

DeKalb County Government

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



Summary

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

9:00 AM

Special Called Meeting

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Board of Commissioners

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

Commissioner Nancy Jester, District 1

Commissioner Jeff Rader, District 2

Commissioner Larry Johnson, District 3

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, District 5

Commissioner Kathie Gannon, 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

Pastor Demetrius McCoy
Word of Life Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Jeff Rader
District 2

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 Comment may be submitted by sending an email no larger than one page to PublicComment@dekalbcountyga.gov which must be received between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting. The body of your email must include your first and last name, followed by your address. By submitting an email for public comment, you agree to have your name and address broadcast on the teleconference (Zoom) and the email entered into the record/minutes. Abusive, profane or derogatory language will not be permitted.

Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Drive - I hope that all are well, especially the citizens of DeKalb County. Without their help, things would be a lot worse. My thoughts and prayers go out to everyone. The County has been amassing a rainy day fund over the last few years for possible future disasters or hard times. If this pandemic does not qualify as a disaster I don't know what does. The small business owners, who are the backbone of our county, service workers, the homeless and especially our senior citizens are all in need of extra help at this time. 41% of children in zip code 30032 live in poverty. Over 50% of families in zip codes 30032, 30034, and 30035 are financially unstable with the head of many of these households over the age of 55. Now is the time to use some of our rainy day funds and I encourage the CEO and the commission to do so. This may shock some of you but I agree with Mr Thurmond. Our front line employees do deserve hazard pay and maybe even additional comp time. However, I do believe this is something that needs to be approved by the commission and am disappointed that it is not on today's printed agenda. The commissioners should also be looking into the County's future financing. There is the very real probability that property valuations will be lower next year due to the current recession. We should evaluate this year's budget revision and next year's budget with this in mind. Perhaps no extra commissioner's discretionary funds this year and a cut back for next year. Sales tax collections may end up being down anywhere from 10 to 25% for the rest of this year. The County's SPLOST collections are currently 3% under projections. A total of 10 million dollars short over the six year span of the tax. That amount could climb to 20 or 30 million dollars depending on how long this pandemic lasts. Decisions will need to be made about which projects to fund and which ones to be put off till later. I ask each commissioner to not spend any of their 1 million dollar discretionary SPLOST funds until the full economic impact of this pandemic are known. I believe that promises made to the citizens of DeKalb County are more important than the desires of individual commissioners are during these extraordinary times. MARTA's revenue will also be falling. Promises and agreements made in the 15th amendment will be reevaluated. Be prepared to put your desired projects in order and fight for the DeKalb County that has been ignored in the past by MARTA. Finally, there is item 0400 on today's agenda. During discussion of this item could you explain what a Personal Services budget is and why it needs to vary by as much as 5% each month for each department?

John Walters (no address), DeKalb Senior Resident Unincorporated DeKalb - During 30 Mar online Town Hall, please update Residents on status of two DeKalb essential transport programs:

- 1- Transport Residents [with no transport or Marta] to medical appointments.
- 2- Transportation Voucher Program (TVP) where Senior Residents pay their own choice of driver with a DeKalb voucher. These drivers are frequently friends, neighbors, family, or home care takers.

Since above #1 general transport is reduced to dialysis and only a few specialty appointments, can TVP vouchers be used for medical appointments during COVID-19 reduced operations? Sandra Morrow and Mrs. Higgins have previously declared TVP vouchers for "social" purposes only; and medical trips will not be reimbursed if voucher submitted to DeKalb.

D. PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearings will not occur at this meeting, but will be rescheduled as soon as the technology issues for public participation are resolved such that the legal requirements for such hearings can be met.

E. APPEALS

NONE

F. APPOINTMENTS

Board of Commissioners

[2020-0297](#)

Commission District(s): All

Audit Oversight Committee Five (5) Year Appointment

Approved to nominate Harrell Smith to the Audit Oversight Committee

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Airport

[2020-0298](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized Office Space Agreement with Elliott Borenstein. There is no cost to the County.

Approved

[2020-0299](#)

Commission District(s): 1 and 6

Standardized Office Space Agreement with AV8, Inc. There is no cost to the County.

Approved

Board of Commissioners

[2020-0377](#)**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of Minutes for the March 17, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Withdrawn**Board of Commissioners - District 4**[2020-0369](#)**Commission District(s):** District 4

Allocate \$38,340.00 of District 4 Park Bond Funds to set up an account for master planning services for 1227 Rowland Road in Stone Mountain slated to become a park.

Approved, with a correction to the agenda item template to remove the verbiage "Keep information brief and concise", located within the "Purpose" section of the template**Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO**[2020-0366](#)**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2020

Approved[2020-0367](#)**Commission District(s):** All

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 17, 2020

Withdrawn**Police Services**[2020-0247](#)**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Official Retirement of K-9's Eli and Django to Their Handlers

Approved**H. PRELIMINARY ITEMS**

Board of Commissioners

[2020-0400](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Resolution Amending the 2020 DeKalb County Budget

Deferred, until April 28, 2020

Chief Executive Office

[2020-0379](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts.

Resolution to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of a surgery center contract between DeKalb County and the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority (“the Authority”), pursuant to which the Authority will agree to construct, equip and develop a new surgery center (“Surgery Center Contract”) and issue its revenue certificates in a principal amount not to exceed \$35,000,000.

Approved the substitute

Finance

[2020-0347](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Group Health & Wellness Benefits effective July 1, 2020

Approved

Public Works - Sanitation

[2020-0384](#)

Commission District(s): Commission Districts 3 & 6

Acceptance Of An additional \$3,000,000 GEFA Loan For The Seminole Road Landfill Phase 3 Unit 2 Cell Construction Project (Cells 1 & 2)

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting*Purchasing & Contracting - to ERPS Committee*[2020-0263](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1169311 for Employee Assistance Program (EAP) (Cooperative Agreement): for the Department of Human Resources and Merit System (HRMS). This contract consists of psychological counseling for all County employees for both personal and work stress-related conditions and/or other issues. Awarded to KEPRO Acquisitions, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$28,770.00.

Approved*Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee*[2019-4822](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101154 Conventional Truck, Cab & Chassis with 28 Cubic Yard High Compaction Rear Loader Refuse Collection Body, CNG Driven: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of twenty four (24) conventional trucks, cab and chassis with 28 cubic yard high compaction rear loader refuse collection bodies. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: MHC Kenworth - Atlanta. Amount Not To Exceed: \$6,932,088.00.

Approved[2020-0218](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

REN - Purchase, Delivery, Installation, Maintenance & Repair of Propane Fuel Tanks (Annual Contract - 1st of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1157606 for use by Public Works - Fleet Management. This contract consists of purchasing and delivering propane gas to propane tanks at various locations in the County. Awarded to: Blossman Gas Inc. of Georgia. Amount Not To Exceed: \$90,569.00.

Approved

[2020-0245](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Maintenance, Repair & Operation (MRO)

Products: for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM), Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Sheriff's Office, Property Appraisal & Assessment, Fire Rescue (FR), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), Sanitation & Beautification, Fleet Management (Fleet), and Voter Registration & Elections (VR&E). Awarded to W.W. Grainger, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,578,000.00.

Approved the substitute

Purchasing & Contracting - to PECS Committee

[2020-0219](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

Change Order to Contract Nos.: 1174317, 1174318, 1174320 and 1174324 for Architectural and Engineering Services for Recreation Parks and Cultural Affairs (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of providing on-call comprehensive architectural and engineering services. Awarded to: Lose & Associates, Inc. dba Lose Design, Pond & Company, Inc., Foresite Group, Inc. and Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,000,000.00.

Approved the substitute

[2020-0257](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos. 1182738 & 1182741 for Congregate and Shelf Stable Meals Services for Seniors & Congregate and Home-Delivered Meals for Seniors: for use by Human Services (HS). This contract consists of the provision of congregate, shelf-stable and home-delivered meals for seniors. This request is to extend the contract to July 31, 2020 and increase the contract amount. Awarded to Meals on Wheels Atlanta and Magic Kitchen. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$550,701.00.

Approved the substitute

[2020-0260](#)**Commission District(s): 5**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 19-500528 for Lou Walker Senior Center Meals & Cafeteria Management (Three (3) Year Multi-Year Contract): for use by the Department of Human Services (HS). Consists of meals and cafeteria management services for the Lou Walker Senior Center (LWSC). Recommend award to the sole proposer who is responsive and responsible: Infiniti Global Media, LLC. No cost to the County.

Deferred to the next meeting, until April 14, 2020

[2020-0290](#)**Commission District(s): All**

REN - County Abatement Lot Mowing and Maintenance Services (Annual Contract 1st of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1167100 and 1169273 for use by Public Works - Beautification. These contracts consist of mowing and maintenance services for the County's abated locations. Awarded to Executive Realty Solutions, Inc. and Pro Cutters Landscapes, Inc. Total Amount Not Exceed: \$350,750.00.

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting - to PWI Committee

[2019-4635](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101148 Granite Rubble Stone (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of the purchase of granite rubble stone used to address erosion control issues. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Bedrock Granite Co., Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$655,000.00.

Approved

[2020-0078](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101133 Work Gloves (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation and the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Recommend award to the sole responsive and responsible bidder: Argus Group Holdings LLC dba Premier Safety. Amount Not To Exceed: \$172,500.00.

Approved the substitute

[2020-0203](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1039255 for Professional Engineering and Design Services for Public Works Projects (Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of the provision of professional engineering and design services for localized drainage repair, stormwater improvement, bridge repair, dam repair and other related civil engineering projects. Awarded to AECOM. Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00

Approved the substitute

[2020-0250](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract Nos.: 1139824 and 1139826 for Sidewalks and Roadways (Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Transportation and Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). These contracts consist of sidewalks, drainage improvements and minor road improvements. CHANGE IN SCOPE OF WORK ONLY.

Approved

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs

[2020-0308](#)

Commission District(s): Districts 4 and 6

Rescind Item 2019-4375 that transferred Lanier Gardens Park to the City of Avondale

Approved

Watershed Management

[2020-0301](#)

Commission District(s): 5 and 7

Real Estate Exchange Agreement between Dekalb County, D.R. Horton, Inc. and D.R. Horton - Crown, LLC

Approved

[2020-0345](#)

Commission District(s): 1, 4, 5, 6, & 7

Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water Facilities Project Various Locations

Approved

I. ITEMS FOR DECISION BY THE BOARD

Board of Commissioners

[2019-3325](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Amendments to DeKalb County Purchasing Ordinance

Deferred, until June 9, 2020

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners and CEO

[2020-0326](#)**Commission District(s): All**

Approval of Minutes of the Special Called Meeting of March 03, 2020

Approved

Purchasing & Contracting

Purchasing & Contracting - to OPS Committee

[2020-0124](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101156 Inspection and Testing of Water Based Fire Protection Systems (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing inspection, testing, maintenance and repair of existing water based fire protection equipment throughout the County. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: All-Star Fire, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$148,258.00.

Approved

[2020-0145](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101199 - Truck Tractor with 5th Wheel, Tandem Drive, CNG Engine & Automatic Transmission: for Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of eight (8) truck tractors with 5th wheels, tandem drive, compressed natural gas engines and automatic transmissions for the purpose of transporting refuse trailers from the transfer stations to the Seminole landfill. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Peterbilt of Atlanta, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,453,264.00.

Approved

[2020-0178](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 19-500527 Snack and Vending Machine Services (Revenue Generating Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing snack and vending machine services to various County facilities. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: A-Action Janitorial Service Inc., dba A-Action Vending.

Approved

[2020-0181](#)**Commission District(s): All**

LB - Invitation No. 19-101192 On Call Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning - HVAC (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing on-call HVAC services for county-owned properties. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Galgon HVAC Mechanical Services, Inc., Mann Mechanical Company, LLC., B&W Mechanical Contractors, Inc. and HVH Mechanical Partners, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,900,000.00.

Approved

[2020-0190](#)**Commission District(s): ALL**

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract Nos. 1037689 and 1055558 for County Wide Commercial Janitorial Services (Multi Year): for use by the Department of Facilities Management (FM). These contracts consist of providing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to provide countywide quality janitorial services. Request to extend the contract term and increase the amount not to exceed. Awarded To: American Facility Services, Inc. (AFS) and Building Maintenance Services, Inc. (BMS) Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00.

Approved the substitute

[2020-0217](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 967790 for Professional and Managed Support and Maintenance Of Voice and Data Network Services: for the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). This contract consists of providing maintenance, support and repairs on the voice and data network services. Awarded to Layer 3 Communications, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,293,861.92.

Approved

[2020-0246](#)**Commission District(s): All**

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 10-902074 for Oracle Technical Support and Licensing: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (IT). This contract consists of maintenance and licenses for the County's Oracle platform. Awarded to Oracle America, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$661,038.79.

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.