

# Pre-Council Meeting – Final MAYOR AND COUNCIL



Derek Norton, Mayor  
Tim Gould, Mayor Pro Tem (Ward 6)  
Glenn Pickens (Ward 1)  
Latonia P. Hines (Ward 2)  
Travis Lindley (Ward 3)  
Charles “Corkey” Welch (Ward 4)  
Susan Wilkinson (Ward 5)  
Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr. (Ward 7)

A. Max Bacon City Hall  
Administration Conference Room  
2800 King Street  
Smyrna, GA 30080

City Attorney Scott Cochran  
City Administrator Joseph Bennett  
City Clerk Heather K. Peacon-Corn

**August 12, 2024  
6:30 PM**

## 1. Roll Call

**Present:** 8 – Mayor Derek Norton, Councilmember Glenn Pickens, Councilmember Latonia P. Hines (attended by phone at 6:39 PM), Councilmember Travis Lindley, Councilmember Charles Welch, Councilmember Susan Wilkinson, Mayor Pro Tem / Councilmember Tim Gould, Councilmember Rickey N. Oglesby, Jr.

**Also Present:** 1 – Scott Cochran and Judge Tom Cauthorn

**Staff:** 5 – Joe Bennett, Jill Head, Russell Martin, Eric Randall, Joey Staubes

## 2. Call to Order

Mayor Derek Norton called to order the August 12, 2024 Pre-Council Meeting held at A. Max Bacon City Hall in the Administration Conference Room at 6:33 PM.

## 3. Review of Current M&C Agenda

**PRE2024-021** Review of the August 12, 2024 Mayor and Council Meeting Notice and Agenda

Mayor Derek Norton reviewed the August 12, 2024 Mayor and Council agenda.

**RES2024-010:** Councilmember Wilkinson asked when payments start for the bonds. Joe Bennett, City Administrator, answered they start in four years in 2028. The last payment would be in 2038 if a developer does not purchase before then.

**RFQ25-001:** Mr. Bennett explained that crews began deconstruction of the old storage building in order to begin work on the surface parking lot. What was discovered is that it is a metal building. That building can be moved to Public Works to house equipment. Disassembling and reassembling will only be \$58K compared to building a new building at an estimated cost of \$270K. It will be a huge cost savings.

Mayor Norton discussed how the appeals process will proceed.

**4. Other Business / Staff Comment**

Councilmember Oglesby – yesterday they celebrated Smyrna Elite. He mentioned an 11-year-old national champion who jumped 17' for the long jump. She attends Whitfield currently and will likely attend Campbell High School.

Councilmember Hines – Smyrna is hosting the CMA meeting tomorrow evening. Mayor Norton and Mayor Pro Tem Gould may be able to attend for the introduction.

Mayor Norton – introduced the “Mayor of the Day” Jiselle Willis, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader at St. Benedict’s Episcopal School. She plays piano, sings, and plays soccer and gymnastics.

**5. Executive Session (As Needed)**

**6. Adjournment**

Mayor Derek Norton adjourned the August 12, 2024 Pre-Council Meeting at 6:46 PM.

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**THIS MEETING WAS PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NOTICING STANDARDS AS OUTLINED IN O.C.G.A. 50-14-3:**  
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City Hall, 2800 King Street SE, Notice Boards