Agenda Item

File ID: 2022-1432 Walk-On Item 3/15/2022

Public Hearing: YES □ **NO** ☒ **Department:** Board of Commissioners - District 5

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the DeKalb County Development Authority and the County for economic development purposes.

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PURPOSE:

To consider authorizing an intergovernmental agreement between the Dekalb Development Authority ("Decide DeKalb") and Georgia Piedmont Technical College and the County for economic development purposes.

NEED/IMPACT:

O.C.G.A. 45-8-220 allows the County to appropriate money to a development authority for economic development purposes. The Georgia Piedmont Technical College has announced that it is in the process of constructing an economic development project in Lithonia Georgia. The College will be constructing a Regional Transportation Training Center.

The logistics industry is a major component of the economy for Georgia and DeKalb County. This New Training Center will be instrumental in producing skilled workers for high demand transportation jobs like commercial truck drivers, logistics and distribution workers. This New Training Center will provide programs in automotive technology, specializing in electric vehicles, business management, civile engineering commercial truck driving, diesel mechanics, forklift training, logistics technology and welding and joining technology. DeKalb County will use the New Training Center when appropriate and feasible for training employees and/or candidates for employment.

This Intergovernmental Agreement will allow Decide DeKalb to grant funds to Georgia Piedmont Technical College via intergovernmental agreement to be used exclusively for the construction of a new 28,000 square foot two story facility to replace the existing facility.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$4,000,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve and enter into the attached intergovernmental agreement and all other necessary documents with Decide DeKalb and potentially Georgia Piedmont Technical College in substantially final form acceptable to the County Attorney.