

**Minutes of NPU-B regular monthly meeting
Tuesday, June 3, 2014**

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

Present: 16

Absent 9

Proxies: 5

John Bailey to Bill Bozarth

Michael Isaacs to Bill Bozarth

Randall Kent to Bob Stasiowski

Cathy Boston to Bob Connelly

Mark Tiller to Jason Kendall

1. OPENING REMARKS / CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Welcome and mission of NPU-B.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend approval of minutes from the previous regular monthly meeting passed by vote of 21-0-0.

3. REPORTS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES, COMMENTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND OTHER AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

Atlanta Police Department (APD) Zone 2

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

Officer Adam Lee Alee@AtlantaGA.gov

Officer Lee reported a significant arrest in the recent carjacking at 2099 Peachtree Road. The suspect was arrested in the vehicle in North Carolina after a brief state and will be extradited to Georgia for trial. A suspect has been arrested in connection with a burglary at 3348 Peachtree Road. The arrest followed identification of the suspect using DNA evidence collected months ago at the crime scene.

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

No report.

Atlanta Fire and Rescue Department (AFRD)

- Citizens fire academy is a 6-week program on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 9:00 beginning July 9.

For further information contact Lt. Edwards at 678-855-2621.

- Expired fire extinguishers may be refilled and re-used or recycled. If you must discard, please release pressure first.

- AFRD will do residential fire inspections free of charge. Visit any fire station for further information.

MARTA Police Department (MPD) North Precinct (404-848-3902) www.itsmarta.com
No report.

Livable Buckhead, Inc (LBI) - Denise Starling, Executive Director

www.livablebuckhead.org

Buckhead Community Improvement District (CID)

www.buckheadcid.com

Buckhead Area Transportation Management Association (BATMA)

www.batma.org

Mr. Tony Peters, reporting for LBI, CID and BATMA:

- New MARTA pedestrian bridge in Tower Place area will open on June 24 at noon.
- Path 400 Trail Phase 1 is underway and scheduled for completion by end of calendar year 2014. Tours of the segment (approximately one mile) are available, including one scheduled for June 14.
- Regarding Peachtree Transformation, Phase III and IV, a public “open house” will likely be scheduled for July at Atlanta International School.

Buckhead Coalition

Garth Peters GPetersj@thebuckheadcoalition.org

No report.

Department of Watershed Management (DWM) (404-982-1480) www.atlantawatershed.org

Verna Bair (404-330-6040 office, 404-259-0023 cell) VABair@AtlantaGA.gov

- Ms. Bair gave a report and also distributed the Project Points monthly newsletter.
- Please avoid disposing of “FOG” (fats, oils and grease) in the sewer system.
- Water restrictions remain in effect. Landscape irrigation is permitted only on the even/od schedule (excluding Fridays) between 4:00pm and 10:00am.
- Water-line insurance is available at www.utilitylineprotection.com or 866-922-9006.
- Online payments and e-billing enrollment are available at www.payATLwateronline.com
- Please report water system leaks to DWM customer service at 404-658-6500.
- Free water-saver kits are available.
- 26 watershed issues were reported in NPub in May. Three are pending and others have been resolved.

Department of Public Works

Cheryl Hedgemon (404-330-6303) cbHedgemon@atlantaGA.gov

Verna Singleton at VSingleton@AtlantaGA.gov

- There will be a referendum on a proposed \$250 million bond issue to fund street repairs.
- A brochure was distributed regarding the new Atlanta Streetcar, which is expected to begin operation sometime between Spring and Fall, 2015, and will operate on a route between Centennial Park and the King Historic District.
- The Recycling Ambassador training program will take place on Saturday, June 14, at 11:00am at City Hall. RSVP to mlmcgaw@atlantaGA.gov
- Ms. Hedgemon reported regarding proposed ordinances 14-O-1240 (sidewalk installation fee increases) and 14-O-1241 (new solid waste hauler infrastructure maintenance fee). A public hearing will take place at City Hall on June 24 at 1:00pm.

