

NPU-T Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm by Chairman Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown

1. Invocation – a moment of silence was observed.
2. Approval of the Agenda – The agenda was approved with a motion to accept deviations as the chair deems necessary.

Vote: Yes-5; No-0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

3. Approval of Minutes – the minutes were distributed.

A motion was made to approve the minutes as written and submitted.

Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Abstain-0 → Motion Carries

4. Police, Fire and Community Prosecutor's Updates

- a. Police

- Zone 4 Police – Lt. Cox (404.756.1903)
 1. Crime is down 10% for the same period of time last year. There were 192 arrests.
 2. There are many new residents of Zone 4 due to the temporary people being housed at the Adamsville Recreation Center due to the Hurricane Victims.
 - a. A question was made regarding how crime is reported: Lt. Cox indicated that the crime statistics were based upon the number of calls to 911 resulting in reports.
 - b. There has been a new officer assigned to the West End Mall foot patrol.
 3. a copy of the crime statistics were provided to the NPU-T Chairperson
- Zone 1 Police – Lt. Isom (404.799.2488)
 1. Lt. Isom reviewed the Zone 1 area that is within the NPU-T boundaries.
 - a. He highlighted a recent arrest that was made of a violent sex offender within the AUC area.
 2. a copy of the crime statistics will be provided to the NPU-T Chairperson on September 15, 2005

- b. Fire & Rescue – no presentation

- c. Community Prosecutor – Erica Marshall Story is the new Zone 4 Community Prosecutor.

- She can be reached at 3050 MLK Drive Suite X6. Her phone # is 404.699.5294 / fax 404.699.5293.
- 503 Atwood Update: this house is being prepared for sale. The expected close date on the sale is during the month of December.

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- The county is in the final stages of locating a Zone 1 Community Prosecutor's office.

Deviation #1: Special Presentations were made:

Gail McCray: Morehouse School of Medicine – Ms. McCray is with the School of Preventive Health. She had a few points to make:

1. Health reports often highlight the negative aspects (i.e. # of persons with cancer, etc.)
2. “Solving the problems of our health are within us” (self, family or community)
3. She was here to recruit individuals to work with other communities through participations in meetings which are devoted to developing action plans to improve health within the Greater Atlanta Community.
4. She left a survey for residents to complete.

Harry Hinkle: GNAX – Mr. Hinkle wanted to provide information on his plans for the 1100 White Street Facility for the purpose of establishing a data center. The facility will be home to at most 50 employees for a 24x7 staff.

Ted Williams: MARTA – Mr. Williams talked about the work that Marta is conducting for analysis of the innercore alternative analysis study. There are two concepts (Beltline & C-Loop) that were the subject of the study. As a result of the study, there were several aspects that were deemed to be appropriate for further study which may result in these plans being implemented over time as a result of the final recommendation. He left documentation which describes the next stages. There will be a public meeting held in the West End Mall on Monday September 26th.

5. Planner's Report – Chancer McLaughlin

Board of Zoning Adjustment **October 21, 2005** **1:00 P.M**
V-05-209 162 Walnut Street S. W. (case deferred at the July & August NPU meeting)

Applicant, Michael Brown, seeks a variance from zoning regulations to reduce both side yard setbacks from 7' required to 5' to allow for a new two-story single family dwelling.

Mr. Brown was present and discussed his plans. Discussion was held around the proposed project. The lot in question is 34.5' x 140'. The Booker T Washington Community approved the proposal from a neighborhood perspective. The structure will be 24' x 42', approximately 2200 s.f.

The NPU-T chairperson indicated that the property is actually not solely within the Booker T. Washington Association and is actually within the University Villas Community. The main concern was that the property would have a driveway to one side of the property.

A motion was made and properly seconded to support the application from the NPU-T. The input from the University Villas will still be accepted so that the impacted neighborhood will have a voice.

The vote: Yes: 8; No: 0; Abstain: 1 → Motion Carries

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Zoning Review Board September 1 or 8, 2005 6:00 P.M.

U-05-24 813 Azalia Street (case deferred at the August NPU meeting.)
Applicant, Karena Williams seeks a special use permit to operate a personal care home.

The applicant was not present and has not presented directly to the impacted neighborhood. The impacted neighborhood (WEND) association has voted and recommended against the application because their community felt that it would be inappropriate for this type of use to be allowed on the intended residential street.

The NPU-T body concurred with the assessment of the impacted neighborhood.

A motion was made and properly seconded to deny the application.

Vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

6. Neighborhood Associations Reports:

- a. Gwen Cain spoke. School has started and there have been new students selected. She has asked that the community help manage the student intern process. On Saturday, December 10th, the Morehouse Christmas Luncheon will be held from 11:30-1:30 in Davidson House.
- b. Ashview Heights – Dr. Puls had a question regarding Sells Ave. inquiring into how long the street would be closed.
- c. WEND – Karl Barnes discussed the Russell project to make sure that the weeds get cleared. He also discussed the letter sent to Chief Pennington regarding the **coverage changes within Zone 4.**
- d. Westview – Scott Smith a public safety committee has been formed and is creating many different safety plans. One key issue was getting focus on the non-emergency crime. There appears to be **zero attention and response being given by the Zone 4 police precinct for non-violent crime.**
- e. Booker T. Washington – Bill Cannon discussed the resurgence of prostitution and drug traffic within his community. This community is **also concerned with the response and performance of the Zone 4 Command staff.**

7. Committee Reports –

- a. Gwen Porter described the John O Chiles Thanksgiving dinner. The event will take place on November 22nd, the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. The dinner is scheduled from 11:30am – 1:30pm. She will be approaching individual neighborhoods for what they would like to bring to support the dinner.
- b. The Bylaws committee provided a draft of the 2006 Bylaws.

Prior to starting the review of the bylaws a vote was made and properly seconded to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.

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Vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

A vote was taken on all proposed changes. In all cases, a motion was properly made and seconded to accept or reject the change to the bylaws. In all instances the vote to support the motion was Yes-12; No-0; Abstain-1.

During the discussion of the bylaws change a motion was made and properly seconded to extend the meeting another 20 minutes so that the review could be completed.

Vote: Yes-9; No-0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

8. Chairperson's Report – Chairman Brown Announcements – none
9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:35pm