



WORK SESSION

May 22, 2023
10:00 AM

Albany-Dougherty Government Center
222 Pine Ave, Room 100, Albany, GA 31701

AGENDA

To comply with the request set forth by the Chairman of Dougherty County, GA and the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding the Coronavirus (COVID19) pandemic and social distancing, face coverings (masks) are optional for all meeting participants.

The public will also have access to the live meeting by accessing the Dougherty County Georgia Government Facebook page at facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us or viewing the public government access channel (Channel 16).

1. Call the meeting to order by Chairman Lorenzo Heard.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes.
 - [a.](#) Minutes of the May 1st Regular Meeting and May 8th Work Session.
4. Delegations (*The Commission will hear comments on those items pertaining to Dougherty County for which a public hearing has not been held or scheduled. Please be brief, to the point, and considerate of time for others.*)
 - [a.](#) Public Works Director Chuck Mathis present to accept the Proclamation recognizing May 21-27, 2023 as Public Works Week in Dougherty County.
 - [b.](#) EMS Director Sam Allen present to update the Commission to accept the Proclamation recognizing May 21-27, 2023 as Emergency Management Services Week in Dougherty County.
 - [c.](#) SOWEGA Rising Founder and Executive Director Sherrell Byrd present to accept the Proclamation recognizing June 2, 2023 as National Gun Violence Awareness Day.
 - [d.](#) ASPIRE CEO Dana Glass present to accept the Proclamation recognizing May as Mental Health Month.
 - [e.](#) Operations Manager Melvin Williams and Heavy Equipment Operator Julius Barber present to be recognized for placing at the Solid Waste Association's Equipment Road-E-O. Solid Waste Director Campbell Smith will address.

5. Additional Business.
 - a. Recommendation to approve the Alcohol Application from JNKR Inc., Rushabh Bharat Patel licensee, dba Lotus, at 1000 Liberty Expressway for Package- Beer and Wine. The Albany-Dougherty Marshal's Office recommends approval. Chief Deputy Anthony Donaldson, Code Enforcement Department, will address.
 - b. Recommendation to declare one 2011 Peterbilt Dump Truck and one 2017 Adapco Guardian 190 G4 ULV Machine as surplus and authorize the sale in the amount of \$11,200 of the same to the Randolph County Board of Commissioners. This request is made on behalf of Randolph County Manager Dr. Deborah Jones. County Administrator Micheal McCoy will address. Public Works Director Chuck Mathis is present.
 - c. Recommendation to amend the SPLOST VII budget in the amount of \$10,556,060.58 SPLOST VII collections ended on March 31, 2023, and the budget must be amended to report the collections received over the budgeted amount. The SPLOST VII projects within the SPLOST Fund need to be amended by \$3,800,181.81 and interest earned amended by \$650,654.72. Projects approved by the Board in the May 1, 2023 Regular Meeting for Putney Park and Morgue need to be entered in the SPLOST Fund as approved leaving an unappropriated amount of \$1,395,836.53. County Administrator Michael McCoy and Finance Director Martha Hendley are present to address.
 - d. Recommendation to increase and amend the General Fund budget by \$3,198,040 for a total budget of \$62,179,734 and increase and amend the Special Services District Fund in the amount of \$221,362 for a total budget of \$9,213,290. The budgets must be amended to reflect the amounts recommended in the Payroll Cost Study. Funding is available in ARPA and was budgeted at the beginning of FY23, but the actual budget for each department wasn't known until the study was received. This amendment is necessary to allocate to each department the amount that the study increased the department's budget. County Administrator Michael McCoy and Finance Director Martha Hendley are present to address.
6. Updates from the County Administrator.
 - a. REMINDER** - The Finance Committee will meet immediately following the Work Session in Room 120.
 - b. REMINDER** - In observance of the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 29, 2023 there will not be a scheduled meeting held. The next meeting will be on Monday, June 5, 2023.
7. Updates from the County Attorney.
8. Updates from the County Commission.
9. Adjourn.

Individuals with disabilities who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting or the facilities are required to contact the ADA Coordinator at 229-431-2121 promptly to allow the County to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

May 8, 2023

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on May 8, 2023. Chairman Lorenzo Heard presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Clinton Johnson, and Ed Newsome. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, County Attorney Alex Shalishali, County Clerk Jawahn Ware and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Commissioners Russell Gray and Anthony Jones were absent.

