



Norwood City Council

Council Chambers | Norwood City Hall

4645 Montgomery Road | Norwood, Ohio 45212

March 10, 2026 | 7:30pm

A) CALL TO ORDER

The Council for the City of Norwood met in a regular session on the above date with Mr. Joseph Geers presiding. The meeting opened with a moment of reflection and the Pledge of Allegiance.

B) MOMENT OF REFLECTION

C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D) ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following members answered present: Ms. Franzen, Ms. Hoover, Mr. Provins, Ms. Bowling, Mr. Moore, Mr. Girton, and Ms. Sullivan.

E) AMENDMENT OF AGENDA

There were many changes made to the agenda, removing the February 10, 2026 minutes, as well as the removal of the Streets, Housing, & Health Committee reports in section J, and lastly there was a removal in Section N, the second ordinance regarding street naming and numbers.

On a motion made by Ms. Bowling, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to amend the agenda as stated. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

F) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

G) REQUEST TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

1) Sonny James

RE: Community Matters

Sonny James, 4305 Ashland Avenue, addressed council in regards to the community coming together and expressed gratitude to PLK Communities and the Norwood Police Department.

2) Susan Daniels

RE: Society Events

Susan Daniels, 2063 Maple Avenue, addressed council in regards to historical society events for the America 250 Celebration starting with a presentation on transportation in Norwood on April 11 at the Community Center from 10AM – 12PM. Ms. Daniels also shared that the historical marker dedication will occur on April 18 at 10AM at Marsh Park.

3) Rodney Rogers

RE: History Lesson – Women's History Month

Rodney Rogers, 4121 Forest Avenue, addressed council in regards to Women's History Month regarding the City of Norwood. Mr. Rogers shared Women's History within Norwood dating as far back to 1878 to present day.

H) PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

I) SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no special presentations.

J) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

1) Engagement, Communications, & Outreach Committee – February 17, 2026

On a motion made by Mr. Girton, seconded by Ms. Hoover, it was moved to accept the committee report. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

2) Committee of the Whole – March 3, 2026

On a motion made by Ms. Bowling, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to accept the committee report. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

K) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Schneider reminded residents that with weather changes, more people will be outside. Mayor Schneider reminded residents of park hours being sunrise to sunset. Mayor Schneider provided a brief biography and expressed gratitude for Jon Murphy, who was a Safety-Service Director for the City of Norwood and a former Norwood Police Chief. Mr. Murphy's procession would be going past City Hall and the police station. Mayor Schneider shared additional information regarding the Financial Recovery Plan and asked if Clint Zimmerman could provide additional details.

James Bonsall, City Treasurer, expressed his acknowledgments for Jon Murphy passing away, serving as the Safety Service Director and Police Chief for Norwood. Mr. Bonsall also shared additional comments regarding the Financial Recovery Commission meeting;

Ken Miracle, City Auditor, entered into agreement with Shared Resource Center, this organization will be assisting with Accounting Methods and Mr. Mircale will report out each Month to Finance committee. This will help with policies and procedures to share with Council and the State Auditor. Mr. Miracle also shared the Auditor's office has been working on Appropriations, in anticipation for the Financial Recovery Plan. The City Auditor's office and the State Auditor's office have been having meetings regarding the Financial Recovery Plan.

Keith Moore, Law Director, shared with Council, when it would be appropriate to have an Emergency Meetings verses a Special Meeting. Mr. Moore also shared the ordinance that is pertaining to a resolution with the School Board and shared with Council the appropriate steps needed to take if Council was interested in going into Executive Session.

L) THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

There were no third readings of ordinances and/or resolutions.

M) SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

There were no second readings of ordinances and/or resolutions.

N) INTRODUCTORY READING OF ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

1) ORDINANCE TO CHANGE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

On a motion made by Ms. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

On a motion made by Mr. Girton, seconded by Ms. Franzen, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

2) ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE QUESTION "SHALL A COMMISSION BE CHOSEN TO FRAME A CHARTER" TO A VOTE OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF NORWOOD AND PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF CHARTER COMMISSION MEMBERS AT THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

On a motion made by Mr. Provins, seconded by it was moved to place this ordinance into the Law and Ordinance committee and remain as unfinished business. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

3) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF AN ACTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY/SERVICE DIRECTOR RO EXECUTE A GENERAL RELEASE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND GLOBAL TAX INCENTIVE AGREEMENT IN RELATION THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

On a motion made by Ms. Hoover, seconded by Ms. Franzen, it was moved to place this ordinance prior to Section R. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

(Council returned to this ordinance after Executive Session.)

On a motion made by Ms. Franzen, seconded by Mr. Moore, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

On a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Bowling, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

4) AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO SIGN AN ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DYNEGY ENERGY SERVICES EAST, LLC TO PROVIDE RETAIL POWER TO THE CITY OF NORWOOD FROM MAY 2026 TO MAY 2028, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

On a motion made by Ms. Franzen, seconded by Ms. Bowling, it was moved to suspend the rules and have all three readings. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

On a motion made by Mr. Girton, seconded by Mr. Moore, it was moved to pass the ordinance. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

O) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ms. Hoover reminded residents of the Norwood Sustainability Summit that occurred last Wednesday and again on March 14. Ms. Hoover as well as a reminder for residents to sign up to volunteer through the City Website. Ms. Hoover also shared information from the Norwood Board of Health, including a Blood Drive and an Open house on March 24. Ms. Sullivan reminded Ward 4 of the Newsletter. Committee of the Whole – meeting times moved to Law and Ordinance Committee

P) NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Hoover shared the OKI Housing Data Dashboard.

Q) COMMUNICATIONS

1) Mayor Victor Schneider Re: February Mayor's Court Fines

On a motion made by Ms. Franzen, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, it was moved to receive and file the letter as if read. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

2) Tree Board Letter Re: Minutes

On a motion made by Ms. Franzen, seconded by Ms. Bowling, it was moved to receive and file the letter as if read. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

On a motion made by Ms. Hoover, seconded by Mr. Girton, it was moved for Council to go into Executive Session regarding pending litigation. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.

Council entered into Executive Session.

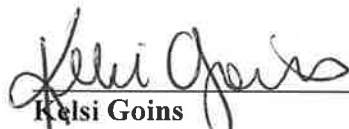
Council returned from Executive Session.

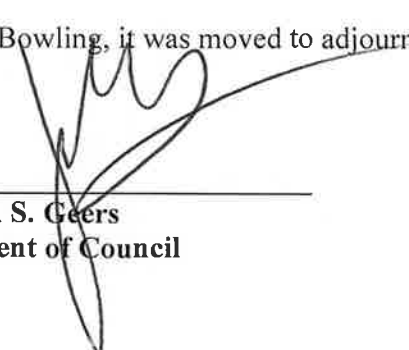
R) EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS

There were no absent members.

S) ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Girton, seconded by Ms. Bowling, it was moved to adjourn the meeting. All members present voted, "yes." The motion passed.


Kelsi Goins
Clerk of Council


Joseph S. Geers
President of Council