

NPU-V Meeting
July 9th, 2018
Peoplestown
Rick McDevitt Center
1040 Crew St SW
Atlanta, GA 30315

INVOCATION

Columbus Ward convened the meeting. Ms. Butler led invocation.

Approval of Minutes

No action taken

Neighborhood Reports

Adair Park - Connections Church is hosting a back-to-school event on 7/28 from 11 AM - 2 PM. Socks, t-shirts, belts, etc. will be available for children 5-16 years old. The church also will host healthy cooking classes from 4 - 6 PM every Tuesday in August. Applicant Quadro Construction was supported by the community. APD is conducting a survey for security camera locations. Porches and Pies will be on 10/27. The community meeting will be at the Kroc Center on 7/30. Adair Court will open with 91 senior apartments and 14 market rate apartments.

Capitol Gateway - The first movies at Memorial Park took place on part of the future Memorial Park linear greenway. The Greenway will stretch from Capitol Ave to Oakland Cemetery. Council members Carla Smith and Natalyn Archibong are involved with the project. On 7/11, attend the first Jazz in the Park at 8 PM. A walk/run will be held on 10/6 at 7 AM.

Mechanicsville - Healing Circle gave a presentation. Red Bull Culture Clash will supply tickets to kids around 787 Windsor St. Community Public Safety Day needs volunteers.

Peoplestown - 7/20 is the end of early voting for runoff elections. The community meeting will be 7/14 at 10 AM at the Rick McDevitt Center. Peoplestown Neighborhood Association will meet 7/18 at 7 PM at Barack and Michelle Obama Academy. An alternative to the More Marta plan will be presented to Beltline representatives at the Coca-Cola Studio on 7/10. Peoplestown is in Beltline areas 2 and 3. Carter USA will host an update on 7/17 at Fanplex at 6 PM. PRC has supply chain entrepreneurship training and opportunities with shea butter products. Entrepreneurs will learn the trade and acquire skill sets for broader opportunities.

Pittsburgh -

PNA: There was no Pittsburgh Neighborhood Association meeting last Saturday and will instead be held this Saturday at Pittman Park at 10 AM. Gospel Fest will be 8/10th. Pittsburgh Reunion will be 8/25th. A plan for reconstruction at Gideons Elementary will be presented to the APS board in August. 352 University Ave is named Pittsburgh yards and voting on the logo/theme is tonight.

Pittsburgh Homeowners United: PHU creating a comprehensive strategy for community issues. PHU wants residents to enjoy a safe neighborhood. Visit www.pittsburghatl.com. Question: PHU presented kids selling water bottles as a police issues and is formed as a homeowners association. How will PHU unite the community?

Answer: Selling bottled water on street corners is illegal. Please see the safe living streets website.

Question: Is PHU a 501c3?

Answer: PHU is a 501c4 and a legal policy advocate organization, not a fundraising organization.

PHU meetings are open to attendance by the public and meet the 1st Tuesday at 6:45 PM at the Salvation Army.

Summerhill - ONS meet on 7/2. Zone 3 has had a leadership change. Major Celeste Murphy is new to Zone 3. Night Nation Run was approved with conditions of mitigation of negative issues with the community. There was also a non-binding agreement with Carter to minimize issues.

Concern: For the next Turner Field event, please invite a Mechanicsville representative to address overflow issues.

Answer: ONS will work with a Mechanicsville representative.

Question: Is there space for other neighborhoods to dialogue?

Answer: Columbus Ward will form an NPU-V film committee of residents and stakeholders to set standards. City events and film events come from the same departments, to the committee will address both types of concerns. Greg Burson volunteered to be on the committee and a sign-up sheet was passed around.

Census2020 presented at ONS. The Phoenix Park II playground reveal was on 6/9. SNDS hosted the parade on 6/16. Carter will provide updates at a 7/17 Fanplex meeting.

Roll Call

Adair Park - 3

Capitol Gateway - 1

Mechanicsville - 15

Peoplestown - 16

Pittsburgh - 5

Summerhill - 4

Public Safety

Police Department - For June, there were 7 robberies, 14 aggravated assaults, and 28 burglaries. Car larcenies were had the highest numbers. On 7/4, there was a rash of car break-ins near the Whitehall St. area.

Question: Can you address the water bottle selling issue?

Answer: APD tries redirection with PAL, Camp Best Friends, etc. The solutions should be community driven.

Concern: There was an accident 2 months ago from a police chase. A street sign and hydrant were damaged at Dorr and Formwalt.. Ms. Ridley requested the city fix the damage, but nothing has happened.

Answer: APD can fix the street sign. Watershed should fix the hydrant.

Concern: There are loiterers and prostitutes at Rockwell and Humphries.

Question: Haygood Ave has traffic issues at the cut-through to the park. Can extra signage be placed for park directions?

Answer: APD will request more signs.

Fire Department - Randall B. Slaughter is the new fire chief. Every home needs fire and smoke alarms. Georgia is in the top 10 for fire death states. You can get alarms and batteries for free at any fire department.

Question: Are child car seats still available?

Answer: Car seats are only free for those on assistance and proof of guardianship is required. Call 404-546-7000 for more information.

The next CERT class is in September. If you are already certified, you just need to sit in on a class. You don't need to retake the test.

Code Enforcement (Ofc. Turner) - For the period of 6/1-6/30th, the following cases were sent to the sheriff:

- 176 Richmond St.
- 973 Welch St.
- 975 Welch St.
- 674 Lexington Ave.
- 1091 Metropolitan Pkwy.

- 1016 Ira St.
- 972 Ira St.

The following properties are pending court:

- 988 Coleman St. on 7/10
- 949 Hill St. on 7/17
- 898 Hank Aaron Dr. on 7/18
- 994 Hank Aaron Dr. on 7/31
- 1137 Ira St. on 7/31

Question: Is there an update on 195 Haygood?

Answer: Call 404-617-3832

City Departments

Public Works - There are now 5 zones instead of 4 quadrants, so garbage collection dates may have changed. Collection is now 5 days a week and bulk pickup will be specific dates. Call 404-938-1183 for information.

Question: Who do I contact for fee increase information?

Answer: The fee increase is graduation with \$4.50 this year and \$9 next year and will not decrease. The fee will go to the Public Works department and not the city general fund.

Question: How much will one truck cost?

Answer: A breakdown of costs will be provided next NPU-V meeting.

Presentations

Georgia Power - Georgia Power works with the city on street light repair and installation. A solar power program is available.

Question: Are there conversations regarding rates?

Answer: A one-time fee reduction is coming.

Question: How will the Plant Vogtle refund occur?

Answer: The refund will show up as a rebate on your power bill.

Coalition for Community Benefits - There needs to be spaces for resident decision making that developers can access. The community standards outline is now available, but key questions remain:

- What infrastructure should exist for meetings, committees, and monitoring
- What processes are available for agreeing on community benefits
- What formulas should be used for private developer contributions
- How are capacity-building institutions vetted
- How can community programs and institutions access funds

Comment: The Memorandum of Understanding language is not strong enough. A Memorandum of Agreement is a legal document, but can cause developers to be leery.

Question: Is the Coalition separate from NPU-V?

Answer: Yes, but the coalition is formed by NPU-V neighborhoods.

Question: What is being done to involve new residents?

Answer: There need to be conversations regarding class and race.

Comment: NPU-V is not necessarily the right space for these conversations, but committees can provide help.

Comment: We need to stop working in silos and act with one voice.

The standards will be sent to elected officials and APAB for city adoption. City legislation will be required for enforcement. There was a motion and second to support the standards, changing instanced of Memorandum of Understanding to Memorandum of Agreement: 23-yes, 0-no, 6-abstain.

Elected Officials

Nan Orrock (Georgia House District 36) - The Georgia 2018 legislative session has ended. The Family Care Act passes, allowing sick leave to be used for care of relatives. A bill to shorten early voting was blocked. The Healthy Housing Bill added landlord eviction restrictions.

Marvin Arrington (Fulton County District 5) - Property tax appeals were due 7/6. On 7/24, there will be a runoff for superior court judge. There is an essay competition for college scholarships, with winners receiving \$500. Carver YMCA will have a back-to-school drive.

Comment: Jane Ridley requests a meeting with AFCRA and Columbus Ward to address the Mechanicsville parking lot asthma issues.

Chair's Report

Community Public Safety Day will be held on 8/11 instead of National Night Out.

Voting Matters

Red Bull Culture Clash - There is a tentative agreement with Mechanicsville community to supply Six Flags tickets to youth in the immediate area. There was a motion and second to support the applicant: 20-yes, 0-no, 3-abstain.

All American Store - Peoplestown voted to not support due to lack of community involvement. Applicant has not attended the Saturday community meeting. There was a motion and second to deny: 12-yes, 1-no, 11-abstain.

V-18-194 - Adair Park Preservation Committee approved the applicant. There was a motion and second to defer: 21-yes, 0-no, 2-abstain.

V-18-209 - There was a motion and second to defer: 25-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain

V-18-17 - The applicant is a non-profit organization providing personal care with professionals to up to 6 residents, including veterans and seniors. Adair Park supports the applicant. There was a motion and second to approve: 28-yes, 0-no, 2-abstain.

Z-18-60 - The development will have 24-30 loft units and some street retail.

Question: Will there be affordable housing?

Answer: There will be workforce housing.

Question: What are your capital sources and price point?

Answer: The project is self-financed. Two bedroom units will market for \$300,000.

Question: Will there be site pollution remediation?

Answer: Yes.

Adair Park supports the applicant. There was a motion and second to approve: 23-yes, 0-no, 3-abstain.

SD-18-26 - Review and comment only

Z-18-54 - This is a citywide text amendment.

Comment: The process of notification is dishonest, as last meeting a similar amendment was presented just for Turner Field.

There was a motion and second to deny: 13-yes, 2-no, 4-abstain.