

NPU-V Meeting
June 10th, 2019
Summerhill
Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center
250 Georgia Ave SE
Atlanta, GA 30312

INVOCATION

Columbus Ward convened the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded to amend the agenda as follows:

- Add the Stadium Neighborhoods Community Trust Fund update to the Chair's report
- Dever votes on Like Glue Fest, V-19-76, V-19-124, Z-19-17, Z-19-48, and CDP-19-23

There was a motion and second to approve the May minutes with corrections: o-no, o-abstain.

Neighborhood Reports

Adair Park - Cherokee Garden Club supplied a grant for Bonnie Brae park. The build day is Saturday. Porches and Pies is continuing to develop.

Mechanicsville - PEDS community watch created a list of safe paths for children to walk to school. Georgia Heirs Property presented. Mr. Hunter's \$10,000 commercial grant from the Annie E. Casey foundation was approved by the community. There is an aquaponics class for kids at the Dunbar Center.

Peopletown - PNA: The next meeting is 6/19 at 7 PM at the Rick McDevitt Center. Friday was the Day of Feeling at Four Corners Park in response to the recent shooting. Park Pride approved a grant to provide water to the community garden. PNA 501c3 status will be discussed at the 6/19 meeting.

PRC: The finalized Beltline Subarea 2 plan was approved by the neighborhood. There are no significant zoning changes. There will be a green walkway, job creation, and affordable housing. The Medina Project was supported via letter with the conditions of 1) site remediation and 2) more affordable housing.

Pittsburgh - PHU: Litter control along University Ave was successful. Fulton Fresh was also successful with the next day Thursday at 10 AM. There will be a 30 minute cooking class followed by produce bag giveaways for participants. There will be another litter control later this month. Visit www.pittsburghatl.com

Summerhill - SNDC: The Reunion festival is this Saturday. The Community Breakfast was a success. ONS: Big Softie and Little Tart Bakeshop are open on Georgia Ave with Wood's Chapel BBQ opening soon. Construction is disrupting the mural. The new senior tower is 100% rented.

Roll Call

- Adair Park - 5
- Capitol Gateway - 0
- Mechanicsville - 7
- Peopletown - 8
- Pittsburgh - 7
- Summerhill - 5

Public Safety

Zone 3 Community Prosecutor (Abby Potter)- 666 graffiti vandal has been caught. The court date is 6/17 at 9 AM in courtroom 1-C. Police want people to call 911 for kids selling water bottles near the highway. Abby Potter is open to suggestions for other activities or solutions.

Concern: Has APD proposed any solutions? Nextdoor is not the voice of the community.

Concern: Hopefully the DA office is not spending too many resources on this issue..

Answer: Please email to start a discussion/committee around this issue.

Question: What is the difference between selling water and lemonade?

Answer: The concern is safety.

Fire Department Station 10 - Start implementing the "close the door" campaign and close bedroom doors at night to extend your escape time and help contain the fire. The department can help set up home escape plans. Government assistance recipients can participate in the car seat program. Car seats will be provided, installed, and inspected. Blood pressure screenings are available at stations. Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors are also available along with water saver kits. Stations are a safe spot for trafficking/domestic violence assistance. Citizens Fire Academy teaches you how to become involved and grants ACERT certification for emergency and national disaster response. Camp Ignite mentors teenage girls and encourages them to become firefighters. The Fire Department is currently hiring.

Question: When will a new truck replace the burned truck?

Answer: There is training now with the new truck.

Question: Can you provide information on breakaway burglar bars for seniors?

Answer: The bars can make rescue more difficult if not breakaway.

Question: What is the hiring age range?

Answer: 18 years and older.

Question: Are your programs available on the website?

Answer: Yes.

Code Enforcement (Officer Turner)- These properties are pending court dates:

- 1152 Welch St. 6/12
- 967 Smith St. 6/18
- 1176 Mayland Cir. 6/18
- 614 Whitehall St St. 6/25
- 504 Windsor St. 6/26

Question: Is the owner listed on the court dates?

Answer: Not sure if available with the address.

Question: Where can I find full court information?

Answer: Erika Smith will have information.

Question: Is there a way to find out the court outcomes?

Answer: Call Officer Turner or go to Ocela Citizen website or call 311.

APD Zone 3 (Major Peak) - There were 18 aggravated assaults last month: 3 in Mechanicsville and 4-5 shootings near the Dunbar Center. 3-5 beat officers have patrolled around Dunbar on feet the past 2-3 weeks. The shooting at Four Corners Park is tied to 6 incidents around Zone 3 regarding a social media beef between gangs including Young Slime Life. GBI and the federal taskforce are involved.

Question: Any updated on the Pryor Street shooting 3 weeks ago?

Answer: An arrest has been made

Question: Is the violence outside the scope of APD?

Answer: An organized gang needs state and federal partners

Question: Is there a curfew?

Answer: Yes - 12 AM

Question: What is the APD stance on selling bottled water?

Answer: APD is looking into how to channel the entrepreneurship for kids to keep them safe. The police chief mandates officers identify the kids and find their guardians to handle.

Concern: Beat officers are releasing too much information from ongoing investigations?

Answer: We will talk offline.

Elected Officials

Pat Gardner (Gloria Smith) - HB481 was the highlight of the session. Visit www.legis.com → Legislation → Bills Passed. Voting machines will be updated prior to the next election.

Chair's Report

Stadium Neighborhoods Community Trust Fund (Jane Ridley) - Last month proposals passed the committee for NPU-V organizations:

- Loki Center - \$25,000
- Black Women's Wellness - \$60,000
- Eco-Action - \$110,000
- Community Care - \$20,000
- Housing Justice League - \$15,000
- WestCare - \$50,000
- 555 Club - \$50,000

Funding of \$20,000 for neighborhood festivals and reunions was proposed but not approved. Each neighborhood will need to submit a proposal and budget.

Question: When will the next vote be taken?

Answer: The next meeting is 7/10 and open to the public. Approval will still need to go through City Council, the Mayor, and AFCRA.

Question: Are meeting public?

Answer: Regular meetings are public. Special call meetings are not.

Question: Where can PHU gain public information.

Answer: Anne Marie is a Pittsburgh committee representative. The website is www.snctrustatl.org.

Planner's Report/Voting Matters

V-19-76 - Applicant requested deferral.

V-19-94 - Applicant is present. The property borders two roads so it has double frontage. The neighborhood approved the request. It was moved and seconded to approve: 17-yes, 6-no, 5-abstain.

v-19-109 - Applicant is not present. The neighborhood approved the side yard setback request but not the accessory building. It was moved and seconded to approve with the condition of only the side yard setback request: 21-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.

V-19-110 - Applicant is not present. The neighborhood approved the side yard setback but not the accessory building. There was a motion and second to approve with the condition of the side yard setback request: 18-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.

V-19-120 - Applicant is present. A transitional yard allows a buffer between lower and higher density zoning. A sanitary sewer line runs through the lot. The house will be a 1,600 square foot container home and will conform to green infrastructure.

Question: Do you have a source for the sustainable materials?

Answer: Not yet.

There was a motion and second to approve with the conditions of 1) using green infrastructure and 2) using permeable surfaces: 24-yes, 0-no, 2-abstain.

Z-19-18 - There was a motion and second to defer to Adair Park: 19-yes, 0-no, 1-abstain.

CDP-19-29 - The CDP is how the land is to be developed within zoning conditions. This is the Columbia Residential/Capitol Homes development. There was a motion and second to approve: 18-yes, 0-no, 2-abstain.

City Departments

Public Works - Starting 4/1, bulk pickup will change. You will have to schedule pickup. Put the bulk trash out 7 PM the day before the scheduled pickup. Greenbriar Mall hosts recycling the 3rd Saturday of every month.

Concern: A neighbor left yard waste and it didn't get picked up for almost 2 months, resulting in a warning.

Answer: Call 311.

Question: What if work was not completed but marked as complete?

Answer: Call 311.

Presentations

Georgia WAND - The NPU-V open house will be 6/27 at 209 Georgia Ave from 6-7:30 PM.

NPU Assistant Director Leah LaRue - She started % as is on an NPU tour. She will try to attend every other month.

Juneteenth Celebration - There will be a celebration this Saturday 1-4 PM with family friendly activities.

Chris 180 - Healing circles meet at the Metropolitan Library. There were reclaiming space events in Mechanicsville and Peoplestown. WestCare provided HIV testing, frisbees, and a bouncy house.

Construction Ready - They are recruiting from NPU-V. The program is free and last 20 days. Eight credentials are provided and job placement is guaranteed. Sign up at www.constructionready.us. There was a tent at the Summerhill Reunion.