

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT – M

Monday, March 27, 2023 at 6:15 PM

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AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks/Introductions

- Attendance:

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| Chair | Forrest Coley | Y |
| Vice Chair | Kyle Kessler | Y |
| Parliamentarian | Gay Lemmerhirt | N |
| Interim Secretary | Tom Boyle | Y |
| Asst. Secretary | Jereme Sharpe | Y |
| Downtown Atlanta | John Fischer | Y |
| Castleberry Hill | Patrick Collins | Y |
| Fourth Ward West | Catherine Chase | Y |
| Marietta Street Artery | | N |
| Fourth Ward Alliance | Terry McColl | Y |
| Fourth Ward Neighbors | Tom Boyle | Y |
| Fourth & SAND | Devon Woodson | N |
| Old Fourth Ward Business Association | Juan Mendoza | Y |
| Land Use & Zoning Committee | Ross Wallace | N |
| Public Safety Committee | Stacey Sharer | Y |
| Education Committee | | N |

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| APAB | Kyle Kessler | Y |
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2. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve – Stacey Sharer
- 2nd – Terry McColl
- Passed, no objections (minor typos to be corrected in minutes: Susan Roe to Susan Coe, and fix spelling of Castleberry)

3. Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve with Sheraton Atlanta and Bantam Pub deferred – Jereme Sharpe
- 2nd – Stacey Sharer

4. Reports from City Departmental Representatives

(please allow public safety representatives to report first)

- APD Zone 5 – crime in NPU down but car break-ins still a problem
- APD Zone 6 – violent crime down 37% but car break-ins and auto thefts – will be distributing anti-theft clubs
- Jody Merriday (Neighborhood Ombudsman) – role is to connect to Chairs & Presidents; jlmerriday@atlantaga.gov 470-316-2382, also see info on Year of Youth www.ATLYouthEngage.com and <https://youtu.be/g4NUVGN2X4w>
- ATL311 – Ebony Baptiste – Contacting 311 using this link to follow up on any unresolved issues: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ATL311Meeting>
- Harry McGinness – Watershed Mgmt continuing to survey areas
- Pat Dubois – PAD – use 311 also contact patricia@atlantapad.org
- ATL Fire Rescue – make sure have working fire alarms & smoke detectors call: Claudie Nash, 404-546-7000 or 404-392-0040 cell; Email: cnash@atlantaga.gov
- Officer Parnham – 404-295-6045 for Code Violations; note that graffiti on businesses is a code violation

5. Comments from Elected Officials

- Repaving of Dekalb Ave supposed to finally start in May!

6. Committee Reports

7. Planner’s Report

- Matt Adams (City Planner) contact info is 404.985.5772
- NPU University – Building Permits for Beginners - Thursday, March 30th www.atlantaga.gov/government/departments/city-planning/neighborhood-planning-units/updates (you can also find info on AgLanta which helps to find fresh produce)

8. Matters for Voting (please see attachment)

- Announcement and Adoption of Consent Agenda
 - Motion to approve HSU and Whitehall Shell – Stacey Sharer
 - 2nd – John Fischer
- Review and vote of remaining applications
 - Forsyth St Market

- Motion to approve – Catherine Chase
 - 2nd – Tom Boyle
 - No objections
- WAV Music Festival
 - Motion to approve – John Fischer
 - 2nd – Jereme Sharpe
 - No objections
- Render Atlanta
 - Motion to approve – Terry McColl
 - 2nd – Patrick Collins
 - No objections
- Atlanta Wine & Jazz Festival –
 - Motion to approve – Terry McColl
 - 2nd – Princess Wilson
 - No objections
- Flick ATL
 - Motion to approve – Stacey Sharer
 - 2nd – John Fischer
 - No objections
- Coffee & Eggs
 - Motion to approve – Patrick Collins
 - 2nd – John Fischer
 - No objections
- Slush – Not present
 - Motion to defer for 1 month – Stacey Sharer
 - 2nd – Catherine Chase
 - No objections
- The Baxter
 - Motion to approve – Tom Boyle
 - 2nd – Stacey Sharer
 - No objections
- U-23-2 – 183 Forsyth St. paid parking lot
 - No representative present
 - Motion to deny – Kyle Kessler
 - 2nd – Jereme Sharpe
 - No objections

- Design Awards
 - NPU-M Recommends Nelson St. Bridge
 - Motion to Approve - Patrick Collins
 - 2nd - John Fischer
- PLANTA - not present

9. Presentations

- Atlanta Downtown Improvement District: Sweet Auburn Neighborhood Event| Jennifer Ball
- Castleberry Park Apartments: Inclusionary Zoning | Caley Pinson

10. Old Business – no additional

11. New Business – no additional

12. Announcements – renaming Bell St. to Leonard Tate might be coming before NPU-M in future

13. Adjournment

NPU-M VOTING RULES per [2023](#) Bylaws

Eligible members shall be any person 18 years of age or older whose primary place of residence is within the NPU-M designated area or a representative of any corporation, organization, institution, or agency which owns property or has a place of business or profession within NPU-M designated area (Article II, Sec. 1). All eligible members shall have one (1) vote without attendance requirements, dues payments or any other limitation (Article IV, Sec. 1).



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MATTERS FOR VOTING

NPU's 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) | | | |
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| Event Name | Event Organizer | Event Location | Event Date |
| Forsyth Street Market | Brittany Brewster | 183 Forsyth Street SW | April 20-21, 2023 |
| WAV Music Festival | Bakajika Tshinanga | Underground Atlanta – 50 Upper Alabama Street | May 27-28, 2023 |
| Render Atlanta | Kevin Reese | Historic 4th Ward Park - 830 Willoughby Way NE | June 2, 2023 |
| Atlanta Wine & Jazz - Fourth Ward Park – STREET CLOSURE - SITE PLAN | Rodney E. Martin | Historic 4th Ward Park – Greenspace C - 680 Dallas St. NE | June 3, 2023 |

| Alcohol License Applications (LRB) | | | | |
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| Name of Business | Type of Business | Applicant | Property Address | Request |
| Sheraton Atlanta Hotel (Garden Courtyard, Club Lounge, Collage Deli, Fandangles) | Hotel | Kris E. Steinbach | 165 Courtland Street NE | Change of Agent |
| Bantam Pub | Restaurant | Timothy Catalfo | 737 Ralph McGill Blvd NE | Change of Ownership |
| Flick ATL | Bar | John Clarke | 363 Edgewood Avenue SE | New Business |
| HSU's | Restaurant | Sergio Park | 192 Peachtree Center Avenue | Change of Ownership |
| Coffee and Eggs | Restaurant | Sandra L. Norman | 261 Peters Street SW | New Business |
| Slush | Restaurant | Walter Jordan | 327 Edgewood Avenue | Change of Ownership |
| The Baxter | Restaurant | Scott Kerns | 670 Dekalb Avenue | Change of Ownership |
| Whitehall Shell | Convenience Store | Nizam Goawala | 490 Whitehall Street SW | Change of Ownership |

| Zoning Review Board Applications (ZRB) | | |
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| Application | Property Address | Public Hearing |

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| U-22-9 Applicant seeks a Special Use Permit to operate a shelter. SURVEY , SITE PLAN , TREE REPLACEMENT PLAN | 400 Luckie St NW | - |
| U-23-2 Applicant seeks a special use permit to operate a paid surface parking lot. SURVEY , SITE PLAN | 183 Forsyth Street SW | April 6 or 13, 2023 |

Design Awards 2023 - NPU Voting on Community Design Awards

The Community Design Awards are a way for the NPU to recognize the buildings, public spaces, events, art, organizations, etc. that make your community a better place to live. Examples of previous Community Design Award winners include: neighborhood events, community organizations, new buildings, public art programs, individuals or organizations who have made a significant contribution to a neighborhood, public agencies working in that part of the city, etc. Based on the nomination's location, each nomination received was assigned an NPU for voting purposes. There can only be one Community Design Award winner from each NPU regardless of the number of nominations. The NPU may also decide that none of the nominations warrant a Community Design Award. **Nominations can be made from the floor regardless of whether there were any nominations submitted ahead of time to the Dept. of City Planning.**

NPU-M Nomination: The Lola and the Oatstraw Tea Co.

MATTERS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT

Members can review subdivision applications and provide comments to be forwarded to the Subdivision Review Committee (SRC). Other applications may be presented to an NPU for review and comment when the address is within a 300-foot radius of the NPU's boundary.

The Code of Ordinances does not require these applicants to attend NPU meetings.

Alcohol License Applications (LRB)

| Name of Business | Type of Business | Applicant | Property Address | Request |
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| PLANTA | Restaurant | Raven C. Reese | 99 Krog Street (NPU-N) | Change of Ownership |