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend AGAINST approval of proposed ordinances 14-O-1240 and 14-O-1241 passed by vote of 13-4-4 (four abstentions).

APD Community Service Division, Code Enforcement Section
CodesRequests@AtlantaGA.gov

No report.

Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) (404-546-6813)

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

No report.

City of Atlanta Office of the Solicitor: main office 404-658-6618

Alan Coleman acoleman@atlantaGA.gov
404-658-6658 office; 404-902-0934 mobile

No report.

Howard Shook, Councilmember, District 7

(404) 330-6050; hshook@atlantaga.gov; www.HowardShook.com

No report.

4. PRESENTATIONS

None.

5. PLANNER'S REPORT

Jessica Lavendier, NPU Planner JLavandier@atlantaGA.gov 404-865-8522

The Department of Public works will be organizing public meetings to discuss the proposed Bond referendum . The meetings will likely take place in July, August, and near year end at various locations including the Peachtree Hills Recreation Center.

6. INTERNAL REPORTS

Atlanta Planning Advisory Board (APAB)

Richard Rauh, NPU-B APAB delegate; Cathy Muzzy, alternate delegate.

Mr. Rauh submitted a written report.

7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Bob Stasiowski, Chair

Festival Applications:

None.

Liquor License Applications on Consent Agenda:

- California Kitchen / change of agent / approved in committee 4-0-0
- Kramers / additional facility / approved in committee 4-0-0

- Leverage / change of ownership / approved in committee 4-0-0

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend approval of the consent agenda passed by vote of 21-0-0.

Other Applications:

None.

B. DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Jason Kendall, Chair

No report.

C. ZONING COMMITTEE

Bill Murray, Chair

Applications on Consent Agenda:

V-14-080: 3500 & 3560 Lenox Road

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to erect a building signature sign on the second tower of a group of buildings with a common ownership. Applicant currently has a building signature sign on a section of the group of buildings and seeks permission to move its building sign to another location in that group of buildings. Applicant meets all of the criteria for a building signature sign if the combined occupancy on the site is considered and the number of signature signs on site will not be increased since the original sign will be removed if this variance is granted. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Approved in committee 7-0-1 (one abstention).

SD 14-016: 190 Alberta Drive

Applicant seeks to create a 2 lot subdivision where 1 lot exists. Approved in committee 8-0-0 subject to neighborhood conditions.

V-14-089: 358 Peachtree Avenue

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the west side yard setback from 7' (required) to 0' for a 2nd story addition.. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Approved in committee 8-0-0.

V-14-074: 967 Canter Road

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the rear yard setback from 20' (required) to 10' for a new pool. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Approved in committee 7-0-1 (one abstention) subject to receipt of letters of support from two adjacent side neighbors. The Zoning Chair reports receipt of those letters.

V-14-105: 2820 Vernon Road

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the north side yard setback from 15' (required) to 5' to allow for an accessory structure (garage) and to allow a parking bay in the required north side yard setback whereas only a driveway is allowed. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Approved in committee 8-0-0.

V-14-054 3083: West Roxboro Road

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations for a 49' driveway in the half depth front yard setback (20" max), parking pad in the front yard setback, 6' retaining wall in the half depth front yard setback, 3 retaining walls in the front and half depth front yard setback and an 8'8" on the south side yard setback. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Approved in committee 8-0-0 subject to neighborhood conditions.

NPU-B action: A motion to recommend approval of the consent agenda passed by vote of 21-0-0.

Other Applications on Zoning Committee Agenda:

V-14-073: 667 Darlington Circle

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the side yard setback from 7' (required) to 4' for a new SFD. Applicant did not submit a complete set of plans for review (possible FAR issue). Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Applicant requested deferral in committee.

V-14-087: 60 Lake Forest Lane

Applicant seeks a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the front yard setback from 50' (required) to 30' to build a new house. Applicant seeks no other variances at this time. Applicant requested deferral in committee.

V-14-078: 585 Mountain Way

Applicant seeks an appeal of decision of Administrative Office. No vote was taken in committee but it is recommended that the original decision be affirmed.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.