

City of Norcross

*65 Lawrenceville Street
Norcross, GA 30071*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Mayor and Council

Mayor Craig Newton

Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Gaynor

Councilmember Andrew Hixson

Councilmember Josh Bare

Councilmember Matt Myers

Councilmember Dr. Arlene Beckles

- A. Call to Order by Mayor Craig Newton
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
- D. Roll Call (recorded)

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Craig Newton	Mayor	Present	
Bruce Gaynor	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Andrew Hixson	Councilmember	Present	
Josh Bare	Councilmember	Present	
Matt Myers	Councilmember	Present	
Dr. Arlene Beckles	Councilmember	Present	

Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM by Mayor Craig Newton

- E. Presentation of previous meetings minutes for acceptance
- 23-6638: Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Motion

A motion to Approve the December 5th Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the December 19th Policy Work Session and Executive Session.

Mayor and Council - Regular Meeting - Dec 5, 2022 6:30 PM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Arlene Beckles, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

Policy Work Session - Policy Work Session - Dec 19, 2022 6:30 PM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Arlene Beckles, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

- F. Ceremonial Presentations, Recognitions, and Swearing in Ceremonies
- 23-6635: Appointment of Mayor Pro Tempore for 2023**

Motion

A motion to Approve Councilmember Bruce Gaynor as Mayor Pro Tempore for 2023.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

G. Floor Open to Citizens Desiring to Address the Governing Authority

a. Comments by Citizens

- Jim Eyre - Comments pertaining to Public Hearing Item 22-6620 with a suggestion to table items to allow time for staff to further massage certain language in the ordinance.
- Kathleen Allen - Comments pertaining to "Coin Operated Amusement Machines" located at 113 S Peachtree St, Norcross
- Peter Hasson - Comments regarding Police Department complaint

b. Comments by Council

c. Comments by City Manager

- Staff Appreciation
- IGA Joint Funding Projects - Reimbursements from the County

PH. Public Hearings

PH. 22-6620: TEXT2022-004 Consideration of Changes to Chapter 200, Article III, Parking and Loading, Section 203

Motion

A motion to Approve the attached changes to Chapter 200, Article III, Parking and Loading, Section 203, omitting section 203.3, with the following enacting clause:

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Norcross, Georgia, hereby ordains that the adopted Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as more particularly set forth below. It is the intention of the Mayor and City Council, and it is hereby ordained that the following provisions shall become and be made a part of the Code of the City of Norcross, and the Sections in the Code in the Ordinance be numbered to accomplish that intention.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Bruce Gaynor, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

I. Reports of the Mayor and Councilmembers

A. General Announcements

JANUARY 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

First Friday Concert: Grains of Sand

Friday, January 6 | 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. | Cultural Arts & Community Center

Movie Monday: Top Gun Maverick

Monday, January 9 | 1:30 & 6:30 p.m. | Cultural Arts & Community Center

City Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observance

Monday, January 16 | Sanitation & Recycling Services will not be affected.

Coffee With Council

Saturday, January 14 | 8:00 a.m. | 45 South Café

Policy Work Session

Tuesday, January 17 | 6:30 p.m. | City Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

Movie Monday: Under the Stadium Lights

Monday, January 23 | 1:30 & 6:30 p.m. | Cultural Arts & Community Center

First Friday Concert: Myles Brown Band

Friday, February 3 | 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. | Cultural Arts & Community Center

Norcross City Cemetery Tour

Sunday, February 5 | 2:00 p.m. | Norcross City Cemetery

Coming Up in February:

Feb 10 | Valentine's Father/Daughter Dance

Feb 11 | Valentine's Night to Remember

Feb 13 | Movie Monday: Marry Me

Feb 27 | Movie Monday: Here Today

J. Board Appointments

23-6636: Board Appointment - Zoning Board of Appeals

Motion

A motion to Approve the appointment of the following board members and terms as presented:

Zoning Board of Appeals

David Grayson - June 1, 2026

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

22-6637 : Board Appointment - LCI/Comp Plan Steering Committee

Motion

A motion to Approve the appointment of the following board members and terms as presented:

LCI/Comp Plan Steering Committee:

[12/11/22 Updated Recommendation Steering Committee Appointees](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Arlene Beckles, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Bruce Gaynor, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

K. Set agenda as presented for scheduled meeting.

23-6639: Acceptance of the Agenda

Motion

A motion to Accept the Agenda as Presented with the following items being moved to discussion:

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Arlene Beckles, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

L. Approval of Consent Agenda

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

1. 22-6631: Norcross Historic Cemetery

Motion

A motion to Approve staff to proceed with the application for registration of the Historic Norcross Cemetery as a Georgia Historic Landmark.

2. 22-6625: Fixing and Publishing of Qualification Fees

Motion

A motion to fix and publish the qualification fees for the 2023 Election cycle as presented.

3. 22-6629: 2023 Mayor and Council Meeting Calendar Review

Motion

A motion to Approve the 2023 Mayor and Council Meeting Calendar and postpone the July 3, 2023, Council Meeting to Monday, July 10, 2023, in observance of the Red, White, and Boom celebration.

4. 22-6634: Georgia Department of Natural Resource EPD RWD Grant Contract Execution

Motion

A motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the attached agreement, following legal review, with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources for their waste diversion grant so that Norcross can hold a household hazardous waste event in 2023.

M. Items for Discussion**1. 22-6630: Lighting Services**

Motion

A motion to Approve staff to proceed with a Request for Proposals for city wide Lighting and Decorations Installations and Maintenance services.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Josh Bare, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

2. 22-6633: Stevens Road Contracts for Real Estate Acquisitions

Motion

A motion to Approve land acquisition on Stevens Road.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Matt Myers, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Arlene Beckles, Councilmember
AYES:	Myers, Hixson, Bare, Gaynor, Beckles

N. Adjourn in memory of

O. Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel, Real Estate or Legal

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM with a motion by Councilmember Bare, seconded by Councilmember Beckles.

P. Signed by _____ Mayor Craig Newton

Q. Attest: _____ Monique Lang, City Clerk

12/11/22 Updated Recommendation Steering Committee Appointees

Board Members

Mayor and Council TBD

Kathleen Allen	NDA
Marshall Cheek	P&Z Board
Bob Evelyn	SNC
Bob Grossman	NPAC
Lauren Summers	DDA

Downtown/West Norcross

Residents

Sandy Bui
Layla Gunn
JT Wu

Business/Organizations

Ralph White – 45 South Cafe
Kevin Hill –Crowne Plaza

East Norcross

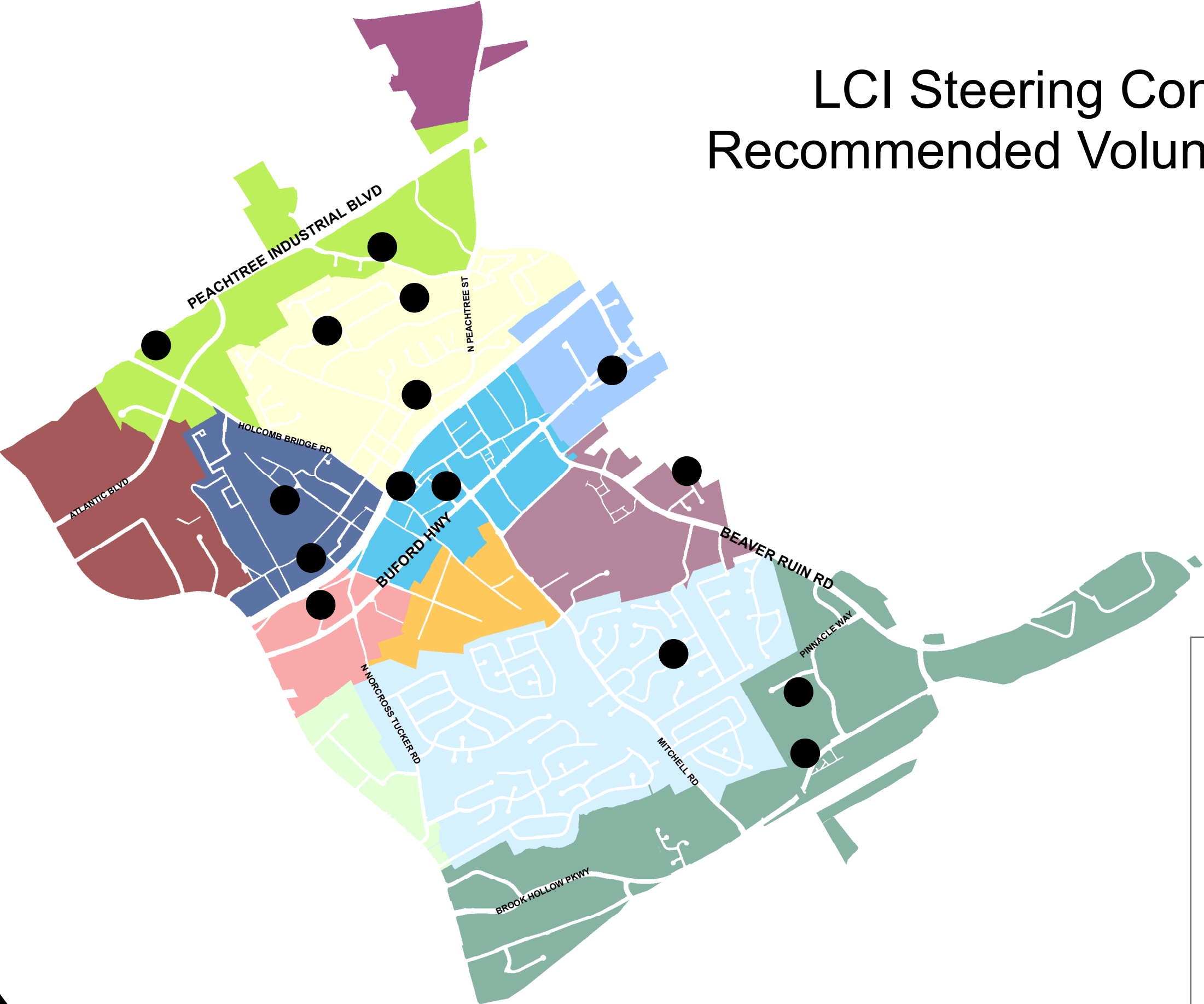
Residents

Tameka Black
Tanya Gilmer
Troy Newland

Business/Organization

Maria Okpeh—Nia Soule Salon
Ryan Jones—Neighborhood Cooperative Ministries

LCI Steering Committee Recommended Volunteers (New)



Legend

1- Atlantic/Peachtree Industrial Blvd

2- Medlock/Peachtree Industrial Blvd

3- Pinckneyville

4- North Peachtree St Neighborhoods

5- Hopewell Woods

6- Buford Hwy/Jimmy Carter Blvd Activity Center

7- Town Center

8- Langford Rd Industrial Center

9- Summerour

10- South Cemetery St

11- Jimmy Carter/N Norcross Tucker Activity Center

12- South Norcross Neighborhoods

13- I-85 Activity Center

Recommended Volunteers (New)



Map created by the City of Norcross Community Development and Planing Department