

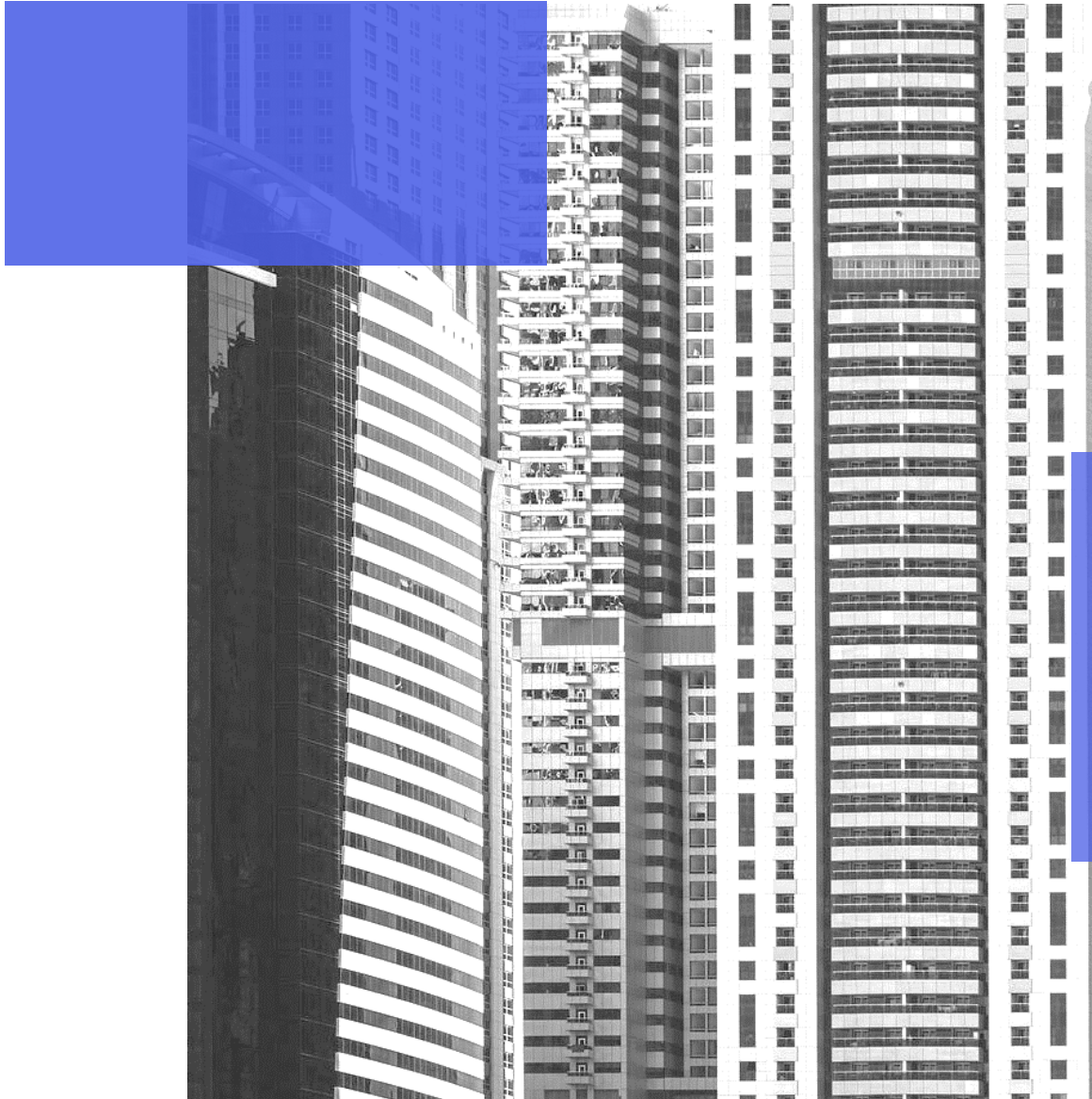
DEKALB COUNTY

PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

COMMUNITY COUNCIL TRAINING

SPRING 2024





AGENDA

INTRODUCTION

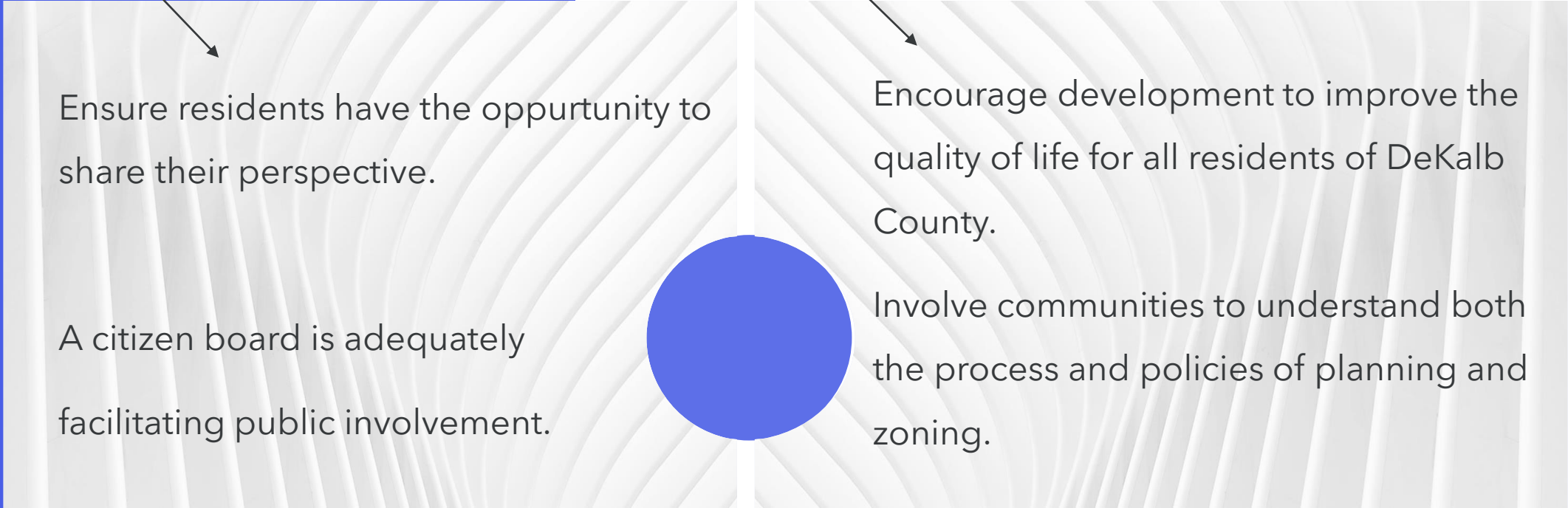
PRIMARY GOALS

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

PROCESS TIMELINE

QUICK FACTS AND RESOURCES

PURPOSE & MISSION



Ensure residents have the opportunity to share their perspective.

A citizen board is adequately facilitating public involvement.

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Encourage development to improve the quality of life for all residents of DeKalb County.

Involve communities to understand both the process and policies of planning and zoning.



ROLES, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

PRIMARY GOALS AS A COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEMBER

WHY DOES DEKALB HAVE COMMUNITY COUNCILS?

Enables citizens to be an integral part of the decision-making process.

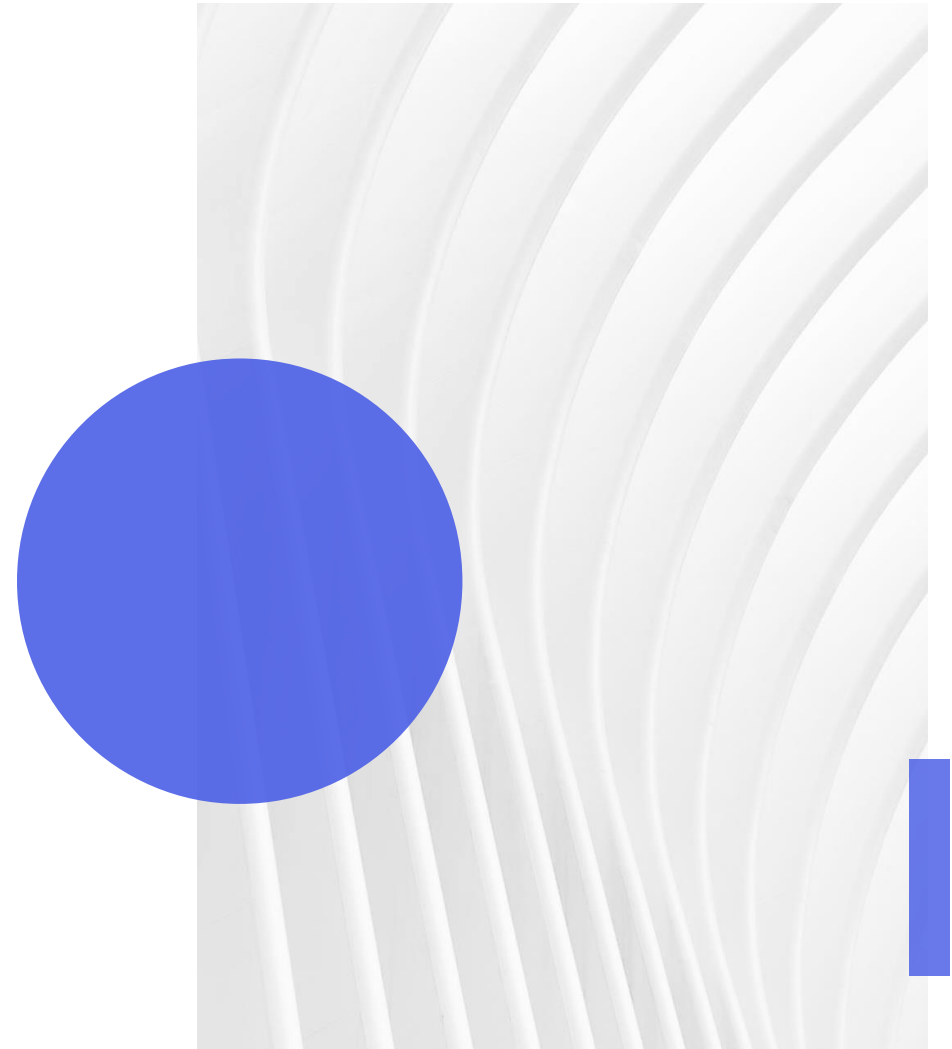
A formalized means for individual citizens to have a voice in the public review process.

The County recognizes that residents have a unique relationship with a place that Staff and decision makers may not have.

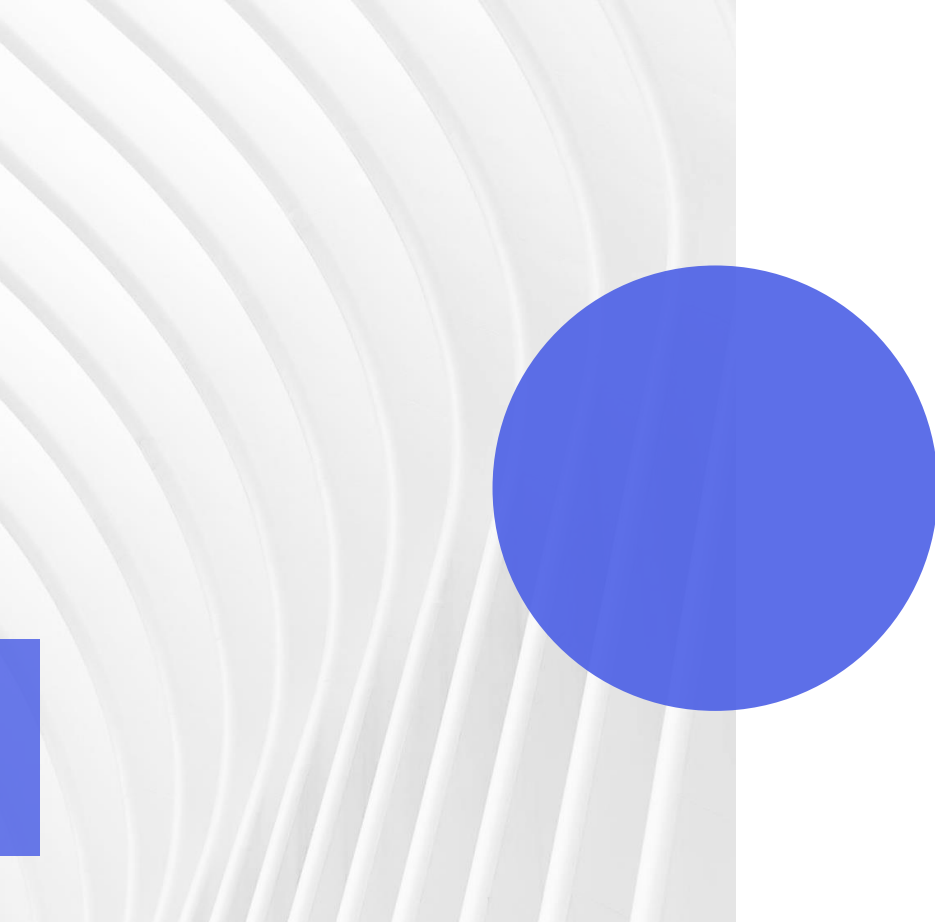
Residents can provide new information and a diverse perspective on a project, resulting in a better outcome.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

