

Meeting Minutes

Subject	NPU-T GENERAL BODY COMMITTEE	Date	October 11, 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		
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1.	Call to order/adopt agenda	Chair Terry Ross called meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
2.	Approval of February Minutes	No September Minutes due to Hurricane Irma
3.	<p>City Department Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. APD Zone #1 b. APD Zone #4 c. Pathforce Cops d. Marta PD e. Atlanta Fire Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Zone 1: Lieutenant Captain Charles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. One robbery past in the past month. Crime is down 22% b. Zone 4: Lieutenant Graham <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. One homicide, 9 robberies near West End Mall most of them at ATM's, and 9 aggravated assaults, Please be mindful near ATM's, keep car windows up, keep personal belongings in trunk, and take keys out of car at gas stations. ii. Noted that with the new Marijuana law only affects sentencing, arrest can still be made. The officer has the officer has the discretion to either give a citation or an arrest. Question: What determines an arrest or a citation? Citation or arrest option based upon valid ID shown to officer assuring they're more likely to show up in court. If they have no ID they will go to jail. c. Pathforce Cops: No One Here d. Marta PD: No One Here e. Atlanta Fire Department: Mark Smith, Samantha Gilmore, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Fire Dept. turn our time objective met at 92% very proud of this success rate. ii. It is Hydrant season so be mindful of firefighters in the neighborhoods. iii. There are free car seats available at every station. iv. ACRT (Atlanta Citizens Response Teams) has a six week program for to provide training for response in natural disaster, CPR, how to prepare for natural disasters, & training to help save people lives. v. Firefighter Mark Smith created an Atlanta Fire Department App that has benefits such as register for CPR Boot Camp, get notifications for anyone going into cardiac arrest the goal is to get the individual immediate help because the first 10 mins. Is critical in saving a life, also network links

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	f. Community Prosecutor	<p>to stations numbers, getting weather notifications, and more. The App is free to download on any smartphone or tablet</p> <p>f. Community Prosecutor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Zone 1 Prosecutor – Ashley Paine has a new office on Sells Avenue and anyone is free to walk-in on Monday & Wednesdays for assistance. ii. Zone 4 Prosecutor – Shari Jones <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on McDaniel brothers' case: they were sentenced to 45 years serving minimum of 18 for aggravated sentence in which the victim died. They will be just shy of 40th birthday when they get out which has caused much discussion as to whether or not the sentence was too harsh. 2. Also have a Court Watch signup sheet for the community to voice their opinions on cases. Zone 4 is one of the largest in the COA and welcomes community input. Statements can also be sent via email or you can be physically present
	g. Code Enforcement	<p>g. Code Enforcement – Officer Wimberly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There have been a lot of issues with property maintenance, especially vacant property maintenance.
	h. Dept. of Watershed	<p>h. Department of Watershed: Taquira</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. When paying water bill online payment fees have been discontinued effective 10/01. ii. For storm water management please call 404-546-0311 to report flooding in or as a result of storms iii. There is a Senior Citizen discount program for water bills available for seniors 65 older with an income of \$25,000 or less. iv. For any questions or concerns Taquira can be reached at 404-546-3224 or cell 678-749-3308.
	i. Board of Education	<p>i. Board of Education: Byron Anderson (404-587-6811)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Graduation rates are improving but still a long way to go. The rate is now up to 77% from 55% in 2011. We are also seeing improvements in the

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		<p>Milestone Assessment areas.</p> <p>ii. Recent disparity study shows only 10% for African American minority owned women business. Intend to do more outreach with women owned businesses. Question: When was the disparity study released and are there breakdowns by ethnicity? ANS: They study was published and released on Monday, October 9, 2017 and yes broken down by African American, White, Asian, etc. Report will be sent to Terry who will email out to everyone.</p>
	j. Department of Public Works	<p>j. Department of Public Works:</p> <p>i. No updates only want to reemphasize the 311 number for use with COA comments or complaints.</p>
	k. ARC (Atlanta Regional Commission)	<p>k. ARC (Atlanta Regional Commission) – Byron Rushing</p> <p>i. There is a grant that will give out millions for transportation issues. Currently forming a research project to check on bicycle and pedestrians accidents in an effort to improve safety.</p>
	l. Atlanta Human Society	<p>l. Atlanta Human Society – No One Here</p>
	m. Invest Atlanta	<p>m. Invest Atlanta</p> <p>i. There were six people who purchased homes through the home ownership program which also provides down payment assistance.</p> <p>ii. There is a new rent to own program helping those unable to buy right now. The term can be anywhere from 1-3 years.</p> <p>iii. New rehab programs that will help homeowners get assistance with home improvements. Applications will be available in November and will be income based.</p>

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4.	Committee Reports	
	a. Public Safety Bill Cannon	a. Public Safety: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. There are three communities that have identified public safety chairs. If you still don't have a chair or have questions please contact Bill. ii. Stephanie - Neighborhood networks relative to public safety on Tuesday October 24 there will be a District 4 Candidate forum for those running for City Council at Brown Middle School 7:00pm. will those running for city council iii. Montie Irving – Just Us Neighbors - Ashville Heights has a petition with 94% signed by residents for speed bumps due to the persistent speeding and recent six accidents.
	b. Education – Tiquest Slayton	b. Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Morehouse has a strong start reading program to help a child read for 1st – 3rd grades. Please contact Ontaria Harris to volunteer for one hour a week ontaria.harris@morehouse.edu 404-639-0442.
	c. Transportation – Dany Craig	c. Transportation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. West Side Beltline is open. Ribbon cutting was a success with more than 1000 participants
	d. Finance – Will Chandler	d. Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The second session for micro grant has begun. ii. There will be a joint holiday mixer on December 9th location to be announced iii. Next month is elections for the NPUT and nominations are now open through the end of the month. Nominations on the floor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Walter Slayton & Terry Ross are nominated for Chair. ▪ Lyndon Green nominated for Vice Chair iv. December meeting will be a party with food.
	e. By-Laws Committee – Rita	e. By-Laws Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Rita will have a draft for November meeting with voting in December meeting. Any suggestions send to Terry

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5.	<p>Presentations/Planners Report/Matters for Voting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Andre Dickens b. Cleta Winslow – Marshall Thomas c. Dionne Turner - Holistic Stress Control Stress Control d. Bryon Rushing - West End LCI <p>Alcohol License</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e. 296 Northside Drive f. 785 Lee g. 787 Cascade <p>** Noted: Carl Barnes abstaining on BZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Andre Dickson is Post 3 At Large Councilman and can be reached by call or text at 404-938-3432 or email adickens@atlga.gov b. Scrap tire sale will be October 21st at the West End. Also be mindful early voting starts October 16th for two weeks c. Holistic Stress Control is a Community Health Program is a program under a two year grant. They will partner with neighbors to do exercises, meditation, tai chi, yoga on the Beltline. On October 26th there will be a community forum on improving health for the residents and community d. Working on a plan that will last for 10 year before renewal to assist with traffic and business access concerns. West End qualified for future transportation grants. The City needs a letter of support from the community. Recommendation made by Walter for funding. Carter will send the letter to City Planning Department VOTE: Favor 16 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0 e. Change of Ownership – Recommendation by Walter to defer until we have recommendation from the impacted community. Motion to Defer made by Steffy. Seconded by Rashad. VOTE: Favor 6 Oppose 3 Abstentions 0 f. Change of Ownership – Recommendation by Walter to defer until we have recommendation from the impacted community. g. Change of Ownership – Recommendation by Walter to defer until we have recommendation from the impacted community. Walter motioned, Donovan seconded. VOTE (785&787) Favor 17 Oppose 0 Abstention 2

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	h. Z 17-066 – 140 James P Brawley Drive	h. Rezoning from o-1 to C-1 for eating establishment. Charles Hill is a graduate of Morehouse College and would like to put an eating place in the AU Center across the street from the Woodruff Library. VOTE: Favor 16 Oppose 0 Abstention 1
	i. V-17-235 – 434 Peeples Street	i. Special Exception from the Zoning regulations to reduce the number of parking spaces from 153 to 46. Boys & Girls Club will be demolished and rebuilt with an all new state of the art facility with culinary kitchen, performing arts, etc. Met with Ashville Heights and Washington and they have agreed and they have a letter of recommendation from the Superintendent of APS. Motion to support made by Walter, seconded by Lyndon. VOTE: Favor 11 Oppose 0 Abstention 1
	j. V-17-247 – 446 Atwood St. SW	j. Variance from zoning regulation to reduce northern side yard setback from 7 feet to 2.5 feet. Recommendation made to defer until they meet with the impacted community. VOTE: Favor 11 Oppose 0 Abstention 1
	k. Z-17-72 & Z-17-73 – City Council Chambers	k. Ordinance to amend 1982 Atlanta zoning ordinance part 16 to add a new Chapter 37: Westside Affordable Workforce Housing District". And Ordinance to add Chapter 36A: Affordable Workforce Housing (Beltline Overlay District. Putting these in place to add affordability to the Beltline because everything added has been luxury so want a mandatory inclusionary zone for housing which would be ½ mile radius 15% of the units must be set aside for residents 80% median income or below 10% 60% median income below. Policy will last for 20 years to maintain those units can't be put in all one area must disbursed throughout, can't be significantly different (i.e. appliances), according to bedroom count must be a percent of each bedroom type beltline 400 million value on its way up to a billion dollars. Currently it is voluntary must include affordability in the zone which developers won't do it so now goal is to make it mandatory with the incentives. Walter made recommendation to defer to next meeting, Lyndon second VOTE: Favor 9 Oppose 0 Abstentions 0

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6.	Announcements	a. None Discussed/Given
7.	Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

