

Meeting Minutes

Subject	NPU-T GENERAL BODY COMMITTEE	Date	June 14, 2017
Facilitator	Terry Ross	Time	07:00 p.m.
Location	Pathway to Righteousness Church 1517 Ralph David Abernathy, SW	Scribe	Angela Clyde
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Key Points Discussed		
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1.	Call to order/adopt agenda	Chair Terry Ross called meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Moment of Silence to reflect on losses in the Community. Octavia made motion to approve the Agenda with added changes for the Office of Resilience. Tacuma made motion to accept the agenda with revised editions and corrections. Ms. Barbara second the motion. Favor 12 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0
2.	Approval of May Minutes	Approval of the minute's motion to adopt made by Tacuma and Gwen second. Favor 10 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0
3.	City Department Reports: a. APD Zone #1 b. APD Zone #4 c. Pathforce Cops	a. Zone 1: Lieutenant Captain Johnson There has been an increase in Domestic related crimes. Also juvenile related thefts are up with it being summer time, so encouraged to keep cars locked and windows up when out. b. Zone 4: Lieutenant Sinks: Area is looking good, there are still steady numbers with shoplifters, however burglaries are down. Right now this Zone has the best results in the city. There are currently 3-4 juveniles in jail pending hearings that were linked to 12 or 13 robberies in the past year. Judges are working to keep them locked up as they do live in the area. c. Pathforce Cops: Officer Bent i. Beltline build out is progressing on the Westside and will be incorporating with the City. ii. There is currently no crime issues on the Beltline, however there will still be a high focus to ensure crime is controlled. iii. There has been a reported issue with dirt bike riders on the Beltline so working to make a crackdown before it gets out of hand. iv. There is a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled in September no specific date as of yet. v. Question: Have had any reports on the Beltline area from Westwood to Martin Luther King in regards to no cell phone reception? With carriers T-Mobile & Sprint? ANS: Go to beltline.org comments section to put in for awareness. vi. Question: Is beltline private or under COA? ANS: Funded by Beltline City Patrols, however the Beltline and COA are all connected

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	d. Marta PD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> d. Marta PD: Sgt. Smith <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The South prescient is preparing for the Peachtree Road Race that is coming. Encouraging everyone to make sure of surroundings, no current issues with snatch thefts but they do happen. ii. Vehicle thefts are up in the station parking lots because people are not locking the cars.
	e. Atlanta Fire Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> e. Atlanta Fire Department: Executive Director of Fire Rescue Foundation Shirley Ann Smith <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Currently working on securing funds for Atlanta Fire Depts. and Programs. ii. Open House for entire Community at Station 31 on Saturday, June 16th 10am – 2pm. iii. Community Emergency Response Team training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking for participation which teaches individuals how to respond in disaster and in the event of emergency how you can be prepared & help in your community, home or work. 2. There are currently less than five people certified in this community. 3. There are three training classes each year. Training is a six week course with a 30 student class capacity. Each class is approximately 2 hours. You also get a badge to certify you completed the training class. 4. You get a badge for being a part of COA Fire foundation looking for board members and volunteers. iv. COA Fire Foundation is looking for Board Members and Volunteers
	f. Community Prosecutor	f. Prosecutor Shari Jones: Not in Attendance
	g. Code Enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> g. Code Enforcement – Officer K. Brayboy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Currently have 26 cases assigned under property maintenance. There have been eight notices mailed and one for being highly hazardous. i. The following materials were brought to share and

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		are available to take: pamphlets on how the office handles processes, scrap tire law changes flyer, code enforcement process and fact sheet, and vacant property registration forms.
	h. Board of Education	h. Board of Education: No One Here to Report
	i. Department of Public Works	i. Department of Public Works: Mr. Balogun Bisi i. Brought flyers for 311 Information. ii. Update on Lee Street and York Street: proposing a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB). Lee Street and West End Marta end proposals being sent to GDOT to get these expedited.
	j. Central Atlanta Progress	j. Central Atlanta Progress: No One Here to Report
	k. Office of Resilience	k. Office of Resilience – Michelle Wiseman i. COA has been awarded a grant to help boost recycling. Will be reviewing 4000 households, one route a week. Trying to ensure the right items are being recycled consisting of paper, plastic, & aluminum. ii. Glass is no longer going to be allowed on the curb. Glass can be taken to CHARM, which is a nonprofit organization with possible small fee. Charm 110 Hill Street, Atlanta, GA. Hours: Tues, Thursday, and Saturday. iii. This initiative will start on July 10 th with COA riding out in front of trash trucks to let you know what should or shouldn't be in recycle bins. Bins with the wrong recycled items will get an "Oops Tag"; grocery bags, water plastics are not recyclable items. iv. For more information contact Michelle Wiseman at 404-335-1953 or MLWiseman@AtlantaGa.gov
	l. Renew Atlanta	l. No One Here to Report

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	m. Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs	m. No One Here to Report
	n. Morehouse School of Medicine	n. No One Here to Report
	o. Truly Living Well	o. No One Here to Report

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4.	Committee Reports	
	a. Public Safety – Bill Cannon	a. Public Safety: We need people to join this committee and help Bill with one of the most important things for our community Safety. Contact Bill at 404-626-1644 if interested.
	b. Education – Tiquest Slayton	b. Education: Co-Chair for WAG will meet quarterly going forward. WAG supports feeder schools into Washington High School. There was no meeting this month so nothing to report
	c. Transportation – Dany Craig (Not Here)	c. Transportation i. The 4 th or 5 th and final meeting with renew Atlanta was held at City Council Cleata Winslow’s office. The meeting was a little disappointing because decision made to not extend extending bike lane for this one block. Current projects affect Westview, West End, Abernathy, & Northside Drive. Meetings are kicking off and we also need to ensure the storm water run-off remains a focus. ii. Steve brought to meeting attention that the Beltline RDA is scheduled for June 22 nd and the Trail Opening for the Westside is scheduled for June 26 th . Meeting will be held at West End Family Life Center.
	d. Finance – Will Chandler	d. Finance Not Here to Report

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5.	Presentations/Planners Report/Matters for Voting a. West End Farmers Market – Deborah Williams b. Alcohol Application – Singh Kushwinder	a. Proposal for farmers market to be held at Gordon White Park every Friday, June 23 rd thru Sept. 23. Walter Slayton recommends we approve. Stephanie made motion to approve, Carl Barnes second the motion. Favor 18 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0 b. Alcohol application up for proposal at Old Hardy’s Store in West End at 516 Lee Street due to change of ownership. Repairs being made to store and just change of ownership. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Questions proposed to new Owner: What difference will you make for this community? What are you bringing to us? ANS: Owner would love to participate and be a part of community events. Also ensuring the run down condition of the building is being renovated to be a clean and safe location that will be monitored. 2. Impacted community has chosen not to support the alcohol license. Executive Board voted to support which was disappointing to some of the members considering our role should always be to lean in favor & support the desires & decisions of the impacted community. 3. Stephanie made some points for matter of record: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. West End has lack of onsite security personnel for convenience stores after hours, there are individual beer sales after hours which also goes against the law in which these stores don’t honor. ii. West End lack of onsite security personnel, convenience stores after hours, sale of individual beer sales go against law and sells singles after hours. iii. We have enough substance issues in our community and we do not need to continue to support an alcohol presence. iv. The owner of the store does not live in the community he lives in Gwinnett and building owner is in India, they therefore are not affected by what goes on in the community v. More than 50 people in the impacted

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		community voted against the alcohol permit
		4. We will put owner on notice that if a certain standard that we expect is not maintained we will hold them accountable
		5. There will also be a hearing at the License Review Board (LRB) on June 20 th where community can vote and is encouraged to go out and do so before final approval is granted
		6. Motion to not give support was made with a resounding second. Favor 17 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0
	c. Z-17-26	<p>c. Ordinance by Zoning Committee to amend City Code Sec. 16-26.007 which affects appeals from the Board of Zoning Adjustments. BZA applicants that put in for change has to have appeals done before the hearing otherwise the application cannot be appealed. This will help to eliminate and prevent the backups that have been occurring in the lower courts due to the numerous appeal cases. Example: BZA votes on an application to put in a 6 foot fence if their neighbor feels it affects their property they must put in complaint before BZA gives their judgment. In the past appeals have been filed after decisions were made backing up courts with appeal cases. Also the complaint has to affect you personally and negatively.</p> <p>Question: How do you know what decisions are? ANS: Complaints are posted on website. And Walter Slayton will also get you the information. Chair Walter recommends we support this initiative. Motion made by Kim to support and second by Curtis. Favor 11 Oppose 0 Abstentions 4</p>
	d. 17-O-1249	<p>d. Ordinance by Michael Julian Bond to approve Public Safety Assessments recommended by CFO in accordance with Section 1-102(62). This is an informational matter only. There have been flyers left explaining in more detail.</p>

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6.	Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Sandra’s appointment for the Public Safety Committee has been approved, now has to go to City Council for approval. b. Morehouse Community Research Ctr. – Sabrina Mobley Health needs assessments are being conducted to try to get funds for the community for to better address healthcare needs. Asking help to build health resource guide c. For all Zoning Issues please feel free to contact Walter Slayton – Cell:404-409-3932 Email: wslayton@gmail.com
7.	Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned at 8:32