

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DIRECTORS MEETING  
CITY OF SNELLVILLE, GA  
MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Members: Jamey Toney, Emmett Clower, Norman Carter, Don Britt, Rafiq Ukani, and Deborah Jones were present. Dan LeClair was absent.

Guests: Jan Harris, Downtown Development Director; Angie Strickland, Cobblestone Office Park Property Manager; Mayor Barbara Bender, Joe Wibbenmeyer, and Tricia Rawlins were present.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Don Britt called the November 19, 2025 regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority of Snellville to order with a quorum present.

II. MINUTES

A. MOTION: A motion to approve the October 22, 2025 Special Called Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Clower and seconded by Mr. Carter. Mr. Ukani found an error in the record giving him credit for seconding the motion to adjourn when he was absent. The motion should read motion by Mr. Toney and second by Mr. Carter. The motion was withdrawn and a second motion was made to approve the corrected meeting minutes was made by Mr. Toney, and seconded by Mr. Clower. Six (6) in favor and zero (0) opposed. The motion carried.

III. REPORTS

- A. Financial Report: Ms. Harris reviewed the financial report with the board who received it as information.
- B. Cobblestone: Ms. Strickland reviewed her report with the board who received it as information.
- C. The Grove Report: Ms. Harris reported that Crooked Can held its soft opening on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> which was well attended. She reported that six of the restaurants in the Crooked Can Food Hall are actively working to complete all build-out projects in preparation for opening with one forecast to open as early as the first week of December. The Grove Taqueria and Dumpling Master should be opening in the next few weeks and work continues inside Parkside at the Grove. Ms. Harris reported that the occupancy rate of The Tomlin continues to increase. One final special event is scheduled for 2025 in The Grove: the Santa's in the Grove event will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 1-3 p.m., with an option to remain until 4 p.m. should children still want to see Santa. Ms. Harris reported that she meets monthly with both the landscape team from Landscape Associates and the porter team from Contact Group, LLC. She meets quarterly with Jarvis Tree Experts who oversee the health of the tree

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save area. When the restaurants are open in the food hall and throughout The Grove, she will hold monthly meetings with these managers to share information.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to be brought before the board of directors.

V. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at 4 p.m. in City Hall.



VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tricia Rawlins informed the board that she'd witnessed people walking in The Grove smoking marijuana and also had smelled it while in her vehicle on both Oak Road and Wisteria Road. She also asked about the unfinished coffee shop located on North Main Street. Mayor Bender informed her that Gwinnett County has released the plans and that the project was progressing.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 5.10 p.m. was made by Mr. Clower and seconded by Mr. Toney. Six (6) in favor and zero (0) opposed. The motion carried.

Approved with correction.

 Downtown Development Authority, Chair	 Secretary Vice President
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