

# DeKalb County Government

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## Agenda

### Dekalb County Planning Commission

**SKETCH PLAT HEARING**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025**  
**6:00 p.m., via ZOOM**

**Tess Snipes.....Chairperson**  
**Jon West.....1<sup>st</sup> Co-Vice-Chair**  
**LaSonya Osler.....2<sup>nd</sup> Co-Vice Chair**

**Member Deanna Murphy.....District 1**  
**Member Sarah Zou.....District 2**  
**Member Vivian Moore.....District 3**  
**Member LaSonya Osler.....District 4**  
**Member Jan Costello.....District 5**  
**Member Winton Cooper.....Super District 6**  
**Member Edward Patton.....Super District 7**

## DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

Chief of Executive Officer  
Lorraine Cochran-Johnson

Director  
Juliana A. Njoku

### DEKALB COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION SKETCH PLAT AGENDA WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

This meeting was held via Zoom

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tess Snipes, Chairperson  
Deanna Murphy, District 1  
Sarah Zou, District 2  
Vivian Moore, District 3  
LaSonya Osler, District 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Co-Vice Chair  
Jan Costello, District 5  
Winton Cooper, Super District 6  
Edward Patton, Super District 7

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jon West, 1<sup>st</sup> Co-Vice Chair

**STAFF PRESENT:** Adam Chappell, Sr. Planner  
Kyle McLean, Planner  
Rachel Bragg, Planning Manager

- I. Call to Order/Determination of Quorum:**  
Chairperson Snipes called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- II. Reading of Opening Statement:**  
Chairperson Snipes read the opening statement of procedure for a Sketch Plat hearing.
- III. Introduction of Planning Commission:**  
Planning Commission members and Planning Staff introductions.
- IV. Approval of Minutes:**  
**July 23, 2025 Sketch Plat Meeting minutes.** Commissioner Costello moved, Commissioner Patton seconded for the approval of the July 23, 2025 Sketch Plat Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 8-0-0.

### AGENDA

#### NEW CASE(S):

- N1. THE LINKS AT SOUTHLAND PHASE III** **Commission District 4 Super District 7**  
**#P-Plat 1247041**  
**16-097-01-257, 16-097-01-258 & 16-097-01-259**  
**6200 Southland Forest Drive, 6198 Southland Ridge & 6189 Southland Ridge, Stone Mountain, GA 30087**

Application request by Alex Popham for a major subdivision of approximately 20.75 acres to construct 59 single-family detached dwellings. The subject properties are located in the RSM (Small Lot Residential Mix) Zoning District and have frontage along McDaniel Road and Southland Ridge.

**Staff Recommendation: *Approval*.** The proposal is consistent with the goals of the *DeKalb County 2050 Unified Plan* and is in compliance with all developmental standards of the *Zoning Ordinance*. All other regulatory reviews have been completed and approved (or conditionally approved). Therefore, the Planning and Sustainability Department recommends ***Approval*** of the submitted Sketch Plat application.

**Motion:** Commissioner Osler moved, Commissioner Patton seconded for Approval, per staff recommendation. The motion carried 7-0-1. Commissioner Snipes abstained.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

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