



DeKalb County Government

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Minutes - Draft

FAB-Finance, Audit & Budget Committee

Chairperson: Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, District 4

Member: Commissioner Robert Patrick, District 1

Member: Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, District 7

Monday, February 26, 2024

10:00 AM

Special Called Meeting

Meeting Started At: 10:27AM

Attendees: Commissioners Bradshaw, Patrick, Terry, Long Spears

Present 2 - Commissioner Steve Bradshaw, and Commissioner Robert Patrick
Absent 1 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

I. MINUTES

2024-0292 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the February 14, 2024 Finance, Audit, and Budget Committee

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Patrick

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

II. DISCUSSION

Constitutional Office Budget Review

-comments provided by CEO Thurmond

District Attorney

-requests have been allocated by Administration. No further requests

Solicitor General

-information provided by Omar Davis, Administration Operations Manager

-Request 1: \$48,000 to convert Attorney 1 positions to Attorney 2 positions. This is for 4 positions

-Question TT: what can we do to address the Court-held animal shelter backlogs?

-response provided by Chief Ross - Solicitor General's Office

-Request 2: Commissioner Terry: placeholder amendment to Solicitor General's budget for court-held case resources.

An increase in budget of \$250,000 to address court-held case backlog for animal cases

RP: Motion to approve \$48,000 for pay grades of 4 department positions and \$125,000 now for review of court-held case backlog and other half at midyear

Second SB

Vote: yes 2-0

Sheriff

-Presentation provided by Sheriff Maddox

-No additional request at committee

Clerk of Superior Court

-Information provided by Clerk DeBerry

No additional request at committee

Superior Court

-Judge Dear Jackson: requests have been allocated by Administration. No further requests

State Court

-Information provided by Kim Brock

No additional request at committee

Comments provided by Commissioner Terry

Magistrate Court

No additional request at committee

ADDITIONAL REQUESTS

Commissioner Long Spears

Request 1: \$1.1 million for Animal Services Overflow units for additional units (2)

Request 2: \$2.5 Million Crestline Roundabout Capital project

Request 3: \$88,729 for BOC Grants Coordinator

Request 4: Estimated \$80,000 5th floor break room renovation

Request 5: \$16,500 Modernization of Conference Rooms

Vote: yes 2-0

COO: we ask for 30 days to find a funding source, if we cannot then funds would come from General Fund

Information on Crestline Roundabout provided by Commissioner Long Spears

COO: Let us review, this could be brought forth in SPLOST

Additional information on proposed BOC positions provided by Commissioner Long Spears

RP: Motion to approve the above outline of requests and task Central Staff with the review of a BOC Communications officer to OPS in 60 days

Second SB

Vote: yes 2-0

III. AGENDA ITEM

Superior Court

[2024-0128](#)

Commission District(s): All

Rescind Agenda Item No. 2023-0450: SPLOST Funding Contract for Modernization of Existing Elevators for the DeKalb County Courthouse Judicial Tower - \$180,505.72

This agenda item was recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners due back on 2/27/2024 .

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Patrick

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-information provided by Administrator Lenora Hawkins Ponzo

Chief Executive Office

[2024-0256](#)

Commission District(s): All

2024 Operating Budget

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Steve Bradshaw, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/27/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Patrick

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-Information provided by Director Sigler

Question SB: have you incorporated the request from committees?

TJ: yes we are reviewing those ahead of tomorrow's meeting

RP: Motion to approve item with due considerations of committee budget resolutions.

Meeting Ended At: 11:44 AM

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

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Bradshaw, and Commissioner Patrick

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC