



# LAWRENCEVILLE

## GEORGIA

### CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALL MINUTES

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Wednesday, January 15, 2025  
4:40 PM

Council Chambers  
70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

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#### **Call to Order**

PRESENT

Mayor David Still

Council Member Bruce Johnson

Mayor Pro-Tem Victoria Jones

Council Member Austin Thompson

Council Member Marlene Taylor-Crawford

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda as presented made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

#### **Council Business**

There is no public comment during this section of the agenda unless formally requested by the Mayor and the Council.

1. Ordinance to Set and Publish Qualifying Fees for 2025 / Ordenanza para establecer y publicar tarifas de calificación para 2025

Karen Pierce, City Clerk presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to Approve Ordinance to Set and Publish Qualifying Fees for 2025/Ordenanza para establecer y publicar tarifas de calificación para 2025 with changes presented made by Council Member Taylor-Crawford, Seconded by Council Member Thompson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

2. Resolution to include Lawrenceville municipal boundaries as part of the Gwinnett County multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan

Karen Pierce, City Clerk presented this item and answered questions from Council.  
Motion to Approve Resolution to include Lawrenceville municipal boundaries as part of the Gwinnett County multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan made by Council Member Johnson, Seconded by Council Member Thompson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

3. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Aurora Theatre to Reduce Lease Payment for 2024

Chuck Warbington, City Manager presented this item and answered questions from Council.  
Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Aurora Theatre to Reduce Lease Payment for 2024 with the authorization of Chuck Warbington, City Manager to execute made by Council Member Johnson, Seconded by Council Member Taylor-Crawford.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

4. Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Downtown Development Authority for Grizzly Parkway Remnant Parcels

Barry Mock, Assistant City Manager, presented this item and answered questions from Council.

Motion to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Downtown Development Authority for Grizzly Parkway Remnant Parcels with the authorization for Mayor Still to execute agreement with the review by the City Attorney made by Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

### **Final Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn Special Call made by Council Member Thompson, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Still, Council Member Johnson, Mayor Pro-Tem Jones, Council Member Thompson, Council Member Taylor-Crawford

### **Minute Signatures**

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David R. Still, Mayor

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Karen Pierce, City Clerk

**ORDINANCE ADM-ORD-2025-1**

**2025 ELECTION – APPOINTMENTS/QUALIFYING DATES & FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the regularly scheduled municipal election for the City of Lawrenceville is scheduled for November 4, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of offices for; Post 3, currently held by Council Member Austin Thompson; and Post 4 currently held by Council Member Marlene Taylor-Crawford will end on January 1, 2025 and their successors are required to be elected in the municipal election scheduled for November 4, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the City Council to fix and publish the qualifying fees for these offices and to make other provisions for the municipal election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Municipal Election Code requires that the Mayor and Council appoint certain officials prior to the election scheduled for November 4, 2025, including, but not limited to, properly publishing a public notice to notify the public of said election. The City Clerk and/or the Election Superintendent shall take such other actions as necessary and appropriate to make certain that the election is conducted in accordance with, and in conformity with, the laws of the State of Georgia, the Lawrenceville City Charter, and Lawrenceville Ordinances.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Lawrenceville hereby ordains that City Clerk Karen Pierce is hereby appointed to the position of Municipal Superintendent; the Gwinnett Board of Registration and Election is hereby appointed as Chief Registrar. The Assistant Superintendent and Absentee Ballot Clerk, Assistant Absentee Ballot Clerk, Poll Manager and Assistant Poll Manager and Poll Workers to be appointed by the Superintendent of Elections at a later date.

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE FURTHER ORDAINS** that all persons desiring to run for the offices of City Council Members shall qualify in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Lawrenceville located at 70 South Clayton Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and ending at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The office will be closed each day between 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm. Those who desire to run for the position of Mayor & Council Member shall pay a qualifying fee of \$378.00 for City Council. When qualifying, the candidate shall designate whether they seek the position of Mayor & Council member presently held by the incumbents; Austin Thompson (Post 3), or Marlene Taylor-Crawford (Post 4). All qualifying fees shall be paid at the time of qualifying and shall be paid by cash or check.

**IT IS SO ORDERED** this 15 day of January 2025.



David R. Still, Mayor

Attest:



Karen Pierce, City Clerk

**ORDENANZA ADM-ORD-2025-1**

**ELECCIÓN 2025 – NOMBRAMIENTOS/FECHAS DE CALIFICACIÓN Y TARIFAS**

**CONSIDERANDO**, que las elecciones municipales programadas regularmente para la ciudad de Lawrenceville están programadas para el 4 de noviembre de 2025; y

**CONSIDERANDO**, que los mandatos de; alcalde, puesto 1, actualmente ocupado por el concejal Glenn Martin; y puesto 2 actualmente ocupado por la concejal Victoria Jones terminan el 1 de enero de 2025 y se requiere que sus sucesores sean elegidos en las elecciones municipales programadas para el 4 de noviembre de 2025; y

**CONSIDERANDO**, que es necesario que el concejo municipal fije y publique las tarifas de calificación para estos cargos y tome otras disposiciones para la elección municipal; y

**CONSIDERANDO**, que el código electoral municipal de Georgia requiere que el alcalde y el concejo designen ciertos funcionarios antes de la elección programada para el 4 de noviembre de 2025, lo que incluye, entre otros, la publicación adecuada de un aviso público para notificar al público sobre dicha elección. El secretario municipal y/o el superintendente de elecciones tomarán las demás medidas que sean necesarias y apropiadas para garantizar que la elección se lleve a cabo de acuerdo y en conformidad con las leyes del estado de Georgia, los estatutos de la ciudad de Lawrenceville y las ordenanzas de Lawrenceville.

**POR LO TANTO**, el concejo municipal de la ciudad de Lawrenceville ordena por la presente que la secretaria municipal Karen Pierce sea nombrada para el cargo de superintendente municipal; la Junta de registro y elección de Gwinnett queda designada como registradora principal. El superintendente auxiliar y secretario de votación en ausencia, asistente del secretario de votación en ausencia, el encargado de la votación y el asistente del encargado y los trabajadores electorales serán designados por el superintendente de elecciones en una fecha posterior.

**EL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL DE LA CIUDAD DE LAWRENCEVILLE ORDENA ADEMÁS** que todas las personas que deseen postularse para los cargos de miembros del concejo municipal deben calificar en la oficina de la secretaria municipal de la Ciudad de Lawrenceville ubicada en 70 South Clayton Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046, comenzando a las 8:30 a.m. el lunes 18 de agosto de 2025, y finalizando a las 4:30 p.m. el miércoles 20 de agosto de 2025. La oficina permanecerá cerrada todos los días entre las 12:00 y las 13:00 horas. Aquellos que deseen postularse para el cargo de alcalde y concejal deberán pagar una tarifa de calificación de \$378.00 para concejo municipal. Al calificar, el candidato deberá designar si busca el puesto de alcalde o miembro del concejo que actualmente ocupan los titulares; Austin Thompson (puesto 3) o Marlene Taylor-Crawford (puesto 4). Todas las tarifas de calificación se pagarán en el momento de la calificación y se pagarán en efectivo o con cheque.

**ASÍ SE ORDENA** este día 15 de enero de 2025.

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David R. Still, Alcalde

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Karen Pierce, secretaria municipal

PUBLIC NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION FEES FOR MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA

Notice is hereby given for a municipal general election to be held at the Lawrenceville City Hall, 70 South Clayton Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia, on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, to elect two (2) members of the City Council. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(3)(a), all persons desiring to run for office shall qualify in the office of the Municipal Election Superintendent (City Clerk), on the fourth floor of Lawrenceville City Hall beginning 8:30am on Monday, August 18, 2025, and ending at 4:30 pm Wednesday, August 20, 2025. The office will be closed each day between 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm.

Those residing within the city limits of Lawrenceville seeking to qualify as candidates in the election must file a Notice of Candidacy and pay a qualifying fee equal to 3% of the annual salary of the office sought: \$378.00 for the office of Council Member. Such notice of candidacy requires filers to designate whether the candidate seeks the position of Council Member Post 3 (currently held by Austin Thompson), or Council Member Post 4 (currently held by Marlene Taylor-Crawford). All qualifying fees shall be paid at the time of qualifying.

Karen Pierce, Election Superintendent  
City of Lawrenceville

This 22 day of January, 2025.

AVISO PÚBLICO DE TARIFAS DE CALIFICACIÓN PARA ELECCIÓN GENERAL MUNICIPAL

CIUDAD DE LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA

Por la presente se notifica la celebración de una elección general municipal en el Ayuntamiento de Lawrenceville, 70 South Clayton Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia, el martes 4 de noviembre de 2025, para elegir dos (2) miembros del Concejo Municipal. De conformidad con O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(3)(a), todas las personas que deseen postularse para un cargo deberán calificar en la oficina del Superintendente Municipal de Elecciones (Secretario Municipal), en el cuarto piso del Ayuntamiento de Lawrenceville a partir de las 8:30 a.m. del lunes, 18 de agosto de 2025 y hasta a las 4:30 p.m. del miércoles 20 de agosto de 2025. La oficina permanecerá cerrada todos los días entre las 12:00 y las 13:00 horas.

Aquellos que residan dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Lawrenceville y deseen calificar como candidatos en la elección deben presentar un aviso de candidatura y pagar una tarifa de calificación equivalente al 3 % del salario anual del cargo solicitado: \$378.00 para el cargo de concejal. Dicho aviso de candidatura requiere que quien lo presenta designe si el candidato busca el puesto concejal puesto 3 (actualmente ocupado por Austin Thompson) o concejal puesto 4 (actualmente ocupado por Marlene Taylor-Crawford). Todas las tarifas de calificación se pagarán en el momento de la calificación.

Karen Pierce, superintendente electoral  
Ciudad de Lawrenceville

Este día 22 de enero de 2025.

**RESOLUTION RES-2025-1**

**RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE THE LAWRENCEVILLE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES  
AS PART OF THE GWINNETT COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL  
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, understands the need to develop a multi-jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan in order for the City to comprehend its vulnerability to natural and man-made hazards, and the actions needed to reduce or eliminate those risks; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, realizes the development of such a plan is vital to the protection, health, safety and welfare of its citizens as well as its visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, understands that in order for the City to receive mitigation funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), it must have a mitigation plan in place at the time of submitting a proposal.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia, that the city will work with Gwinnett County to include its municipal boundaries as part of the Gwinnett County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**IT IS SO RESOLVED**, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025, by the City Council of the City of Lawrenceville, Georgia.



David R. Still, Mayor

ATTESTED:

  
Karen Pierce, City Clerk