

NPU-T Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 11, 2007

The General meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm EST by Vice-Chairman Kwabena Nkromo

1) Invocation

A moment of silence was observed following remarks by the vice-chairman.

There was no quorum at the start of the meeting and the agenda items not requiring a vote were presented while awaiting the arrival of the necessary officers to hold an agenda.

A quorum was established at 7:43pm.

2) Approval of Agenda –

- a) A motion was made by Scott Smith to approve the agenda as published with deviations as the chair deems necessary. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

Vote: Yes- 7 ; No- 0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

3) Approval of Minutes – June

- a) Copies of the June Minutes were distributed for approval.
 - i) A motion was made Debbie Zimmerman to approve the June Minutes as submitted. This was seconded by Oni Holly

Vote: Yes- 8; No-0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

4) Police, Fire, and Community Prosecutor's Updates (5 minutes per report)

a) Police

- i) Zone 1: Sgt. Bell spoke (404.799.2488) – A copy of the crime statistics were provided to the vice chair.
- ii) Zone 4: Major Perdue spoke. –
 - (1) He indicated that there have been a significant number of residential burglaries and pedestrian robberies in the area.
 - (a) He is assigning plain clothes officers to work on the problem.
 - (2) There was also a recent robbery at McDonalds.
 - (a) Four of the perpetrators have been apprehended.
 - (3) There were 42 auto thefts in Zone 4 in the past week.

b) Fire

- i) Cpt. Towhey (station #17) spoke. He highlighted that Firefighter Hinkle died unexpectedly on July 10, 2007. No arrangements have been announced at this time. 404.756.1910 is the number at the station to call for further information. Several years ago NPU-T recognized FAO Hinkle for his contribution to the community.
 - (1) Smoke Detectors, Car Seats and Fans are still available through the department.
- ii) Chaplain Houston for the AFD also spoke about FAO Hinkle. He is assisting with donations and other methods of assistance for the family that members of the community may wish to provide. 404.391.0090 is Chaplain Houston's number should we wish to contact him directly.

- c) **Community Prosecutor** – There is no community prosecutor for Zone 4.

5) Neighborhood Associations Reports (3 minutes per report)

- a) **No reports**

6) Committee Reports (3 minutes per report)

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- a) **Housing Code Enforcement – Scott Smith**
 - i) No report
 - b) **Crime Task Force – Jasper Boykin**
 - i) No report
 - c) **Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs – Kwabena Nkromo**
 - i) No Report
 - d) **Education – Oni Oluremi:**
 - i) No Report
 - e) **Executive Committee – Kwabena Nkromo.**
 - i) No Report
 - f) **Zoning & Land Use (Oni Holly) -**
 - i) No Report
- 7) **Planner’s Report –**
- a) **West Lake MARTA LCI Report – Keri Stevens, City Planner**
 - i) Keri Stevens spoke about the West Lake LCI which was originally discussed in the June NPU-T meeting.

The Discussion: Planner Stevens presented the West Lake LCI results. Scott Smith indicated that the Westview Community has participated in the LCI Study and supports the recommendations of the LCI. This item is also favorably supported by the Zoning and Land Use Committee

The Action: A motion was made by Scott Smith to support the LCI as presented by Planner Stevens. This was seconded by Oni Holly.

Vote: Yes- 8 ; No- 0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

- 8) **Atlanta Planning Advisory Board Report (APAB representative or NPU-T delegate)**
- a) **No report**

9) **Presentation(s)**

- a) **CDBG Request for Funding for 2008 (requires NPU vote):**

- i) Atlanta Community Tool Bank – Lisa Garcia

The Discussion: Lisa talked about the Tool Lending Library and the House Proud Programs (NPU-V). The CDBG will enable the Community Tool Bank to expand their services to NPU-T. This will include home repairs for senior citizens.

The Action: Edmund MCafee moved to support the CDBG application for the Atlanta Community Tool Bank. This was seconded by Henry Ingram

Vote: Yes- 8 ; No- 0; Abstain- 0 → Motion Carries

- ii) Metropolitan Parkway Corridor Redevelopment Plan Update – Keri Stevens spoke.

The Discussion: Keri Stevens highlighted that the Metropolitan Corridor Study would build upon the Stewart Avenue study that was conducted several years ago. The objective of the study would be to accommodate changes in the area that have taken place over the last few years.

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any impacted neighborhoods. There was no input from any neighborhood currently solicited by the applicant.

Vote: Yes- 3; No- 1; Abstain- 3 → Motion Carries

12) Chairperson's Report

a) Any donations made to NPU-T this evening will be applied to a gift to the Thomas Hinkle Family.

13) Announcements

a) A question was posed of State Rep. Kathy Ashe regarding the problems with the Juvenile Justice system being seen today. Kathy indicated that Project Apple seed is working on doing a re-write of the current Juvenile Justice Code. She will also make Major Perdue aware of this to see whether he would like to make further input in the work being done.

14) Public Review and Comments:

Ordinance – 07-O-0682

An Ordinance by Councilmember Clair Muller to create a new section 15.07.006 of the part of the City of Atlanta Land Development code to address lots of record; to delete subparagraph J or code section 15.07.005; and for other purposes.

Planner McLaughlin overviewed this proposed ordinance. He distributed a fact sheet on this ordinance. No vote is required at the present time.

Ordinance -07-O-1087 – Finance/Executive Committee will hold a public hearing on August 1, 2007 in committee room 1.

An Ordinance by Finance/Executive Committee authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to allow the City to impose a convenience fee in the amount of four dollars and fifty cent (\$4.50) on credit cards users, on-line payment users, electronic check users, submitting payments for water and wastewater city services, to recover the cost the City pays to third-party vendors to process such payments; all collected funds will be deposited into fund account and center number 2J01 (Water and Wastewater Revenue Fund) 641307 (Credit Card) B00001 (Convenience Fee); and for other purposes.

15) Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm EST

Donations in the amount of \$87.17 were received and will be given to the Hinkle family.