

NPU-T Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 10, 2008

The General meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm EST by Chairman Nkromo.

1) Invocation

a) The invocation was presented by Chaplin Nadim Ali.

2) Approval of Agenda –

A motion was made by Patrick Berry to adopt the agenda as published. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

The Vote: Yes- 10; No - 0; → Motion Carries

3) Approval of Minutes – *November*

a) Copies of the November Minutes were distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Stefi Berry to approve the minutes as corrected. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

Vote: Yes- ; No-0 → Motion

4) Police, Fire, and Community Prosecutor's Updates (5 minutes per report)

a) Police –

i) Zone 4 – Sgt. Postell spoke.

(1) **There is a new assistant Zone Comander, Lt. Yabuka. Lt. Cox has been reassigned to Zone 1.** A copy of the crime statistics were provided to the NPU-T Chair.

b) Fire – Battalion Chief Schumacher (Battalion #4) spoke about the furloughs.

c) Community Prosecutor – Ms. Blackett-Jones (Zone 4) 404.699.5294

i) Prosecutor Blackett-Jones spoke.

(1) Jacori Johnson has pleaded guilty and received a sentence of 20 years with a requirement to serve a minimum of 2 years. Following his release, he will be banned from Zone 4.

(2) Janet Martin was introduced as the newly hired Court Watch administrator.

5) Presentations

a) Samantha of the department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs spoke about the impact of the furloughs on the services of the department. For more information, visit the city's website:

www.atlantaga.gov.

b) Pan African Ministries

i) Ade Oguntoye spoke (404.277.2679). He was discussing a fund raising program where the Pan African Ministries collects money to offer support to a school in Zimbabwe.

6) Neighborhood Association Reports (3 minutes per report)

a) The President of Beecher Donnelly, April Anderson, was introduced.

7) Committee Reports (3 minutes per report)

a) Executive Committee – Kwabena Nkromo

i) Schedule for NPU-T general meetings in 2009

(1) Chairman Nkromo spoke about the potential to rotate the NPU-T meeting locations in 2009.

The Discussion: Concern was expressed regarding the potential to lose some members due to a changing schedule. Other concerns were expressed about the ability of members to

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find different locations if they rotate. Jerry 'Tacuma' Brown expressed the recent decision of the Shrine to no-longer reserve the meeting room should NPU-T determine that the meetings would rotate. Concern was also expressed regarding the notification of members who don't have e-mail or providing sufficient advance notice of the meeting location(s).

The Action: A motion was made by Debbie Zimmerman to empower the Executive Committee to develop a plan for the 2009 NPU-T scheduled meeting locations and present a plan at the January 9, 2009 General Body.

Vote: Yes- 16; No- 1 → Motion Carries.

- ii) Recruitment of committee chairs and appointed officers
 - (1) Chairman Nkromo spoke about the need for additional committee chairs and candidates for appointed officers.
 - b) **Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Affairs** – Evelyn Washington
 - i) **Park Pride** – Ayanna Williams (404.723.3116) spoke about an upcoming Conference scheduled for March 16, 2009. The conference will be held at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens. A single scholarship will be available through NPU-T.
 - c) **Treasurer Report** – Patrick Berry
 - i) Patrick spoke about his plans regarding establishing the Finance Committee in 2009.
- 8) **Atlanta Planning Advisory Board Report** = Edmund McAfee
- a) No report.
- 9) **Community Planner Report** – Edmund McAfee
- a) NPU-T Comprehensive Development Plan update
 - i) Edmund provided an overview of ordinances Z-08-72 / 08-O-1795 and Z-08-74 / 08-1794. He indicated that the Council Member Young has plans to amend the ordinances but has not yet finalized his changes.

10) Zoning

Zoning:

Zoning Review Board December 4 or 11, 2008 6:00 p.m.

Z-08-72 / 08-O-1795

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 1982 ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, AS AMENDED, SO AS TO CREATE A NEW SECTION 16-29.001 (67) TO BE ENTITLED SECURED STORAGE FACILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR A DEFINITION OF SECURED STORAGE FACILITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Edmund McAfee outlined the proposed text amendment. The Zoning and Land Use Committee recommends approving the amendment.

The Discussion: The changes that Council Member Young is considering have not yet been finalized or presented. Concerns were voiced that the NPU was being asked to vote on an ordinance without having the language completed.

The Action: A motion was made by Patrick Berry to Deny this ordinance. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

Vote: Yes- 18; No- 0 → Motion Carries

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Z-08-74 / 08-O-1794

TO CREATE A NEW SECTION 16-34.005(30) TO IDENTIFY SECURED STORAGE FACILITIES AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE MRC DISTRICT; TO AMEND SECTION 16-34.006 TO EXPRESSLY ALLOW AS PART OF AND WITHIN A SECURED STORAGE FACILITY LIMITED RETAIL PREMISES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Edmund McAfee outlined the proposed text amendment. The Zoning and Land Use Committee recommends approving the amendment.

The Discussion: The changes that Council Member Young is considering have not yet been finalized or presented. Concerns were voiced that the NPU was being asked to vote on an ordinance without having the language completed.

The Action: A motion was made by Patrick Berry to Deny this ordinance. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

Vote: Yes- 16; No- 0 → Motion Carries

Z-08-78 / 08-O-2071

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART 16, ZONING , OF THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENTS CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A NEW PLANNED DEVELOPMENT ZONING DISTRICT, ENTITLED "PLANNED DEVELOPMENT-CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION (PD-CS)" AND ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The Discussion: This was provided as an overview by a city planner at the November, 2008 meeting. Questions were expressed regarding the impact on the existing residential uses and whether affordable housing would be included within the zoning ordinance.

The Action: A motion was made by Edmund McAfee to approve Z-08-78 / 08-O-2071. This was seconded by Patrick Berry.

Vote: Yes- 15; No- 3 → Motion Carries

Zoning Review Board **March 5 or 12, 2009** **6:00 PM**

Z-08-048 Supportive Housing

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLARIFYING AND/OR DEFINING CERTAIN TERMS RELATED TO SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND SHELTERS; TO PROVIDE WHERE SUCH USES SHALL BE PERMITTED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Discussion: Edmund McAfee highlighted that this ordinance provides definition of what "supportive housing" is. There is no current language in the zoning code that speaks to this land use. Mr. McAfee also provided an overview of the ordinance. Such use would be limited to areas zoned R-LC, C1, but would be restricted from R1 – R4.

The Action: A motion was made by John Pavlin to approve Z-08-048. This was seconded by Henry Ingram.

Vote: Yes- 14; No- 1 → Motion Carries

11) License Review Board

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Applicant	Type of Business	Name of Business	Location Address	Request
Salman Badruddin	Grocery Store	Cascade Food Mart	787 Cascade Ave., SW	Change of Ownership

The Discussion: The application was present to outline his application. Graham Jackson spoke about the property. The impacted neighborhood is Westview. The WCO voted to support the change of ownership. The Public Safety Committee recommendation is also to voted.

The Action: A motion was made by Stefi Berry to approve the LRB application. This was seconded by John Pavlin.

Vote: Yes- 13; No-2 → Motion Carries

12) Chairperson's Report

a) Chairman Nkromo spoke:

- i) Chairman Nkromo encouraged participation by members of the NPU-T body.
- ii) Chairman Nkromo highlighted a recent conference on community land trusts that he attended in Boston, MA.

13) Announcements

a) Light refreshments were made available for members of NPU-T following the adjournment.

14) Adjournment & NPU-T Holiday Party – The meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

No Donations were collected.

55 individuals were recorded on the NPU-T sign-in sheets.