December 13, 2022

[2022-2118](#)

Commission District(s): All District Commission Districts

Adopt A Resolution to Raise the Minimum Wage for DeKalb County Employees to a Living Wage

Deferred, until December 13, 2022

Board of Commissioners - District 7

[2022-1299](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

A Resolution Requesting The Governing Authority Of DeKalb County Amend Chapter 15 Of The Code Of DeKalb County, Georgia As Revised 1988; To Provide For The Mandatory Used Of Video Surveillance Systems at Convenience Stores, And For Other Purposes

Deferred, until December 13, 2022

[2022-1764](#)

Commission District(s): District 7

A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia to Acknowledge Gun Violence as a Public Health Crisis and to Call upon Federal, State and Local Legislators and Elected Officials to Pass Common Sense Gun Control Legislation to Reduce Gun Violence, Homicides and Mass Murders.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

Chief Executive Office

[2022-2321](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To enter into a Second Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement between DeKalb County and the City of Doraville for Economic Development Purposes.

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

[2022-2389](#)

Commission District(s): All

Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act Funding to Eligible Programs and Operating Expenses

Deferred to the next meeting, until November 15, 2022

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2022-2335](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of October 4, 2022

Approved

Finance[2022-2366](#)**Commission District(s): All Commission Districts**

Adoption of the Series 2022 Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance by the County of its Water and Sewerage Revenue Bonds, Series 2022 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$600,000,000 for the purpose of (1) refinancing the County's tax anticipation note in the principal amount of \$70 million issued on February 17, 2022 and scheduled to mature on December 15, 2022, (2) refunding all of the County's outstanding Water and Sewerage Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 to achieve debt service savings, and (3) financing the cost of the acquisition, construction and equipping of certain improvements to the County's water and sewerage system.

Deferred the substitute, until November 15, 2022

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee

[2022-2248](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CA - Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing: for use by Police Services (PS) to be utilized by all County departments. Consists of Uniforms and Accessories and requests authorization to contract with BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative and to approve the purchase of ballistic vests for police officers. Awarded to: Galls, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$325,000.00.

Withdrawn

Purchasing & Contracting - to FAB Committee

[2022-2365](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 22-500623 Financial Advisory Services (3 Year Multiyear Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Finance Department. Consists of providing financial advisory services in connection with various financing transactions and programs. Services will also require acting as the County's "municipal advisor" as contemplated by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank") and the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rule 15bA-1 (the "Municipal Advisor Rule"). Recommend award to: PFM Financial Advisors, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,664,500.00.

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2022-1826](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No.: 1116360 for Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Program Management Services: for use by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). This contract consists of providing program management services for projects funded by SPLOST. Awarded to Atlas Technical Consultants LLC. Inc., for an Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,764,502.36.

Approved

Solicitor - State Court[2022-2286](#)**Commission District(s): All**

To Authorize the addition of Two Vehicles to the County Fleet for the Solicitor-General's Office

Approved

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.