

# **DeKalb County Government**

178 Sams Street Decatur, GA 30030

### **Minutes - Draft**

## **ERPS-Employee Relations & Public Safety Committee**

Commissioner LaDena Bolton (Chairperson)

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

2:15 PM

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

Meeting Started At: 2:46PM

Attendees: Commissioners Bolton, Johnson, Davis Johnson, Massiah, Patrick

**Present** 

3 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner LaDena Bolton, and Chairperson Chakira Johnson

### I. MINUTES

2025-0202 Commission District(s): All

Minutes for the February 4, 2025 Employee Relations, and Public

Safety Committee Meeting

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion

carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Chairperson Johnson

### II. AGENDA ITEM

Fire Rescue (FR)

2025-0165 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Approval of Usage of SPLOST 1 Funds in Category 2B, Repair Fire Station and Related Capital Equipment, for the Purchase of Radio Communication Equipment

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Chairperson Johnson

-information provided by Chief Fullum

-Question MDJ: how much would this cost?

D Fullum:

-Question LB: are warranties included in this amount?

D Fullum: yes Commissioner it does; additional comments provided by Chief Fullum

-Question LB: how many radios did we have previously?

-response provided by Chief Fullum

### **Board of Commissioners - District 6**

2023-0558 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution Requesting a Study Regarding the Possibility of Establishing a Police Civilian Review Board in DeKalb County. MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Bolton, and Chairperson Johnson

- -item read by Commissioner Bolton
- -comments provided by Commissioner Davis Johnson

MDJ: I would like for the Chief and Administration to present to you on the number of jurisdictions in the region with Police Civilian Review boards

- -LB: I would be open to a presentation on that regarding comparisons for surrounding jurisdictions
- -comments provided by Commissioner Johnson
- -Question LB: has anyone worked with Commissioner Terry regarding the costs for a study?
- -response provided by COO Williams
- -Commissioner Patrick proposed the idea of bringing forward DA Boston regarding her thoughts on a police civilian review board
- *-Question MDJ: could we get some estimated cost as to what a study would cost?*
- -COO Williams: yes we could; I would offer that we have 60 days to bring back this information, as the CEO has proposed a number of initiatives that relate to this; additional comments provided by COO Williams
- -LB: I would like to have the Chief and DA return
- -MDJ: motion to defer 60 days

#### III. DISCUSSION

#### 2025 Committee Goals

- -discussion amongst the ERPS committee and commissioners regarding the 2025 ERPS Committee goals
- -Commissioner Davis Johnson suggested that a 311 Update and statistics would be a possible addition to this list
- -Commissioner Davis Johnson suggested that a comprehensive constituent services program (CRM systems), such as Fireside or Salesforce for the Commissioners could be added to this list, that can be interactive and sharable among districts
- -comments provided by Marcus Allen Central Staff regarding possibility of a comprehensive CRM system
- -comments provided by Commissioner Johnson
- -comments provided by Commissioner Massiah
- -MDJ: if we could prioritize the Community Service Aides updates on this document; additional comments provided by Commissioner Davis Johnson

Meeting Ended At: 3:13pm				

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