

Meeting Minutes

Subject	NPU-T GENERAL BODY COMMITTEE	Date	May 10, 2017
Facilitator	Terry Ross	Time	07:00 p.m.
Location	Kipp Strive Academy, 1444 Lucille Street SW	Scribe	Angela Clyde
Attendees	General body in attendance		

Key Points Discussed

No.	Topic	Highlights
1.	Call to order/adopt agenda	Chair Terry Ross called meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. Kim Copeland made motion to adopt & approve the Agenda. Bill seconds motion. Vote: 12-0 Motion Carries
2.	Approval of February Minutes	No April Minutes
3.	<p>City Department Reports:</p> <p>a. APD Zone #1</p> <p>b. APD Zone #4</p>	<p>a. Zone 1: Lieutenant Captain Johnson</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Latest increase in crimes is individuals grabbing purses out windows in cars when the windows are parked and rolled down. Please be mindful to roll up windows when you are pumping gas. ii. There is also an increase in popping wheelies in neighborhoods. If you are experiencing this problem please call 911 and give a description of the vehicle. Even if the officer doesn't make it out before they leave still get a description of vehicle if see them parked and they can go back later to address and deal with the issue. There have been 12 confiscated within the last two weeks. iii. Resident of 47 Joseph E Lowery Blvd, SW reported super speeders on Fair & Martin Luther King and would like more police patrol in the area. <p>b. Zone 4: Lieutenant Sinks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. West End Area - Still have problem with shoplifters. There also appears to be more foot traffic in the area. Car break-ins have ramped up so more officers are on patrol. Major Griffin has but more officers on foot patrol to deal with the crime and increasing traffic. Monitoring Systems are also being put in. ii. Juveniles that where a problem are back in custody should stay in this time and not get out. The juveniles were caught around RDA and the funeral home areas and now they have also broken probation. There is a Repeat Offender Officer working the issues. iii. Bill Cannon, NPU Public Safety Chair stated: We need to call 911 as a team sport working together and with the police. If we can get enough of us to respond at the same time with the same issues it would have greater impacts. Urged all to work together as a team and as a community. Also suggested attending the May 20th Neighborhood

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		<p>Watch training as a community which would also give greater insight on how to work together to make the community safer, what we should and should not do, and how to handle people who come into our neighborhood with the wrong intentions making them aware they are in a neighborhood where people know they are being watch.</p> <p>iv. Question: How does Crime Stoppers work: ANS: Crime stoppers are an anonymous tip line where you can call to report crime, it is completely anonymous. Once you call to report a crime you will be assigned a case number, they will use the information you report to make a case with a goal of arrest then prosecution. When making reports try to have as much specific information as possible. You can check on your reported case with the assigned case number. The entire process takes time to gain an arrest & prosecution. Crime Stoppers Number: 404-577-TIPS</p>
	c. Pathforce Cops	c. Pathforce Cops: No One Here
	d. Marta PD	d. Marta PD: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There has been an influx in Marta riders with the I-85 bridge collapse. There is extra parking at College Park Station, as well as a shuttle that takes riders to Turner Field.
	e. Pathforce/Beltline	e. Pathforce/Beltline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The bridge over MLK is now open. There is patrol every day from 10:00a, - 1:30am. As the Beltline continues to grow it is increasingly becoming a City priority.
	f. Atlanta Fire Department	f. Atlanta Fire Department: Officer Terrell <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Assert Program to train people to help themselves in emergency situations will be scheduled on Tuesdays for six weeks in July ii. Residents can receive free blood pressure check at any fire station. iii. Atlanta Smoke Alarm Program had three successful Blitzes. Residents can also call the Fire Dept. hotline at 404-546-7000 to schedule a time to

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	<p>g. Community Prosecutor</p> <p>h. Code Enforcement</p> <p>i. Dept. of Watershed</p>	<p>have smoke detectors installed. Smoke detectors are valid for 10 years therefore residents should make sure they have them replaced every 10 years.</p> <p>iv. The fire dept. also has a free car seat. Residents can make an appointment at their neighborhood station with child in the car and they will install a new car seat for them.</p> <p>v. QUESTION: Does the fire dept. provide carbon monoxide detectors? ANS: Only as the budget allows, residents can check local station to see if they have any available.</p> <p>g. Prosecutor Shari Jones:</p> <p>i. Update on the court case for Jacob Weaver's aggravated assault case – he was found guilty and sentenced to 25 years.</p> <p>ii. Jr. DA Summer Program – This is one of District Attorney Howard's programs for entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. This program is a free program that will be held every Tuesday & Thursday during the month July. Program will provide Jr. DA Blazers, t-shirts, polo shirts, and graduation from the DA program with special presentations. The program will also include field trips to 911 Call Center, Federal Courthouse, Horse Stables and more. Deadline to sign up is June 1st Contact Atty. Shari Jones at 404-449-6737 or sharijones@fultoncountyga.gov for sign up and more information. Terry will also resend the information out to everyone.</p> <p>h. Code Enforcement – Officer Wimberly</p> <p>i. Managing code enforcement on neighbors keeping their grass cut. In April there were 18 cases on property maintenance. For any code violations call them in to the code enforcement office. Violation forms and booklets on zoning, code, sanitation & public works are also available at every NPU meeting.</p> <p>i. Department of Watershed: No One Here to Report</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> j. Board of Education – no one here k. Department of Public Works l. Central Atlanta Progress – Audrey Leous m. City Council Alex Wan – Chair of City Utilities Community (Watershed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> j. Board of Education: No One Here to Report k. Department of Public Works: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Issac Vines is not here. Informational forms on what the office does, recycling forms and traffic study pamphlets have been left tonight. Residents can keep in mind that any comments or complaints can be made to 311. ii. Residents interested in speed humps should make requests submit request through the available forms or on City Website. Also understand that requests take time and must undergo a traffic study to decide if neighborhood qualifies, but continue to call and be persistent. iii. Speed limit signs are being repaired or replaced within neighborhoods. l. Central Atlanta Progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There will be an event on June 14th at the Rialto Downtown with Interactive Stations to see the downtown area, infrastructure improvements, how the core of downtown will interact with neighborhoods. The event is free and open to the public, food & drinks will be provided. m. City Council Alex Wan – Chair of City Utilities Community (Watershed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Currently working on capital funding for storm water and flooding issues ii. Trying to get rid of the \$4.95 convenience fee for paying water bill. Hope to have this accomplished by July. iii. There is a public Budget Hearing meeting scheduled for tomorrow, May 11th at City Hall one of the key issues for discussion no property tax increase. Meeting can also be viewed virtually on the City Website. iv. Question: Will storm and planning alignment be put in infrastructure plan for the water city council ordinances that should have to contain certain amount of water flow or get fined? ANS: Currently looking at water/green infrastructure. Will view Annual contracts for maintenance for Public Works. Also please advise of spots or problem areas can

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		be reported to Mr. Wan at awan@atlantaga.gov
	n. Renew Atlanta	n. No One Here to Report
	o. Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs	o. No One Here to Report
	p. Morehouse School of Medicine	p. No One Here to Report
	q. Truly Living Well	q. No One Here to Report

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4.	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. Public Safety Bill Cannon</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. Education – Tiquest Slayton not here this evening.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">c. Transportation – Dany Craig</p>	<p>a. Public Safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Representation is needed for the public safety committee from each individual community to ensure the safety of your area. Safety requires team effort to be effective in fighting crime. Ask your neighbors if they would like to be representatives in your community. ii. The Fire Dept. training will help with home, school, & church. iii. Speed bumps – Keep in mind some neighborhoods don't have the car traffic to qualify for them. iv. National Night Out will be held in August. v. Neighborhood Watch Training will be held May 20th. Please try to take advantage of this four hour session which also provides certification vi. There is a Zone Citizen Advisory Council for every area so please try to make sure your community is a part of it <p>b. Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Agnes M. Jones became the first STEM School in APS. ii. Brown Middle has increased its numbers/scores iii. Charter Schools representative Erica Brown made recommendation for Harriett Tubman to become a Charter School, however the school chose not to support. We need to be aware no matter how much fought against Charter Schools are coming. NPU has advised we will only support the Charter School if it has the support of neighboring community. <p>c. Transportation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Meeting for Cascade complete street was voted on 6 to 8 at Cascade United on May 22nd ii. There will be a meeting Lawton Street Resurfacing Project on May 31st at West Hunter Street Baptist Church at 6:00pm

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	d. Finance – Will Chandler	d. Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There will be a mixer/fundraiser new month in June. Frank Moralis will be sponsoring. Terry will send out an email with more information once available.

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5.	Presentations/Planners Report/Matters for Voting	
	a. Z-16-11	<p>a. Create new chapter 16A I-Min (Industrial Mix Use): Looking at warehouse roads to try to add residential and business mix. We received the latest draft recommendation by our Chair to support this initiative. Case is going to be deferred until June meeting. Walter wants us to add conditions to this so deferring decision so we can make decisions based on final draft and will have time to make input. Currently proposed 30 businesses, 40 commercial, & 20 residential. Will have time to make input Motion to defer made by Kim Porter. Motion was second by Dany Craig. VOTE: 10 In Favor 0 Oppose No Abstentions</p>
	b. Z-17-16	<p>b. Ordinance to amend Office Institutional, Commercial, Residential, Light Industrial, Heavy Industrial and Mixed Residential prohibiting storage facilities on property: Chair recommends we support. Motion to support made by Terry Ross. Motion second by Rita Gibson. VOTE: 11 In Favor 0 Oppose No Abstentions</p>
	c. Z-17-18	<p>c. Ordinance for Councilmember Howard Shook to amend zoning ordinance changing the definition and manner of calculating a conforming lot. Question: What is prompting this? ANS: Terry stated not sure what is prompting but possibly because property is getting scarce. Walter has advised we support. Motion to support by Steffy. Motion second by Rashad. VOTE: 6 In Favor 2 Oppose 3 Abstentions</p>
	d. Z-17-24	<p>d. Ordinance by Councilwoman Clea Winslow: Rezoning certain properties within the West End Neighborhood. Phase 1: Identify properties, Phase 2: I-Mix repurpose with more use of old industrial spaces, Phase 3: Plan updates to reflect changes. Question: Clarification on meaning of C for Conditional – prohibit battery exchange shops, car washes, auto repair, package sores, plumbing/ac services, outdoor storage. Existing business like this will be grandfathered in this would be for new ventures in the future. Terry recommended we support. Motion to support by Barber 2nd by Dany. VOTE: 9 In favor 9 0 Oppose 0 Abstentions</p>

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6.	Announcements	a. None Discussed/Given
7.	Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

