



DeKalb County Government

1300 Commerce Drive
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Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chair)

Commissioner Ted Terry, Member

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Member

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

3:30 PM

Manuel J. Maloof Auditorium

Meeting Started At: 3:46 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick, Davis Johnson, Terry and Long Spears;

Present 3 - Commissioner Robert Patrick, Commissioner Ted Terry, and
Member Mereda Davis Johnson

I. MINUTES

2024-1104 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the August 27, 2024, Special Called Public Works and
Infrastructure Committee Meeting

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by
Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member
Davis Johnson**

2024-1156 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the August 29, 2024, Special Called Public Works and
Infrastructure Committee Meeting

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted
Terry, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

II. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items

District 6

[2024-0525](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution to Establish a DeKalb Environmental Justice Commission

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested.

New Agenda Items

Department of Watershed Management

[2024-0913](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 4 to Contract No. 1307812 Repair, Maintenance, and Installation of Fire Intrusion Alarm Systems: for use by the Departments of Facilities Management (FM) and Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing maintenance, repair, and installation of fire intrusion alarm systems. This request seeks to increase contract funds and add DWM to the contract.

Awarded to: All-Star Fire, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$250,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested.

Public Works - Transportation

[2024-1013](#) Commission District(s): Districts 2 & 6
LB - Invitation No. 24-101661 East Rock Springs Roundabout at Beech Valley Way (365 Days): for use by the Department of Public Works - Transportation. Consists of the construction of a roundabout at the East Rock Springs Road intersection with Beech Valley Road and Cumberland Road. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Summit Construction and Development, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,179,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

TT: What is the history of this location?

PK: An intersection with a lot of speeding and pavement. We will also be making some intersection improvements.

[2024-1074](#) Commission District(s): 3 and 7
Acceptance of \$750,000 from the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development for Sidewalks on Columbia Drive and Rainbow Drive
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

MDJ: Is there a school or an apartment complex near there?

PK: Yes there are some apartments, a school and a recreation center.

TT: Are you all going to scope out those two roadways for an exact cost?

PK: these estimates are a little old, but we would like to go ahead and reserve the SPLOST funds so that we may accept the grant with funds to execute the projects.

TT: do these connect or connect existing sidewalks?

PK: I will have to check.

TT: It says SPLOST I and II do we have the amounts for each category? Can we have an estimate by Tuesday?

ZLW: We can have an estimate.

TT: If we pass this as a board will we be accepting the grant and reserving SPLOST funds?

ZLW: Yes

Public Works - Sanitation

2024-1082

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1326920 Equipment Rentals and Related Products and Services (OMNIA Partners Contract No. 201900319): for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. This contract consists of purchasing from the competitively let OMNIA Partners contract to lease four (4) 11-yard rear loader trucks for 26 weeks; four (4) 25-yard rear loader trucks for 52 weeks; and eight (8) 25-yard rear loaders for 12 months. This request seeks to increase contract funds. Awarded to Big Truck Rental. Amount Not To Exceed: \$700,000.00.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

RP: Can you explain why we are renting all these vehicles and how it fits in with the bigger picture of getting our fleet modernized?

TH: This is a change order to an earlier contract, and this is to pay invoices, because a majority of these trucks have already been sent back to the vendor. All but 4 have been returned. Which we are looking to buy thru another agenda item for purchase.

[2024-1098](#) Commission District(s): ALL
SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 99999-SPD-T20190814-0001
Cloud Solutions and Services: for use by the Department of Public
Works - Sanitation. Consists of purchasing from the competitively let
SWC for the purchase and implementation of dash cams on Sanitation
garbage trucks for a four (4) year term. Awarded to Carahsoft
Technology Corporation. Amount Not to Exceed: \$884,065.02.
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Ted
Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the
Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis
Johnson**

MDJ: How long was the pilot program?

TH: 5/6 months but it is still ongoing.

MDJ: Do you think that will decrease the number of workers compensation cases that the County has to address?

*TH: It will improve safety on the trucks. It will allow for more data about incidents and allow collectors to start any report
and take pictures directly from the scene with the tablets.*

MDJ: Will it capture any spills from the trucks?

*TH: The cameras are not pointed down at the pavement. The trucks have seals that are not opened until they get to the
transfer station.*

TT: Can we have an empty truck come and demonstrate?

TH: Yes

RP: Can this program be used with code enforcement with use of AI?

TH: We can ask the vendor.

[2024-1101](#) Commission District(s): ALL
CA - Cooperative Agreement Sourcewell Contract No. 020221-RUB
Fleet Management Technologies with Related Software Solutions: for
use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of
purchasing from the competitively let Sourcewell contract for the
purchase of new route management software, hardware, installation
and maintenance for a five (5) year term. Awarded to Rubicon Global,
LLC. Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,587,455.00.
**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis
Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to
the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

No additional information requested.

2024-1102

Commission District(s): All
REN- Contract No. 1352465 Residential Single-Stream Recycling Materials, Commercial Cardboard & Mixed Paper (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public-Works-Sanitation. This contract consists of processing residential single-stream recycling materials, commercial cardboard and mixed paper collected by the recycling program. This request seeks to exercise the 1st renewal option through October 31, 2025. Awarded to Pratt Recycling, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$650,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

RP: Could you explain the yellow sheet?

TH: It details the amount of rebate the County gets for each type of recyclable material.

District 2

2024-1139

Commission District(s): Districts 1, 2, and 6
A Resolution Supporting Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on Buford Highway in DeKalb County, Georgia

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Mereda Davis Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/24/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

MLS: Request that transit officials from MARTA come to PWI to discuss this resolution.

MDJ: We should also see what effect this may have on other projects in the pipeline. RP:

We also would want to ensure that we are not displacing people with this project. Motion

to defer for 30 days MDJ, TT

Meeting Ended At: 4:28 PM

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

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Patrick, Commissioner Terry, and Member Davis Johnson

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC