

MAYOR'S MEMO

SUMMER 2023



Things are heating up at the Cumming City Center! It is an amazing feeling to see all the work of the past four years coming to fruition. When I began my journey as Mayor of the City of Cumming, my number one goal was to bring back a feeling of community connection by creating a unique gathering place in the City of Cumming. The Cumming City Center was that vision.

During the August heat of 2019, ground was broken as the first step toward that vision. Now, four summers later (after a global pandemic, supply chain issues, labor shortages, and other complications), the Cumming City Center stands as a fully realized dream. Seeing our wonderful tenant businesses cutting their ribbons, having grand openings, and successfully running their businesses day to day, overwhelms me with joy. Then, to head to the Lou Sobh Amphitheater on a Friday or Saturday night to catch an amazing concert with thousands of my neighbors, almost brings tears to my eyes.

I want to thank the City Council for their support of this project, as well as our City employees (particularly the City Administrator and City Center Property Manager) and the numerous contractors who have worked seemingly endlessly to help make my dream come true. I also want to recognize all our tenant businesses and event partners, without whom the City Center would be lifeless, and, of course, everyone in our community who has visited the City Center this year. I hope everyone who has visited has found something at the City Center to love as much as I love seeing all the smiles every time I go there! If you haven't made it to the City Center yet, please come see us soon at 423 Canton Road!

Sincerely,



Troy Brumbalow
Mayor

About the Mayor's Memo: A publication by the City of Cumming used to help inform our residents, businesses, newcomers, and visitors of all the great things going on in the City of Cumming! Presented in addition to the City's monthly E-News; mailed and shared electronically at cityofcumming.net and at **City of Cumming-City Hall on Facebook**. **To stay up-to-date** on the City of Cumming, **please sign up** for our **monthly E-News** by emailing clcdford@cityofcumming.net (Subject Line: E-News Signup) and following us on **Facebook** ([facebook.com/cummingcityhall](https://www.facebook.com/cummingcityhall)) and **Instagram** ([@cityofcumming](https://www.instagram.com/cityofcumming))!

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Spring and Summer 2023 Highlights

Spring and summer concerts at the City Center's Lou Sobh Amphitheater have been huge hits! All concerts are FREE thanks to our generous concert partner, **Lou Sobh Automotive**. Be sure to check out all the upcoming shows at cummingcitycenter.com/events and under Events @[cummingcitycenter](https://www.facebook.com/cummingcitycenter) on Facebook. Want to be in-the-know about every upcoming City Center event - including concerts, festivals, tenant business sales, and more - at the beginning of each month? Go to cummingcitycenter.com to sign up for the **Bulletin Board**, the monthly e-newsletter of the Cumming City Center!



Congratulations to all the **City Center business tenants who are now open**: *Top KNOTch Boutique, Lily Rose Co. Marketplace, Pieces & Peaches Boutique, Avenue of the Oaks, Tin Cup Grill and The Course @ Tin Cup, Vampire Penguin, Wright's Fish & Chips, Sugar Polish Nail Bar, Good Chemistry Health & Med Spa, Rita West Photography, Willis Group – Keller Williams Realty Community Partners, Irwin Homes, Pop.In: Meet. Work. Celebrate, SliceAbility, The Well, Muse*

Cabin, and The Loft @ Homestead! Be sure to follow @[cummingcitycenter](https://www.facebook.com/cummingcitycenter) on Facebook and Instagram for **more businesses openings in the coming weeks!**

I have been honored to begin a new series of special community recognition, in which City Council and I present “**Key to the City**” plaques to individuals who have spent decades serving the City of Cumming community. For a listing of all the individuals who have received the Key to the City recognition so far, go to cityofcumming.net and **click directly on News** at the top of the page.



My family and I again had a wonderful time participating in the **Annual Thomas-Mashburn Steam Engine Parade and Cumming Fairgrounds' Celebration on July 4th**! I was thrilled to be able to drive **Andean Chevrolet's 1948 convertible** in the parade. Thank you to the **Steam Engine Association** for presenting the parade and to our **Cumming Fairgrounds, Police, and Street Departments** for all their hard work on this very busy day! Our city's Independence Day celebration never disappoints!