

City of Norcross

*65 Lawrenceville Street
Norcross, GA 30071*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Mayor and Council

Mayor Craig Newton

Mayor Pro Tem Josh Bare

Councilmember Andrew Hixson

Councilmember Matt Myers

Councilmember Bruce Gaynor

Councilmember 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	
Josh Bare	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Andrew Hixson	Councilmember	Present	
Matt Myers	Councilmember	Present	
Bruce Gaynor	Councilmember	Present	
Arlene Beckles	Councilmember	Present	

Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Craig Newton

- E. Presentation of previous meetings minutes for acceptance

21-6220: Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion

A motion to Approve the April 9th Mayor and Council Retreat, May 21st Mayor and Council Budget Retreat, June 1st Special Called Meeting, June 7th Regular Council Meeting Minutes and Executive Session and the July 21st Policy Work Session and Executive Session.

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

Mayor and Council Retreat - Special Meeting - Apr 9, 2021 8:30 AM

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

Mayor and Council Retreat - Special Meeting - May 21, 2021 8:30 AM

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

Special Called Meeting - Special Meeting - Jun 1, 2021 6:30 PM

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

Mayor and Council - Regular Meeting - Jun 7, 2021 6:30 PM

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

Policy Work Session - Regular Meeting - Jun 21, 2021 6:30 PM

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

F. Set agenda as presented for scheduled meeting.**21-6221: Acceptance of the Agenda****Motion**

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

21-6195: Change to Downtown Dining District Ordinance

21-6163: Norcross Logo Installation

21-6190: Purchase of Six (6) Ford Police Interceptor SUVs

21-6208: Residential Demolition Moratorium

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

G. Ceremonial Presentations, Recognitions, and Swearing in Ceremonies**H. Floor Open to Citizens Desiring to Address the Governing Authority**

- a. Comments by Citizens
- b. Comments by Council
- c. Comments by City Manager

PH. Public Hearings**J. Reports of the Mayor and Councilmembers**

- a. General Announcements

JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**Norcross Community Market**

Wednesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. in Skin Alley

Shoppers may continue to place orders at NCMonlinestore.com for contactless pickup and preorders.

Summer Concert Series: No Limits

Friday, July 9 | 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Thrasher Park

Coffee with Council

Saturday, July 17 | 8 a.m. | 45 South Cafe

Jazz in the Alley: Canelita Sabrosa

Saturday, July 17 | 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Betty Mauldin Park

Summer Concert Series: Electric Avenue

Friday, July 23 | 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Thrasher Park

Coming Up in August:

Summer Concert Series: A1A - Aug 6

Jazz in the Alley: Maiesha McQueen & Anonymous da Band - Aug 14

Summer Concert Series: The Bee Gees Gold Tribute Band - Aug 20

Indie Green Festival - Aug 21

Bluesberry Beer & Music Festival - Aug 21

K. Board Appointments**21-6206: Board Appointment - Parks, Green Spaces, and Trails Commission**

Motion

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

Parks, Green Spaces, and Trails Commission

Joseph Weber 12/1/2026

Kassie Diehl 12/1/2026

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

L. Approval of Consent Agenda

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

1. 21-6193: American Rescue Plan Act – Small Business Assistance

Motion

A motion to Approve the creation of the American Rescue Plan Advisory Committee and to appoint the following nominees as presented:

Norwood Davis

Sophie Gibson

Kathleen Allen

Dick Kohlhausen

Troy Newland

Alvera Crittendon

Carolee Smith

Tim Moresco

Sam Rauschenberg

Rocky Gibson

Elaine Puckett

Pat Eidt

2. 21-6153: IT Department Sale of Surplus Items

Motion

A motion to Approve a recommendation to donate the IT Surplus Equipment to the non-profit entity Next Generation Focus.

3. 21-6191: Text Amendment to ARTICLE IX, Sec. 8-321 - Food Trucks

Motion

A motion to Approve a text amendment to the Norcross Code of Ordinances, Article IX, Temporary Outdoor Activity and Retail Sales Display, Sec 8-320 and Sec 8-321, 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 renumbered to accomplish that intention.

4. 21-6192: Proposed Fee Increases for Community Development

Motion

A motion to Approve the proposed fee increases from the attached fee schedule for Community Development effective 9/1/2021.

5. 21-6194: IGA with Gwinnett County Board of Voter Registration and Elections for Use of Election Equipment

Motion

A motion to Approve an agreement with the Gwinnett County Board of Registrations and Elections, outlining each party's duties and obligations for the use of election equipment.

M. Items for Discussion**1. 21-6195: Change to Downtown Dining District Ordinance**

Motion

A motion to Approve an amendment to the city code of ordinances, article ii of chapter 4 entitled "malt beverages, wine and distilled spirits," to amend code section 4-29 entitled "definitions," to amend subparagraph (a) of code section 4-42 entitled "consumption on the premises"; to add a new section 4-57 entitled "bars"; to add a new section 4-58 entitled "reporting of disciplinary actions," to repeal conflicting ordinances; to provide for an effective date, and for other purposes as stated herein, 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 renumbered to accomplish that intention.

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

2. 21-6163: Norcross Logo Installation

Motion

A motion to Accept the offer of a sign donated by the Brunswick and to direct the Norcross Public Arts Commission to finalize an artistic design based on community values as presented.

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

3. 21-6190: Purchase of Six (6) Ford Police Interceptor SUVs

Motion

A motion to Approve a request from the Norcross Police Department to purchase six (6) 2021 Ford Police Interceptor SUV (Explorers) and required equipment.

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

4. 21-6208: Residential Demolition Moratorium

Motion

A motion to Approve a demolition moratorium on all residential properties through September 7, 2021, excluding Court ordered demolitions.

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

N. Adjourn in memory of Terri Welch**21-6207: Proclamation Celebrating the Life of Terri Welch**

RESULT:	PRESENTED BY MAYOR CRAIG NEWTON
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O. Adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel, Real Estate or Legal

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM with a motion by Councilmember Hixson and seconded by Councilmember Gaynor.

P. Signed by: _____ Mayor Craig Newton

Q. Attest: _____ Monique Lang, City Clerk