

NPU-T Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 8, 2009

The General meeting was called to order at 7: 03 pm EST by Chairman Knowles following a swearing in of the new Chair and Vice-Chair by Council Member Clea Winslow.

**1) Invocation**

a) The invocation was presented by Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown.

**2) Approval of Agenda –**

A motion was made by John Davis to adopt the agenda as with deviations as the chair deems necessary. This was seconded by Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown.

The Vote: Yes- 11; No - 0; → Motion Carries

**3) Approval of Minutes – June 2009**

a) Copies of the June Minutes were distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Vonda Henry to approve the minutes as published. This was seconded by Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown.

Vote: Yes- 11 No-0 → Motion Carries

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

**a) Police –**

i) **Inspector Thomas from Zone 1 Community Safety was present to remind about National Night Out.**

ii) **Zone 4 – Lt. Johnson spoke.** A question was asked regarding a recent shooting near Clark Atlanta University earlier this week.

iii) **Zone 4 – Sgt. Postell spoke.**

(1) Sgt. Postell discussed the foot patrol and provided a copy of the crime statistics for the past 30 days.

b) **Fire** – no representative present

**c) Community Prosecutor** – Ms. Blackett-Jones (Zone 4) 404.699.5294

i) Prosecutor Jones spoke about the Community Prosecutor program and highlighted the electronic registration program.

ii) Prosecutor Jones also spoke about several upcoming cases regarding court watch instances that will be of interest to residents within NPU-T.

**5) Presentations**

a) Proposed Atlanta Sustainable Building Ordinance

i) No representative was present.

**The discussion:** no action taken.

b) **Atlanta Community Tool Bank** – Jonathan Kidwell

i) Jonathan highlighted the House Proud program.

NPU-T Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 8, 2009

**The discussion:** A motion was made by Jerry ‘ Tacuma’ Brown to support the 2010-11 Community Development Block Grant for the Atlanta Community Tool Bank. This was seconded by Chen Chang.

Vote: Yes- 20; No- 0 → Motion Carries

**6) Neighborhood Association Reports (3 minutes per report)**

- a) **CollegeTown Community Association – Laurisa Claytor, president of CollegeTown, spoke.**
  - i) Laurisa spoke about recent improvements in security and quality of life for her community.
- b) **WEND – Vonda Henry, president of WEND, spoke.**
  - i) Vonda highlighted the introduction of the artist who will be creating the sculpture for the Beltline at Rose Circle Park on Thursday, July 9, 2009 at Hammonds House. She also outlined a change in WEND’s approach for reporting code compliance.

**7) Committee Reports (3 minutes per report)**

- a) **Community Planner – Mark Malaguerra**
  - i) Mark Malaguerra spoke about a recent grant that was awarded by The Community Foundation which will help fund planning activities for the Comprehensive Development Plan within Westview.
- b) **Treasurer’s Report – Patrick Berry**
  - i) Patrick Berry spoke about the status of the current budget and collected donations for the continuing operational expense of NPU-T.

→ Deviation #1: Chairman Knowles acknowledged several visitors, including principals from Washington High School.

- 8) **Atlanta Planning Advisory Board Report – Graham Jackson, NPU-T Community Ambassador**
  - i) No report for July.

- 9) **Planner’s Report – Brandy Crawford (404.330.6522 bcrawford@atlantaga.gov)**
  - a) Planner Crawford addressed the items under items 11 and 13 of the approved agenda.

**10) 2010 HUD Grant Programs**

- a) **Rebuilding Together – Jan Jordon** was present to outline the program that would be funded via Community Development Block Grant.

**The discussion:** Ms. Jordon described the types of repairs eligible for the program.

A motion was made by Bill Cannon to approve the application. This was seconded by Emma Davis.

Vote: Yes- 18; No- 0 → Motion Carries

**11) Zoning**

- a) **CDP-09-26** AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE PLANNING DOCUMENT ENTITLED *IMAGINE DOWNTOWN ENCORE*; TO AMEND THE 2008 COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA TO INCORPORATE THE *IMAGINE DOWNTOWN ENCORE PLAN* BY REFERENCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

i) **The discussion:**

NPU-T Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 8, 2009

- (1) Jennifer Ball with Central Atlanta Progress was present to speak about the proposed ordinance. An overview of the application was presented to the NPU-T body. The full plan can be accessed by visiting the web site [www.atlantadowntown.com](http://www.atlantadowntown.com).
- (2) Two other impacted NPUs (M and W) have voted to support P-09-26. The remaining NPUs (L and V) have not yet met to vote on P-09-26.
- (3) There are no zoning, land use or other changes included in P-09-26.

A motion was made by Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown to defer action on this item until NPUs L and V have met to discuss. This was seconded John Pavlin.

Vote: Yes-12; No-5 → Motion Carries

**b) Zoning Review Board July 9, 2009 6:00 P.M.**

**Z-09-020 / 09-O-0844** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 1982 ATLANTA ZONING ORDINANCE AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE USE CHART FOR SPI-21 HISTORIC WEST END /ADAIR PARK SPECIAL PUBLIC INTERST DISTRICT SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES ARE ASSITIONAL PERMITTED USES WITHIN SUB-AREAS 1,2,3,4,8 & 9; SO AS TO REMOVE CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES AS A PERMITTED USE IN SUB-AREA 7; SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN LOT SIZE FOR CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES WITHIN ALL SUB-AREAS; SO AS TO REQUIRE MUSEUMS, ART GALLERIES, LIBRARIES, CHILDCARE CENTERS AND KINDERGARTNES TO OBTAIN A SPECIAL USE PERMIT IN SUB-AREAS 5 & 6; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

- i) Planner Crawford outlined the proposed Zoning & Ordinance. She highlighted that Federal Law do not allow religious places of assembly to receive different treatment from other lawful places of assembly.
- ii) Concerns were expressed that Z-09-020 / 09-O-844 singles out the Adair Park and West End communities.

**The discussion:** Vonda Henry moved to deny Z-09-020 / 09-O-844, this was seconded by John Davis. Upon further discussion, Vonda Henry rescinded her motion.

Patrick Berry made a motion to defer action on Z-09-020 / 09-O-844 until the City of Atlanta presents an ordinance that affects the entire city rather than 2 neighborhoods only. This was seconded by Vonda Henry.

Vote: Yes- 12; No- 0 → Motion Carries

**c) Zoning Review Board September 2 or 9, 2009 6:00 P.M.**

**Z-09-026 / 09-O-1076** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 1982 ATLANTA ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED SO AS TO DEFINE SELF-STORAGE FACILITY, SECURED-STORAGE FACILITY, VAULT- STORAGE FACILITY, MIXED-USE STORAGE FACILITY, AND WAREHOUSING FACILITY; SO AS TO ALLOW SUCH DEFINED TERMS AS A PERMITTED USE WITHIN VARIOUS ZONING DISTRICTS; SO AS TO REQUIRE OFF-STREET PARKING FOR SUCH USES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

- i) This ordinance replaces Z-08-72 and Z-08-74. Planner Crawford outlined the differences that proposed Zoning Ordinance have over the prior ordinances (Z-08-72 & Z-08-74).

**The discussion:** A motion was made by Vonda Henry to support Z-09-026/09-O-1072. This was seconded by Emma Davis.

Vote: Yes- 10; No-0 → Motion Carries

**12) License Review Board**

- a) **No items for NPU-T consideration in July 2009.**

NPU-T Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 8, 2009

**13) Ordinances, Resolutions and Text Amendments**

- a) There were two items on the agenda for information only and do not require a vote by the body of NPU-T.
  
- b) **Vehicle Immobilization Fee (*For Information Only*) 09-O-1069** – AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCILMEMBER C. T. MARTIN TO AMEND SECTION 162-260 (A), (ENTITLED “FEES CHARGED BY VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION SERVICE”) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO AS TO INCREASE THE ALLOWABLE FEE CHARGED BY VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION SERVICES, TO THE OWNER OF ANY IMMOBILIZED VEHICLE OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, FROM \$50.00 PER DAY TO \$75.00 PER DAY; TO WAIVE CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
  
- c) **Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (*For Information Only*) – 09-R-1127** A RESOLUTION BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT / HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A COMPETITIVE GRANT UP TO \$75,000,000.00 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE CDBG NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2 (NSP2); TO ENTER INTO A CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT WITH THE ATLANTA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ATLANTA NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS (IN COLLABORATION WITH MACALLAN GROUP AND NORSOUTH COMPANIES) AND THE INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT, LLC; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
  - i) The NSP is a Federal funding program that will provide emergency assistance to state and local governments to acquire and redevelop abandoned or foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment and blight within their communities. NSP funds can not be used to acquire homes from current owners. The City of Atlanta has been awarded \$16.2 million. The Bureau of Housing is overseeing the implementation of the program funding. For more information about the program visit the City’s website at:  
[http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/planning/foreclosure\\_040709.aspx](http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/planning/foreclosure_040709.aspx)

**The discussion:**

Jay Pearlmutter was present to speak about the program. There are three developers within NPU-T. All developers were present to speak about their plans. These developers were Phol Real Estate, University Community Development Corporation and Atlanta Region Housing Partners. Concerns were expressed about the lack of communications from the developers. The only developer that has reached out proactively to the neighborhoods is UCDC. Several neighbors expressed concern about the rental aspect of the developer's plan.

**14) Chairperson’s Report**

- a) None.

**15) Announcements –**

- a) John Davis announced that Westview, West End Coalition and Westview Lofts will be having a joint National Night Out event in August.
- b) James Anderson with the Atlanta Beltline Inc. announced a meet & greet with the sculptor for the Rose Circle sculpture at Hammonds House at 7pm on Thursday, July 9.
- c) The John Hope Community will have their National Night Out at the John Hope Community Center and Cleophas Johnson Park
- d) The NPU-T Non-Profit Council will be meeting on Friday, July 10, 2009 at 1:30pm
- e) Bill Cannon requested delegates to be appointed for the Zone 1 Citizens Advisory Board.

NPU-T Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 8, 2009

**16) Adjournment– The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.**

**\$37.44 in donations were collected by NPU-T treasurer, Patrick Berry.**

**69 individuals were recorded on the NPU-T sign-in sheets.**