

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FIRST REGULAR MEETING**

March 04, 2026
10:00 AM



Fulton County Government Center
Assembly Hall
141 Pryor Street SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303



POST AGENDA MINUTES

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Scheduled date for ratification: March 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Robert L. Pitts **10:01 a.m.**

ROLL CALL: Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman (At-Large)	PRESENT
Bridget Thorne, Commissioner (District 1)	PRESENT
Bob Ellis, Commissioner (District 2)	PRESENT
Dana Barrett, Commissioner (District 3)	PRESENT
Mo Ivory, Commissioner (District 4)	PRESENT
Marvin S. Arrington, Jr., Commissioner (District 5)	PRESENT
Khadijah Abdur-Rahman, Vice Chair (District 6)	PRESENT

INVOCATION: Reverend Donald Bolton, Jr., County Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recite in unison

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE SWITCH ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES (CELL PHONES, PAGERS, PDAs, ETC.) TO THE SILENT POSITION DURING THIS MEETING TO AVOID INTERRUPTIONS.

IF YOU NEED REASONABLE MODIFICATIONS DUE TO A DISABILITY, INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS IN AN ALTERNATE FORMAT PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE COMMISSION. FOR TDD/TTY OR GEORGIA RELAY SERVICE ACCESS DIAL 711.

CONSENT AGENDA**26-0106 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the Consent Agenda - All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the County Commission and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the First Regular Meeting Agenda for separate consideration. **(ADOPTED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

26-0107 Board of Commissioners

Proclamations for Spreading on the Minutes. **(SPREAD ON THE MINUTES UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Proclamation recognizing "Georgia School of Orthodontics Appreciation Day."
(Pitts)
February 17, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Heart of Success Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
February 21, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Ben Crump Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Reverend Dr. Carl H. Moncrieff, Sr. Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman/Arrington)
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Tayari Jones Appreciation Day." **(Ivory)**
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Representative Tyrone Brooks Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman)
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Reverend Sam Mosteller Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman)
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Larry Johnson Appreciation Day." **(Abdur-Rahman)**
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Judge Charles Mays Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman)
February 22, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "David Banner Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
February 25, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "St. James LIVE Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
February 26, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Leadership North Appreciation Day." **(Thorne)**
February 26, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Black Cowboy Heritage Festival Appreciation Day."
(Arrington)
February 28, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Matthew Thompson Appreciation Day." **(Arrington)**
March 1, 2026

Proclamation recognizing "Dr. James E. Woods Remembrance Day." **(Arrington)**
March 2, 2026

Open & Responsible Government

26-0108 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval of a change order less than 10% - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, #24ITB100324K-JA, Renovation of Airport Administration Air Rescue Firefighting Station in an amount not to exceed \$85,446.00 with Sovereign Cooper, Inc. (Cumming, GA), to modify existing contract to allow the execution of eight (8) additional services for the completion of the construction/renovation project to the upper and lower floors of the west apparatus bay (approximately 7,275 gross square footage) for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Station (ARFF) located at the Fulton County Executive Airport, 3965 Aero Drive, Atlanta, GA 30336. Effective upon BOC approval. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Arts and Libraries

26-0109 Library

Request approval of the lowest responsible bidder - Fulton County Library System, 25ITB1484401B-PS, E-Rate Eligible Internet Access & WAN Connectivity in an amount not to exceed \$133,029.48 with AT&T Corporation (Atlanta, GA) to supply broadband Internet access and wide area network (WAN) connectivity between primary and secondary datacenters and a number of individual public libraries located within the metropolitan Atlanta Georgia area. Effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 with three renewal options. This item is 100% grant funded. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Health and Human Services**26-0110 Community Development**

Request approval to enter into Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) contracts with the following: College Park (\$120,000.00), East Point (\$150,000.00), Fairburn (\$180,000.00), Hapeville (\$120,000.00), Palmetto (\$70,000.00), Union City (\$180,000.00) to deliver community development activities. Total amount being awarded is \$820,000.00. Authorize the Chairman to disburse funds, execute and administer the CDBG contracts and related documents consistent with the federal program regulations and this Board action. Effective upon BOC approval. 100% grant funded. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

26-0111 Community Development

Request approval to amend the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) contract agreement with City of Alpharetta (\$110,000.00) to conform its terms and conditions with the January 21, 2025 revocation of Executive Order 11246 by Executive Order 14173; and authorize the Chairman to execute the Amendment and related documents; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the Amendment and related documents as to form and to make modifications thereto prior to execution; and for other purposes. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Justice and Safety**26-0112 Emergency Management**

Request approval of the Atlanta Region Commission's Metro Atlanta Urban Area Security Initiative Memorandum of Understanding regarding Department of Homeland Security grant funding awarded to the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency - (Grant Year 2023). **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**26-0113 Board of Commissioners**

Adoption of the First Regular Meeting Agenda. **(ADOPTED AS AMENDED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to adopt as amended by removing items #26-0117 as requested by the County Manager, #26-0075, #26,-0125 as requested by Commissioner Ivory; revising item #26-0129 as requested by Chairman Pitts; and moving up item #26-0129 as requested by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

26-0114 Clerk to the Commission

Ratification of Minutes. **(RATIFIED)**

First Regular Meeting Minutes, February 4, 2026

Second Regular Meeting Post Agenda Minutes, February 18, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne to ratify the meeting minutes. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and
Abdur-Rahman

26-0115 Board of Commissioners

Presentation of Proclamations and Certificates. **(PRESENTED)**

Proclamation recognizing "EmpowerHER Appreciation Day."
(Abdur-Rahman/BOC)

Proclamation recognizing "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month."
(Ellis/BOC)

Proclamation recognizing "Theatre In Our Schools Month." **(Ellis/BOC)**

Proclamation recognizing "WellSpring Living Appreciation Day." **(Barrett/BOC)**

PUBLIC HEARINGS**26-0116 Board of Commissioners**

Public Comment - Citizens are allowed to voice County related opinions, concerns, requests, etc. during the Public Comment portion of the Commission meeting. **Priority for public comment will be given to Fulton County citizens and those individuals representing businesses or organizations located within Fulton County, including their employees, whether such persons are commenting in-person, via emails or via Zoom or other electronic media (i.e., phone call). Non-Fulton County citizens will only be heard after all in-person Fulton County citizens, representatives of business and organizations located within Fulton County, including their employees, have been heard and the time allotted for public comment has not expired, except as otherwise provided in this code section. County staff shall verify the residency of each public speaker prior to such person being heard by the board. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each. Members of the public will not be allowed to yield or donate time to other speakers. The Public Comment portion of the meeting will not exceed sixty (60) minutes at the First Regular Meeting, nor will this portion exceed sixty (60) minutes at the Second Regular Meeting.** In the event the 60-minute time limit is reached prior to public comments being completed, public comment will be suspended and the business portion of the BOC meeting will commence. Public comment will resume at the end of the meeting. For more information or to arrange a speaking date, contact the Clerk's Office.
(CONDUCTED)

12 Speakers: Linda H. Williams (Detention Center Advocacy for Women); Michael Collins (Diversion); Helen D. Williams (Deed Fraud); Moki Macias (Diversion); LA Pink (Voter Fraud); Latrece Williams (Incarceration/Dwanye Lamar High Jr); Tanya Wright (Techie Homes Developer); Devin Franklin (Diversion); Maria Gaudio (BRE Appointment); Steven Imle (Diversion); S. Kennedy (Homeless Encampments); Denise Ruben (Diversion)

4 Zoom Speakers: Robby Caban (Lifeline/Animal Services); Janet Hill (Deed Fraud); Kirt Beasley (Sheriff's Budget); Jason Toweh (FBI Raid/Elections)

COUNTY MANAGER'S ITEMS**Open & Responsible Government****26-0117 Registration & Elections**

Request approval of a statewide contract - Registration & Elections, Georgia Secretary of State, PE-47800-SS-2024-000000006, SoleSource - KNOWiNK in an amount not to exceed \$262,667.78 with KNOWiNK, LLC (St. Louis, MO)) to adhere to Secretary of State mandated mail for NGE mail notices. Effective upon approval through June 11, 2026. **(REMOVED)**

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS REQUESTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER

26-0118 Real Estate and Asset Management

Request approval to utilize cooperative purchasing - Department of Real Estate and Asset Management, GSA MAS Contract #GS-02F-028AA, Management and Financial Consulting, Acquisition and Grants Management Support, and Business Program and Project Management Services, in the amount not to exceed \$536,868.20 with Emergency Management Services International, Inc. (Culpeper, VA), to provide consulting services related to planning and logistical support for the Fulton County Jail DOJ Consent Decree response. Effective dates: January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Health and Human Services

26-0119 Public Works

Request approval of a Contract Item Agreement (CIA) between Fulton County and the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for water main relocations associated with the widening and improvements to Abbotts Bridge Road (SR 120) -Promise Parkway to Boles Road, Project P.I. No. 721000, in Johns Creek, Georgia, in an estimated amount of \$2,426,610.00. **(APPROVED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

COMMISSIONERS' ACTION ITEMS

Commissioners' District Board Appointments

**26-0074 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY REPARATIONS TASK FORCE (FILED)**

Term below expired: 12/31/2025
Karcheik Sims-Alvarado (Hall)

Commissioner Ivory has nominated Karcheik Sims-Alvarado for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Chairman Pitts and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to file. The motion passed by the following vote:

- Yea:** Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman
- Nay:** Ivory
- Did Not Vote:** Barrett, and Arrington

**26-0075 Board of Commissioners
FULTON COUNTY REPARATIONS TASK FORCE (HELD ON 2/18/26)
(REMOVED)**

Term below expired: 12/31/2025
Ann Hill-Bond (Ivory)

Commissioner Ivory has nominated Ann Hill-Bond for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2026.

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER IVORY

26-0079 Board of Commissioners
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (HELD ON 2/18/26) (MOTION TO FILE FAILED)

Term below expired: 12/31/2025
Michael Hopkins (Ivory)

Commissioner Ivory has nominated Michael Hopkins for a District reappointment to a term ending December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to file. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Ivory

Did Not Vote: Thorne, Barrett, and Arrington

26-0063 Board of Commissioners
Request approval of a Resolution affirming the protection of Constitutional Rights at Fulton County facilities and limiting ICE enforcement activities. (Arrington) (APPROVED AS AMENDED)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to approve as amended. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Abstain: Thorne

Did Not Vote: Ellis

26-0101 Board of Commissioners
Request approval of a Resolution to support affordable housing in partnership with Cosmopolitan AME Church, Good Place, and Collaborative Housing Solutions by approving a grant from funds previously set aside to aid in the construction of a 70-unit new construction multifamily development in Vine City that includes 63 affordable units and 7 market rate units, and for other purposes. (Barrett/Abdur-Rahman) (APPROVED)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

26-0120 Board of Commissioners
Request approval of a Resolution to promote Public Education regarding how to obtain voter identification; and for other purposes. (Thorne) (HELD)

ITEM HELD AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER THORNE

26-0121 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners to establish standing committees; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (FILED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Ellis, to file. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, and Ivory

26-0122 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners directing the County Manager to procure a third-party independent contractor to complete a comprehensive audit of the Fulton County budget for 2026; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Ivory

Nay: Pitts, Ellis, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Thorne, and Barrett

26-0123 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to reallocate at least two percent of the fiscal year 2026 budget towards expenditures related to the establishment of new hospital facilities in Atlanta and South Fulton; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (FILED)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to file. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

26-0124 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of an urging Resolution urging the Georgia General Assembly not to enact legislation eliminating property taxes as a source of local government revenue; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to approve. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Abdur-Rahman

