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Official  
**Public Hearing Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 28, 2026 - 7:00 PM**

Present: Nicole L. Hendrickson, Kirkland Carden, Ben Ku, Jasper Watkins III, Matthew Holtkamp

**I. Call To Order**

**II. Opening Remarks by Chairwoman**

**III. Approval of Agenda**

{Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote:5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes: Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes: Holtkamp-Yes}

**IV. Approval of Minutes:**

- **Work Session:** April 14, 2026
- **Informal Presentation 11:00 a.m.:** April 14, 2026
- **Executive Session:** April 14, 2026
- **Business Session:** April 14, 2026

{Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote:5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes: Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes: Holtkamp-Yes}

**V. Announcements:**

- **Proclamation:** Recognizing National Prevention Week, May 10 – 16, 2026
- **Proclamation:** Recognizing Alcohol Awareness Month
- **Proclamation:** Celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Freedom Church of Gwinnett



Proclamation

# RECOGNIZING NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK

May 10 – 16, 2026

WHEREAS, National Prevention Week, observed each May, unites healthcare professionals, organizations, businesses, and community coalitions in a shared commitment to prevent substance misuse and promote the mental health and well-being of our youth; and

WHEREAS, Data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identifies peer influence, curiosity, and targeted product marketing as the primary drivers of initial vaping use among young people, underscoring the urgent need for community-wide awareness and action; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett County is actively responding to a notable rise in vaping and marijuana use among adolescents, substances that pose serious risks to learning, memory, mental health, and long-term development; and

WHEREAS, The addictive properties of nicotine and THC present a particular danger to young people, as early exposure significantly increases the likelihood of lifelong dependence; and

WHEREAS, Parents, educators, elected officials, and community partners across Gwinnett County are working together to reduce the accessibility and appeal of e-cigarettes and marijuana to minors, building a healthier and more resilient community for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett United In Drug Education, Inc. calls upon all Gwinnett residents to join in National Prevention Week, amplifying awareness, inspiring action, and standing together to protect our youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nicole Love Hendrickson, on behalf of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 10 – 16, 2026, as National Prevention Week in Gwinnett County. I encourage residents to talk to our young people about the harmful effects of nicotine and THC and to empower them with the confidence and tools to resist peer pressure.

**Chairwoman  
Board of Commissioners  
Gwinnett County, Georgia**

Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026



Proclamation

# RECOGNIZING ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH

April 2026

WHEREAS, Alcohol Awareness Month has been observed in Gwinnett County since 1987, reflecting nearly four decades of community resolve to prioritize prevention, expand access to treatment, and support those affected by alcohol-related challenges.

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identifies alcohol as the most used and misused substance among young people in the United States, making it a persistent and serious public health concern; and

WHEREAS, Early initiation of drinking is closely linked to the development of alcohol use disorders later in life, reinforcing the critical importance of prevention efforts that begin in childhood; and

WHEREAS, Reducing underage alcohol use requires sustained, community-based strategies that monitor youth activities, limit access to alcohol, and foster environments where young people can thrive free from its influence; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett County remains steadfast in its commitment to preventing underage drinking by forging strong partnerships with statewide coalitions, local agencies, and dedicated community organizations to confront this challenge together; and

WHEREAS, Gwinnett United In Drug Education Inc. is dedicated to reducing underage drinking through these collaborative efforts, offering resources and support to prevent alcohol abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nicole Love Hendrickson, on behalf of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2026 as Alcohol Awareness Month in Gwinnett County. When a community unites around a shared purpose, meaningful change is possible.

**Chairwoman  
Board of Commissioners  
Gwinnett County, Georgia**

Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026



Proclamation

# CELEBRATING THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF FREEDOM CHURCH OF GWINNETT

April 28, 2026

WHEREAS, Freedom Church of Gwinnett was founded in 2016 by Pastor Gregory and Elder Tameka Baker, guided by a mission to rebuild, restore, and reclaim their ministry and community; and

WHEREAS, Over the past decade, Freedom Church of Gwinnett has grown into a pillar of faith for its congregation, cultivating a vibrantly connected environment where members are welcomed, supported, and empowered to thrive; and

WHEREAS, The church has established a culture of spiritual growth and personal development through structured discipleship, men's accountability groups, and corporate prayer programs that deepen the sense of collective purpose; and

WHEREAS, Freedom Church of Gwinnett remains invested in the next generation by providing mentorship for teenage girls and offering intentional support for parents to strengthen family units and foster healthy multigenerational engagement; and

WHEREAS, The church's commitment to service extends beyond its walls through active participation in regional days of service and the donation of essential school supplies, hygiene products, and nutritional support to students within Gwinnett County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Freedom Church of Gwinnett continues to meet its neighbors where they are, providing critical assistance to those experiencing housing instability and food insecurity, living out its founding mission with consistency and compassion.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nicole Love Hendrickson, on behalf of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, do hereby celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Freedom Church of Gwinnett. Congratulations on a decade defined by integrity, inclusivity, and dedication to Gwinnett County residents.

Chairwoman  
Board of Commissioners  
Gwinnett County, Georgia

Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026

## **VI. Public Hearing - New Business**

### **1. Transportation/Edgardo Aponte**

**2026-0459 Approval** to incorporate Hillside Drive and Osceola Court into the Gwinnett County Speed Hump Program. (Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Carden Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

**2026-0460 Approval** to incorporate Osceola Court into the Gwinnett County Streetlighting Program. (Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

### **2. Rezoning**

**2026-0527 REZ2026-00007**, Applicant: Sullins Engineering; Owner: International Complete Services, Inc.; Rezoning with Concurrent Variances of Tax Parcel No. R5208 004; 833 Hurricane Shoals Road; C-2 to M-1 for Warehouses; 3.01 acres; District 4/Holtkamp [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Approved with Stipulations Motion: Holtkamp Second: Watkins Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

**2026-0528 REZ2026-00011**, Applicant: Jupiter Development, Inc. c/o Mahaffey Pickens Tucker, LLP; Owner: R&D Investments Group, LLC; Rezoning of Tax Parcel No. R6210 034; 4400 Satellite Boulevard; HRR to C-2 for a Shopping Center; 2.04 acres; District 1/Carden [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Approved with Stipulations Motion: Carden Second: Ku Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

**2026-0529 REZ2026-00013**, Applicant: DP2 Holdings, LLC; Owner: DP2 Holdings, LLC; Rezoning of Tax Parcel No. R5358 001; 1790 Whitley Road; RA-200 to R-100 for a Single-Family Detached Subdivision; 13.14 acres; District 3/Watkins [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Approved with Change Motion: Watkins Second: Holtkamp Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

## **VI. Public Hearing - New Business**

### **2. Rezoning**

**2026-0530 REZ2026-00015**, Applicant: One Street Residential, LLC c/o Mahaffey Pickens Tucker, LLP; Owner: Grayson Development, LLC; Rezoning with Concurrent Variances of Tax Parcel No. R5157 341; 3175 Loganville Highway; C-2 to R-IF for a Mixed-Residential Development (Age-Restricted); 16.78 acres; District 3/Watkins [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Denied Motion: Watkins Second: Holtkamp Vote: 3-2; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-No; Ku-No; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

**2026-0531 REZ2026-00016**, Applicant: Simes Signature Properties, Inc. c/o Mahaffey Pickens Tucker, LLP; Owners: Simes Signature Properties, Inc., Quintero Land Realty 1, LLC, and James W. Roberts; Rezoning of Tax Parcel Nos. R7184 005 and 014; 2538 and 2570 Kilgore Road; RA-200 to OSC for a Single-Family Detached Subdivision; 30.28 acres; District 4/Holtkamp [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Approved with Stipulations Motion: Holtkamp Second: Watkins Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

**2026-0532 REZ2026-00017**, Applicant: Balsam Green, LLC c/o Mahaffey Pickens Tucker, LLP; Owner: Jerry Johnson et. al.; Rezoning with Concurrent Variance of Tax Parcel No. R7152 002; 2730 McGinnis Ferry Road; RA-200 to MRR for Apartments; 6.45 acres; District 4/Holtkamp [Planning Department Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] [Planning Commission Recommendation: Approve with Conditions] {Action: Approved with Stipulations Motion: Holtkamp Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

## **VII. New Business**

### **1. Planning & Development/Matt Dickison**

**2026-0462 Ratification** of plat approvals for March 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026. (Recommendation: Approval) {Action: Approved Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote: 5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}

## **VIII. Comments from Audience**

## **IX. Adjournment**

{Action: Adjourn at 8:47 PM Motion: Ku Second: Carden Vote:5-0; Hendrickson-Yes; Carden-Yes; Ku-Yes; Watkins-Yes; Holtkamp-Yes}