



DeKalb County Government

1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chair)

Commissioner Ted Terry, Member

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Member

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

1:00 PM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Special Called Meeting

Meeting Started At: 1:10 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick and Terry

Present 2 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, and Commissioner Ted Terry
Absent 1 - Member Mereda Davis Johnson

I. MINUTES

2024-0975 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the July 30, 2024, Special Called Public Works and
Infrastructure Committee Meeting
**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick,
that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the
following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry
Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

II. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items

[2024-0289](#) Commission District(s): 1,3,6,7
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-S20200901-00023
Indefinite Quantity Construction (ezIQC®) Services: for use by the
Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of
piggybacking off the competitively let SWC for small to medium sized
construction projects. This request is for miscellaneous repairs and
repainting of three potable water ground storage tanks and one elevated
water storage tank located at four locations inside the County. Awarded
to Lichy Commercial Construction, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed:
\$2,668,230.45.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick,
that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

TT: I have a proposal for an amendment to this contract to ensure that all contractors and subcontractors employ the best practices and industry standards for the completion of this work. Can the department review this proposal and come back Thursday with an answer?

DH: This is a Statewide contract not a DWM contract, we will have to determine if we can make amendments to a Statewide contract.

TT: I would also like an answer as to whether we can modify the final agreement between the County and a vendor so the vendor could in theory make additional commitments in the County's specific contract.

CA: We will review and respond offline.

TT: Motion to defer to Thursday so the Law Department, Purchasing and DWM can review the proposed language as it relates to the certifications for the contractors and subcontractors.

New Agenda Items

Administration

[2024-0987](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
GEFA Stormwater Loan
**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick,
that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

TT: What was left off of the project list from the \$15M to attained from the GEFA loan?

RL: The same type of projects, I do not have a list at this time.

TT: At a recent FAB meeting we saw that the Stormwater CIP fund had over \$20M in available funds with no planned expenditures for this year. What is the plan for the existing funds?

RL: Those funds are comprised of ARP funding, we have expended a significant amount of those funds. The ARP2 funding is held up as we wait for contractors to comply with federal requirements. It is also comprised of funds for projects that we were not able to complete because they relied on citizen cooperation or compliance to complete. The Crabapple project (\$1.3M) has been requested not to continue by the residents because they did not want that level of disturbance, those funds are being reallocated. We also have funds restricted for Stormwater expenditures in incorporated areas that have not been spent because they depend on the City's request.

TT: Does that mean that those funds have been encumbered but not spent?

RL: That may be true, I will have to do more research with the Budget Director.

TT: Please clarify

TT: Where are we aligning the Stormwater master plan, the priority areas as raised by citizens, an hte GEFA project list?RL: We are working on wrapping up the master plan.

TT: Are we holding back the \$3.1M reserve for 2026/2027 because we do not have the contractor capacity to do more projects in 2025?

RL: The reserve is for cushion to account for changing project costs due to changing conditions for repairs.

TT: My recommendation is to review and compare this proposed list to ensure it is aligning with what Commissioner expectations are in the various parts of their districts and make sure we are aligning with the areas of the master plan with the areas that we are hearing about from constituents between now and Thursday, maybe with small changes to this list that an be done in 2025.

RP: Can you give us insight on the streams affected by the proposed list, where it aligns with certain rainfall areas, and insight as to what the master plan is directing us towards with these dollars?

RL: We can develop a map to show where these projects are located and how they relate to the Stormwater basins.

RP: Will the masterplan have a narrative that will show the Board how we can go from problems to solutions?

RL Yes Sir.

TT: Motion to defer to Thursday.

2023-1022

Commission District(s): All Districts

To Request the Department of Planning and Sustainability Staff to Explore the Feasibility of Adopting Standard Dumpster Requirements for Apartment Complexes and Multi-Family Units

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

Item not heard in committee, scheduled to be heard at the 8/29/24 Special Called PWI

Sanitation

[2024-0972](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1328331 DeKalb County's
GDOT Gateways Landscaping Design, Installation, Enhancement, and
Maintenance (Muti-Year): for use by Public-Works-Sanitation &
Beautification. This contract consists of providing landscaping design,
installation, enhancement, maintenance, and litter/debris removal
services at thirteen GDOT gateway/ramp locations. This contract also
consists of landscaping enhancement, maintenance, and litter/debris
removal services at two (2) median locations. This request seeks to
increase funds and revise and increase the scope of work for four (4)
locations. Awarded to Russell Landscape. Amount Not to Exceed:
\$216,000.00.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick,
that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

Department of Watershed Management

[2024-0735](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 7
CO - Change Order No. 17 to Contract No. 972548 Snapfinger
Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facilities Expansion - Phase 2: for
use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This
contract consists of the phase 2 expansion to the Snapfinger Advanced
Wastewater Treatment Facility; inclusive of site preparation,
modification of existing structures, and the construction of new
structures. This request is to increase funding to allow for the
completion of six (6) proposed changes. Awarded to Archer Western
Construction, LLC. Amount not to exceed \$509,486.83.

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that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

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Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

TT: Will the Snapping Water Treatment Plant be opened this year?

DH: Yes Sir, that is the plan.

2024-0830

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1264488 Hauling Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing hauling services. This request seeks to increase contract funds and term through April 30, 2026. Awarded to Brown Management Services Enterprises, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

2024-0918

Commission District(s): All

SS - Repair Parts and Services for HVAC Systems by Trane Company (Sole Source): for the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing repair services inclusive of parts and labor for repair of HVAC systems at Scott Candler Water Treatment Plant, Snapping Wastewater Treatment Plant, and Pole Bridge Wastewater Treatment Plant. This request seeks to establish a three-year agreement. Awarded to Trane Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$900,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

Roads & Drainage

[2024-0221](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 23-101575 Traffic Signal Equipment (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of the purchase of traffic signal equipment. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidders: Control Technologies, Inc.; Utilicom Supply, LLC; and Wavetronix, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$900,000.00.

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Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

[2024-0907](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Contract No. 1338740 Catch Basin Cleaning Services (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 3 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing cleaning services for associated storm water systems in DeKalb County. This request seeks to exercise the 1st renewal option through January 31, 2026. Awarded to Metals and Materials, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$850,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

[2024-0924](#)

Commission District(s): All
RES - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1223623 HDPE Pipe Liners (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe liners. This request seeks to rescind the previously awarded Change Order No. 2 and re-award a revised request to increase contract funds and term through April 30, 2025. Awarded to Contech Engineered Solutions, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$300,000.00.

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Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested

[2024-0951](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 24-101643 Supply, Installation & Removal of Traffic Signs (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of the supply, installation, and removal of traffic signs. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: NGT Group, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,500,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/10/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

TT: When it comes to other signs like what transportation works on, will this contract be able to handle those signs?

RL: We addressed STOP and SPEED LIMIT signs, anything beyond that we will have to work with the vendor to accommodate those.

TT: Can you send all the templates covered under this contract?

RL: Yes

TT: When it comes to specialty signs for the Board of Health or Claratel, they have changed names and logos, what can we do for those smaller orders that have five or six locations?

RL: We can do either a separate contract or a change order to this contract because they would be custom signs.

TT: If there were new signs would they have to meet the federal reflective standards?

RL: I do not believe those types of signs are required to follow the federal standards, but I will check.

TT: Requests that the administration work with the Board of Health and CLaratel to install new signs.

Meeting Ended At: 1:56 PM

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

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Member Davis Johnson

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC