



DeKalb County Government

178 Sams Street
Decatur, GA 30030

Meeting Minutes

FAB-Finance, Audit & Budget Committee

Commissioner Ted Terry (Chairperson)

Commissioner Michelle Long Spears

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

2:00 PM

178 Sam's Street, Decatur, GA 30030
(Multipurpose Room A1201)

Meeting Started At: 2:33PM

Attendance: Commissioners T. Terry, C. Johnson, M. Long Spears, R. Patrick

Present 3 - Chairperson Ted Terry, Commissioner Michelle Long Spears,
and Commissioner Chakira Johnson

I. MINUTES

2026-0672 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the March 24, 2026, Finance, Audit, and Budget
Committee

This agenda item was Approved

II. STATUS UPDATE

CIP Update

Questions:

CJ: Regarding \$51mill - How do we have so much to contribute? (Director Sigler responded)

CJ: Who makes up the CIP committee? (Director Sigler responded)

MLS: Slide 3 - Delayed consideration, What does this mean? (Director Sigler responded)

MLS: Summarized to verify information is clear (Director Sigler responded)

TT: Next steps for narrowing down? Plan to bring before each committee? (Director Sigler responded)

TT: Comment

MLS: Suggesting that each committee of jurisdiction review CIP proposal and discuss in FAB? (Director Sigler responded)

TT: Insight on order of requests? (Director Sigler responded)

TT: In next few days, share with the Board what priorities are? (Director Sigler responded)

Water Billing Status Update**Questions:**

TT: Received any money on sales/liens? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Happen regularly with single family homes? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Can't do liens? Currently customers? System in place for vendors? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: The condos - COO needs to drill deeper (COO responded)

TT: Tenant category - all liens? (Director McNabb responded)

CJ: If inactive, how do they have current balance? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Inactive Emory accounts? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Any categories of special note? (Director McNabb responded)

CJ: If owner generated lean, what happens for tenant? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: If tenant renting home and landlord not making repairs, make sense to work with attorney prop bono? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Comment: Only 2700 people, so are they just thinking about doing payment plan? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: How do we treat/work with customers to figure out doable payment arrangements? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: How many disconnections? (Director McNabb responded)

TT: Is it possible to send disconnection notices via inserts etc.? Is that a referral to Urban League? (Urban League rep responded)

CJ: What efforts being made to collect on inactives? Collection agency? (Director McNabb responded)

III. DISCUSSION**Condominium Complexes - Water Billing Debt**

*****Item will be discussed in next meeting***

IV. AGENDA ITEM*Previously Heard Items***Board of Commissioners - District 6**

[2025-1525](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A Resolution by The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners
Establishing A DeKalb County Water Customer Bill Of Rights

Questions: (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League)

TT: How many referrals? (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

TT: DeKalb Cares goes to another vendor? How do we track that? (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

MLS: On page 2 - Received 909 applications and approved 85? (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded) MLS: What happens to those that are ineligible/rest? (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

TT: Re: The 514 apps - Give more information (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

TT: Talk about next steps (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

CJ: Can info be added to newsletter? (Dorna Werdelin/ Urban League responded)

[2026-0158](#) Commission District(s): Commission Super District 6
To Approve a Resolution to Establish a DeKalb “For The People AI
Tech Dividend Fund” and Fiscal Stability Policy

Item will be discussed in next meeting

Meeting Concluded At: 3:31PM

Barbara Sanders-Norwood, CCC, CMC

