

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF NEWTON

**RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND ENACT THE
NELSON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, Newton County owns a facility on Laseter Street in Covington, Georgia which it utilizes as a community outreach center. The facility is known as the Nelson Heights Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Newton County desires to delegate the management of the Nelson Heights Community Center to a group of citizens with the shared goal of utilizing the facility to benefit the community; and

WHEREAS, Newton County desires to create and enact the Nelson Heights Community Center Board of Directors to manage the community's use of the Nelson Heights Community Center.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Newton County hereby creates and enacts the Nelson Heights Community Center Board of Directors which shall operate and be governed in accordance with the following provisions:

Section 1: Members: How Appointed and Terms: The Nelson Heights Community Center Board of Directors ("Board of Directors") shall have a total of nine (9) members. Four (4) members will serve ex officio and shall include the Newton County Board of Commissioners District Commissioner representing the district in which the Nelson Heights Community Center is located or his designee, the Mayor of the City of Covington or his designee, the Chairman of the Newton County Board of Commissioners or his designee, and the City of Covington Councilperson representing the district in which the Nelson Heights Community Center is located or his designee. The remaining five (5) initial members shall be Newton County citizens appointed by the District Commissioner representing the district in which the Nelson Heights Community Center is located and approved by majority vote of the Newton County Board of Commissioners. All five (5) of the initial members shall be appointed to a four-year term. At the expiration of a member's term, the Board of Directors, by majority vote, may re-appoint the member or replace the member with a new appointee who shall be a citizen of Newton County, Georgia.

Section 2: Vacancy/Resignation of Member: A vacancy in any office due to, death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise shall be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term. Resignation shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman.

Section 3: Voting/Quorum: Approval shall be by majority vote of the Board of Directors and a quorum shall consist of five (5) or more members. All meetings shall comply with the Georgia Open Meetings Act.

Section 4: Officers: The Board of Directors shall annually elect a Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 5: Meetings: The Board of Directors shall meet a minimum of quarterly. Meetings shall be held at the Nelson Heights Community Center unless another meeting location is advertised if the Nelson Heights Community Center is unavailable. The officers may call additional meetings as needed and notice of said meetings shall be provided in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Section 6: Accounting: The Newton County Board of Commissioners shall be responsible for creating and maintaining a separate bank account for the Nelson Heights Community Center which shall be administered by county personnel.

Section 7: Powers and Duties: The Board of Directors shall be responsible for establishing policies and procedures for operating and managing the facility including but not limited to:

- Selecting a Director to handle day-to-day operations of the facility; and
- Establishing an operating budget.


Section 8: Nominations for Initial Nelson Heights Community Center Board of Directors Citizen Members: Based on recommendations from the community and prior service and involvement in the efforts to operate and maintain the Nelson Heights Community Center, the following are hereby nominated to serve as initial citizen members for the terms specified below:

- Forest Sawyer
- James Russell
- Kenny Williams
- Alberta Benton
- Muriel Minter

SO RESOLVED, this 2nd day of April, 2013.

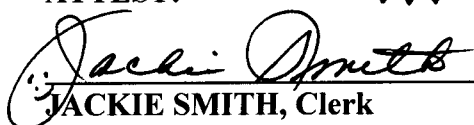


NEWTON COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS



William K. Ellis, Chairman
Newton County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



JACKIE SMITH, Clerk
Newton County Board of Commissioners