Abstain: Thorne

Did Not Vote: Pitts, and Ellis

26-0125 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution to direct the County Manager and the Department of Finance to coordinate with the Sheriff’s Office, the District Attorney’s Office, and the Office of the Solicitor-General to develop a plan for intake level diversion screening at the Rice Street Jail; and for other purposes. **(Ivory) (REMOVED)**

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER IVORY

26-0126 Board of Commissioners

Request approval of a Resolution authorizing Fulton County, Georgia to appropriate funds received by the County to the Atlanta Fulton County Recreation Authority for capital purposes at Zoo Atlanta; and for other related purposes. **(Ivory) (HELD)**

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to approve. **(NO VOTE TAKEN)**

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to hold. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, and Ivory

Commissioners' Full Board Appointments

26-0127 Board of Commissioners

REGION III EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL (APPROVED)

The Bylaws of the Region III Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Council requires that its members be appointed by County Commissioners and must constitute a minimum of two thirds of the voting membership. Council members serve terms of appointment of three (3) years. The Council year will be from July 1 to June 30. The term of each appointment shall be for three years with one-third of the Council to be appointed each year. In order to have one-third of the Council appointed each year some appointments may be made for 1 or 2 years until such balances achieved. Members may be reappointed to the EMS Council with no limit on terms. (See EMS Advisory Council Bylaws updated on 5/13/2021).

Term = 3 Years

Term below expires: June 30, 2027

Vacant (**BOC/Position 3**)

Commissioner Arrington nominated Joe Maddox for a Full Board appointment to an unexpired term ending June 30, 2027.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

COUNTY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Open & Responsible Government

26-0128 External Affairs

Presentation: 2026 Legislative Session Update. (**PRESENTED**)

A motion was made by Chairman Pitts and seconded by Commissioner Barrett, to oppose SB 568. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Absent: Arrington

Abstain: Thorne

Did Not Vote: Ellis

COMMISSIONERS' PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

26-0129 Board of Commissioners

Discussion and request approval of a Jail Population Reduction Initiative
(Pitts/Abdur-Rahman) (APPROVED)

a. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve a five point plan. The motion passed by the following vote:

Commissioner Barrett offered a friendly amendment to request the County Manager work with the justice partners to develop a plan.
Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman did not accept the friendly amendment

Commissioner Arrington offered a friendly amendment to request the County Manager to develop a plan and bring back to the Board.
Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman did not accept the friendly amendment

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

b. A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Ivory and seconded by Commissioner Arrington, to hold. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yea: Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington

Nay: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, and Abdur-Rahman

c. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Chairman Pitts, to call the question. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Arrington

d. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to call the question. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

EXECUTIVE SESSION

26-0130 Board of Commissioners

Executive (**CLOSED**) Sessions regarding litigation (**County Attorney**), real estate (**County Manager**), and personnel (**Pitts**). (**APPROVED**)

PRESENT IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE, AND PERSONNEL: Chairman Pitts, Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, Commissioners: Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, and Arrington; County Manager Dick Anderson; County Attorney Y. Soo Jo; and Clerk to the Commission Tonya R. Grier.

a. A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett and seconded by Commissioner Ivory, to enter into Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Thorne, Barrett, Ivory, Arrington, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Pitts, and Ellis

b. A motion was made by Commissioner Thorne and seconded by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman, to approve the request for representation in item #2 as discussed in Executive Session. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Ellis, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Did Not Vote: Arrington

c. A motion was made by Vice Chair Abdur-Rahman and seconded by Commissioner Thorne, to approve the settlement in the matter of 72 Marietta Street tax parcel ID #14-0078-0011-064-1 to resolve the claims of Lien Transferee Investa Services by paying \$286,136.62 in interest in conjunction with the Tax Commissioner's refund of \$1,102,528.56 for the purchase of invalid tax liens. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yea: Pitts, Thorne, Barrett, Ivory, and Abdur-Rahman

Nay: Ellis

Did Not Vote: Arrington

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.