



# NPU-L | MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 | 6:30 pm | Cosmopolitan AME Church. 170 Vine Street, NW 30318

**QUORUM ESTABLISHED:** 35 **PRESENT**

August 2019 minutes were accepted as is.

## AGENDA TOPICS

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**V-19-104: 658 Northside Drive, NW** Board of Zoning Adj. App. | **Presenter** Ms. LaRue

Discussion – Applicant was not present. The applicant has been on the agenda since June 2019. The NPU nor EANA has received any information on how this establishment would affect the community.

**Motion: Ms. Makeda Johnson motioned to deny the zoning application for said property. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Linda Adams**

Yay's - 12      Nay's -             Abstentions - 1

Motion approved.

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**U-19-24: 850 Northside Drive, NW** Board of Zoning Adj. App. | **Presenter** Ms. LaRue

Discussion – Applicant was not present. This is on the agenda for review and comment only. Statement was made by Mother Moore of this impacting the Westside Land Use Framework. At this time, the NPU has no comment on the application. However, the hearing date is set for Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>; if anyone chooses to comment they may send it to our planner.

**No comment**

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**Z-19-56: Text Amendment** | **Presenter** Ms. Leah LaRue

Discussion – An ordinance by Councilmen Matzigkeit (District 8) would like to amend the 1982 Atlanta Zoning Ordinance, to prohibit “party houses” in certain districts including solely residential districts. Fact sheets and the ordinance was distributed for further clarification. Members expressed the language being too vague and this may be a disadvantage of others outside of District 8.

**Motion: Mrs. Colette Haywood motioned to deny the text amendment to said ordinance. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Jerome Singleton**

Yay's - 8      Nay's - 3      Abstentions - 4

Motion approved

## 2020 NPU-L Bylaws

Discussion – 2020 Bylaws are due the end of this month. Mr. Lateef inquired about the Nominating Committee that was suggested. During the August 27<sup>th</sup> meeting it was discussed and agreed upon that a Nominating Committee should be an ad-hoc committee. Ms. Linda Adams needed clarity on the turnaround time in section 10.2.

**Motion: Mrs. Renee Ehigiamusoe motioned to move the bylaws discussion/vote to after the presenters/announcement. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rev. Wright**

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Yay's - 14      Nay's - \_\_\_\_\_      Abstentions - 1

Motion approved

**Motion: Mr. Louis Muhammed motioned to accept the edited 2020 bylaws. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rev. Wright**

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Yay's - 13      Nay's - \_\_\_\_\_      Abstentions - 1

Motion approved; 2020 Bylaws will be sent to the City of Atlanta to be stamped.

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### Presenters/Announcements:

Trust for Public Land – There will be 78 parking spaces around the park. TPL has discussed the parking concern with the City of Atlanta. Response received from the City of Atlanta – they are aware and will have to monitor and act on the situation when it arises. Restrooms: TPL will hire a janitorial company to maintain for a year and it then be turned over to the City for maintenance. Rep. Able Mable Thomas addressed the janitorial service specially as it relates to hiring those in the community. Mrs. Salvary expressed concern regarding parking on interior streets around to Cook Park. There will need to be discussion regarding parking with residents, Councilman Brown and TPL. Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> TPL is leading an effort to clean up the debris that has accumulated on Elm St between Thurmond St and Spencer St. This stretch of property is City of Atlanta property.

Historic Westside Gardens: Ms. Noel Marts informed the body of the 10yr Celebration of HWG. The celebration will be held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> | Hagar Palace 19 Joseph E. Lowery Blvd NW Atlanta 30314 | 5-8pm and the cost is \$25.

Westside Emergency Preparedness Institute: Dr Zarat Boyd informed the body of the 3rd Annual Community Preparedness Workshop | Saturday, September 21, 9am-1pm | @Promise Center, 740 Cameron Madison Alexander BLVD. NW, Atlanta 30318. Breakfast & refreshments provided. You will learn as a community: Active Shooter. Personal Safety. CPR/1st Aid Basics. Mental Health. Emergency Kit. Community Planning. Free Emergency Kits (1 per family represented while supplies last). For individuals & teams who live, work, serve, attend school, and/or worship in the Westside and those responsible for emergency management and health.

NPU-L Informational Session will be held on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> | 6:30 pm | @ Promise Youth Center regarding the Bellwood Quarry.

Trees Atlanta: Judy Yi, Outreach the progress of the tree protection ordinance rewrite process. Informed the body of planting trees in front of their home and summer job training for teens. Contact for additional information: [judy@treesatlanta.org](mailto:judy@treesatlanta.org) 404-609-3373.

State Rep Able Mable announced her body of work has been in healthcare and that black women die 3 or 4 times more than white women at childbirth. Due to her efforts and other State Legislators they will have a Hearing on Women Mortality on Thursday September 19, 2019 1pm | Room 606 | Legislative Office Building.

Mr. Thad Flowers of Councilman Brown's office informed the body of the following:

Washington Park Celebration – Thursday, September 12, 2019 @ 11 am | Washington Park.

Townhall Meeting – Thursday, October 17, 2019 @ 6:30pm | Friendship Baptist Church - 80 Walnut St SW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Upcoming legislation – for those that remove trees to pay a fine.

Atlanta Fulton County Pre-Arrest Diversion Initiative: Mary Naoum discussed the PAD Initiative which is to reduce the number of people in jails who could be better served by social and behavioral health services. Visit their website: [www.prearrestdiversion.org](http://www.prearrestdiversion.org) for additional information.