

Minutes - Draft

PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services Committee

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, (Chair)

Commissioner Robert Patrick, Member

Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, Member

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 4:08 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Long Spears, Patrick, Terry

Present 2 - Commissioner Michelle Long Spears, and Commissioner Robert Patrick
Not Present 1 - Commissioner Steve Bradshaw

I. MINUTES

2024-0477 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the March 26, 2024 Planning, Economic Development, and Community Services Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA)

[2024-0419](#) Commission District(s): 3, 4, and 6
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1338172 Turf or Natural Sports Fields, Courts, and Tracks Goods and Services (The Interlocal Purchasing System/Texas Region 8 Education Service Center (TIPS/Region 8 ESC)): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) to be utilized by all County Departments. This contract consists of purchasing off the competitively let TIPS/Region 8 ESC Contract No. 23020102 to purchase synthetic or natural sports fields, courts, or tracks and construction services. This request seeks to change the field at Hamilton Park from natural sod to synthetic turf and convert the softball fields at Truelove Park to synthetic turf. Awarded to: Deluxe Athletics LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,089,990.00.
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

*-this agenda item has been reviewed by OIIA; the contract amount was supported by OIIA
-Information provided by Director Chuck Ellis, RPCA*

Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA)

[2024-0429](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1367273 Demolition of Residential and Commercial Buildings (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) and Fire Rescue (FR). This contract consists of providing demolition services for County owned facilities. This request seeks to increase contract funds, through the existing contract term, to Contract No. 1367273 for RPCA upcoming projects. Awarded to: Complete Demolition Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$150,000.00.
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

-Information provided by Director Chuck Ellis, RPCA

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2023-1603](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
An Ordinance Requiring That the Attached Notice of Certain Georgia Landlord (Lessor) And Tenant (Lessee) Rights and Responsibilities (Exhibit A) Shall be Provided by All Landlords Leasing Real Property or Living Units Within Dekalb County Georgia for Residential Purposes, Prior to the Signing Of Any Lease And as an Attachment to Any Unsigned Lease Agreement, to Prospective Tenants Seeking to Lease Any Such Property or Unit; And Requiring That Both Parties to Every Such Residential Lease Shall Sign the Attached Notice Acknowledging Its Receipt Upon Signing Such Lease; And for Other Purposes.

MOTION was made by Michelle Long Spears, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

-Information provided by Commissioner Long Spears

-MLS: motion to defer to the first business meeting in May (5/14/2024) with another stop in PECS (4/22/2024)

Board of Commissioners - Super District 6

[2023-0835](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A Resolution to Commit to the Transformation of the South River Forest by Adopting the Recommendations of the “Explore South River Forest” Report and For the Administration to Prepare and Deliver an Implementation Plan

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

-Information provided by Commissioner Terry

COO Williams: I don't have a status update at this time. Regarding the comments of CEO's seriousness, yes the intent was real to work with the city of Atlanta

Comments provided by Commissioner Patrick

Question MLS: Are you bringing forward a substitute?

TT: yes. Additional information provided

TT: My request would be for collaboration on the resolution from the Administration before we take action.

Comments provided by Commissioner Patrick

Question RP: COO Williams; being mindful of the TAD, Is there a timeframe for this discussion and execution?

COO: I believe in 30 days we would be able to get direction from the CEO and sit with Commissioner Terry if the CEO determines its appropriate

-RP: motion to defer back to PECS in 30 days (PECS 5/14/2024, BOC 5/28/2024)

2023-0526

Commission District(s): District 3, 6, and all commission districts
A Resolution to Encourage DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond to End the Executive Order Closing Intrenchment Creek Park and to Reopen It to the Public As Soon As Possible

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

-COO Williams: We do not have a new update on this item but I believe this item dovetails with the previous item. I would try to take the two together to the CEO.

TT: I agree - let's keep these items together

-RP: motion to defer back to PECS in 30 days (PECS 5/14/2024, BOC 5/28/2024)

Board of Commissioners - Super District 7

2024-0347

Commission District(s): All Districts
Resolution to Address Eliminating Blight Caused by Unattended Donation Boxes.

MOTION was made that this agenda item be recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 4/23/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

-this agenda item was not heard during the meeting

III. STATUS UPDATE

Open DeKalb Project

-Information provided by Dr. Obeng, COS Board of Commissioners

MLS: Please include a status update on the Next PECS Meeting on 4/22/2024

DeKalb County Comprehensive Equity Strategy

-presentation provided by Kaziem Woodbury, Partnership for Southern Equity (PSE)

Question MLS: Regarding page 2 - April 2022 was when the contract was voted on?

Woodbury: It was when we began the work

Question MLS: the equity lead team, how were they identified?

Woodbury: the initial two that were appointment were from the legislative side. We reached out to COO Williams for candidates. Additional comments provided.

Question MLS: is there any expectation to expand the lead team?

Response provided by Kaziem Woodberry, PSE

Question MLS: regarding the project extension, do you feel like this is sufficient time for the contract?

Woodbury: This is a best case timeline.

MLS: Mr. Woodberry, can you go back to the leadership team and your staff to confirm if this is the best date, I want to make sure you wouldn't need to come back again for an extension.

Comments provided by Commissioner Patrick

Question TT: is the CEO in support of this?

COO: yes he is

Comments provided by Commissioner Terry

DeKalb Morehouse Project for Equity

-Information provided by Dr. Ford

MLS: When Dr. Ford returns to Committee lets include CSB and Public Health

Comments provided by Commissioner Patrick

Comments provided by Commissioner Terry

Meeting Ended At: 5:01 PM

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Michelle Long Spears, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Long Spears, and Commissioner Patrick

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Bradshaw

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC