

NPU-V Meeting  
September 9th, 2019  
Mechanicsville  
Dunbar Recreation Center  
477 Windsor St SW, Atlanta, GA 30312

**INVOCATION**

Columbus Ward convened the meeting. Ms. Jane Ridley led prayer.

**Approval of Minutes**

There was a motion and second to approve the July minutes with corrections: o-no, o-abstain.  
It was moved and seconded to defer 941 McDaniel St.: 19-yes, o-no, o-abstain

**Neighborhood Reports**

*Adair Park* - Adair Park Today wrote a letter of support for the safety projects on Whitehall St. Adair Park, Oakland City, and Capitol View neighborhood association presidents have been working together on the Murphy Triangle visioning. A survey was provided in July and collected in August - there were 292 results. The results were presented on 8/24 and sent to the Beltline last week. Neighbors are also writing letters of support. Please copy [president@adairpark.com](mailto:president@adairpark.com) or Councilperson Sheperd.

*Mechanicsville* - The Capitol Records party at 787 Windsor St. was a good time. Kids attended with parent chaperones. There were backpack giveaways, a DJ, food, and \$100 gift certificate prizes. Atlanta Streets Alive has it's largest space along Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard on 9/29. 787 Windsor St will host an entrepreneurship workshop and film screening 9/13-9/15. Tickets are up to \$400.

*Peopletown* - The community meeting will be this Saturday. There was a fatal shooting Friday and a shooting this morning on Hatcher St. Please attend the meeting in Council Committee Room 2 to support legislation proposed by Councilpersons Bond and Dickens to reverse the imminent domain legislation in Peopletown.

*Pittsburgh* - PNA: The reunion on 8/31 was successful. Elevate Pittsburgh will be 10/4. The Stadium Neighborhoods Community Trust Fund is asking residents to discuss their positions on current proposals. Please go see the new renovations at Kindezi Elementary School.

PHU: The state of Pittsburgh is looking up: homeownership is up and crime is down thanks to help from APD and Fire Rescue. HUD is promoting homeownership programs - take advantage for affordability access. There is no place for hate in Pittsburgh.

*Summerhill* - ONS: A brand new newsletter - Summerhill Phoenix - is available at Junior's and Little Tart quarterly. Chris180 has partnered to provide yoga and tai chi in Phoenix Park. Summerhill is looking forward to participating in Atlanta Streets Alive. An accident occurred Friday in front on Georgia Ave when a driver didn't see a father and his child crossing the street due to the setting sun. Please be aware before crossing or driving through the area. ONS is working to make the intersection safer. Wood's Chapel BBQ has started bingo games Sundays 6-8 PM with a purchase, but you can ask to participate for free

**Roll Call**

Adair Park - 4  
Capitol Gateway - 0  
Mechanicsville - 22  
Peopletown - 8  
Pittsburgh - 8

Summerhill - 6

### **Public Safety**

*Atlanta Police Department (Captain Senzer Zone 3)* - APD is investigating the two recent shootings in Peoplestown. The shootings do not appear to be related and APS knows the identity of the shooter in the homicide incident. Even with more people in Summerhill, there has not been a corresponding increase in vehicle larcenies. APD's burglary team has an arrest warrant for the Dill Ave. burglaries. Beat officers had to be moved for the Pittsburgh Reunion. Please have off -duty hires for next year's event.

*Fire Department Station 10* - Smoke alarms are available at the station and can be installed for you. Observe the "closed door" campaign for bedroom doors at night. The Fall hydrant check has begun - if your water is cloudy afterwards, run the water until it is clear. 120 recruits are currently in training.

Question: What are the practical results of being understaffed?

Answer: Staff has to schedule 20 hours of overtime every month.

### *Code Enforcement -*

These properties are cited and awaiting notice:      These properties have court dates:

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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| ● 838 Windsor St.       | 865 Holeman St. 9/3        |
| ● 1131 Hubbard St.      | 1037 Metropolitan Ave 9/11 |
| ● 879 Sims St.          | 904 Ira St. 9/17           |
| ● 1150 Smith St.        | 566 Rockwell St. 9/17      |
| ● 601 Hope St.          | 787 Cooper St. 9/24        |
| ● 859 Doane St.         | 795 Fraser St.             |
| ● 845 Metropolitan Ave. | 1187 Windsor St. 9/24      |

Concern: There are 2 properties in the 600 block of Ira St. that haven't had their grass cut in over 2 years and there are vagrants in the empty house.

Answer: The owner must file for "no trespassing" through Zone 3. The owner has also been sent a condemnation notice but may take a few months.

Question: How can we follow up on court cases?

Answer: Input the address in ACELA or call 404-546-3844

*Public Works-* Atlanta's recycling program is sending out teams to check the blue bins for acceptable items. Violations will be tagged to educate the resident. Contaminated bins go to a landfill instead of recycling.

Concern: I called 3 times in 1 month for a lack of pickup. Taxpayer money is not being used efficiently, especially with regard to neighborhood cleanups.

Concern: It's difficult to determine which bulk piles have been scheduled for pickup and which piles are considered dumping.

### **Elected Officials**

*Nan Orrock (State Senator District 37)* - A study committee on community schools are exploring grant programs for increase services i.e. GED programs, medical services, etc. The committee meets the last Thursday in September. APS is not renewing the Superintendent's contract. Vote in the school board election on 9/17 for the seat Byron Amos vacated. There will be fights in January over budget cuts, especially cuts affecting social services and education. Call Nan Orrock at 404-463-8054.

*Cleta Winslow's Office-* Calvary Temple Missionary Baptist Church at 700 Cooper St. is hosting Family Community Life Day from 11AM - 2 PM. The Jobs Van will be onsite.

### **Presentations**

*Parks and Recreation*- Afterschool programs are available for the age ranges of 5-12 and 12-18 for children enrolled in school. There is also football, cheerleading, and girl's volleyball programs. Senior programming at Pittman Park is free for seniors 55+ years old.

*Stadium Neighborhoods Community Trust Fund*- Please attend the Listening Session on 9/11 at 7 PM at FanPLex. The current Request for Proposal process will be explained. You can register online but it is not mandatory.

Question: Will there be Q&A?

Answer: Yes as a moderated discussion after reviewing the presented material.

### **Chair's Report**

See Stephanie Flower's to join the by-laws committee.

### **Planner's Report/Voting Matters**

By-laws are due 9/30. The West End LCI and Beltline Subarea I update will be presented 10/3 from 6-8 PM at Shilo Missionary Church.

*Milk and Cookies* - Applicant is not present and did not attend Mechanicsville Civic Association's meeting. It was moved and seconded to deer to MCA for a neighborhood vote: 23-yes, 0-no, 1-abstain.

*Little Bear*- This restaurant will open on Georgia Ave. It will seat 30 people and offer locally sourced food and affordable fine dining. Cocktails will also be a focus. Summerhill approved the alcohol license request. It was moved and seconded to approve the license request: 30-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.

*V-16-124*- Applicant withdrew the variance after the NPU agenda was approved. The city denied the variance without prejudice.

*V-19-191, V-19-22* - Deferred

*Z-19-76*- This ordinance would define a party house and limit it to MRC, C, and I-mix districts and ban this use in R and RG districts. Private parties without commercial benefit will be unaffected.

Question: Are there any restrictions currently?

Answer: No

Question: Are political fundraisers affected?

Answer: No

Question: Can you give an example of a party house?

Answer: No examples currently.

There was a motion and second to approve the ordinance: 22-yes, 3-no, 3-abstain.

### **City of Atlanta Departments**

*Department of Public Works*- Send questions regarding your solid waste bill or pickup to [dwpcommunications@atlanta.gov](mailto:dwpcommunications@atlanta.gov). A workshop on rate updates will take place 9/18 from 3-5 PM in Committee Room 1. Fight the Blight will be 9/28 from 9AM-2PM in Pittman Park.

### **Announcements**

*Atlanta Land Trust*- Flyers were provided detailing programs that offer down payment assistance with a focus on Pittsburgh renters. There are also monthly classes - visit the website [atlantalandtrust.org](http://atlantalandtrust.org) to register.

*WestCare-* Youth Community Builders program will have an open house 10/5 at 11 AM for leadership skills building.

*Pittsburgh Yards-* Bricks are for sale for 3 more weeks. Bricks are \$50 each.

*Georgia Wand-* The NPU-V Community Forum will be 10/26. A townhall on the census and redistricting is coming up.

*Blueprint 58-* This is a mentorship program in Adair Park and Pittsburgh. There will be a breakfast listening session 9/21 at REfuge Church on Pryor St.

There was a motion and second to support the communities engaged with the Murphy Triangle visioning: 19-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.