



AGENDA

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

10:00 AM -- CITIZENS HALL

COMMISSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION - Camilla Terrell - Superior Court Board of Equalization

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment allows the Board the opportunity to listen to the public. The public is invited to participate in the Work Sessions and the Commission Meetings by registering in Citizens Hall at least ten (10) minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Please include your name, email address, phone # and topic. As a reminder, Comments at the Work Session may be made regarding any item of public interest. Comments at the Commission Meeting must be germane to the agenda. For more information, contact the County Clerk, Sherri Mathis, smathis@douglascountyga.gov or 770-920-7416.

AGENDA ADOPTION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SCM Combined Work Session and Commission Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2026..
2. Executive Session Minutes of April 14, 2026.

FINANCIAL REPORT

3. Acceptance of the monthly Financial/Budget Report for March 2026. ()

PROCLAMATIONS

4. Proclaiming May as ALS Month in Douglas County.
5. Proclaiming May 4, 2026, as International Firefighters' Day in Douglas County, GA.
6. Proclaiming a county-wide commitment to summer reading for students, parents, families, and the Douglas County Community in partnership with the Douglas County School System.
7. Proclaiming the month of May 2026 as Older Americans Month in Douglas County.
8. Proclaiming the Life and Legacy of Mr. John Willis Stewart.

NEW BUSINESS

9. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Douglasville to construct a public multi-use trail that will connect the Selman Drive Library to the Douglasville Town Green and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
10. Recommendation of no objection to the annexation and rezoning Petition for 3154 Bright Star Road, Parcel 01310250077 for 67 townhomes on 9.30 acres (Commission District 4) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
11. Consideration of the proposed 2026 Merit Handbook revisions, as recommended by the Personnel Review Board, which includes updates to Section 13-42 (Salary Reviews) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
12. Consideration of the proposed 2026 Merit Handbook revision, as recommended by the Personnel Review Board, which includes an update to the following section: Section 13-100(3)(a) (Types of Disciplinary Action) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
13. Consideration of the proposed 2026 Merit Handbook revisions, as recommended by the Personnel Review Board, which includes an update to the following section: Section 13-134(5) (Retirement Benefits – proposed new section) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending legal review.
14. Consideration of the proposed 2026 Merit Handbook revisions, as recommended by the Personnel Review Board, which includes an update to the following section: Section 13-102 (Emergency Relief from Duty) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
15. Approval of the proposed 2026 Merit Handbook revisions, as recommended by the Personnel Review Board, which includes an update to the following section: Section 13-9(b) (Personnel Review Board) and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
16. Approval of a new two year lease with Old Courthouse Inc. and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

CONSENT AGENDA

17. Approval to extend the 2021 CDBG grant through October 21, 2026 and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
18. Approval to accept SFY 2026 Multi-Funded Budget Amendment #1 Subgrant Agreement 082606.1 with the Atlanta Regional Commission in the amount of \$815,217.87 with reimbursement not to exceed \$764,815.23 with a local match of \$50,402.64 to be funded through Senior Services Department budget, amend the

budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

- 19.** Approval of the proposed Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH), Environmental Health Fee Adjustment for Douglas County, effective January 1, 2027 and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 20.** Approval of a TEFRA on tax-exempt funding for acquisition of Sweetwater Creek Apartments and Villas at West Ridge Apartments for workforce housing, and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 21.** Approval of non-renewal of Department of Human Services (DHS) contract for FY27, and authorize the Chairman to sign a non-renewal letter for the DHS FY27 contract for drug screening services along with any other related documents pending final legal review..
- 22.** Approval to renew the yearly agreement with Netwrix for the protection of Douglas County BOC Digital Networking Infrastructure in the amount of \$39,265.00 to be funded by the Information Services Department budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review
- 23.** Approval to renew yearly agreement with VC3 Think Gard for the protection of Douglas County BOC Digital Networking Infrastructure in the amount of \$95,670.00 to be funded by the Information Services Department budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 24.** Approval to enter a ten (10) year equipment lease agreement with Lease Servicing Center, Inc., doing business as NCL Government Capital (NCL), through Sourcewell Contract #092424-NCL, in an amount not to exceed \$612,298.41 annually, beginning with the 2027 budget. The lease will facilitate the acquisition of four (4) pumpers from Pierce Fire Manufacturing's stock truck program, in a total amount not to exceed \$4.8 million. Lease payments will be funded through the Fire Department's budget beginning in 2027 and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents, pending final legal review.
- 25.** Approval of a Sourcewell one-year renewal service contract with Stryker for preventive maintenance of EMS equipment at a cost of \$52,187.75 to be funded by the Fire Department budget and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 26.** Approval to accept the results of the Third Party Operations RFP for Connect Douglas with Transitions/Ascendal reflecting payment of remaining invoices for FY 2026 in the amount not to exceed \$1,749,693.49 (as provided in their RFP response) to be funded by the 2026 Connect Douglas budget and grant funds with four (4) one-year renewal options and costs to be reviewed during the budget preparations annually for the department and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
- 27.** Approval of a Resolution to set County Retainage Rate to 10% for Construction "Building" Projects and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

28. Approval of a contract amendment with Astra Group (GC) for the Winston Park Renovation Project, extending the contract through 5/30/2027, with a reduction of \$340,000, and authorizing the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
29. Approval of an agreement for improvements to the Winston Park Sports Complex with Hasley Recreation & Design Inc. under their Source Well Contract for the design and installation of new playground equipment for \$340,000, which includes the \$307,390.86 quoted amount plus a 10% contingency amount, to be funded by 2022 SPLOST funds and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
30. Approval of a contract amendment with Caliber 1 for the Fairburn Road Senior Center in the amount of \$80,000 to be funded by SPLOST 2022 and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
31. Motion to proceed as discussed in Executive Session in regard to the Alfaro matter and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.
32. Motion to proceed as discussed in Executive Session in regard to Vie matter and authorize the Chairman to sign all related documents pending final legal review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Chairman Dr. Romona Jackson Jones on Tuesday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at New Mountain Baptist Church for a Senior Symposium. The event will include information and resources regarding senior safety, Medicare, legal services, and more. For additional details and registration information, please contact Dionne Penn at dpenn@douglascountyga.gov or call 770-920-7269.

The public is invited to join District 1 Commissioner Henry Mitchell III for his next Coffee and Conversation on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at the Woodie Fite Senior Center. Share your ideas, connect with fellow citizens, and learn more about public safety, community engagement, and other important topics.

Join Commissioner Mitchell, in partnership with Streetz 94.5, Grateful Hands, and Fit for the Future for "Hoops for Inclusion," a star-studded celebrity basketball game fundraiser dedicated to disability awareness and inclusive programs. The game will be held on Saturday, June 6, at Stewart Middle School in the Lovejoy Gymnasium at 3:00 p.m. with a pre-party beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Mitchell is also working to raise awareness about prostate cancer in commemoration of National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, an observance dedicated to increasing public knowledge of the most common non-skin cancer in American men and the second leading cause of cancer-related death among men. He'll share important information and updates each week leading up to the national observance in September.

Join District 3 Commissioner Martin Raxton, State Senator Donzella James, and Fulton County Commissioner Marvin Arrington Jr., in partnership with the HOA Alliance, for the Douglas County HOA Bootcamp on Saturday, May 9, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at First Baptist Church. The two-hour session will offer information, resources, and insight into HOA management and participation. The event is free and open to the public.

The Mirror Lake Community Cookout, hosted by Vice Chair and District 4 Commissioner Mark Alcares and Douglas County Sheriff Tim Pounds, has been rescheduled. The new date and time are Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lifegate Church in Villa Rica. The event is free and open to the public and promises to be a day filled with fun and fellowship!

Douglas County presents 'Homeward Bound', an art exhibit honoring the legacy of artist Donald Wayne Holdman. Come explore Holdman's beautiful collection of artwork along with amazing pieces by featured artists Susan Eason Burns and PeQue. Join us this Friday, May 8, for a special exhibit showing and reception from 6:00–8:00 p.m. in the 3rd floor Courthouse Art Gallery. Together, let's reflect, honor, and enjoy this meaningful celebration. The event is free and open to the public.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 30, from 9 AM to 12 PM for The Great Shredding Event presented by Keep Douglas County Beautiful at the Douglas County Courthouse. Bring your unwanted documents, free from staples and paper clips, and come shred with us!

Exciting news to share! Douglas County has officially been licensed to host two community 'Watch Parties' in connection with the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The celebrations are scheduled for Saturday, June 27, and Sunday, July 19, at Boundary Waters Park. The events will feature food trucks, vendors, games, family activities, and massive screens to capture every moment of the action! Tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis beginning June 1 for the June 27 Watch Party and July 1 for the July 19 Watch Party. Admission is free but tickets must be secured via an online platform launching soon!

Finally, we'd like to recognize several recent Commissioner achievements.

Congratulations to District 1 Commissioner Henry Mitchell III on his recent certification from the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Lifelong Learning Academy. Commissioner Mitchell completed the Academy's specialty track in Public Safety.

Congratulations to District 3 Commissioner Martin Raxton on his election to a two-year term as Vice President of the Georgia Association of Black County Officials (GABCO) during the Association County Commissioners of Georgia's (ACCG) recent annual conference.

Congratulations to Vice Chair and District 4 Commissioner Mark Alcares on his recent certification from the Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) Lifelong

Learning Academy. Commissioner Alcaarez completed the Academy's specialty track in Leadership Development and Quality of Life/Social Issues.

Vice Chair Alcaarez was recently honored with the Healing the Community Award, presented by the Nichols Center, in recognition of his outstanding work to expand mental health programs and strengthen public safety initiatives in our community.

We applaud each of these Commissioners on these notable achievements and appreciate their service to the citizens of Douglas County!

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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