



Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

3:30 PM

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available

(1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage,

(2) on DCTVChannel23.TV

Meeting Started At: 3:31PM

Attendees: Commissioners Cochran-Johnson, Terry, Patrick

Present 3 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Robert Patrick, and Commissioner Ted Terry

I. MINUTES

2021-3418 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the Special Called November 15, 2021 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: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

2021-3442 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the November 16, 2021 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

II. STATUS UPDATE

Infrastructure Update

-update on Stormwater Monitoring from Director Lemke

III. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

[2021-3336](#)

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the DeKalb County Governing Authority to adopt a
Vision and Transition Plan of 100% Clean Energy and Clean
Transportation powering the County's need by 2050.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, 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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

-information provided by Commissioner Terry regarding this resolution

-LCJ: the issue becomes you cannot allocate funds through a resolution; that is where greater discussion will be needed; prior to we need to do the due diligence to determine the amount stated is what is needed, which will take a vote independent of the resolution

V Ernstes: typically you allocate funds through the budget; the resolution could be amended as an intent to include it in the budget in 2022; until you have a budget appropriation item you would need to make that determination. You may want to put out an RFP for this process as well to have an expert assist.

-LCJ: we could state a study to take place within the content, but eliminate an actual dollar figure; the dollar figure could become a slippery slope; we could have a friendly amendment to that section of the resolution to remove the dollar amount and reflect a study on behalf of DeKalb County Government to move toward a Vision and Transition Plan of 100% Clean Energy and Clean Transportation powering the County's need by 2050. Once we have language relating to development of a RFP that would resolve the issue?

V Ernstes: yes ma'am

-Question TT: could we have it be the development of an RFP, that Central Staff could work with me on, and through that process we could move forward with budget recommendations?

Z Williams: you could do that, or you could provide in the 2022 budget an allocation of x amount toward this effort

-Question TT: it takes about 6 months to do an RFP process?

CPO Horner: that is correct; it may take 6 months as it may be complex with providing the proposers enough time to propose

-TT: the resolution could say we will develop the RFP; let that process play out, and in months we will be at the mid-year stage and we will address that then

-LCJ: I concur with that; the Green Policy committee may be the place to provide that; comparative studies with other jurisdictions will be helpful, such as the City of Atlanta RFP that was mentioned

-Question RP: the idea is to remove the \$250,000 component by December 1st?

TT: It may be a yearlong community engagement process, so we could amend that to December 1, 2023 rather than 2022. That time period after the RFP process would allow a year and a half to complete the totality of the work

-LCJ: we have a friendly amendment to include December 1, 2023

-TT: Motion to approve with friendly amendment in the sections where the plan would be completed to include Dec 1, 2023, and to remove the funding amount and replace with - Governing Authority will work with Purchasing to develop a RFP to come back before the Board of Commissioners.

-TT: let's plan to bring this forward in the Green Policy committee at the beginning of the year

Second RP

Vote: yes unanimous

2021-3248

Commission District(s): 3, 6 and 7

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 21-500567 Consent Decree - Design and Engineering Services for Shoal Creek Trunk Sewer Relief Project (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing design and engineering services for the upsizing of numerous trunk sewers to address seven (7) repeat sanitary sewer overflow areas in the County. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: Brown and Caldwell, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed \$3,498,795.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

-substitute provided as this has been brought out of OIIA audit review

-information provided by Director Hayes

-TT: I agree with going above the usual 10% due to the complexity and importance of this work

-RP: this project needs to happen; we do have change orders come, why wouldn't a change order be a good idea?

Z Williams: we have done that before

D Hayes: we were trying to have the funds up front to be proactive and not come back with a change order, due to the complexity

-TT: it may be a good idea for PWI to get regular updates on this project to ensure we are effectively exercising oversight

RP: I like that idea; is the administration comfortable with this?

-LCJ: I would say let's have this update quarterly

Z Williams: we can do this

2021-2565

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 20-101309 On Call Concrete and Retainer Walls (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA) Beautification and Public Works - Sanitation and Roads and Drainage (R&D) Divisions. Consists of forming, placing and finishing concrete as needed for curbs, gutters, sidewalks, retainer walls, cheekwalls, footings and steps. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Construction 57 Incorporated, SD&C Inc. and DAF Concrete, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$13,252,290.00.

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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

-item is currently in OIIA audit review

[2021-3259](#)

Commission District(s): All

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 21-500564 Professional Engineering and Design Services for Public Works Stormwater Drainage Repair and Improvement Projects (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of the provision of professional engineering and design services for localized drainage repair, stormwater improvement, bridge repair and other related civil engineering projects. Recommend award to all proposers, which are responsive and responsible: Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC; Lowe Engineers, LLC; Arcadis U.S., Inc.; Prime Engineering, Inc.; Dewberry Engineers, Inc.; Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC; Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc.; International Design Services, Inc. d/b/a IDS Global, Inc.; and AECOM Technical Services, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-substitute provided as this has been brought out of OIIA audit review

-this item has come out of OIIA audit review and was not supported, as this was reduced to \$2,700,000.

-information provided by Director Lemke

[2021-3215](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1240997 Consent Decree - Proactive and Reactive Assessment and Cleaning for Gravity Sewer Lines (PRAC) [Multiyear Contract with 1 Option to Renew]: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists primarily of providing sanitary sewer assessments that include: assessments of gravity sewer pipes with diameters from 8" to over 36"; tiered assessments of pipes with diameters from 8" to 18"; and TISCIT assessments for pipes larger than 18". This request is to increase funding and the scope of work. Awarded to Woolpert, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,152,800.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be no official recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-item is currently in OIIA audit review

-information provided by Director Hayes

-TT: Motion to advance this item to the full BOC without recommendation, pending audit

2021-3223

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1094348 Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study for Ongoing Sewer Assessment and Rehabilitation Program (OSARP): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of performing an evaluation study on wastewater collection system assets as part of the Consent Decree's Ongoing Sewer Assessment Program. This request is to increase the scope of work, funding, and the contract term through December 31, 2023. Awarded to Compliance EnviroSystems, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,590,272.50.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-item is currently in OIIA audit review

-information provided by CPO Horner

2021-3298

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1233446 for Environmental Monitoring and Gas Collection and Control System (GCCS) Operations and Maintenance Services (Multi-year Contract): for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of providing environmental monitoring services and GCCS, operations and maintenance services related to municipal solid waste at the DeKalb County Seminole Road Landfill. Awarded to Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$7,872,924.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-substitute provided as this has been brought out of OIIA audit review

-RP: Motion to approve the substitute in the amount of \$7,656,700

[2021-3314](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 21-101411 Small Diameter Sewer Cleaning (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of cleaning the sewer system to prevent spills. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: Metals & Materials Engineers, LLC; Graham & Associates, Inc.; and EnviroWaste Services Group, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$ 35,273,929.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

*-substitute provided as this has been brought out of OIIA audit review
-information provided by Lavois Campbell
-RP: Motion to approve substitute*

New Agenda Items:

[2021-3353](#) Commission District(s): 3, 5, and 7
Acceptance of Funds from the Atlanta Regional Commission for a Scoping Study for Extending the South River Trail from Waldrop Road to MLK High School

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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-information provided by Director Pelton

-TT: I would be in favor of the next SPLOST having funds to complete the South River Trail; there may be other opportunities through projects for the federal funds to be available

-LCJ: we have a priority list being put together; after the list is complete there may be the inclusion of the South River Trail

-Question TT: I thought we had an agreement with PATH. Would they do the scoping as well?

LCJ: there will need to be funds in order to move forward with an actual scoping study. Is PATH willing to make the \$200,000 investment would be my question. I don't mind whether it is PATH or ARC; regardless the investment will be needed.

-Question TT: who does the scoping study?

D Pelton: if we use federal funds, we would need to utilize a separate RFP

-Question TT: regarding timeline, what is the approximate time different between solely SPLOST funded trail project vs federal funding route?

D Pelton: the federal funding route may be about 5 years total; SPLOST might be in the 2-3 year range

-LCJ: this is not time sensitive; I have not yet have conversation with Commissioner Davis Johnson on this. I would defer this to have a conversation with the Commissioner to see where she falls on it; we have to supply the funds for the scoping study itself

-Question TT: regarding other scoping studies PATH has done for us, what would the cost comparison be? Would that also be in the \$200,000 route? I'm looking for ways to save money

D Pelton: They have been anywhere from \$250,000-\$400,000

2021-3311

Commission District(s): All

REN - Chemicals for Odor Control (Annual Contract - 2nd Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract Nos.: 1191907 and 1191908 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of the purchase of chemicals for odor control. Awarded to People's Janitorial Supply and Acuity Specialty Products, Inc. dba Zep Sales and Service. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$135,200.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-no additional information requested

[2021-3346](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 6 to Contract No. 1148260 for Professional Services for Mapping of the Floodplain (Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of the provision of engineering services to conduct flood studies and preparation of floodplain mapping. Awarded to Dewberry Engineers, Inc. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY.

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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-information provided by Director Lemke

[2021-3439](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 6 to Contract Nos. 1038377 and 1038378 for Storm Drainage Infrastructure System Construction for Public Works Stormwater Projects (Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing storm drainage construction services. Awarded to A&S Paving, Inc. and Kemi Construction Company, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,500,000.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question TT: will some funding be coming from ARP?

R Lemke: yes that is correct

[2021-3445](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1103756 for Sanitary Sewer System Easement Clearing Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing easement clearing on the sanitary sewer system as part of the Consent Decree. Awarded to Casey Tree Expert, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$225,000.00
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Question TT: with the no net loss of trees policy in place, what is the procedure for when tree experts take down a tree? Is there accountability through Watershed or Planning?

Z Williams: let me have Director Baker send a letter to the Board regarding process; we will provide that in writing

-LCJ: we need to add that request to the Green Policy committee agenda regarding how tree cutting companies are made aware of our policies

[2021-3446](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1093417 for Inspection of Sanitary Sewer Stream Crossings (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of inspections and assessments of sewer stream crossings. Awarded to River to Tap (R2T), Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$110,000.00
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-no additional information requested

[2021-3404](#) Commission District(s): All
City of Atlanta CIP Payment (3rd Quarter 2020- 2nd Quarter 2021)
Cost: \$5,772,259.74
MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

*-item is currently in OIA audit review -
information provided by COO Williams*

2021-3332 Commission District(s): Commission Districts #1 and #7
City of Doraville Sidewalk Project

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

*-information provided by Director Mitchell and Braunwin Camp, Community Development
-Question RP: is there anything in the scope that addresses street lighting?
B Camp: the proposal did not include lighting for that area, only the sidewalk*

2021-3357 Commission District(s): 2, 4, and 6
Project Agreement with PATH Foundation for South Peachtree Creek Trail Feasibility Study - Medlock Park to North DeKalb

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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

*-information provided by Director Pelton
-Question LCJ: this is not a scoping study?
D Pelton: We are looking at potential alignments here; it is not a full scoping study
-LCJ: this money should go toward a scoping study so that there is a plan of action regarding the trails. Why are we doing it in this manner?
TT: earlier this year neighbors reached out with potential development concerns they had; a big priority was to walk and bike within this new development; we are looking to connect the neighborhoods around these sites; this is the beginning and I believe there will be more studies related to this. This will help us set in motion, along with the pending rezoning application from the new owners to ensure we have trail connectivity*

2021-3507 Commission District(s): 3, 5 and 7
A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia in Support of the Locally Preferred Alternative for the MARTA I-20 Transit Initiative

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 12/14/2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Question LCJ: is this something that is time sensitive?

Z Williams: I believe this can wait. The commissioner is seeking the board's approval to move forward with a locally preferred alternative to place into the transit master plan

Meeting Ended At: 5:17PM

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: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC