Minutes of NPU-B regular monthly meeting Tuesday, August 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Andrea Bennett, NPU-B Chairperson.

Present: 15 Absent 3 Proxies: 7

> Michael Graff to Bob Connelly Cathy Boston to Bob Connelly Frank Toye to Nancy Bliwise Michael Isaacs to Bill Bozarth Jason Kendall to Bob Stasiowski Cory Tibbs to Bob Stasiowski Mark Tiller to Bill Murray

1. CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Welcome and mission of NPU-B.

2. AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

Livable Buckhead, Inc. www.livablebuckhead.org

Buckhead Community Improvement District (CID)

www.buckheadcid.com

Buckhead Area Transportation Management Association

www.batma.org Mr. Tony Peters

- The Tuesday food truck program takes place through October from 11:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
- Livable Buckhead Community Card Program is a consumer-focused loyalty card featuring discounts and special offers for Livable Buckhead members from local retailers, hotels, restaurants, and other services. Those vendors participating pay a fee of \$100 per year, which includes membership in Livable Buckhead. The membership fee is \$50 for a single household.

Atlanta Police Department (APD) Zone 2

Major Van H. Hobbs, Jr., VHobbs@AtlantaGA.gov

- Overall reported crime in Zone 2 is down 2 percent over the year.
- Reported shoplifting-type crimes up seven percent over past month.

Fulton County District Attorney Community Prosecutor's Office

Tiffany Harlow, Zone 2 Community Prosecutor

404-612-4506 (office), 404-931-5567 (cell), tiffany.harlow@FultonCountyGA.gov

- Female arrested with "silver theft" items will be charged with theft by receiving as there is no evidence connecting her to the burglaries. It is believed that two males committed the burglaries.

Atlanta Fire Department (AFD)

404-546-7000

Chief Richard Heard and Sergeant Council reported

- Shift strength has improved from an average of 168 in 2008 to approximately 200 currently, which amounts to an increase from three personnel per truck to four personnel per truck.
- Approximately 2/3 of calls are answered within no more than the sixty-second target response time.
- New equipment recently placed in service includes a Ford F250 pickup serving as the new battalion command vehicle. New engines/response vehicles are planned eventually at a cost of approximately \$1 million each.
- Medical emergencies / EMS calls now comprise 75-80 percent of all AFD calls.

APD Community Service Division, Code Enforcement Section

CodesRequests@AtlantaGA.gov; 404-330-6190 / 404-330-6735; fax: 404-658-7084 Officer S. Clair, Code Enforcement Officer (404-416-8092 mobile); ssclair@AtlantaGA.gov No report.

City of Atlanta Office of the Solicitor: main office 404-658-6618 No report.

Buckhead Coalition

Garth Peters <u>GPetersj@thebuckheadcoalition.org</u> No report.

<u>MARTA Police Department (MPD) North Precinct</u> (404-848-3902) <u>www.itsmarta.com</u> Lt. Foster

North Precinct office has moved from Lindbergh to Dunwoody Station. Four reported crimes last month, but seventeen arrests. Effort has been made to place more officers on trains and platforms (instead of parking decks, lots, etc.). A new See Something Say Something "SeeSay" smartphone app is now available to report crime from your smartphone.

<u>Department of Watershed Management (DWM)</u> (404-982-1480) <u>www.atlantawatershed.org</u> Verna Bair (404-330-6040 office, 404-259-0023 cell) <u>VABair@AtlantaGA.gov</u> Ms. Bair gave a report and also distributed the Project Points monthly newsletter.

- Fourteen complaints were filed within NPU this past month. Of those ten were resolved and four are still pending.
- Rain barrel workshop to be held on Thursday, September 19 from 11 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the DWM Water Works Lodge, 655 Green Street, NW. The workshop fee is \$40.00 which includes one rain barrel and materials and can be paid on site by check or cash. To register contact Yolanda Boazman at 404-546-1262 or YDBozman@AtlantaGA.gov
- Rehabilitation work will require single lane closure on Paces Valley Road.
- Customers may visit www.payATLwateronline.com to enroll for e-billing and online bill pay.
- Water system leaks should be reported to DWM customer service at 404-658-6500.

<u>Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)</u> (404-546-6813)

Angela Hill (404-237-2756) <u>AHill@atlantaGA.gov</u> (manager of Peachtree Hills Recreation Center)

- After school program available for \$35 / week, including transportation from APS schools.

- Lacrosse and soccer programs will begin in September. Open house is August 13 at 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in volunteering as a coach please contact DPR.
- Demolition to begin soon at 3162 Lenox Road
- Pre-K program on Tues and Thursdays from 11:00 to 12:00
- Citizens may register for DPR-sponsored recreation programs by visiting the DPR section at www.atlantaGA.gov/iparcs

Department of Public Works

Cheryl Hedgmon (404-330-6303) cbHedgmon@atlantaGA.gov Verna Singleton at VSingleton@AtlantaGA.gov No report.

3. PRESENTATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

NPU-B Action: Minutes of the most recent regular monthly meeting were approved by vote of 22-0-0.

5. PLANNER'S REPORT

Jessica Lavandier No report.

6. INTERNAL REPORTS

Atlanta Planning Advisory Board (APAB)

Richard Rauh, NPU-B APAB delegate; Cathy Muzzy, alternate delegate. No report.

7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Bob Stasiowski, Chair

Festival Applications:

Fado Fall Frost will take place on September 14.

Liquor License Applications on Consent Agenda:

- Cooks Hall / additional facility / approved in committee 4-0-0
- Another Broken Egg / change of ownership / approved in committee 4-0-0
- Rock'n Taco / new business / approved in committee 4-0-0

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend approval of the consent agenda passed by vote of <u>22-0-0</u>.

Other Applications:

- Havana Club / additional facility / no show in committee
- Prince Place / new business / deferred in committee

B. DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Abbie Shepherd, Chair No report.

C. ZONING COMMITTEE

Bill Murray, Chair

Applications on Consent Agenda:

<u>SUP-12-026</u>: 3227, 3229, 3233 Mathieson Drive (Peachtree Road UMC youth center) Applicant seeks a special use permit to construct a youth center building. Approved in committee 8-0-0 subject to conditions stipulated on the plan and further conditions and exhibits submitted by the Applicant's attorney dated July 30, 2013.

<u>V-13-115</u>: 44 Highland Drive

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the east side yard setback from 7' (required) to 3' for a new roof and a rear deck. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time.

Approved in committee 8-0-0

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend approval of the consent agenda passed by vote of 22-0-0.

Other applications:

V-13-097: 4103 Club Drive

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the rear yard setback from 20' (required) to 5' for a rear addition and to exceed the maximum lot coverage from 40 percent to 50 percent for a driveway. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time.

Deferred in committee at request of applicant. No action taken by full NPU-B.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.