

NPU-N August Meeting

August 28th, 2025

NPU-N members present:

- Chair - Amy Stout
- Cabbagetown Initiative - No Representative Present
- Cabbagetown - Eric Foley
- Candler Park - Teo Belli
- Druid Hills - Barbara Stafford
- Inman Park - Matt Weaver
- Lake Claire - Carol Holliday
- Little Five Business Association - Mack Headrick
- Little Five Community Center - Rich Pettit
- Poncey Highland - Steve Cushing
- Reynoldstown - Christopher Leerssen
- City Planner - Tamaría Letang

AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks/Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Removal of Marta presentation
 - b. Fast Track suggestions
 - i. Mushi Ni alcohol license
 - ii. Sk8 Fest
 - iii. All Souls Soul Train
 - c. Adopted with additions to fast track and presentation removed - unanimous
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve July minutes with minor edits – unanimous
4. Reports from City Departmental Representatives (please allow public safety representatives to report first)
 - a. Atlanta Police Department - not present
 - b. Atlanta Fire Rescue - not present
 - c. ATL311 - Imani Banks
 - i. Non emergency issues (potholes, missed trash, etc)
 - ii. How to contact:
 1. Dial 3-1-1 inside city limits or 404-546-0311 if outside of city limits
 2. Visit and chat at www.ATL311.com
 3. Email at ATL311@atlantaga.gov
 4. Download mobile app
 5. Reach out via social media @ATL311
 6. Chat virtual assistant
 - d. Department of Public Works - Officer Spurlock (ejspurlock@atlantaga.gov)
 - i. No trash services on Monday for Labor Day
 - ii. A lot of unscheduled bulk pickups (furniture, yard trimmings over limit, etc)

- iii. Small piles of yard trimmings need to be in brown paper bags
 - e. Atlanta Watershed – not present
 - f. Code Enforcement – Officer Stevens (404-205-1238 - asstevens@atlantaga.gov)
 - i. Please ensure that addresses in complaints
 - ii. Can make complaint through 311
 - g. Office of Ombudsman Of Neighborhoods - Amber Ware (amberware@atlantaga.gov)
 - h. ATL Parks and Rec - Marvin Mosley
 - i. Outdoor pools are officially closed
 - ii. Free indoor swimming from noon to 3
 - iii. After school programs running for 35 dollars per week
 - iv. Movies in the park through October 24th
 - v. Registration for girls volleyball is open
 - vi. Youth football and cheerleading has started
 - i. Office of City Solicitor – Mary-Anne Uzoka (uuzoka@atlantaga.gov)
 - i. Prosecute traffic citations
 - ii. Some criminal cases
 - iii. Code enforcement cases
 - j. Chief Magistrate Judge - Judge Cassandra Kirk
 - i. Small claims (<15,000)
 - ii. Search and arrest warrants
 - iii. Over 50,000 warrants and 45,000 cases
 - iv. Court has magistrate 101
 - v. REACH clinic for self-help clinic for small claims cases
 - vi. Students invited to come to “bang the gavel” to observe cases
 - vii. Interns year round for high school, college, and law school students
- 5. Comments from Elected Officials
 - a. Office of Liliana Bakhtiari - Patrick Husbands
 - i. Liliana introduced “Access to Council” initiative for volunteer lawyers for people facing eviction
 - ii. City council passed an ordinance to create housing opportunities near the water sanitation plant
 - iii. Liliana appointed nine members to task force to tackle crime issues
 - b. Office of Councilmember Bond - Amber Madison (4043306770 mbond@atlantaga.gov amadison@atlantaga.gov)
 - i. Fresh and Free food distribution will be September 3rd at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
 - c. Office of Matt Westmoreland - Elle Chumlongluk (echumlongluk@atlantaga.gov, 404-330-6302)
- 6. APAB Report
 - a. No Report
- 7. Planner’s Report
 - a. npuatlanta.org
 - b. First complete draft complete of new zoning and open for comment atlzoning.com (accessible through September 2nd)

- c. City and Clark Atlanta have combined to offer classes on Atlanta's Civic landscape
 - i. Every other Saturday starting September 6th
 - ii. Apply at npuatlanta.org
- 8. Matters for Voting (please see attachment)
 - a. Fast Track
 - i. Mushi Ni alcohol license
 - ii. Sk8 Fest
 - iii. All Souls Soul Train
 - iv. Motion to approve - unanimous
 - b. Chomp and Stomp - John Dirga
 - i. Atlanta's favorite way to finish the Fall calendar
 - ii. November 8th
 - iii. 100+ team chili offerings
 - iv. 5 stages and 4 porches of bands
 - v. Romp and Stomp will accept up to 1500 runners
 - vi. Friday night stage show
 - vii. After party next to Little's
 - viii. It is a fundraiser for Cabbagetown park, the mural wall, and other initiatives
 - ix. chompandstomp.com
 - x. Stand up comedy on the stage Friday night
 - xi. Event starts at 11 a.m.
 - xii. Chili starts at 12:30
 - xiii. Motion to approve - unanimous
 - c. Southern Fried
 - i. Motion to defer - unanimous (applicant not present; had not had a chance to meet with IPNA or L5PBA)
 - d. Z-25-143 1084 Kirkwood Ave SE
 - i. Request for variance from the zoning ordinance to reduce the half-depth front yard setback from 15 feet to 7 feet 6 inches
 - ii. Had previously been approved by Reynoldstown
 - iii. It has been amended to add off street parking spot
 - iv. Motion to approve - unanimous
- 9. Matters for Review and Comment
 - a. No Comments
- 10. Presentations
 - a. Mayor's office of Cultural Affairs - Robert Witherspoon
 - i. World Cup 2026 - Bridges, Tunnels, and Walls
 - ii. Mural at the corner of Freedom Parkway and John Lewis Parkway
 - iii. There were surveys within communities of what they wanted
 - 1. This community had responses for celebrating greenspace
 - iv. Proposal is by Larkin Ford
 - v. Freedom Park Conservancy has submitted a letter of support

- vi. Asking us for a letter of support
- vii. What is the timeframe?
 - 1. Completed by November probably

viii. Motion for chair to write letter in support of the mural - unanimous

11. Old Business

- a. Community Impact Grant
 - i. Poncey Highland sign topper
 - 1. New logo has been approved
 - 2. Determined the number of sign toppers they need (28)
 - 3. Found where there are missing street sign poles (2 poles missing)
 - 4. Bids have been submitted and they will select vendor next month
 - 5. Waiting to see if they need a permit from the city
 - 6. Anticipate installing in November
 - ii. Little Five Points signage relating to Davis Plaza
 - 1. Speaking with APD historian to get further context
 - 2. APD providing a retired police vest
 - 3. In touch with the city for permits required

12. New Business

- a. Annual bylaws vote next month
 - i. Need vote from neighborhood to ratify bylaws
- b. Want to improve bylaws next year
- c. Bylaws require elections in November, city requires October OR November
 - i. Our November meeting often gets moved to December because of Thanksgiving
- d. Only change will be adding the Cabbagetown Initiative as a board member
- e. This ratification of bylaws is an affirmation of the NPU system

13. Announcements

14. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:29