



DeKalb County Government

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Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chairperson)

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Commissioner Nicole Massiah

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 3:51pm

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick, Johnson, Massiah, Terry, Bolton

Present 3 - Chairperson Robert Patrick, Commissioner Chakira Johnson, and
Commissioner Nicole Massiah

I. MINUTES

2025-0366 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the March 6, 2025 Public Works and Infrastructure
Committee Meeting
**MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole
Massiah, that this agenda item be approved. The motion
carried by the following vote:**
**Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and
Commissioner Massiah**

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Public Works - Transportation

2025-0267

Commission District(s): 2 & 6

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1379155 Bridge Rehabilitation on Orion Drive (240 Day Contract): for use by the Department of Public Works - Transportation (PW-T). This contract consists of Orion Drive Bridge repairs and upgrades. This request seeks to extend the contract term through December 31, 2025. Awarded to C&S Contracting Company. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Pelton

-Question NM: regarding services, what initial services will they be offering? What mechanisms are they using to relocate them to housing?

-response provided by Director Pelton

-Question NM: did C&S Contracting say that they are trying to relocate them?

-response provided by Director Pelton regarding Frontline Response

-Question NM: are you familiar in whether the DeKalb Housing Authority has been involved?

-response provided by COO Williams

-Question TT: when the repair is done, are we anticipating the trail going underneath the bridge from Lulah Hills? Is that the main purpose of this?

-response provided by Director Pelton

Public Works - Sanitation

2025-0300

Commission District(s): All

RFP - Request for Proposals No. 24-500675 Landfill and Solid Waste Facilities Professional Engineering and Surveying Services (Annual Contract with 4 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of providing on-call professional landfill engineering and solid waste consulting services required for constructing, operating, permitting, and compliance at various solid waste management facilities in the County. Recommend award to the sole proposer: Stearns, Conrad and Schmidt Consulting, Inc., dba SCS Engineers. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,000,000.00.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and
Commissioner Massiah**

-information provided by Director Hutchinson

2025-0331

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation to Bid No. 24-101696 Residential Yard Debris Removal Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of aiding the Department of Public Works - Sanitation with weekly residential yard debris removal services on a total of twenty (20) assigned routes from the four (4) residential collection lots (North mainly, South, East and West). Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Russell Landscape, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,849,900.00.

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-information provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question CJ: it seems that one bidder met the response requirements, so it's important that we look at several factors?

-T Hutchinson: correct

-comments provided by Commissioner Massiah

-Question TT: was there consideration to go to TriState and discuss the two year experience, and that they could take one route at the same price formula to test it out and see if it would work?

-response provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question TT: regarding equity, you said that more properties in the North lot have more dedicated landscaping options. The sanitation fee is a flat fee across the County. Is there a service delivery formula that acknowledges that some of the lots have different service demands? Is there a way to look at it from a zone to have costs associated for each zone?

-response provided by Director Hutchinson regarding yard debris bag increase

-Question TT: so you're talking about a yard that just has more stuff?

-response provided by Director Hutchinson

-RP: if we could get a press release on that program and when that bag increase will begin

-comments provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question RP: do you have a robust rollout for this? Is there a possibility for mailers to inform people?

-response provided by COO Williams

-Question CJ: how are we billing this new assessment and collecting the funds?

-response provided by Director Hutchinson regarding a special authorization fee

-Question CJ: so what happens if someone has 20 bags and the resident doesn't pay it?

-T Hutchinson: it stays there

-Question CJ: so you don't pick it up until it's paid?

-T Hutchinson: that's correct; additional response provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question CJ: can you pay that online?

-T Hutchinson: you can

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-0341

Commission District(s): All

CA - Information Technology Category (General Service Administration (GSA) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Contract No. 47QTCA19D00CF) [Cooperative Agreement]: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let GSA MAS Contract for an advanced project management information system (PMIS) for a five (5) year term. Awarded to Kahua, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,015,000.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-Director Wells requests this item be held 30 days to be reviewed internally

-comments provided by Commissioner Massiah

2025-0268 Commission District(s): ALL
RA - Peachtree Industrial Boulevard Water Main Replacement (Emergency): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase and installation of approximately 10,500 linear feet of 12-inch and 10,500 linear feet (LF) of 36-inch ductile iron pipe (DIP) water mains. This request seeks to ratify the emergency purchase to replace aged and corroded pipes that deliver water to one-third of the County, which includes the critical facilities Emory Hospital and the Center for Disease Control (CDC). Awarded to Ruby-Collins, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$46,435,928.00.

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-this item is currently in OIIA audit review

-information provided by Director Wells

-comments provided by Commissioner Patrick regarding context of the agenda item

-Question CJ: was this the agenda item missing on the COW agenda earlier?

-RP: that's correct

-Question NM: it says the date and time of the emergency occurrence was October 2024, correct?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question NM: so roughly \$6 million of the \$46 million has been provided?

R Wells: that's correct; additional comments provided

2025-0313 Commission District(s): All
LB-Invitation No. 25-101649 Consent Decree: Find and Fix Assessment and Rehabilitation (CD: FFAR) [Multiyear Contract] for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing primarily: sanitary sewer assessments using closed circuit television (CCTV) and totally integrated sonar and camera inspection technique (TISCIT) and rehabilitation of 24-inch pipes. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: SAK Construction, Inc. and Vortex Services, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed \$75,826,623.00.

MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/25/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

-this item is currently in OIA audit review

-information provided by Director Wells

-Question CJ: with this contract they would not only assess but also rehab; that is built in to this contract as well?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question NM: in some instances the pipes may be larger? Would that anticipate a change order regarding any necessity for larger pipes?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question NM: when you're sharing the assessments that will take place, that

-Question RP: do you have a marketing information campaign that we can get to neighborhoods?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question RP: what's the typical turnaround time for a notice to proceed?

-response provided by Director Wells

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D)

[2024-1284](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

Stormwater Master Plan

This agenda item was recommended holding in committee to the Board of Commissioners due back on 3/25/2025 .

III. DISCUSSION

Committee Goals 2025

-discussion not held in committee

Meeting Ended At: 4:56PM

MOTION was made by Chakira Johnson, seconded by Nicole Massiah, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Massiah

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC