

City of Norcross

65 Lawrenceville Street
Norcross, GA 30071



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 3, 2017

6:00 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

Norcross Downtown Development Authority

Chair John Bemis

Board Member Rob Girard

Board Member Laura Hester

Board Member Dan Watch

Board Member Avery Wood

Board Member Michael Delaney

A. Call to Order

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Bemis	Chair	Present	
Rob Girard	Board Member	Present	
Laura Hester	Board Member	Present	
Dan Watch	Board Member	Present	
Avery Wood	Board Member	Present	
Michael Delaney	Board Member	Excused	

Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair John Bemis

B. Presentation of previous meetings minutes for acceptance and acceptance of the agenda as presented for scheduled meeting.**a. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

R. Girard makes the motion to approve the minutes as written D. Watch seconds the motion.
Unanimous

b. Citizen Input

None

C. Board General Updates**A. New Business - J. Bemis**

1. Adjourn to Executive Session - Real Estate and Personnel. Motion to move into Executive Session made by R. Girard and seconded by A. Wood. Unanimous @ 6:19 p.m.

2. Adjourn from Executive Session - Motion made by A. Wood and seconded by L. Hester. Unanimous @ 8:39 p.m.

B. Old Business

None

D. Treasurer's Report Update - Rob Girard**A. New Business**

1. Art Splash T Shirt Sponsorship - The DDA sponsorship \$140.00 was added to the Tour of Homes sponsorship

2. DCA Loan renewal application process - The DCA has dissolved the entity Norcross Propertieis LLC. The remainder of a loan is approximately \$22,000.00. L. Hester would like to speak with Skip Nau or anyone that was on the DDA back in 2007-08. J. Bemis requests C. Kitchen to go back to the May-August 2008 minutes to locate the information about the loan.

B. Old Business

None

E. Council Update - J. Bare**A. New Business**

J/ Bare feels that people really want to be part of a thriving community. With some residents opposed to change - how to work with them when change is inevitable.

B. Old Business

None

F. Economic Development Report - Chris Moder**A. New Business - Chris Moder**

1. The demolition cost for the demolition of Sprouts Daycare on Bostic St. and the Nam building is approximately \$50,000.

2. Business Listening Sessions - C. Moder felt that they got some helpful feedback from the downtown merchants. The attendance from the Business Community as a whole was low.

B. Old Business

None

G. Economic Development/DDA Coordinator - Tara Smith**A. New Business**

None

B. Old Business

Recap of the Business Listening Sessions - Foot Traffic is a major concern for the downtown merchants. Another concern is the power quality in downtown.

H. Downtown Manager's Report - Cate Kitchen**A. New Business**

1. Farmhouse is trying to reapply for a license under the Ordinance "Specialty Wine Shop."

B. Old Business

None

I. Adjourn

The meeting was closed at 9:11 PM