- Promote an atmosphere of courtesy and respect at meetings.
- Applications are discussed in the time allotted by running an efficient meeting (Robert Rules of Order).
- Basically, treat applicants as you would like to be treated.



RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS

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- Prepare in advance for the meeting! Staff posts applications and agendas on our website (see resource slide) prior to every meeting.
 - Visit project sites – safely.
 - Base your comments on merits of the application.
 - Avoid personal attacks or pre-conceived notions about applicants.
 - Avoid long passionate, personal speeches.
 - Make motions, second or amend motions, vote.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUICK FACTS



Recommendations become part of the Public Record.



Any interested party may comment at the public hearing.



Proponents and opponents must be allotted equal time to comment at a public hearing (10 minutes each).



If an application is denied by the Board of Commissioners, the application cannot be heard again for 24-months.



Denials may be appealed in DeKalb Superior Court.

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

LAND USE & ZONING

- Staff reviews applications
- Public Notice & Sign Posting
- Community Council
- Planning Commission
- Board of Commissioners

LAND DEVELOPMENT

- Multi-departmental Engineering Reviews of applications
- Environmental Reviews
- Permit Issuance
- Inspections
- Construction

BUILDING PERMITS

- Building review of applications
- Environmental Reviews
- Permit Issuance
- Environmental Inspection
- Building Inspection
- Certificate of Occupancy Issuance



2024 COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE (via Zoom) revised 12.28.2023					Planning Commission Public Hearing 6:00 p.m. (via Zoom)		Board of Commissioners Public Hearing 5:30 p.m. Maloof Auditorium	
District 1 via Zoom 5:30 p.m.	District 2 via Zoom 6:30 p.m.	District 3 via Zoom 6:00 p.m.	District 4 via Zoom 5:30 p.m.	District 5 via Zoom 6:30 p.m.	New Items	(As Needed)	New Items	(As Needed)
2/21/2024	2/13/2024	2/21/2024	*2/20/2024 Date changed due to holiday.	2/12/2024	3/05/2024 *** Land Use	3/07/2024	3/28/2024 *** Land Use	4/02/2024
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Robert Patrick

District 1



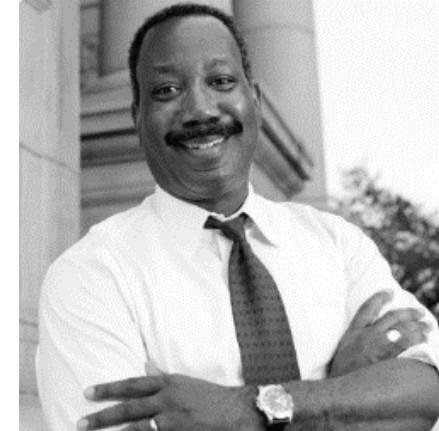
Michelle Long Spears

District 2



Larry Johnson

District 3



Steve Bradshaw

District 4



Mereda Davis Johnson

District 5



Ted Terry

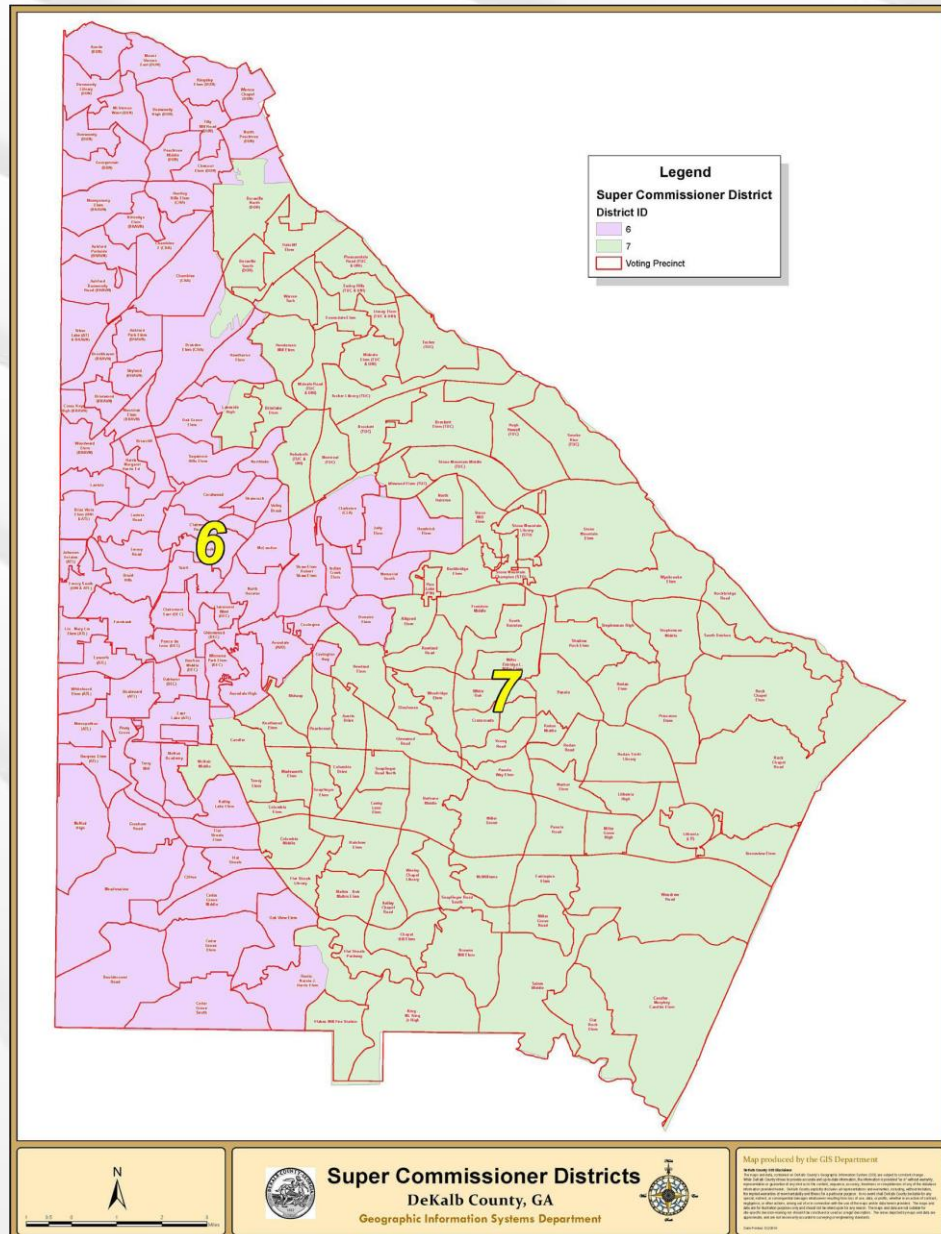
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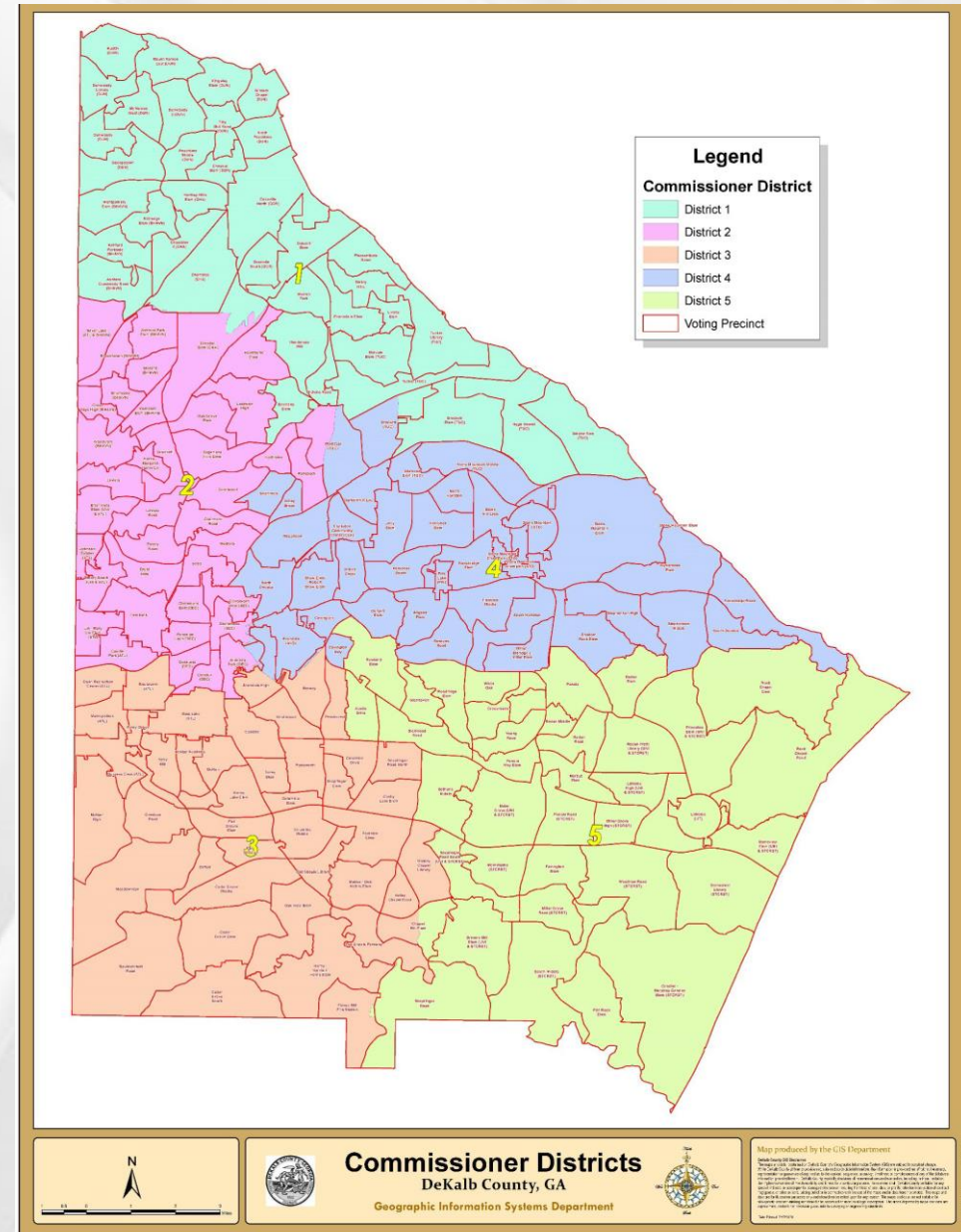
Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Super District 7

SUPER COMMISSION DISTRICTS



COMMISSION DISTRICTS



RESOURCES:

- [DEKALB COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE](#)
- [DEKALB COUNTY PARCEL VIEWER](#)
- [2050 UNIFIED PLAN](#)
- [COUNTY CLERK DATABASE](#)
- [MINUTES & AGENDAS](#)



MEET OUR PUBLIC HEARINGS & ZONING CYCLE TEAM

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Howard Johnson
District 1

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John Reid
District 3

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Andrea Folgherait
District 5

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Lucas Carter
District 2

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Adam Chappell
District 4

THANK YOU

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