

Minutes - Draft

**PECS-Planning, Economic Development & Community Services
Committee**

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

2:00 PM

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available

(1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage,

(2) on DCTVChannel23.TV

Meeting Started At: 2:00PM

Attendees: Commissioners Rader, Davis Johnson, Terry, Bradshaw, Patrick

Present 2 - Commissioner Jeff Rader, and Commissioner Mereda Davis Johnson

Not Present 1 - Commissioner Larry Johnson

I. MINUTES

2022-2117 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the August 22, 2022 Special Called Planning, Economic Development, and Community Services Committee Meeting

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

2022-2120 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the August 23, 2022 Planning, Economic Development,
and Community Services Committee Meeting
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff
Rader, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

II. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

Community Development

[2022-2105](#) Commission District(s): All
Approval of Contract with Atlanta Neighborhood Development
Partnership, Inc. (ANDP) using HUD - HOME Investment
Partnership Program, Community Housing Development
Organization (CHDO) Funds - \$1,050,000.
**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by
Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for
approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on
9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-presentation provided by Director Mitchell

-Question TT: the difference this year compared to previous years is due to rising real estate values? Is that why the \$1M is needed as compared to previous years?

A Mitchell: that is correct; prices have gone up tremendously and it has been challenging to get homes at a lower value.

Additional information provided by Director Mitchell

-Question TT: do we guide ANDP on what are blighted or abandoned properties?

A Mitchell: yes we do; information related to this process provided by Director Mitchell

-Question TT: it sounds like we do have a list of blighted properties or those in the area of the land bank zone for getting back on the tax rolls. Is there a short list available for them to look at now?

-response provided by Director Mitchell

-Question MDJ: how long are the buyers required to keep the property?

A Mitchell: it's a scale of 5 - 15 years. Additional information provided by Director Mitchell regarding the stipulations

Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA)

[2022-1942](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement Contract No. 1202337 for Scoreboards, Digital Displays and Video Boards with related Design Build Technology Integration, Installation, Supplies and Services : for use by the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA). This contract consists of the purchase and installation of scoreboards at various County Parks. Awarded to Nevco Sports, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$110,611.90.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-information provided by COO Williams, Paige Singer

-Question JR: are these all the Parks, will this be going to Medlock too?

-response provided by Ms. Singer

-Question MDJ: why is this a change order?

Z Williams: we are adding additional parks

Planning & Sustainability

[2022-2069](#)

Commission District(s): All Districts

Application of the Director of Planning and Sustainability to approve a two-year agreement between DeKalb County and Trees Atlanta. ReLeaf DeKalb II - Second Front Yard and County Property Tree Program.

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-information provided by Director Baker

-Question JR: at a later time you may want to bring back to the committee a status report on the backlog of the tree bank

-A Baker: yes sir we can do that

Board of Commissioners - District 2

[2022-2143](#) Commission District(s): Districts 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7
Adoption of Multi-use Trail Connectivity Master Plans for
Peachtree Creek Greenway, South Peachtree Creek Trail Norther
and Southern Study Areas.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by
Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for
approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on
9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-presentation provided by PATH Director Greta deMayo

-comments on the proposal provided by Commissioner Terry

*-RP: I do support these plans and the connections; this is the beginning of a conversation on how to make our County more
accessible to our residents*

-JR: there will be a substitute to include minor changes to spelling, etc.

Previously Heard Agenda Items:

Board of Commissioners - District 6

[2022-1953](#) Commission District(s): All Districts
Approve a Resolution to ask the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb
County to Request A Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and a
Noise Study for the Atlanta Public Safety Training Center
Development Proposal.

**MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by
Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral
to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/27/2022. The
motion carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-information provided by Commissioner Terry

*-TT: I have a meeting setup with the CEO to discuss; I would ask for a deferral for 2 weeks, and we will have a substitute
available by the next committee meeting*

-MDJ: motion to defer 2 weeks to the PECS special called meeting in October

[2022-2060](#) Commission District(s): All Commission Districts
A Resolution Supporting the Creation of a Task Force to Honor the Life of Reverend Dr. Hosea Lorenzo Williams, Sr., and Recognizing His Accomplishments as Worth of an Enduring Memorial
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 10/11/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-information provided by Commissioner Terry

-TT: I request 30 days deferral on this

III. APPOINTMENT INTERVIEWS

[2022-2088](#) Commission District(s): All
Appointment of Cynthia Dunn to the DeKalb County Public Library Board of Trustees
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-interview conducted from the Committee to Ms. Dunn

[2022-2129](#) Commission District(s): All
Appointment of Bettye Davis to the DeKalb County Public Library Board of Trustees
MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 9/27/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

-interview conducted from the Committee to Ms. Davis

Meeting Ended At: 3:10PM

MOTION was made by Mereda Davis Johnson, seconded by Jeff Rader, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Rader, and Commissioner Davis Johnson

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Johnson

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC