

City of Norcross

65 Lawrenceville Street
Norcross, GA 30071



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

6:30 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

Norcross Public Arts Commission

Chair Elizabeth Simpson

Board Member Yamily Mijes-O'Reilly

Board Member Nicole Morgan

Board Member Robert Forro

Board Member Jacques Murphy

Board Member Michael MacManus

A. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Elizabeth Simpson	Chair	Present	
Yamily Mijes-O'Reilly	Board Member	Absent	
Nicole Morgan	Board Member	Present	
Robert Forro	Board Member	Absent	
Jacques Murphy	Board Member	Present	
Michael MacManus	Board Member	Present	

The NPAC meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by Chair Elizabeth Simpson

B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**1. Norcross Public Arts Commission - Visioning Session - Feb 13, 2025, 5:00 PM**

RESULT:	TABLED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Michael MacManus, Board Member
SECONDER:	Jacques Murphy, Board Member
AYES:	Elizabeth Simpson, Nicole Morgan, Jacques Murphy, Michael MacManus
ABSENT:	Yamily Mijes-O'Reilly, Robert Forro

C. Citizen Input

Additional Guests:

Tracy, Norcross Gallery & Studios

DaVida Cole, Resident and member of Zoning Board of Appeals

D. Treasurer's Report

No updates to report.

E. Board Updates**a. Visioning Session Review**

Conversation regarding the Visioning Session's gains and learnings. Conversation centered on the priority items from the 30-60-90 day goals.

F. Council Updates

Liz gave a review of the most recent Norcross City Council meeting. She presented an update on NPAC to the City. They were pleased and did not have many questions.

G. Returning Agenda Items**1. 25-7235: Wooden Fence by the Crossing (Dumpster Enclosure)**

Conversation about what could be the art? It could be a "lover's lane" rendering or a "natural blend to match the surrounding foliage." Shayla reviewed the process with the Board regarding what we've previously submitted to City Council.

RESULT:	THIS MATTER WAS REFERRED TO
	Next: 3/25/2025 6:30 PM
TO:	Norcross Public Arts Commission

2. 25-7252: Scavenger Hunt

Discussion tabled.

RESULT:	TABLED SENT TO [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 4/22/2025 6:30 PM
TO:	Norcross Public Arts Commission
MOVER:	Jacques Murphy, Board Member
SECONDER:	Nicole Morgan, Board Member
AYES:	Elizabeth Simpson, Nicole Morgan, Jacques Murphy, Michael MacManus
ABSENT:	Yamily Mijes-O'Reilly, Robert Forro

3. 25-7236: Location Identification by Zones

Conversations regarding the zoning maps and the assignments of each person. Notice zones 4, 7 are residential. We don't want to compete with commercial signage. We'd like to highlight the area connected to Jimmy Carter. At this time the "South Side" is on hold. Some crosswalks are being reviewed. It seems Council Members Bruce and Matt are connected to the 'children's crosswalk.' Members must consider if we want to be involved in that.

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4. 25-7237: Community Mural - Wall by Lowes

Conversation regarding the possibility of putting art work on this wall. NPAC members have driven this area and noted the wall cannot be easily seen while driving by the area. There are questions about the value of putting art on this wall. NPAC Board needs to visit this area.

RESULT:	TABLED SENT TO [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 6/24/2025 6:30 PM
TO:	Norcross Public Arts Commission
MOVER:	Michael MacManus, Board Member
SECONDER:	Jacques Murphy, Board Member
AYES:	Elizabeth Simpson, Nicole Morgan, Jacques Murphy, Michael MacManus
ABSENT:	Yamily Mijes-O'Reilly, Robert Forro

5. 25-7238: Maintenance of Metal Sculpture "Grasshopper"

The City Council has specifically asked for metal sculptures to be returned to their installation 'newness' look. The artist for this sculpture should be contacted and asked if they will perform maintenance or if there are directions on how to return the sculpture to its look at the time of installation.

RESULT:	THIS MATTER WAS REFERRED TO
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6. 25-7239: Maintenance of Metal Sculpture "George"

Refer to discussion notes from item G (5).

RESULT: THIS MATTER WAS REFERRED TO

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TO: Norcross Public Arts Commission

H. New Agenda Items**1. 25-7251: Norcross Forever Stamp Program**

Information provided regarding vinyl wrapping boxes. This is a product which sticks to a surface and will last 7-8 years. Details include:

\$150/design

If the organization completes the design the charge is \$100/hour

Materials for 3X4 is ~\$96

Lamination is \$96

Installation is ~\$75 +2.50/foot

Approximate total is \$400.

NPAC needs help to consider the difference between signal (traffic light) boxes and power boxes. Perhaps contacting Gwinnett County?

These (appropriate) boxes need to be measured so art work can be properly designed and installation will be appropriate.

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I. Additional Input/Discussion Not Otherwise Addressed by this Agenda

- Need to have an artist directory so we can contact artists directly.
- Does the city have an established repository for funds? Learn about raising money, applying for grants bridging the public and private sector. TASK: Jacques is doing some research.

J. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM with a motion to adjourn made by Liz, seconded by Mike.

K. Signed By: _____ Elizabeth Simpson, Chair

L. Attested By: _____ Shayla Alexis, Deputy City Clerk