



DeKalb County Government

Minutes - Draft

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Commissioner Robert Patrick (Chairperson)

Commissioner Chakira Johnson

Commissioner Nicole Massiah

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 3:36PM

Attendees: Commissioners Patrick, Johnson, Massiah, Terry

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

I. MINUTES

2025-0703 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the May 6, 2025 Public Works and Infrastructure
Committee Meeting
**MOTION was made by Nicole Massiah, seconded by Chakira
Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion
carried by the following vote:**
**Yes: 3 - Chairperson Patrick, Commissioner Johnson, and
Commissioner Massiah**

II. DISCUSSION

Stormwater Master Plan Discussion

-information provided by Marcus Allen on staff's review of Commissioner Patrick's proposal to include a residential petition process within the Stormwater Master Plan to engage local communities in collaboratively addressing drainage and stormwater challenges with the County
-comments provided by Commissioner Johnson regarding issues when there are drainage issues when there are easements on personal property
-comments provided by Commissioner Terry
-TT: I formally request the Public Works Department work with us in Districts 4 and 6 to address issues in Clarkston;
additional comments provided by Commissioner Terry
-comments provided by Director Lemke regarding the Master Plan process
-comments provided by Commissioner Massiah
-comments provided by Attorney Welch regarding the intentions of the proposal process and potential special tax districts as a mechanism for the cost sharing

III. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-0406

Commission District(s): 3

SS - Micro Testing Supplies and Reagent Services (Sole Source):
for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM).

This request seeks to establish a three-year agreement with IDEXX Distribution, Inc. for reagent services and supplies for total coliform testing in drinking water and fecal coliform testing in wastewater at the Snapfinger Plant. Awarded to IDEXX Distribution, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$326,645.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

2025-0452

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 6 to Contract No. 978332 (formerly 15-90311) CIP Program Management Services: for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing CIP Program Management Services; inclusive of program development and management, project controls, hydraulic modeling, master plan scope development, project management, technical specification and standards quality control, risk management, community outreach, technical support, and PMIS implementation support. This request seeks to increase contract funds and scope of work to allow for the continuation of existing program management tasks. Awarded to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. Amount Not to Exceed: \$2,777,352.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

-additional comments provided by Director Houser

2025-0454

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1296598 On-Call Engineering Services (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing on call engineering services that primarily includes engineering studies, design, land surveying, construction administration, and related services for water and wastewater projects under the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Consent Decree (CD). This request is to increase contract scope of work and funds. Awarded to Freese and Nichols - Graham Joint Venture. Amount Not To Exceed \$350,000.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

2025-0473

Commission District(s): All

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Rental Uniforms (University of Nebraska/OMNIA Partners, Public Sector Contract No. 001299): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of purchasing from the competitively let University of Nebraska/OMNIA Partners contract for the rental of uniforms to various Watershed facilities located throughout DeKalb County. Awarded to Cintas Corporation No. 2. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,950,000.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

2025-0709

Commission District(s): 4 and 7

Resolution and Order of the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners Authorizing Condemnation by Declaration of Taking Method Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 22-3-140 And 32-3-1, Et Seq. Of Certain Property Situated in Dekalb County, Georgia, For Public Sanitary Sewer Collection and Treatment and Wastewater Purposes

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

-Question RP: what happens in the process after the BOC votes on this item?

-response provided by Attorney Welch

-Question CJ: why couldn't we replace the existing pipe in place?

-response provided by Director Wells

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D)

[2024-1284](#)

Commission District(s): ALL
Stormwater Master Plan

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-NM: motion to defer 30 days

[2025-0352](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1223623 HDPE Pipe Liners (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe liners. This request seeks ratify a previously provided term increase. This request also seeks to increase the contract term through April 30, 2026. Awarded to Contech Engineered Solutions, LLC. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Lemke

[2025-0375](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO- Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1290916 Ready-Mix Concrete (Annual Contract With 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing ready-mix concrete for the construction and patching of sidewalks, curbs, headwalls, and driveways. This request is to increase the contract term through May 31, 2026. Awarded to F.M. Shelton, Inc. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question RP: can this contract be used to repair sidewalks?

-response provided by Director Lemke

-Question RP: if commissioners wanted to utilize funds from their budget to assist in this could that be done?

-response provided by Director Lemke

2025-0430

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Orders to Contract Nos.: 1274788, 1282387, 1282389, 1282390, 1282391, 1282392, 1282394, 1282398, and 1282401 for Professional Engineering and Design Services for Public Works Stormwater Drainage Repair and Improvement Projects (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of the provision of professional engineering and design services for localized drainage repair, stormwater improvement, dams, bridge repair, and other related civil engineering projects. This request seeks to increase the contract term for all nine (9) contracts to June 30, 2027, to increase the contract funds for four (4) of the contracts, and to add the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). Awarded to: AECOM Technical Services, Inc.; Lowe Engineers, LLC; Dewberry Engineers, Inc.; Arcadis US, Inc.; CERM-Volkert- Joint Venture.; Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC; International Design Services, Inc., dba IDS Global, Inc.; Prime Engineering, Inc.; and Wood Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,050,000.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

*-this item has been supported by OIA audit review
-information provided by Director Lemke*

Watershed Management (DWM)

2025-0349 Commission District(s): ALL
CO - Change Order No. 1 to CPA No. 1329222 Water Meters and Parts (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the replacement and installation of water meters and parts. This request seeks to increase the scope of work to include installation of measuring chambers. Awarded to Kendall Supply, Inc. CONTRACT SCOPE 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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

-Question TT: we're extending the term to when?

-response provided by Director Wells regarding increase in scope only

-Question TT: do we expect to spend another \$19 million by the end of next year on this contract?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question TT: how many water meters are left from the old systems?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question TT: could you tell me why your posture is to expand the contract?

-response provided by Director Wells

2025-0378 Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1284272 Road Construction Signs (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing various road construction signs and sign stands. This request seeks to increase the contract term through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Korman Signs, Inc. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY
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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

-Question RP: will these only be for the static signs, not LEDs?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question TT: regarding temporary signs, are we in a posture to know that there's going to be a road that is worked on, do we also have electronic signs to let people know work will begin on a certain date?

-response provided by Director Wells

-comments provided by Commissioner Terry regarding older signs on right-of-way

2025-0466

Commission District(s): 2 and 6

Easement Abandonment Agreement - 153 Hood Circle, Decatur, Georgia 30030 - Tax Parcel ID 15 213 04 133

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

-information provided by Director Wells

-comments provided by Commissioner Massiah

-Question NM: regarding dates when warranty deeds were issued; can you tell me what time frame that we have between when we're not needing the easement and when we're going through the process of abandoning the easement?

-response provided by Director Wells

-Question NM: how long does it take?

-response provided by Director Wells

-additional comments provided by County Attorney Welch

-comments provided by Commissioner Johnson regarding easements

-Question CJ: what effort in communication is made to property owners to let them know why we're not releasing an easement?

-response provided by Director Wells

2025-0387

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos. 1279608, 1279618, 1279620, and 1280028 SCADA Controls and Instrumentation (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of providing management of SCADA software systems at various water and wastewater treatment plants within the County. This request seeks to increase the contract term and funds through December 31, 2026. Awarded to Microfusion Engineering Laboratories, Inc.; TESCO Controls, Inc.; Electric Machines Control, Inc.; and L.L. Blue Engineering, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$5,385,000.00.

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

*-this item has been supported by OIIA audit review
-information provided by Director Wells*

Community Development

2025-0707

Commission District(s): 5 & 7

City of Lithonia Sidewalk Construction Project

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 5/29/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

*-presentation provided by Director Mitchell - Community Development regarding the construction project proposal
-Question TT: does the city already have the right-of-way?
-response provided by Director Mitchell*

Meeting Ended At: 5:06pm

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