After the roll call and the invocation, Chairman Heard asked the Commission to review the minutes of the April 17th Regular Meeting and April 24th Work Session.

The Chairman recognized Director Heidi Hailey to accept the proclamation recognizing May 8-14, 2023 as Facilities Management Week in Dougherty County. The Board shared accolades regarding the Facilities Management staff. It was mentioned that Bernard Gillison was the longest-serving employee in the department for 31 years. The proclamation reads as follows:

WHEREAS, facilities management is a profession dedicated to ensuring the functionality, comfort, safety, sustainability and efficiency of the buildings in which we conduct business and work;

WHEREAS, the members of the facilities management teams are ready to provide services to maintain county buildings and structures 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and

WHEREAS, the facilities management team is responsive, proactive, cost-efficient, working together with many county, city, and state departments to provide services; and

WHEREAS, the facilities management team functions in a service-oriented aspect, promoting civility, mentoring, innovation, excellence coupled with dedication and pride; and

WHEREAS, the facilities management team consists of a staff of custodians, building superintendents, and administrators, who continue to go above and beyond to impact the health, safety, productivity and well-being of the community who utilize the county infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the members of the facilities management teams, work together to ensure safety, striving for excellence in every task they perform daily; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the efforts of the Dougherty County Facilities Management division who continue working to ensure a safer built environment, happy and health occupants and a sustainable community by designating Facilities Management Week; now

THEREFORE, we, the Board of Commissioners of Dougherty County, Georgia in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 8-14, 2023 as

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT APPRECIATION WEEK
“Celebrating Facilities Management”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the County of Dougherty on this May 8th in the year of our Lord two-thousand and twenty-three.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA

Lorenzo L. Heard, Chairman

The Chairman recognized Coroner Michael Fowler to provide an update on the Swim for Life Program and request funding for the 2023 year. Mr. Fowler provided a historical overview of the program. The ask from Dougherty County was \$10,000 to sponsor 500 children for 8 weeks and registration will start on June 3, 2023. Mr. McCoy recommended that the Board budget \$10,000 for registration of the children and shared that a budget adjustment can be presented to the Board. It was added that the County is also supporting by managing the program under our Risk Management Plan. The City has been providing in-kind donations and the Coroner will ask the City for a monetary donation. Commissioner Edwards shared that he is in support of the program but shared that it is only fair that 50% of the cost (~\$5,000) come from the City considering most of the children reside in the city limits. There was consensus from the Board for Mr. McCoy to handle the request up to \$10,000 administratively and for the Coroner to approach the City.

The Chairman called for a discussion of the recommendation to establish a Jail Construction and Staffing Fund as allowed by O.C.G.A. 15-21-90 through 15-21-95. Chief Jailer John Ostrander addressed. Chief Ostrander requested that a resolution be passed to allow 10% of the original fine to be collected for construction, operations, and staffing. He shared that our current jail is 28 years old and the average expectancy is 25 years. The County does not have a capital improvement fund and SPLOST will not generate enough money for a replacement. This is an alternative solution that is not funded by taxpayers, but only by those that use the services. Revenue will also come from the municipal court because the City and

County have an intergovernmental agreement. The plan is to use the funds for capital improvements and not staffing. It was shared that many of the equipment are initial items and can no longer be repaired because parts are not available. It was also clarified that the request is not to replace the general fund, but allow the funds to grow without utilizing it for some time. It was noted that the account can be used to obtain bonds. He emphasized that a new facility and equipment will be required and this is a proactive approach to not be a burden for taxpayers. Chief Ostrander said that in his opinion, an additional 10% will not be a significant impact [on individuals] because concerted efforts are being made to assist those not paying bonds. He added that the jail population has decreased over the year and individuals have been released on their recognizance, etc. The Chairman suggested that the Board have a tour of the Jail to understand the projected capital cost improvement needs.

Mr. McCoy reminded the Board that there will be a Finance Committee meeting immediately after the Work Session in Room 120. He clarified that the previous topic will not be on the agenda until after the tour and information will be provided to the Board.

Commissioner Edwards asked that Public Works provided a monthly update to the Board. Mr. Mathis addressed the Board and stated that most updates are focused on maintenance. The Chairman said that it was noted and that an update will be provided but it may not be monthly. Several Commissioners provided kudos to the graduating seniors and said Happy Mother's Day. Commissioner Gaines asked for the status of the retreat goals cost and time frame.

There being no further business to discuss the Commission the meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION

DRAFT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 1, 2023

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on May 1, 2023. Chairman Lorenzo Heard presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Russell Gray, Clinton Johnson, Ed Newsome and Anthony Jones. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, County Attorney Alex Shalishali, County Clerk Jawahn Ware, and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person and via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel.

After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by the Chairman, he called for approval of the minutes for the April 3rd Regular Meeting and April 10th Work Session.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Johnson, the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Chairman recognized Velvet Poole and Tee Taylor representing the City of Albany Parks and Recreation Department to provide an update on the recent The Freedom Run: 5K and Fun Race. It was shared that over 60 individuals ranging from ages 6 to 70 participated. The Commission was reminded of the remaining events leading up to the Juneteenth celebration. The Board provided compliments to the team supporting the events.

The Chairman recognized Sheriff's Office Captain Ted Thomas to provide an update on the 2022 Albany Dougherty Youth Unit (ADYU) Summer Program and request funding for the 2023 year. Sergeant Anthony Bell was present. Captain Thomas shared that the program's main focus will be on mental health. He added that this will be the 27th year of collaboration with the Sheriff's Office and the summer program will take place at Albany Middle School. Last year, 125 students participated, and the County donated \$10,000. Commissioner Gray suggested that funding be allocated annually in the Sheriff's office budget, earmarked for the program, or either utilize ARPA funds because of the mental health component. Commissioner Johnson asked Captain Thomas to meet with the Dougherty County Police Department and Albany Police Department to request that they have officers participating in the program. Mr. McCoy clarified that historically funding has been provided in the DATE (Drug Abuse Treatment Education) fund. Commissioner Johnson asked that \$15,000 be provided to help cover the cost of the program. Capt. Thomas shared that it was not planned to ask the City of Albany for funding this year because funding has not been provided in the past, except by an individual Commissioner, even considering that over 95% of participants are city residents. Commissioner Gaines asked that a tracking of the participant's success be provided.

The Chairman called for consideration to purchase furniture for the Tax/Tag Office from the State Contract Vendor, Advent Business Interiors (Leesburg, Ga) in the amount of \$36,924.76. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VI.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Johnson, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance of the bid for food services for the Dougherty County Jail from the lowest responsive and responsible proposer meeting specifications, Trinity Services Group (Oldsmar, Fl) in the amount of \$811,340, subject to the execution of the contract by the County Administrator. Funding will be provided in the General Fund.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Johnson, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 23-022 is entitled

A RESOLUTION
ENTITLED
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT
TO ACCEPT THE BID TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICES FOR THE
DOUGHERTY COUNTY JAIL FROM THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND
RESPONSIBLE VENDOR MEETING SPECIFICATIONS, TRINITY
SERVICES GROUP; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF
RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Chairman called for consideration of the unanimously approved recommendation from the Recreation Committee to develop the Putney Park multi-generational facility in the budgeted amount of \$983,000 and an operational budget of approximately \$30,000 annually. Funding is available in SPLOST VII. The operational budget will be funded by the Special Services District Budget. Chairman of the Recreation Committee Edwards addressed. Commissioner Edwards shared that the building is the main priority and the trails can wait.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Commissioner Newsome seconded the motion. Under discussion, Commissioner Gaines asked a question regarding the cost and designs which was addressed by Mr. David Maschke. He also shared how this process is better as compared to the morgue because this is not an arbitrary figure assigned. Methodology information was outlined. The motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance to fund the total fees with related expenses for architectural and engineering services for Putney Park multi-generational facility in the amount of \$93,000 from Maschke Associates, subject to the execution of the contract by the County Administrator. Funding is available in SPLOST VII.

County Administrator Michael McCoy and Architect David Maschke addressed. Mr. McCoy shared that in order to proceed, we need to pay the architect and plan for the economy of scale by bidding on the projects at the same time. There was a discussion regarding the County owning the plans.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Jones, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 23-023 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION
ENTITLED
A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL TO FUND TOTAL FEES
AND RELATED EXPENSES FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR PUTNEY PARK MULTI-
GENERATIONAL FACILITY AS PROPOSED BY MASCHKE
ASSOCIATES; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF
RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance and execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Marine Corps Logistics Base (MCLB) and the Albany Dougherty County Police Departments, Albany Fire Department and the Dougherty County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of providing Heightened Security Threat-Code Red/Blue Dart notifications. County Administrator Michael McCoy and Assistant Dougherty County Police Chief Tateshea Irving were present.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Johnson, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 23-024 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION
ENTITLED
A RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MARINE CORPS
LOGISTICS BASE AND ALBANY AND DOUGHERTY COUNTY POLICE
DEPARTMENTS, ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DOUGHERTY
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS
OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Mr. McCoy shared that the street light request was completed on Mockingbird. Commissioner Edwards asked for an email from the Jail on the population of the Dougherty County residents that are housed. He said that he would also like for bids to be put out in the future for architects. Commissioner Johnson mentioned the location of trails at Putney Park and provided a brief update from ACCG and on the recycling center reopening. Commissioner Gray shared an

update from ACCG noting that Commissioner Johnson was installed as the 2nd Vice Chairman. Commissioner Jones mentioned some announcements from ACCG that may positively impact the citizens of Dougherty County. Chairman Heard shared some highlights on the participation in the weekend events and the Coroner's upcoming "Swim For Life" event and asked in advance for support of this event.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

Board Of Commissioners

Dougherty County

Georgia



Proclamation

National Public Works Week Proclamation
May 21–27, 2023
“Connecting the World Through Public Works”

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the public health, high quality of life and well-being of the people of Dougherty County, Albany, Georgia; and,

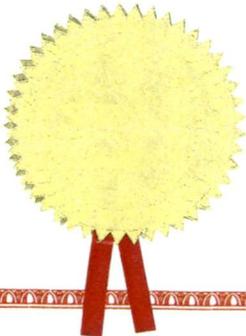
WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation’s transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders and children in Dougherty County, Albany, Georgia to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and,

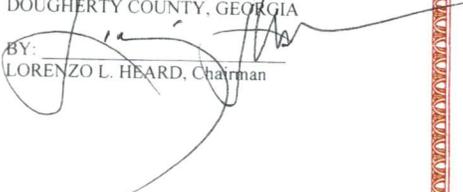
WHEREAS, the year 2023 marks the 63rd annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association be it now,

RESOLVED, I, Lorenzo L. Heard, Commission Chairman, do hereby designate the week May 21–27, 2023 as National Public Works Week; I urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and quality of life.

DONE at the Dougherty County, Albany, Georgia this 22nd day of May 2023.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA

BY: 
LORENZO L. HEARD, Chairman

Board Of Commissioners

Dougherty County
Georgia



Proclamation

- WHEREAS, emergency medical services are a vital public service; and
- WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and
- WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and
- WHEREAS, the emergency medical care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and
- WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and others; and
- WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and
- WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, we, the Board of Commissioners of Dougherty County, Georgia in recognition of this event does hereby proclaim the week of May 21-27, 2023 as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the County of Dougherty on this 22nd day of May in the year of our Lord two-thousand and twenty-three.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA

[Handwritten Signature]
Lorenzo L. Heard, Chairman

Board Of Commissioners
Dougherty County
Georgia



Proclamation

2023 DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA PROCLAMATION
DECLARING THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE TO BE
NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

This proclamation declares the first Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day in Dougherty County Georgia to honor and remember all victims and survivors of gun violence and to declare that we as a country must do more to end this public health crisis.

WHEREAS, every day, more than 120 Americans are killed by gun violence and more than 200 are shot and wounded, with an average of more than 17,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, in Georgia (state) has 1,868 gun deaths every year, with a rate of 17.4 deaths per 100,000 people, a crisis that costs the state \$23.9 billion each year, of which \$597.8 million is paid by taxpayers. Georgia has the 10th highest rate of gun deaths in the US; and

WHEREAS, gun violence prevention is more important than ever as we see an increase in firearm homicides, and nonfatal shootings across the country, increased calls to domestic violence hotlines, and an increase in city gun violence;

WHEREAS, in January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton was tragically shot and killed at age 15; and on June 2, 2023 to recognize the 26th birthday of Hadiya Pendleton (born: June 2, 1997), people across the United States will recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Day and wear orange in tribute to -

- (1) Hadiya Pendleton and other victims of gun violence; and
- (2) the loved ones of those victims; and

WHEREAS, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to wear orange on June 2nd, the first Friday in June in 2023, to help raise awareness about gun violence; and

WHEREAS, by wearing orange on June 2, 2023 Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the hands of people who should not have access to them, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our families and communities safe.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Dougherty County declares the first Friday in June 2, 2023, to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day. I encourage all citizens to support their local communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.

This the 22nd day of May, 2023.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA

BY:

LORENZO L. HEARD, Chairman

Board Of Commissioners

Dougherty County

Georgia



Proclamation

Mental Health Month 2023
"Look Around, Look Within"

WHEREAS, the area that someone lives in plays a significant role in their overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, surroundings can impact if, how, and when a person's needs are met, which in turn affects mental health; and

WHEREAS, having safe, stable, and healthy home conditions set the foundation for achieving and maintaining good mental health; and

WHEREAS, with early and effective interventions, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, with early and effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization, and citizen share the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

THEREFORE, I Lorenzo L. Heard, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as Mental Health Month in Dougherty County. As the Chairman, I also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools in Dougherty County to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions.

DONE at the Dougherty County, Albany, Georgia this 22nd day of May 2023.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA
BY: 
LORENZO L. HEARD, Chairman



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 19, 2023

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Dougherty County Solid Waste Management Team Members Place at Solid Waste Association's Equipment Road-E-O

DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GA – On May 17, 2023, two Dougherty County Solid Waste Management Team Members placed in the Solid Waste Association of North America Georgia Chapter's Equipment Road-E-O. **Melvin Williams placed Third in the Excavator Event and Julius Barber placed Third in the Rubber Tire Loader Event.**

An annual competition where solid waste operators from the state compete to showcase their skills on the different equipment utilized at landfills, the event this year was held at Knoxville Plantation in Musella, Georgia and had the largest field of competitors.

"I am impressed with Julius placing in this event, especially since this is only his second year as an operator and the majority of his competition had many more years of experience operating heavy equipment," said Campbell Smith, Director of Dougherty County Solid Waste Management. "It was a great event and Dougherty County had a strong showing with both of our operators placing."



Melvin Williams placed Third in the Excavator Event and Julius Barber placed Third in the Rubber Tire Loader Event.

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About Dougherty County, Georgia

Located in the heart of Southwest Georgia, Dougherty County is home to internationally recognized quail plantations, a university and technical college. Our mission is to improve the quality of life for all citizens by being accessible and good stewards of our resources, delivering cost-effective, responsive services with integrity, fairness, and friendliness. For more information, visit Dougherty.ga.us. Or, find us on Facebook at facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us or on Instagram and Twitter @1doughertycoga. Visit us at dougherty.ga.us.



222 Pine Avenue, Suite 540, Post Office Box 1827
Albany, Georgia 31702-1827

ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

Date of Application: April 18, 2023

New Applicant

Transfer of Ownership

INSTRUCTIONS: Every question must be answered, typewritten or printed legibly in ink. If the space provided is not sufficient, answer the question on a separate sheet and indicate in the space provided that a separate sheet is attached. When completed the application must be dated, signed and verified, under oath by the applicant and filed with the License Inspector, City of Albany, 240 Pine Ave, Ste 150, Albany, Georgia 31701. with all supporting documents and a money order, cashier's or certified check for the exact fee. **Please schedule an appointment with the Chief Licensing Inspector by calling 229-431-2118.** Appointments are scheduled Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Administrative Fee: \$50

Check Appropriate Block(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BEER, Consumption \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> WINE, Consumption \$350 | <input type="checkbox"/> LIQUOR, Package/Consumption \$2,000 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BEER, Package \$400 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WINE, Package \$350 | <input type="checkbox"/> LIQUOR, Wholesale \$3,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BEER, Brewers \$3,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> WINE, Manufacture \$1,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> PACKAGE-Liquor, Beer, and Wine \$2,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BEER, Wholesale \$750 | <input type="checkbox"/> WINE, Wholesale \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSUMPTION-Liquor, Beer and Wine \$2,500 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> LIQUOR, Manufacture \$3,000 |

CORPORATION NAME: JNKR Inc.			
TRADE NAME OF BUSINESS: Lotus			
BUSINESS ADDRESS: 1000 Liberty Expressway			BUSINESS PHONE:
CITY: Albany	STATE: Georgia	ZIP CODE: 31705	COUNTY IN WHICH BUSINESS IS LOCATED: Dougherty

MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM BUSINESS ADDRESS

MAILING ADDRESS: 161 Bud Ave.		
CITY: Leesburg	STATE: Georgia	ZIP CODE NUMBER: 31705
THIS APPLICATION IS FILED BY:		
<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE PROPRIETOR	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTNERSHIP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CORPORATION (Documents Required)
<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE CLUB (Documents Required)		

GENERAL INFORMATION LICENSEE

1. FULL NAME OF LICENSEE: Rushabh Bharat Patel			
ADDRESS OF LEGAL RESIDENCE: 161 Bud Dr.			
CITY: Leesburg	STATE: Georgia	ZIP CODE: 31763	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE: Lee
MOBILE PHONE: (229) 886-6854	EMAIL: 12rushabhpatel34@gmail.com	AGE: 21	
2. FULL NAME OF LICENSEE: Nikanth Bharat Patel			
ADDRESS OF LEGAL RESIDENCE: 161 Bud Dr.			
CITY: Leesburg	STATE: Georgia	ZIP CODE: 31763	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE: Lee
MOBILE PHONE: (229) 886-1284	EMAIL: patelni24@gmail.com	AGE: 26	

(A). If applicant resided at current residence less than 2 years list past address:

3. Manager/ Responsible Person Information (Agent): Managed by Applicant (Go to question #4)

Name: Onterral Martin Age: 32 Phone # (229) 603-2192
Address: 1916 Avalon Ave City: Albany State: Georgia Zip: 31707

CERTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT

I, Rushabh & Nikanth Patel the applicant of this alcohol application do hereby appoint the above agent who resides within the County of Dougherty, in the State of Georgia as my lawful and true manager/responsible person who conducts business for this establishment. This certification becomes a part of this application for the business known as Lotus at 1000 Liberty Expressway.

Agent Signature _____ Date _____ Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

4. List all Corporations or firms associated with this business or its principal officers and their percentages of ownership (attach list if necessary):

	Name	Address	Percentage
A	Rushabh Bharat Patel	161 Bud Drive, Lessburg, Ga. 31763	50%
B	Nikanth Bharat Patel	161 Bud Drive, Leesburg, Ga. 31763	50%
C			

5. List the owner of the property or the property manager & company who issued the lease (include address & phone number): Check one: Leased ___ # of Months Purchased/Owner

ZMS LLC., 2145 Duluth Hwy Ste. A Duluth, Ga 30097 (678) 665-8928

6. Has the applicant or any person listed in this application ever been convicted of any felony under federal or state law? YES ___ NO . If yes, please provide details for each instance.

7. Has the applicant or any person listed in this application ever been convicted of any violation of federal or state law or regulation respecting to the manufacture, possession or sale of alcoholic beverages or who has forfeited his or her bond to appear in court to answer charges for any such violations?

YES ___ NO . If yes, please provide details for each instance.

8. Have you ever been denied or had an alcohol license that has been revoked?

YES ___ NO . If yes give date, location, and reasons.

9. TYPE OF BUSINESS: (Check One)

- RESTAURANT
- PUB/TAVERN
- NIGHTCLUB/LOUNGE/BAR
- HOTEL/MOTEL
- PRIVATE CLUB (NON-PROFIT)

- CONVENIENCE/GROCERY STORE
- PACKAGE STORE
- MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY
- MUNICIPAL FACILITY
- OTHER (SPECIFY _____)

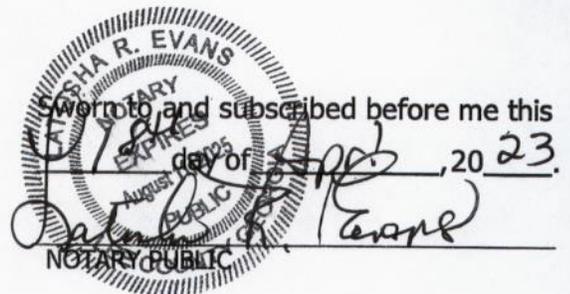
OATH

10. I, Rushabh & Nikanth Patel (The Applicant), being duly sworn according to law, do swear or affirm that the facts stated in the above application are true and correct. Further that any false information that I have provided and should have known to be false may lead this application to be denied or revoked if it is discovered at a later date. Notwithstanding having criminal charges brought against me for false statements. I will promptly notify the License Inspector of any changes to the above information. I have read, understand, and also agree to abide by the Ordinances for Dougherty County, and any State or Federal Laws or regulations governing the service or sale of alcoholic beverages. I further swear or affirm that this application is made in order to procure an alcoholic beverage license in Dougherty County, Georgia.

I am aware of the age requirement for the admittance to alcoholic establishments, Days and Hours of Sale, and the requirement for Alcoholic Beverage Handlers Cards. I further certify that my business meets the required specifications and qualifications for the type of business as indicated above.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT(S):

1. *R.B. Patel*
2. *W. R. ...*



OFFICE USE ONLY

PROXIMITIES (LEAVE BLANK IF A TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP):

A. Nearest School: 4500 + Feet From: Radium Spring Elementary, 2400 Roxanna Rd.
 (Must be greater than 300 ft. for beer and wine, 600 ft. for distilled spirits)

B. Nearest Church: 4500 + Feet From: Radium Spring Baptist, 2402 Roxanna Rd.
 (Must be greater than 300 ft.)

- C. Other Distances:
1. N/A _____ feet.
 (Distance between Bars, Nightclubs, Taverns, Lounges within 1,000 feet of this applied location.)
 2. N/A _____ feet.
 (If requested location is within 300 feet of Government owned or operated Alcohol Treatment Center.)
 3. N/A _____ feet.
 (If requested location is within 300 feet of any Housing Authority Property.)

D. Package Stores _____ feet from existing package store _____
 located at _____ (Must be greater than 1,500 ft.)

Is this location or has this location been licensed for alcohol? Yes No

If Yes, License Number: DA16-000002 Last Year Licensed: 2017

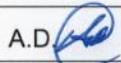
Business Name: M & M Food Mart

Licensee: Omnil Corporation

Lic. No. _____

Fee \$750.00

ABC Date 5/18/2023

Accepted by: A.D. 

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

New Construction

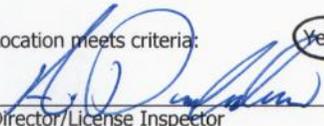
WORK SESSION DATE: May 22, 2023

REGULAR MEETING DATE: June 5, 2023

ZONING: C-1n DISTRICT: 6

Applicant(s) meet criteria: Yes No

Location meets criteria: Yes No

 5/3/2023
 Director/License Inspector Date

Recommendation: Approved Disapproved

 05-04-23
 Chief of Police/Designee Date

Remarks:

Approved Disapproved

COPY OF ADVERTISEMENT

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PACKAGED BEER & WINE LICENSE
 I, Rushabh & Nikanth Patel, trading as Lotus at 1000 Liberty Expressway, Albany, Georgia 31705, give notice that I have applied for an Alcohol License to be considered by the Dougherty County Commission at 10:00 am on June 5, 2023, at 222 Pine Ave., Room 100, Albany, GA 31701.
 Albany Herald Run Dates: April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2023.

COMMENTS:

Randolph County

Established in 1828

County Officers

Tony Thompson, Probate Judge
Eddie Fairbanks, Sheriff
Kay Arnold, Superior Court Clerk
Brooke Hixon, Tax Commissioner
Rusty Chapman, Coroner
Sarah Torbert, Magistrate Judge
John Taylor, Chief Appraiser
Glenda McDonald, Code Enforcement Officer
Darryl Warren, Building Maint. Supervisor
Arra Johnson, Road Superintendent

51 Court Street
Post Office Box 221
Cuthbert, Georgia 39840
Office 229-732-6440
Fax 229-732-2108

County Commissioners

Jeffery McCarter, Chairman
Lamar White, Vice-Chairman
Henry Davenport
Jonathan Smith
Wesley L. Williams
Dr. Deborah Jones, Co. Manager
Carlisa Cooper, County Clerk
Taryn Roberson, Finance Director
Marlon Coleman, Fire Chief/EMA Director
Todd Black, Elections Supervisor

Email Address: randolphgaclerk@gmail.com

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners is an Equal Opportunity Service Provider & Employer

May 15, 2023

Jawah Ware
County Clerk and Procurement Manager
222 Pine Avenue, Suite 540
Albany, GA 31701

Dear Ms. Ware

Randolph County Board of Commissioners is interested in purchasing Dougherty County's dump truck and ULV Machine as described below should Dougherty County decide to declare this piece of equipment as surplus:

Dump Truck

2011 Peterbilt Dump Truck
Vin# 1NP-SLOOX-9-BD113799
143,808 Miles
Tarp needs repair
\$10,000

ULV Machine

2017 Adapco Guardian 190 G4 ULV
machine
Vin# G4-1667
\$1200

Please let me know how we may proceed should it become available in the near future.

Sincerely,



Deborah Jones, Ph.D.
Randolph County - County Manager
Cell: 229-366-2210 - Office: 229-732-6440 Ext. 1000
randolphcountymanager@gmail.com

SPLOST VII
Budget Amendment Requests
5/22/2023

COUNTYWIDE COLLECTIONS AMENDMENT #1 - REVENUE SOURCE

	APPROVED BUDGET	ACTUAL COLLECTIONS	BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST
SPLOST COLLECTIONS	92,500,000.00	103,056,060.58	10,556,060.58
DOUGHERTY COUNTY'S 36%	33,300,000.00	37,100,181.81	3,800,181.81
CITY OF ALBANY'S 64%	59,200,000.00	65,955,878.77	6,755,878.77
TOTALS	92,500,000.00	103,056,060.58	10,556,060.58

DOUGHERTY COUNTY AMENDMENT #2 - REVENUE SOURCE

	APPROVED BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST
SPLOST COLLECTIONS GREATER THAN BUDGET	33,300,000	37,100,181.81	3,800,181.81
INTEREST EARNED	-	650,654.72	650,654.72
TOTAL DOUGHERTY COUNTY REVENUE BUDGET AMENDMENT	33,300,000.00	37,750,836.53	4,450,836.53

DOUGHERTY COUNTY AMENDMENT #3 - EXPENDITURE PROJECTS

	APPROVED BUDGET	Total Budget after Amendment	GOVERNMENT CENTER REQUEST	BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST
DOUGHERTY COUNTY SPLOST PROJECTS BUDGET	33,300,000	37,750,836.53		4,450,836.53
<u>New Project Approved by the Board of Commissioners & an Approval for a Budget Increase</u>				
Putney Park (NEW)	0	1,100,000.00		1,100,000.00
Morgue (Budget Increase)	450,000	1,450,000.00		1,000,000.00
<u>Current Project - request for a Budget increase</u>				
Government Center	2,500,000	3,455,000.00		955,000.00
---GOV CTR ADDITIONAL REQUEST			955,000.00	
<u>REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES REQUEST</u>				
Future Projects - TO BALANCE BUDGET	0	1,395,836.53		1,395,836.53
TOTAL DOUGHERTY COUNTY PROJECTS BUDGET INCREASE		7,400,836.53		4,450,836.53

**General Fund
Budget Amendment Request
5/22/2023**

General Fund Revenues Budget

Total Amended General Fund Revenues Budget \$ 58,981,694

---Transfer from American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Fund \$ 3,198,040

Total General Fund Expenditures Budget after Amendment \$ 62,179,734

General Fund Expenditures Budget

Total Amended General Fund Expenditures Budget \$ 58,981,694

Pay Study Implementation

--- General Fund Departments 2,970,776
FICA/Medicare 227,264
Retirement 297,078

Total Annualized Cost of Adjustments plus Benefits 3,198,040 \$ 3,198,040

Total General Fund Expenditures Budget after Amendment \$ 62,179,734

**Special Services District
Budget Amendment Request
5/22/2023**

Special Services District Revenues Budget

Total Approved Revenues Budget - June 27, 2022	\$	8,991,928
---Transfer from American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Fund	\$	221,362
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Total Special Services District Revenues Budget after Amendment	\$	9,213,290

Special Services District Expenditures Budget

Total Approved Expenditures Budget - June 27, 2022	\$	8,991,928
Pay Study Implementation		
--- SSD Fund	188,153	
--- Benefits	<u>33,209</u>	
Total Annualized Cost of Adjustments plus Benefits	<u>221,362</u>	\$ 221,362
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Total Special Services District Fund Expenditures Budget after Amendment	\$	9,213,290