

**WHEN: Monday, October 18, 2010**

**TIME: 7:00 P.M.**

**WHERE: Hillside Facility  
1301 Monroe Dr, N.E.**

**SPONSORS: NPU-F and the Bureau of Planning**

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**AGENDA**

**1. Welcome and introduction of guests**

Office of Code Compliance is moving to the Office of Buildings effective 10/18/10.

GDOT is working on environmental impact study for high speed transit from Atl to Chattanooga.

Beltline is working on environmental impact statement. 11/30/10 SAC meeting to discuss NW transit alternatives.

**2. Announcements**

**3. Reports by City Representatives (Fire, Police, Council Members, etc.)**

- o Atlanta Fire Department – Station 19 North Highland Station 29 Monroe Drive

Stephen Woodworth (Chief Woody) – Chief 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion.

Engine 19, Capt. McMiller is the new captain. Renovation at Station 19 is going well. Fire House 19 is one of the oldest fire houses in the Southeast. Fire fighters are restoring the fire house to original 1900s form.

Sunday, 10/24 Morningside Mile event to raise money for fire station restoration.

Atlanta Citizens Emergency Response Team (ACERT): prepares citizens for dealing with major disasters. [www.acertgeorgia.org](http://www.acertgeorgia.org)

US Fire Administration's Fire Prevention Month: promoting working fire alarms, smoke detectors, and sprinklers. Need to practice escape routes and meeting place away from the home. 10/30 11:00 am city wide practice of escape routes.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month: Fire fighters support breast cancer awareness. Fire fighters are wearing pink shirts to support breast cancer awareness.

Q: There were a lot of fire fighters at the Piedmont Halloween store fire. How do you make sure there are resources for other parts of the city? A: City is working on restoring fire trucks that were eliminated. Georgia Mutual Aid Group, a statewide system to share resources, also helps if a large amount of fire fighter resources are dispatched to a large fire.

Q: What is meant by the “alarm” designation? A: Fires get a set amount of engines, fire fighters, etc. Two alarm means double the resources. ADDITIONAL ALARMS USUALLY INVOLVE ADDITIONAL LADDERS ONLY.

- Zone 6 Police –Major Dalton,

Lt Pautsch:

Last week: 34 crimes, including 18 theft from vehicles. Crime overall is down 27%.

FIT team and STRIKE team (undercover units) are covering the area.

Comment: John Wolfinger has a weekly report on crime statistics. Wolfinger Reports are also posted on various message boards.

Comment: Any news on graffiti? A: No. But can email [spautsch@atlantaga.gov](mailto:spautsch@atlantaga.gov) and he will get additional information.

- Department of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs -- Dianne Harnell Cohen-Commissioner, Salima Rashied PPC, PPC CEO Yvette Bowden

Not present

- Bureau of Housing and Code Compliance – Jason Baill

Not present

- Bureau of Public Works, Solid Waste Services –

Not present

- Department of Watershed Management – Julie Todd

Notices for meter lids are coming out: 404-569-8301 [meterlid@atlantaga.gov](mailto:meterlid@atlantaga.gov)

Don't put leaves in storm drains

Another drought is predicted for 2011. Please try to get draught tolerant plants.

Q: Why can't meter lids be readily accessible? A: The lock is to protect the automatic meter readers.

- Atlanta City Council –Alex Wan, District 6

Not present

- Councilmember H. Lamar Willis, Post 3 At-Large Assistant Kelli Jackson

Not present

- Councilmember Michael Julian Bond, Post 1 At-Large, Jarrod R. Jordan Chief of Staff ;  
Andrea Chambers Representative

Sidney Robinson – if there are problems, please contact Ms. Robinson. She will take message directly to Councilman Bond.

- Fulton County Commission -- Nancy Boxill, District 6 Assistant Richard Milliones (Mi Lions)

Not present

- Fulton County Community Prosecutor Zone 6, Josh Geller

Scott Patrick: car break in on Monroe. Arrested on 8/15 for breaking into car in front of Park Tavern. Has been banished from Atlanta several times.

Tina Giles: last defendant from 24k Club. She received a suspended 2 year sentence. Licensing Board is going to open a file. Will make a recommendation to LRB about revoking alcohol and business license. DAs office will work to have licenses revoked.

All burglary cases are going to Superior Ct cases. Judge Bedford is handling Scott Smith case. Smith confessed to 12 burglaries.

Auto break in at Ponce Place and N. Highland. Suspect has been in jail for 3 months.

Dimitrius Cash: possession of stolen car.

Q: What will happen with reconfiguration of zones? A: New Zone 2 Community Prosecutor.

#### **4. Planner's Report**

APAB: City is updating CDP. Comprehensive overview document available on City of Atlanta website. Public hearings are starting in the fall on Community Participation Program. 11/29 first big public hearing on CDP update.

#### **5. Committee Reports**

- Lindridge-Martin Manor Neighborhood Association – Jane Rawlings, President, Richard Sussman, Representative –Gerry Neumark, Zoning

LMM had a Parks Festival on Oct 8th

- Morningside-Lenox Park Association –Leslie Bryan, President, Tracy Brown, Neighborhood Rep; Trav Carter Zoning

Cooks Tour this past weekend. 10/29 is Monumental Ball – fundraiser to support monuments around Morningside.

- Piedmont Heights Civic Association – Kevin Perry, President – Jean Johnson Neighborhood Rep, Marty Kleinman, Zoning

Annual Meeting on 11/7 at Rocksprings Pres Church. Director of Beltline will be the speaker.

- Virginia-Highland Business Association (VHBA) –Warren Bruno, President, Lynn DeWitt and David Burleson reps

Longtime member was interviewed by local CBS station about recent crimes.

- Virginia-Highland Civic Association (VHCA) –Aly Higgins, President, Rob Glancy, Representative, Frazier Dworet/Jack White Zoning

Comment: problems at John Howell Park.

- Traffic and Transportation Committee – Sybil Smith

PEDS meeting tomorrow to get mailing ready.

Tomorrow evening at 5:30 – Beltline TAD Advisory Committee meeting on equitable development.

Tier 1 EIS on the Beltline: additional meetings in Nov and Dec on EIS.

10/26: Public stakeholders meeting on Atl/Chattanooga high speed rail meeting.

GA 400 spoke at LMM meeting: updated 400/85 interchange. GDOT investigating sound barriers and other measures.

- Public Safety Committee – John Wolfinger

5 armed robberies in VaHi.

City Council voted today to approve sale of City Hall East. Small business crime is up.

- Parks and Recreation Committee – Rob Glancy, Rich Sussman

No report.

Comment: Morningside Nature Trail needs some improved trail marking. A: They are working on signs.

- Trees Committee – Charlotte Gillis

No report.

- Environment Committee – Jack White

No report.

- APAB - Cary Aiken, Gerry Neumark Alt

Envision Atl Sustainability Conference: upcoming press conference to release new sustainability program for city of Atlanta

Mark Schultz has been nominated for TADAC.

APAB will focus on CDP.

Beltline has had a large number of public meetings and is draining volunteer resources – volunteers needs to focus on CDP and other issues again.



Motion was made to approve this variance as amended on plans dated 10/1/10.

Straw vote: 14-1-2

Board: 8-0-1

NPU-F Action: Motion to APPROVE conditioned on site plan dated 10/1/10 CARRIES on voice vote. 1 opposition. 1 abstention.

Applicant presentation: lot is smaller than required minimum lot for R4. If lot were 9000 sq feet minimum, impervious surface would only be 48%. Garage will be placed lower to minimize height issues. 3 things to minimize drainage issues: 1200 gallon cistern – 3 times oversized for garage runoff, pervious pavers, and planted driveway strip. These three steps are equivalent of 47% impervious surface.

COMMENT: NPU normally doesn't approve 57% lot coverage and doesn't think we should approve it this time. RESPONSE: VaHi primary focus on impervious surface is runoff and this plan addresses those issues so VaHi approved.

**Board of Zoning Adjustment** **November 4, 2010** **12:00 P.M.**

**V-10-142** **1297 Middlesex Avenue**

Applicant, Bradley E. Heppner, seeks a variance from the zoning ordinance to reduce the required north side yard setback from 7 ft. to 4 ft. in order to make a two story addition to a single family residence.

MLPA Action: Approved subject to Plans submitted to City

NPU-F Action: Motion to APPROVE conditioned on site plan dated 8/31/10 CARRIES on voice vote.

Applicant presentation: 2<sup>nd</sup> story addition and addition to rear of the house. Less than 20% impact on the tree. 38% lot coverage.

**V-10-147** **743 Yorkshire Road**

Applicant, Neil Struby, seeks a variance from the zoning ordinance to 1) to reduce the required front yard setback from 35 ft. to 29 ft. 1 in. 2) to reduce the required east side yard setback from 7 ft. to 3 ft.4in. to allow a second story addition to an existing single family dwelling.

MLPA Action: Approved subject to plans submitted to City

NPU-F Action: Motion to APPROVE conditioned on site plan dated 9/8/10 CARRIES on voice vote.

**Board of Zoning Adjustment** **November 11, 2010** **12:00 P.M.**

**V-10-156** **900 Drewry Street**

Applicant, Chris Hamilton, seeks a variance from the zoning ordinance to 1) reduce the required west side yard setback from 7 ft. to 1 ft. and 2) to reduce the required rear yard setback from 15' to 6 ft. with credit for half the width of the alleyway to allow for the construction of a detached residential accessory structure (two-car garage).

VHCA Action: Not yet heard

NPU-F Action: Motion to DEFER to allow VHCA to hear application CARRIES on voice vote.

**11. Ordinances, Resolutions and Text Amendments:**

None

**12. Special Events and Outdoor Festivals**

None

**13. Adjournment**