

DeKalb County Government

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Minutes - Draft

OPS-County Operations Committee

Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson(Chairperson)

Commissioner Robert Patrick

Commissioner LaDena Bolton

Monday, November 24, 2025

9:30 AM

Special Called Meeting

Meeting Started At: 9:45 AM

Attendance: Commissioners Davis Johnson, Patrick, Bolton, Terry, and Long Spears (Zoom)

Present

3 - Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson, Commissioner Robert Patrick, and Commissioner LaDena Bolton

I. MINUTES

2025-1677

Commission District(s): All Districts

Minutes for the November 3, 2025 Special Called County

Operations (OPS) Committee Meeting;

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

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

2025-1385 Com

Commission District(s): All Districts

Minutes for the November 4, 2025 County Operations (OPS)

Committee Meeting;

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote: **Yes:** 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

II. DISCUSSION

Standing Procedural Rules

Recommended changes discussed in committee.

Charter Review Recommendations

2025-1577 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Resolution of the DeKalb County Governing Authority Regarding the Charter Review Commission's Report and Recommended Changes to the Organizational Act

This agenda item was recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners due back on 12/9/2025.

Discussion on next steps in the process.

III. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Board of Commissioners

2025-0376 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

Development of a Childcare Reimbursement Policy and Pilot Program

for the Board of Commissioners

This agenda item was No recommendation to the Board of

Commissioners due back on 12/9/2025.

Discussion of different aspects of the proposed policy.

New Agenda Items:

Board of Commissioners

2025-1650 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Amend the FY25 Budget to Create a Deputy Chief of Staff role within the Board of Commissioners Central Staff and Authorize the Hiring of a Deputy Chief of Staff.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

Comments on proposed item.

2025-1695 Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

A Resolution of the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia to Establish a Process for the Selection of Voting Delegates to Represent DeKalb County in Association and Organizational Matters MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

Comments from Law on provisions of the item.

Fleet Management

2025-1554 Commission District(s): All

CA - Sourcewell Contract No. 112624-SCG Grounds Maintenance Equipment and Related Attachments: for use by Public Works - Fleet Management to be used by Public Works - Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This request seeks to purchase from the competitively let Sourcewell Contract No. 112624-SCG for the provision of eleven (11) Scag Turf Tiger 61" cut mowers, for the purposes of maintaining various recreational fields and parks throughout the County. Awarded to Scag Power Equipment, c/o Orange Property Inc., dba Campbell's Lawn Equipment. Amount Not To Exceed: \$147,565.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by LaDena Bolton, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

TT: Are these gas powered?

RG: Yes

TT: my office has been working to showcase electric equipment.

RG: The department has requested these mowers for the big fields, and the electric mowers would work.

TT: Recommend deferral to the PECS committee, to request that the user department presented on why they chose these mowers.

MDJ: Is there a time frame on this item.

RG: No ma'am.

RP: Anecdotal statement on viability of electric mowers.

MDJ: Why should this be sent to PECS if this is an OPS item?

TT: Just because it was assigned to OPS doesn't mean that it is only an OPS item, user department is under PECS and they should hear that item.

TGP: Comments on committee assignment.

LB: Is there language that prevents parks from attending this meeting to explain this item.

RP: What if we approve this, and if the PECS chair wants to hear it at the BOC it can go to PECS.

TT: Point of order on practice.

DoIT

2025-1549 Commission District(s): All

SWC - Statewide Contract (SWC) No. 9999-SPD-T20120501-0004 Network Equipment: for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). This request seeks to ratify a previously issued purchase order to purchase from the competitively let SWC No. 99999-SPD T20120501-0004 for the annual upgrade and renewal of the County's Avaya telephone system, which includes software support and maintenance services. Awarded to Avaya, Inc., c/o Carousel Industries of North America, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed \$410,035.70. MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

No additional information requested.

2025-1593 Commission District(s): All

SS - Fleet Management Software Site License Support (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT). Consists of the four (4) year purchase of asset software used for managing repairs and the servicing of County vehicles by Fleet to prevent loss of use. FASTER Software is software currently being utilized by PW - Fleet Management to manage the maintenance, parts, and condition of County vehicles for Police, Fire Rescue, and other various departments. Awarded to TT FASTER, LLC, dba FASTER Asset Solutions. Amount Not to Exceed: \$446,754.71.

MOTION was made by LaDena Bolton, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

No additional information requested.

Meeting Concluded At: 11:04 AM

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

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Davis Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Bolton

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC