



# BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS SCHEDULED MEETING

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July 11, 2024

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# DeKalb County Board of Registration and Elections

## Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2024

Start Time: 12:03 p.m.

End Time: 12:30 p.m.

Board Attendees: Karli Swift, Chair  
Vasu Abhiraman, Vice-Chair  
Nancy Jester  
Anthony Lewis  
Susan Motter

Other Attendees: Keisha Smith, Executive Director  
Terry Phillips, Deputy County Attorney  
Shelley Momo, Senior Assistant County Attorney  
Michael Petty, Assistant County Attorney

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Swift called the Board of Registration and Elections meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. Ms. Austin read the roll by calling each board member by name. A quorum was met.

Motion by Ms. Jester, seconded by Ms. Motter to approve the agenda with the amendment of deferring item 6A, Director's Report, to the next meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Vice-Chair Abhiraman, seconded by Mr. Lewis, to approve the minutes of the May 28 scheduled meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Austin read the rules for public comment:

Public comments may be made in person or submitted by sending an email of one printed page or less at a minimum font of 12 to [electionspubliccmnt@dekalbcountyga.gov](mailto:electionspubliccmnt@dekalbcountyga.gov) which must be received between 35 and 5 minutes before the scheduled start of the meeting. The body of your email must include your first and last name. By submitting an email for public comment, you agree to have your name and the email broadcast on the UStream and entered into the record and minutes. The DeKalb Board of Registration and Elections reserves the right, at the DeKalb Board of Registration and Elections' sole discretion, to (1) add your email to the record/minutes without reading any of it into the broadcast or (2) read all or a portion of your email into the record/minutes. All public comments will be limited to 2 minutes. Abusive, profane, or derogatory language, holding up signs, clapping, yelling, standing or laying in the aisles to show support for or opposition to a speaker will

not be permitted, but a show of hands or quietly standing in place will be permitted to show support for or opposition to a speaker's position.

The following citizens provided public comment:

- Bill Henderson
- Mary Barner

### **ITEMS FOR DECISION**

#### A) Certification of the June General Primary/Nonpartisan Election Runoff

Motion by Ms. Jester, seconded by Mr. Lewis, to certify the June General Primary/Nonpartisan Election Runoff.

Director Smith reported the election results and statistics of the 2024 General Primary/Nonpartisan Election Runoff. She shared the continued success of partnerships with other County departments and proceeded to thank all key stakeholders for another successful election cycle.

Ms. Jester asked if the data for the Election Day turnout was for general primary election runoffs specifically. Director Smith replied affirmatively. Ms. Jester also asked if anything was done during the election to change the programming of or L&A test any machine. Director Smith replied no.

Vice-Chair Abhiraman inquired about a rejected Election Day provisional ballot. Director Smith informed him that the ballot was rejected because the individual did not register in time. He also inquired about the differences in the numbers for times cast on the election summary report and why some races had more votes than others. Director Smith replied that some of the races were only on the Democratic ballot while some other races were on all of the ballots. Chair Swift further elaborated on the three ballots and respective contests, and further discussion ensued.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Ms. Motter thanked the Executive Director, staff, poll workers, and Law Department for their work during the election. She went on to thank the public for attending the meeting.

Ms. Jester stated that it was a great election and expressed her thanks.

Mr. Lewis thanked everyone.

Vice-Chair Abhiraman expressed his thanks.

Chair Swift announced that the VRE office would be closed on July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. She also thanked the public for their attendance.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Ms. Jester, seconded by Ms. Motter, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

# Director's Report

July 11, 2024

Keisha L. Smith, MPA

Executive Director

Voter Registration and Elections (VRE)

## Topic 1: General Operations Updates

- Registration Updates | June-July 2024  
7/9/2024 - *Registered* 578,675 || *Active* 498,544 *Inactive* 80,131
- Election Activities

Notes:

## Topic 2: Administrative/Finance Updates

- Personnel | Facilities
- Budget Activities

Notes:

## Topic 3: Stakeholder Engagement Updates

- Key Stakeholder Meetings | Activities
- General Communications

Notes:

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Fund	100 - GENERAL FUND	<-Choose Fund		Updated	7/7/2024		# Reg P/Rs Posted:	2	of 2 /month	
Dept	02900 - REGISTRAR	<-Choose Dept			Jun-24		# Monthly P/Rs Posted:	1		
VRE - Expenditure Report for June 1 - June 30, 2024					<a href="#">Main</a>		Reg Pay Periods YTD:	12.5	13.70 left	
Values										
Obj	Obj	Budget \$	Encumbrance \$	Actual \$	Funds Avail Bal	Exp/Enc%	Unexpended Bal	Exp %	Cur Month \$	
51	511101 - SALARIES	3,813,752	0	1,746,808	2,066,944	45.8%	2,066,944	45.8%	929,991	
	511102 - SALARIES - PART TIME	0	0	7,380	-7,380	0.0%	-7,380	0.0%	2,634	
	511199 - SALARIES - ADJUSTMENTS	73,365	0	0	73,365	0.0%	73,365	0.0%	0	
	511200 - SALARIES - TEMPORARY	8,814,861	30,358	1,059,107	7,725,396	12.4%	7,755,754	12.0%	4,320	
	511300 - SALARIES - OVERTIME	755,000	0	158,448	596,552	21.0%	596,552	21.0%	26,573	
	512100 - COUNTY MATCH - GROUP INSURANCE	0	0	98,061	-98,061	0.0%	-98,061	0.0%	18,479	
	512101 - COUNTY MATCH - GRP INS - REVER	0	0	-79,582	79,582	0.0%	79,582	0.0%	0	
	512102 - COUNTY MATCH - GRP INS - ALLOC	399,000	0	166,250	232,750	41.7%	232,750	41.7%	0	
	512200 - COUNTY MATCH - FICA	144,677	0	156,121	-11,444	107.9%	-11,444	107.9%	52,598	
	512400 - COUNTY MATCH - PENSION	0	0	29,465	-29,465	0.0%	-29,465	0.0%	29,465	
	512402 - 401(a) EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	51,793	0	19,030	32,763	36.7%	32,763	36.7%	2,858	
	512700 - WORKERS COMPENSATION	51,871	0	21,614	30,257	41.7%	30,257	41.7%	0	
	512904 - ALLOWANCE - AUTOMOBILE	10,000	0	2,750	7,250	27.5%	7,250	27.5%	0	
51	Personal Services and Employee Benefits Total	14,114,319	30,358	3,385,453	10,698,508	24.2%	10,728,866	24.0%	1,066,918	
52	521101 - BOARD MEMBER SERVICES	12,000	400	4,800	6,800	43.3%	7,200	40.0%	800	
	521104 - TEMPORARY PERSONNEL SERVICES	1,792,000	265,334	696,571	830,096	53.7%	1,095,429	38.9%	236,010	
	521105 - SECURITY SERVICES	100,000	28,065	63,149	8,786	91.2%	36,851	63.1%	10,099	
	521209 - OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,655,180	775,356	577,251	302,573	81.7%	1,077,929	34.9%	269,805	
	522130 - CUSTODIAL SERVICES	0	0	5,644	-5,644	0.0%	-5,644	0.0%	5,644	
	522201 - MAINTENANCE & REPAIR SERVICES	67,924	49,969	0	17,955	73.6%	67,924	0.0%	0	
	522311 - RENTAL OF REAL ESTATE	390,000	500	185,000	204,500	47.6%	205,000	47.4%	92,500	
	522321 - RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT	64,000	0	1,490	62,510	2.3%	62,510	2.3%	625	
	522322 - LEASE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT	70,004	0	8,236	61,768	11.8%	61,768	11.8%	0	
	522329 - OTHER RENTALS	33,948	8,505	1,925	23,518	30.7%	32,023	5.7%	1,925	
	523001 - OTHER SERVICES - NON PROFESSIO	0	856	1,037	-1,892	0.0%	-1,037	0.0%	-887	
	523201 - POSTAGE	192,996	44,163	512,825	-363,992	288.6%	-319,829	265.7%	9,268	
	523202 - POSTAGE - CENTRAL SERVICES	27,552	0	-178,660	206,212	-648.4%	206,212	-648.4%	0	
	523203 - TELEPHONE SERVICE	5,340	0	0	5,340	0.0%	5,340	0.0%	0	
	523204 - TELEPHONE - LONG DISTANCE	2,308	0	144	2,164	6.3%	2,164	6.3%	0	
	523206 - INTERNET SERVICES	5,640	0	0	5,640	0.0%	5,640	0.0%	0	
	523207 - TELEPHONE - WIRELESS	236,944	0	100,557	136,387	42.4%	136,387	42.4%	0	
	523301 - ADVERTISING SERVICES	3,980	61,430	341,808	-399,258	10131.6%	-337,828	8588.1%	165	
	523401 - PRINTING SERVICES	25,488	6,715	19,672	-899	103.5%	5,816	77.2%	250	
	523501 - MILEAGE - PERSONAL VEHICLE	3,100	0	0	3,100	0.0%	3,100	0.0%	0	
	523504 - TRAVEL - ACCOMMODATIONS / HOTE	4,800	387	0	4,413	8.1%	4,800	0.0%	0	
	523505 - TRAVEL - PER DIEM	5,000	0	0	5,000	0.0%	5,000	0.0%	0	
	523601 - DUES	1,000	2,000	0	-1,000	200.0%	1,000	0.0%	0	
	523701 - TRAINING & CONFERENCE FEES - E	39,000	885	2,912	35,203	9.7%	36,088	7.5%	0	
	523702 - TRAINING & CONFERENCE FEES - I	552	0	224	328	40.6%	328	40.6%	0	
	523906 - ELECTION EXPENSES	100,755	64,805	-1,943,380	1,979,330	-1864.5%	2,044,135	-1928.8%	6,029	
52	Purchased / Contracted Services Total	4,839,511	1,309,371	401,204	3,128,937	35.3%	4,438,307	8.3%	632,234	
53	531101 - OPERATING SUPPLIES	981,001	204,806	349,083	427,112	56.5%	631,918	35.6%	37,457	
	531199 - FREIGHT	2,000	0	0	2,000	0.0%	2,000	0.0%	0	
53	Supplies Total	983,001	204,806	349,083	429,112	56.3%	633,918	35.5%	37,457	
54	542201 - COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	92,204	21,298	3,821	67,085	27.2%	88,383	4.1%	0	
	542202 - COMPUTER SOFTWARE and TECHNOLO	210,000	93	3,768	206,140	1.8%	206,232	1.8%	0	
	542309 - OTHER EQUIPMENT > \$5,000	100,038	10,831	0	89,207	10.8%	100,038	0.0%	0	
54	Capital Outlays Total	402,242	32,221	7,589	362,432	9.9%	394,653	1.9%	0	
55	551104 - VEHICLE MAINTENANCE CHARGE	4,133	0	0	4,133	0.0%	4,133	0.0%	0	
	551105 - VEHICLE REPLACEMENT CHARGE	3,048	0	1,270	1,778	41.7%	1,778	41.7%	0	
	551107 - VEHICLE INSURANCE CHARGE	500	0	210	290	42.0%	290	42.0%	0	

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Fund 100 - GENERAL FUND	<-Choose Fund		Updated 7/7/2024			# Reg P/Rs Posted:	2	of 2 /month	
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55 - 551141 - VEHICLE MAINT - FUEL	0	0	4,760	-4,760	0.0%	-4,760	0.0%	0	
551142 - VEHICLE MAINT - PREV MAINT	0	0	660	-660	0.0%	-660	0.0%	0	
551143 - VEHICLE MAINT - REPAIRS	0	0	762	-762	0.0%	-762	0.0%	0	
551144 - VEHICLE MAINT - OVERHEAD	2,095	0	875	1,220	41.8%	1,220	41.8%	0	
<b>55 - Interfund / Interdepartmental Charges Total</b>	<b>9,776</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,537</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>87.3%</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>87.3%</b>	<b>0</b>	
70 - 707009 - COUNTY PENSION ALLOCATION	243,545	0	101,476	142,069	41.7%	142,069	41.7%	0	
<b>70 - Retirement Services Total</b>	<b>243,545</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101,476</b>	<b>142,069</b>	<b>41.7%</b>	<b>142,069</b>	<b>41.7%</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>20,592,394</b>	<b>1,576,756</b>	<b>4,253,342</b>	<b>14,762,296</b>	<b>28.3%</b>	<b>16,339,052</b>	<b>20.7%</b>	<b>1,736,609</b>	



## Office of the Secretary of State

*Brad Raffensperger*  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

*Maggie Haisty*  
**LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR**

Doraville City Hall  
3725 Park Ave  
Doraville, GA 30340

DeKalb County Elections  
4380 Memorial Dr  
Ste 300  
Decatur, GA 30032-1239

Dear Official,

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 45-13-24, our office is supplying you with a certified copy of the following legislation, which was signed into law by the Governor and requires a local referendum.

- Act 627; SB 558: City of Doraville; corporate limits; change
- Act 628; SB 560: City of Doraville; corporate limits; change

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call at 404-805-8528 or email [mhaisty@sos.ga.gov](mailto:mhaisty@sos.ga.gov).

Thank you,

**Maggie Haisty**  
*Legislative Director*  
*Georgia Secretary of State*



## OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

*I, Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify that*

the attached 6 pages are true and a correct copy of Act No. 627, Senate Bill No. 558, as approved and signed by the Governor on May 6th, 2024; all as the same appear on file and record in this office.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office, at the Capitol, in the City of Atlanta, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Eighth.

*Brad Raffensperger*  
Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State



# ENROLLMENT

April 3, 2024

The Subcommittee of the Senate on Enrolling and Journals has examined the within and finds the same properly enrolled.

*M. F. Br...*

Chairman

*[Signature]*

President of the Senate

*Ralph Cook*

Secretary of the Senate

*James P. Burns*

Speaker of the House

*[Signature]*

Clerk of the House

Received

*Laura Curry*

Secretary, Executive Department

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2024

Approved

*B. P. H.*

Governor

This 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024

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S. B. No. 558

Act No. 627

General Assembly



## AN ACT

To amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Doraville, approved October 13, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p. 2154), as amended, so as to change the corporate limits of such city; to provide descriptions; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, automatic repeal, mandatory execution of election, and judicial remedies regarding failure to comply; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## IN SENATE

Read 1<sup>st</sup> time Feb. 27, 2024

Read 2<sup>nd</sup> time

Read 3<sup>rd</sup> time Mar. 4, 2024

And Passed

Yeas 45

Nays 0

*Ralph Cook*

Secretary of the Senate

## IN HOUSE

Read 1<sup>st</sup> time Mar. 5, 2024

Read 2<sup>nd</sup> time Mar. 7, 2024

Read 3<sup>rd</sup> time Mar. 21, 2024

And Passed

Yeas 116

Nays 42

*[Signature]*

Clerk of the House

By: Senator Harrell of the 40th

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

### SECTION 1.

An Act reincorporating the City of Doraville in the County of DeKalb, approved October 13, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p. 2154), as amended, is amended by revising the description of the corporate limits of the City of Doraville in Appendix A by adding at the end the following:

"(2024-B)(1) In addition to all other territory included within the corporate limits of said city, the corporate limits shall specifically include the following described property, all of which is located in DeKalb County, Georgia:

Doraville-Annex-2024

District B

County DeKalb GA

VTD Doraville South (DOR)

Block 021307

3005

VTD Oakcliff Elem

Block 021307

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(A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

(B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(2) For the purposes of the description provided in this Act, the term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a 'VTD' heading shall mean and describe individual blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(3) Any property described in this Act which on the effective date of this Act is already incorporated within the corporate limits of a municipality other than the City of Doraville shall not be included within the boundaries of the City of Doraville by operation of this Act; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall operate to prevent any such property from being annexed into the City of Doraville in the future if such property is no longer located within the corporate limits of another municipality.

(4) Any property described in this Act which on the effective date of this Act is the right of way of State Route 403, also known as Interstate 85, or the right of way of State Route 407, also known as Interstate 285, shall not be included within the boundaries of

the City of Doraville by operation of this Act; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall operate to prevent any such property from being annexed into the City of Doraville in the future."

## SECTION 2.

The election superintendent of DeKalb County shall call and conduct a special election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting the annexation provided for in this Act to the electors of the territory sought to be annexed into the City of Doraville under this Act for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct such election on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2024, and shall issue the call and conduct such election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of DeKalb County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the provisions of the Act which annexes certain land, identified as  
( ) NO 2024 Annexation District B, into the City of Doraville be approved?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the annexation shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the annexation shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the annexation, then this Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month during which the voters approve such question for all purposes other than ad valorem tax purposes and on December 31, 2024, for ad valorem tax purposes. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for rejection of the annexation, this Act shall not become effective and shall be automatically repealed on July 1, 2025. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Doraville. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State. The provisions of this section shall be mandatory upon the election superintendent and are not intended as directory. If the election superintendent fails

or refuses to comply with this section, any resident of the City of Doraville or an elector of the territory described in Section 1 of this Act may apply for a writ of mandamus to compel the election superintendent to perform his or her duties under this section. If the court finds that the election superintendent has not complied with this section, the court shall fashion appropriate relief requiring the election superintendent to call and conduct such election on the date required by this section or on the next date authorized for special elections as provided for in Code Section 21-2-540 of the O.C.G.A.

### **SECTION 3.**

Except as provided in Section 2, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

### **SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

APPROVED

BY GOVERNOR

S. B. 558

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**LOCAL LEGISLATION**

Notice is given that there will be introduced at the 2024 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia a bill to amend an Act --creating a new charter for the City of Doraville--, approved October 13, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p.2154), as amended; and for other purposes.

**AFFIDAVIT**

GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY

I, Sally Harrell, Senator from District 40, state on oath as follows:

- (1) I am the author of the local bill to which this affidavit is attached.
- (2) In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14, the notice requirements for the local bill to which this affidavit is attached have been satisfied, including but not limited to the following:
  - (A) The Notice of Intention to Introduce Local Legislation which is attached to such local bill was published in the Champion Newspaper, which is the official organ of DeKalb County, on the 3rd of January, 2024; and
  - (B) If the local bill amends the charter of a municipality or the enabling Act of the governing authority of a county or consolidated government, then a copy of the Notice of Intention to Introduce Local Legislation was mailed, transmitted by facsimile, or otherwise provided to the governing authority of such municipality, county, or consolidated government:
    - (i) During the calendar week in which the Notice was published in the official organ; or
    - (ii) During the seven days immediately following the date of publication of such Notice.

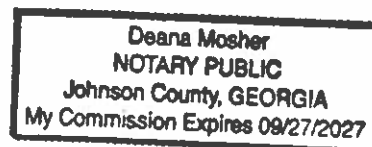
Affiant

*Sally R. Harrell*

Sworn to and subscribed at the  
State Capitol in Atlanta, Georgia,  
This 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 2024,  
Before me:

*Deana Mosher*

s/ DEANA MOSHER  
Deana Mosher  
Notary Public, Johnson County, Georgia  
My Commission Expires September 27, 2027  
[SEAL]







## OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

*I, Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify that*

the attached 6 pages are true and a correct copy of Act No. 628, Senate Bill No. 560, as approved and signed by the Governor on May 6th, 2024; all as the same appear on file and record in this office.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office, at the Capitol, in the City of Atlanta, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Eighth.

*Brad Raffensperger*  
Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State

## ENROLLMENT

April 3, 2024

The Subcommittee of the Senate on Enrolling and Journals has examined the within and finds the same properly enrolled.



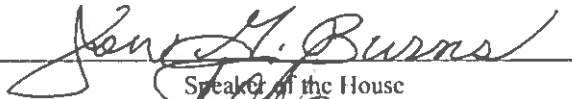
Chairman



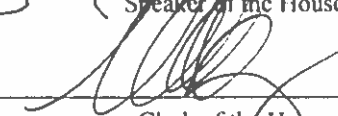
President of the Senate



Secretary of the Senate

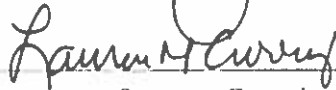


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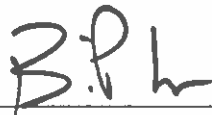
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Secretary, Executive Department

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2024

Approved



Governor

This 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024

S. B. No. 560 Act No. 628

General Assembly



## AN ACT

To amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Doraville, approved October 13, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p. 2154), as amended, so as to change the corporate limits of such city; to provide descriptions; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, automatic repeal, mandatory execution of election, and judicial remedies regarding failure to comply; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## IN SENATE

Read 1<sup>st</sup> time Feb. 27, 2024Read 2<sup>nd</sup> timeRead 3<sup>rd</sup> time Mar. 4, 2024

And Passed

Yeas 45 Nays



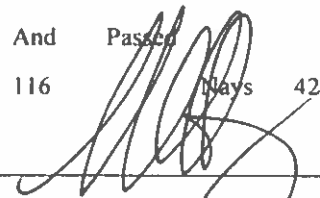
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## IN HOUSE

Read 1<sup>st</sup> time Mar. 5, 2024Read 2<sup>nd</sup> time Mar. 7, 2024Read 3<sup>rd</sup> time Mar. 21, 2024

And Passed

Yeas 116 Nays 42



Clerk of the House

By: Senator Harrell of the 40th



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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

### SECTION 1.

An Act reincorporating the City of Doraville in the County of DeKalb, approved October 13, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p. 2154), as amended, is amended by revising the description of the corporate limits of the City of Doraville in Appendix A by adding at the end the following:

"(2024-C)(1) In addition to all other territory included within the corporate limits of said city, the corporate limits shall specifically include the following described property, all of which is located in DeKalb County, Georgia:

Doraville-Annex-2024

District C

County DeKalb GA

VTD Oakcliff Elem

Block 021307

2000 3006

Block 021309

1002 1003 1004 2002

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Block 021310

1020 1024 1026 1027 1028 1029 1030 1031 1033 3004 3005 3006

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(A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

(B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(2) For the purposes of the description provided in this Act, the term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a 'VTD' heading shall mean and describe individual blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

(3) Any property described in this Act which on the effective date of this Act is already incorporated within the corporate limits of a municipality other than the City of Doraville shall not be included within the boundaries of the City of Doraville by operation of this Act; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall operate to prevent any such property from being annexed into the City of Doraville in the future if such property is no longer located within the corporate limits of another municipality.

(4) Any property described in this Act which on the effective date of this Act is the right of way of State Route 403, also known as Interstate 85, or the right of way of State Route 407, also known as Interstate 285, shall not be included within the boundaries of the City of Doraville by operation of this Act; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall operate to prevent any such property from being annexed into the City of Doraville in the future."

## SECTION 2.

The election superintendent of DeKalb County shall call and conduct a special election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting the annexation provided for in this Act to the electors of the territory sought to be annexed into the City of Doraville under this Act for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct such election on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2024, and shall issue the call and conduct such election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of DeKalb County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the provisions of the Act which annexes certain land, identified as  
( ) NO 2024 Annexation District C, into the City of Doraville be approved?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the annexation shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the annexation shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the annexation, then this Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month during which the voters approve such question for all purposes other than ad valorem tax purposes and on December 31, 2024, for ad valorem tax purposes. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for rejection of the annexation, this Act shall not become effective and shall be automatically repealed on July 1, 2025. The expense of such election shall be borne

by the City of Doraville. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State. The provisions of this section shall be mandatory upon the election superintendent and are not intended as directory. If the election superintendent fails or refuses to comply with this section, any resident of the City of Doraville or an elector of the territory described in Section 1 of this Act may apply for a writ of mandamus to compel the election superintendent to perform his or her duties under this section. If the court finds that the election superintendent has not complied with this section, the court shall fashion appropriate relief requiring the election superintendent to call and conduct such election on the date required by this section or on the next date authorized for special elections as provided for in Code Section 21-2-540 of the O.C.G.A.

### **SECTION 3.**

Except as provided in Section 2, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

### **SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

APPROVED  
BY GOVERNOR

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**LOCAL LEGISLATION**

Notice is given that there will be introduced at the 2024 regular session of the General Assembly of Georgia a bill to amend an Act --creating a new charter for the City of Doraville-- approved October 10, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, Ex. Sess., p.2154), as amended; and for other purposes.

**AFFIDAVIT**

GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY

I, Sally Harrell, Senator from District 40, state on oath as follows:

- (1) I am the author of the local bill to which this affidavit is attached.
- (2) In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 28-1-14, the notice requirements for the local bill to which this affidavit is attached have been satisfied, including but not limited to the following:
  - (A) The Notice of Intention to Introduce Local Legislation which is attached to such local bill was published in the Champion Newspaper, which is the official organ of DeKalb County, on the 3rd of January, 2024; and
  - (B) If the local bill amends the charter of a municipality or the enabling Act of the governing authority of a county or consolidated government, then a copy of the Notice of Intention to Introduce Local Legislation was mailed, transmitted by facsimile, or otherwise provided to the governing authority of such municipality, county, or consolidated government:
    - (i) During the calendar week in which the Notice was published in the official organ; or
    - (ii) During the seven days immediately following the date of publication of such Notice.

Sally R. Harrell  
Affiant

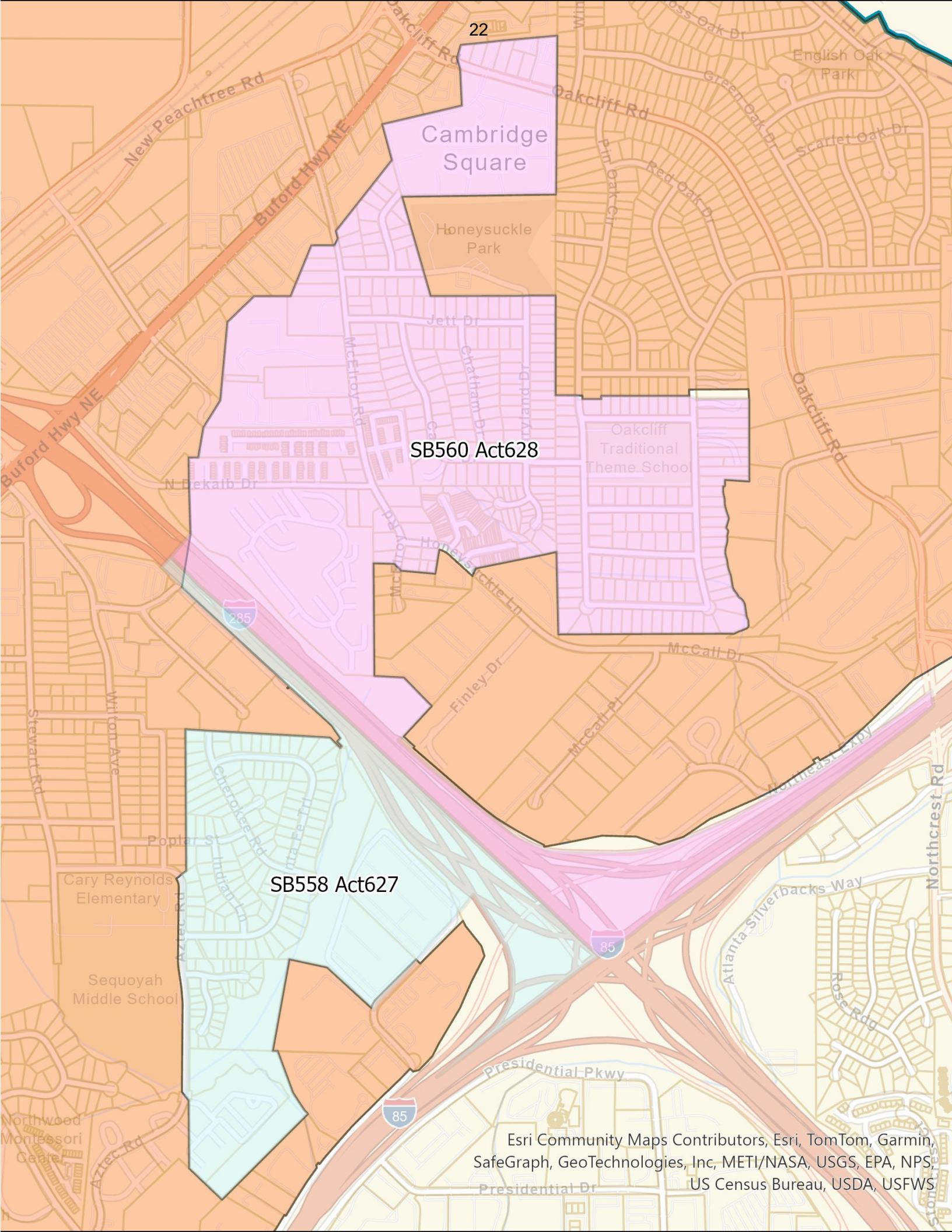
Sworn to and subscribed at the  
State Capitol in Atlanta, Georgia,  
This 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 2024,  
Before me:

Deana Mosher

s/ DEANA MOSHER  
Deana Mosher  
Notary Public, Johnson County, Georgia  
My Commission Expires September 27, 2027  
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Cambridge Square

Honeysuckle Park

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Oakcliff Traditional Theme School

SB558 Act627

**LEGAL NOTICE**

DEKALB COUNTY

BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

4380 MEMORIAL DRIVE, SUITE 300, DECATUR, GEORGIA 30032

**CALL FOR AND NOTICE OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA  
NOVEMBER 5, 2024 SPECIAL ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 5, 2024, elections will be held in the districts described by Senate Bills 558 and 560, respectively, at which time there will be submitted to qualified voters for their determination the question of whether to annex certain land into the City of Doraville.

The ballots to be used at such elections shall have written or printed thereon substantially the following:

Senate Bill 558:

“( ) YES      Shall the provisions of the Act which annexes certain land, identified as 2024 Annexation  
( ) NO      District B, into the City of Doraville be approved?”

Senate Bill 560:

“( ) YES      Shall the provisions of the Act which annexes certain land, identified as 2024 Annexation  
( ) NO      District C, into the City of Doraville be approved?”

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the annexation shall vote “Yes,” and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the annexation shall vote “No.” If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the annexation, then the Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month during which the voters approve such question for all purposes other than ad valorem tax purposes and on December 31, 2024, for ad valorem tax purposes. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for rejection of the annexation, the Act shall not become effective and shall be automatically repealed on July 1, 2025.

The last day to register to be eligible to vote in these special elections is October 7, 2024. The referenda will be held in the regular polling precincts of the districts described in their respective Acts. The polls will open at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

Those residents qualified to vote at said elections shall be determined in all respects in accordance with the election laws of the State of Georgia.

This notice is given pursuant to the approval of Senate Bills 558 and 560.

This eighteenth day of July, 2024,  
Keisha L. Smith, Executive Director  
For: The DeKalb County Board of Registration and Elections

PLEASE PUBLISH: 7/25/2024, 10/24/2024, 10/31/2024