

**Minutes - Draft**

**PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services  
Committee**

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Tuesday, February 22, 2022

2:00 PM

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*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,*

*(2) on DCTVChannel23.TV*

Meeting Started At: 2:29PM

Attendees: Commissioners Johnson, Davis Johnson, Rader, Bradshaw, Terry, Cochran-Johnson

**Present**      3 - Commissioner Larry Johnson, Commissioner Jeff Rader, and  
Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson

**I. MINUTES**

**2022-1261**      Commission District(s): ALL  
Minutes for the February 8, 2022 Planning, Economic  
Development, and Community Services Committee Meeting  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Mereda Davis  
Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion  
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and  
Commissioner Davis Johnson**

**II. STATUS UPDATE**

Code Compliance Update

*-information provided by COO Williams and Deputy Director Tim Hardy*

*-Z Williams: over the next week we will be finalizing our response to the audit update*

*-Question LJ: regarding the Hansen system, you're saying you're working on getting it in place or is it already here? Also, I would like to see the prior years before COVID where cases are outstanding. Once we get the feedback from the audit report, I would believe you'd be ready to discuss those questions. Please provide a date certain to come back to discuss the audit findings.*

*Z Williams: 30 days from now we will have responded to the audit; we could have a flow chart to show how code compliance is looked at as a system rather than a department function. We will lay all that out and it may stimulate further conversation on the legislative end with your colleagues*

*-LJ: ensure that code compliance is an intervention and will require a team effort. Some onus has to be on the person to understand the values and policies of that neighborhood they are in as well. The extra arm is the prevention piece because it's important to have in this conversation. We will bring this back in 30 days*

*-MDJ: the tracking system is important if code works along with State Court. There is a tracking system that the courts use; you may want to consider working with State Court to see how that can be incorporated*

*-LJ: we must ensure the Hansen system communicates with the judicial branch to ensure it is on the same page*

*-Question JR: I would like to have the formal presentation of the OIIA auditor and their findings with formal responses, to ensure we are getting the flavor of the comprehensive response.*

*-LJ: I'm more interested in the process piece regarding PECS; once the audit is done, then we look at the process; that's a great point Commissioner Rader. The audit conversation will be separate*

*-TT: Judge Anderson told us what the problem was. We fund the court system. 2 keys: 1) the code compliance courtroom is in a former closet. This is a capacity issue. 2) she is bringing on 3 new judges - but none deal with code compliance. We did not fund code compliance in the courts. That is the solution. We should fund what would release that capacity, and need to find money in the budget to either have more space or fund another judge for that purpose.*

*-LJ: the judge wanted to come back and discuss this with a specific plan on what we had to do, since that wasn't the original topic of discussion*

*-MDJ: we have to take a comprehensive approach to this to incorporate zoning, code, and the courts - and take it from there.*

*-LJ: after you have finished with the FAB audit conversation, please come back to discuss the process in PECS*

### III. AGENDA ITEM

*Previously Heard Agenda Items:*

[2022-1045](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Renegotiate the 1984 Grady Operating Agreement between DeKalb County, Fulton County, and the Fulton-DeKalb Hospital Authority

**This agenda item was recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners due back on 3/8/2022 .**

*-LJ: we will hear this on March 8th*

*-agenda item not heard in committee*

*New Agenda Items:*

[2022-1126](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - Cooperative Agreement No. 081721-RMT, Public Restrooms & Other Structures: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the design, purchase and installation of pool & aquatic buildings, shower houses and multi-purpose buildings for the Pool Renovation Project at NH Scott Recreation Center. Awarded to Romtec, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,885,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by CPO Horner and Director Ellis*

*-Question JR: is the pool that you have procured the pool that was specified for this location?*

*C Ellis: this pool is the same footprint; we can make it better within not going around the SPLOST guidelines and that's what we did. It has LED lights, modern technology, etc. Our goal is to be open by next spring, so we will be constructing this summer and fall.*

[2022-1165](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - Sourcewell Cooperative Agreement No. 071619-MSL for Sports Lighting with Related Supplies and Services: for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the purchase and installation of lighting and related supplies and services for improvements at Truelove Park. Awarded to: Musco Sports Lighting, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by CPO Horner and Director Ellis*

*-Question MDJ: maintenance for 25 years?*

*C Ellis: that's correct*

[2022-1104](#)

Commission District(s): 2 and 6

Authorize allowing the Georgia Department of Transportation ("GDOT") to Construct Sidewalks along Lavista Road.

*-this agenda item was approved during the February 22nd BOC meeting  
-item not heard in committee*

2022-1157 Commission District(s): All Districts.  
A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia,  
to Adopt a Comprehensive Master Trail Development Plan by 2023  
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff  
Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the  
Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion  
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner  
Davis Johnson**

*-LJ: commissioner Cochran-Johnson would you like to take this to PWI?  
LCJ: that would be fine*

2022-1189 Commission District(s): All  
Acceptance of an Additional \$210,000 in CARES Act Funds from the  
Atlanta Regional Commission for the Provision  
of Congregate Meals & Transportation to Seniors during the Ongoing  
COVID-19 Pandemic- At No Cost to the County  
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff  
Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the  
Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion  
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner  
Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by Director Scott*

2022-1153 Commission District(s): 2 and 6  
Project Agreement with PATH Foundation for South Fork Peachtree  
Creek Trail - Sagamore Hills Neighborhood Connector  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Mereda Davis  
Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to  
the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion  
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner  
Davis Johnson**

*-no additional information requested*

[2022-1199](#) Commission District(s): All  
Building Opportunities for Out-of-School Time Grant \$119,000  
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by Director Ellis*

[2022-1224](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 6  
Park Pride Grant Award DeKalb Memorial Park  
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by Director Ellis*

*-TT: I appreciate Commissioner Johnson for working on this*

[2022-1227](#) Commission District(s): Districts 4 and 7  
To Rename Split Creek Park to Rowland Neighborhood Park  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by Director Ellis, Commissioner Bradshaw*

[2022-1231](#) Commission District(s): Districts 2 and 6  
Park Pride Grant Award for Zonolite Park  
**MOTION was made by Jeff Rader, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/8/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

*-information provided by Director Ellis*

Meeting Ended At: 3:16PM

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson**

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Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC