DeKalb County Government

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Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chairperson)

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Commissioner Nicole Massiah

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 **3:30 PM**

Meeting Started At: 3:57pm

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick, Johnson, Terry

Present 2 - Chairperson Robert Patrick, and Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Absent 1 - Commissioner Nicole Massiah

I. MINUTES

2026-0127 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the January 6, 2026 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Public Works - Transportation

2026-0133 Commission District(s): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Resolution to Submit Surface Transportation Block Grant Applications to the Atlanta Regional Commission for the following projects: Kensington Road Multiuse Trail Design, Henderson Mill Road Scoping Study, North Druid Hills Road Design, Redan Road Design, and S. River Trail Scoping Study.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval upon receipt of additional information to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Patrece Keeter - Transportation
-a substitute has been provided for this agenda item
-Question RP: what is TIP and what are looking at regarding this?
-response provided by Ms. Keeter

-CJ: motion to approve the substitute

2026-0171 Commission District(s): 2 and 6
Payment to CSX Transportation for Construction Phase Services for DeKalb Avenue Quiet Zone Project
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Patrece Keeter - Transportation
-comments provided by Commissioner Johnson
-comments provided by Commissioner Terry

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-1553 Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 2025-037-ITB Actuator Services (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of actuator maintenance and repair services. Recommend award to the sole, responsive and responsible bidders: Georgia Western, LLC and Cole Technology, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: $900,000.00.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management

2026-0103 Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 2025-098-ITB CD Trunks - Shoal Creek Section 1: for use by the Department of Wastewater Management (DWM). Consists of providing construction services to replace Section 1 of the Shoal Creek Trunk Sewer and all necessary appurtenances. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder JDS, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed $51,486,473.55.
This agenda item was Recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners due back on 1/27/2026 .

-this agenda item is currently in OIIA audit review
-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management

2026-0115 Commission District(s): 1 & 7
To clarify the appropriation of $10,000,000 from SPLOST II funds to Watershed Management to Construct the Emergency Project, Peachtree Industrial Boulevard. The previous agenda item 2024-1584 referred to SPLOST.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management
-additional comments provided by COO Williams
-Question CJ: is this project complete?
-Z Williams: this project is not yet complete

2026-0117 Commission District(s): 5 & 7
Change Order to Agenda Item 2025-0911 Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI No. 0002868 adjustments/additional installations of utility facilities as reconstruct of a Diverging Diamond Interchange Panola Road @ I-20 FROM Fairington Rd. TO Snapfinger Woods Dr. in DeKalb County for an additional $805,046.19
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management
-Question CJ: so we need to add the $805,000 to reflect the change that was made?
-response provided by Director Wells

Board of Commissioners - Super District 6

2025-1787 Commission District(s): All Districts
A Resolution to Enhance Environmental Equity and Sanitation Practices in DeKalb County
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Commissioner Terry
-comments provided by COO Williams regarding the Administration's forthcoming review of this item
-CJ: motion to defer 30 days

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-1433 Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1301523, Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1301526, Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1301520, and Renewal No. 2 to Contract No. 1301524 On-Call Water and Sewer (Multiyear Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of providing on-call services for the installation and repair of various sizes of water and sewer pipes. The work also involves providing the means to respond to emergencies, and unforeseen failures or malfunctions throughout the County's distribution system. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided contract term increase for contract no. 1301524. This request also seeks to exercise the 2nd renewal option through December 31, 2026, for contract no. 1301524 and increase scope and funding for all four (4) contracts. Awarded to GS Construction, Inc., Ruby-Collins, Inc., SD&C, Inc., and The Renee Group, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed $68,421,096.85.
MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/27/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

-OIIA audit review has supported this agenda item amount
-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management

2025-1265 Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 25-100070 Consent Decree - Ongoing Sewer Condition Assessment and Rehabilitation (CD-OSCAR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of performing consent decree assignments along with meeting the urgent needs that arise from operational events of the sewer system. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidders: Kemi Construction Company, Inc. and Southeast Pipe Survey, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: $49,752,501.00.
This agenda item was Recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners due back on 1/27/2026 .

-this agenda item is currently in OIIA audit review
-information provided by Director Wells - Watershed Management

III. STATUS UPDATE

Water Service Line Letter (Lead & Copper Rule Revision)

-presentation provided by Director Wells & Dora De Taboada - Senior Engineer, Director Wells of Watershed
-Question CJ: for the people who recently received the letter are those that are clear of the material?
-responses provided by Director Wells
-additional comments provided by Commissioner Johnson

Meeting Ended At: 4:34pm

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be Adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Chairperson Patrick, and Commissioner Johnson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massiah

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC