

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT – M

Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:15 PM

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AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks/Introductions

Position	Person	Present?
Chair	Forrest Coley	P
Vice Chair	Tom Boyle	P
Parliamentarian	Gay Lemmerhirt	P
Secretary	Alison Grady	P
Asst. Secretary	Jereme Sharpe	P
Downtown Atlanta		P
Castleberry Hill		P
Fourth Ward West		A
Marietta Street Artery		A
Fourth Ward Alliance		P
Fourth Ward Neighbors		P
Fourth & SAND		P
Old Fourth Ward Business Association		P

Land Use & Zoning Committee		p
Public Safety Committee		P
Education Committee		P
APAB		p

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve: Tom Boyle

Second: Gay Lemmerhirt

Not in favor: 0

3. Approval of Agenda

Additions: Jeffrey Smythe – interview request – Presentations agenda

Motion to add the addition to agenda: Tom Boyle

Second: Gay Lemmerhirt

Not in favor: 0

4. Reports from City Departmental Representatives
(please allow public safety representatives to report first)

5. Comments from Elected Officials

6. Committee Reports

7. Planner's Report

8. Matters for Voting (please see attachment)

a. Announcement and adoption of consent agenda

i. Motion to adopt consent agenda: Hollis Wise

ii. Second: Gay Lemmerhirt

iii. Not in favor: 0

b. Review and vote of remaining applications

c. Bylaws Vote

9. Presentations

a. Anne Dennington: Flux Projects

i. Not present

b. Doug Young: City of Atlanta | Department of City Planning – Office of Design – Historic Preservation Studio: LGBTQ+ Historic Context Statement

i. Not present

c. Jennifer Ball: Central Atlanta Progress – “The Stitch” (Invest Atlanta Presentation)

i. Seeking a letter of support as they seek a federal grant

ii. Motion to provide a letter of support: Darryl Johnson

iii. Second: Tom Boyle

iv. Not in favor: 0

- d. Sarah Cook: Atlanta City Commission to Honor Lonnie C. King Jr.
 - i. Seeking a letter of support to add an honorific street topper along Forsyth between MLK and Alabama
 - ii. Name Lonnie C King Square at Five Points along with an explainer
 - iii. Motion to support a letter to support a street topper and something commemorative just on Forsyth Street
 - 1. Not in favor: 10
 - 2. In favor: 10
 - iv. Someone maybe voted twice?
 - v. REVOTE:
 - 1. In favor: 7
 - 2. Not in favor: 11
 - vi. Motion does not carry
 - vii. **New motion: of support a letter for the street topper at Forsyth and a commemorative marker at Little Five Points: Princess Wilson**
 - 1. **Second: Alison Grady**
 - 2. **Not in favor: 3**
 - 3. **In favor: 14**
- e. Bridget Wynn: Hope Hill Elementary Foundation – Irwin Street Art Improvements
 - i. Letter of support for tactical urbanism permit
 - ii. Letter of support for a neighborhood arts grant
 - iii. **Motion to provide letters of support: Carrie Burns**
 - iv. **Second: Darryl Johnson**
 - v. **Not in favor: 0**
 - f. Tom Boyle: Fourth Ward Neighbors – O4W Block Party
 - g. Jeffrey Smythe – Interview request
- 10. Old Business
- 11. New Business
 - a. NPU Leadership Opportunities
 - i. Voting on officers in November
 - ii. Need someone to put together a slate
- 12. Announcements
- 13. Adjournment

MATTERS FOR VOTING

NPUs provide recommendations to the City of Atlanta by voting to support or oppose applications. The application and the NPU's recommendations, along with staff recommendations, are then considered by the appropriate board, association, commission, or office.

Special Event Applications (MOSE)				
Event Name	Event Organizer	Event Location	Event Date	Vote/Discussion
Hoop Exchange	Jordan Wyton	Central Park	October 30, 2022	Not present Motion to defer vote until October NPU meeting: Dorthey Hurst Second: Gay Lemmerhirt Not in favor: 2 In favor: 12
ONE Musicfest (GPE) (AMENDED: Revised Pyrotechnic information. NPU-M previously voted to support 6/27/22)	Josh Antenucci	Central Park	October 8-9, 2022	Consent
USA World Cup Watch Party	Scott Flood	125 Ted Turner Dr SW	November 25, 2022	Consent
Atlanta Caribbean Children's Carnival	Patricia Henry	Historic Fourth Ward Park	May 13, 2023	Motion to support: Princess Wilson Second: Alison Grady Not in favor: 0
Fourth Ward Skate Jam! (AMENDED: Dates changed: From 9/5/22 to 6/19/23. NPU-M previously voted to support 4/25/22 and 6/27/22)	Nadia Thomas	Fourth Ward Skatepark	June 19, 2023	Consent

Alcohol License Applications (LRB)					
Name of Business	Type of Business	Applicant	Property Address	Request	Vote
Bomb Biscuit Restaurant	Restaurant	Charles Reeves	668 Highland Ave NE	New Business	Consent
Hard Rock Café (Main Café and Velvet Underground)	Restaurant	Todd R B Petty	215 Peachtree St	Change of Agent	Consent
Vanity Restaurant & Bar	Restaurant	Belen Getachew	138 Peachtree	New Business	Motion to recommend approval: John Fischer Second: Dorthey Hurst Not in favor: 1 In favor: 18

Solora Restaurant & Music Room	Restaurant	Tariku Mamo Beshar	183 Forsyth St SW	New Business	Consent
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Zoning Review Board Applications (ZRB)

Application	Property	Public Hearing	Vote
Z-22-62 Applicant seeks to rezone 0.062 acres from MLK Landmark District, Subarea 2 to MLK Landmark District, Subarea 4 to allow the use of an existing building for offices.	597 Auburn Ave NE	October 6 or 13, 2022	Consent

Text Amendments – Zoning Ordinance

Legislation	Public Hearing	Vote
Z-22-65 An Ordinance by Councilmembers Jason Dozier, Amir Farokhi, Matt Westmoreland, Liliana Bakhtiari, Dustin Hillis, Byron D. Amos, Andrea L. Boone, Alex Wan, Antonio Lewis and Keisha Sean Waites To amend the 1982 Atlanta Zoning Ordinance, as amended, regulating off-street parking in section 16-18A.015 of the SPI-1 (Downtown Special Public Interest District), section 16-18P.020 of the SPI-16 (Midtown Special Public Interest District); so as to update, modify and revise certain provisions of said sections; and for other purposes. FACT SHEET	Zoning Review Board – City Hall Council Chambers	October 6 or 13, 2022 Motion to support: Kyle Kessler Second: John Fischer Not in favor: 1 In favor: 16

Land Use Amendments – Comprehensive Development Plan

Legislation	Property Address	Public Hearing	Vote
CDP-22-40 An Ordinance to amend the Land Use element of the 2021 Atlanta Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) so as to redesignate property located at 597 Auburn Avenue NE from the Low Density Residential (LDR) land use designation to the Low Density Commercial (LDC) land use designation. (Z-22-062)	Zoning Review Board – City Hall Council Chambers	October 6 or 13, 2022	

PUBLIC NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided for informational purposes. Votes/comments are neither required nor expected.

2023 NPU Bylaws

2023 NPU Bylaws must be submitted by September 30, 2022. There shall be no restrictions on a resident's right to vote on Bylaws.

Need a 2/3 vote

Remove from consent: "changing the Parliamentarian from an elected officer to an appointed one"

In favor: 12

Not in favor: 11

Remove from consent: "removing the Transportation Committee as a standing committee"

In favor: 19

Not in favor: 2

Motion to adopt a slate on the rest of the amendments: Kyle Kessler

In favor: 19

Not in favor: 1

Special Administrative Permit

In response to changes introduced by the adoption of House Bill 1405, pursuant to Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia annotated "The Zoning Procedures Law", effective July 1, 2022, all SAP (Special Administrative Permit) applications will be presented at a public hearing. All applications will be published in a paper of general circulation and will include the time, place and purpose of the hearing and the location of the property.

SAP hearings will occur on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month starting at 12:00pm. The meetings will be held in Committee Room #1, located on the 2nd floor of the City Hall annex, 55 Trinity Avenue. Comments on applications may also be submitted to city staff via email at sapcomments@atlantaga.gov. Please click [here](#) for more information on the SAP public hearing process and to view upcoming meeting agendas.

Campaigning by Elected Officials & Candidates

Campaigning at NPU meetings is strictly prohibited by the City of Atlanta's Code of Ordinances.

Sec. 6-3019 Prohibition of Political Forums

"Neighborhood planning unit meetings shall not be used for political forums or campaigning for city, county, state, or federal elections."

Examples of campaigning could include, but not be limited to:

- Introduction of elected officials as political candidates in upcoming elections;
- Distributing campaign materials and literature; and
- Conducting either of the above in City Hall, its rooms or offices.

Please contact Leah LaRue at 404.546.0159 or llarue@atlantaga.gov with any questions or concerns.