

# NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT – M



**Monday, June 23, 2025 at 6:15 PM**

To register in advance, click [here](#)

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## AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks/Introductions
  - a. [Roll Call:](#)  
[Elected Officers](#)
  - b. [Chair - Forrest Coley](#)
  - c. [Vice Chair - Kyle Kessler](#)
  - d. [Secretary - Sarah Kim](#)
  - e. [Asst Secretary - Carrie Burns](#)
  - f. [Parliamentarian - Jennifer Brooks](#)
  - g. [Neighborhood Associations](#)
  - h. [Old Fourth Ward Neighborhood Association - Tom Boyle](#)
  - i. [Old Fourth Ward Business Association - Wanda Davilla](#)
  - j. [Downtown Association / Marietta Artery Association John Fischer](#)
  - k. [Castleberry Hill Neighborhood Association - Steve Yazell](#)
  - l. [Committee Chairs](#)
  - m. [Public Safety Committee - Dorthey Hurst](#)
  - n. [Land Use Committee - Chair will step in \(Senya Not Present\)](#)
  - o. [Transportation Committee - DeJon Tebought](#)
  - p. [APAB - Atlanta Planning Advisory Board - Kyle Kessler](#)
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. [Motion for approve the May minutes](#)
  - b. [Steve Yazell](#)
  - c. [2nd Carrie Burns](#)
  - d. [no discussion](#)
  - e. [Motion passes with none opposed.](#)
3. Announcement & adoption of Consent Agenda
  - a. [Motion to keep Atlanta Field Day on the consent agenda](#)
  - b. [Tom Boyle](#)

- c. 2nd Steve Yazell
- d. Motion carries with only 1 opposed.
  - Remove Atlanta Passport to the World
  - Remove Beats on the Beltline
- Motion to accept the consent agenda
- Tom Boyle
- 2nd Steve Yazell
- Motion carries with none opposed
- 4. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Motion for approve the agenda
  - b. Tom Boyle
  - c. 2nd Steve Yazell
  - d. no discussion
  - e. Motion passes with none opposed
- 5. Reports from APD, AFD and other City Departmental Representatives
  - a. Zone 5 APD - N/A
  - b. Zone 6 APD - N/A
  - c. Atlanta Fire Rescue - Chief Jeff Cutrer ([Jcutrer@atlantaga.gov](mailto:Jcutrer@atlantaga.gov), 470-384-2831)
    - i. GB has questions for Fire
  - d. DPW/Public Works SWEET Officer - Pete Francis (404-938-1183, [pfrancis@atlantaga.gov](mailto:pfrancis@atlantaga.gov))
    - i. GB has questions for Pete Francis
  - e. ATL311 Casey Wilson (Shade' Stokes-Campbell, ATL311 Community Affairs Coordinator, [sstokescampbell@atlantaga.gov](mailto:sstokescampbell@atlantaga.gov))
    - i. If you would like to leave ATL311 feedback from today's meeting, ask us questions, or report any outstanding issues, please take our survey by clicking this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ATL311Meeting>
    - ii. If you would like to have ATL311 present for a Community Meeting or Community Event, please feel free to complete the form below and the Community Affairs Coordinator will reach out to you within two (2) business days: <https://forms.office.com/g/JzTWX3gHx1>
    - iii. ATL311 (Non-Emergency Call Center), open Monday-Friday, 7am-12am. You can contact us by:
      - 1. Dial 3-1-1 inside city limits or 404-546-0311
      - 2. Visit and chat at [www.ATL311.com](http://www.ATL311.com)
      - 3. Email at [ATL311@atlantaga.gov](mailto:ATL311@atlantaga.gov)
      - 4. Mobile App by searching "ATL311" in your app store
      - 5. Social Media @ATL311
 Sign up for City of Atlanta emergency alerts by texting NOTIFYATL to 24639
    - iv. PAD (Policing Alternatives and Diversions Initiative): To make a PAD Community Referral for non-emergency quality of life concerns related to mental health, substance use or extreme poverty, please call ATL311 at 404-546-0311 and press the option to speak with ATL311 Supportive

Services. PAD only accepts Community Referrals through the ATL311 phone line Monday-Friday, 7am-12am. For more information visit [www.atlantapad.org](http://www.atlantapad.org) or email [info@atlantapad.org](mailto:info@atlantapad.org).

- v. GB has questions for Casey Wilson - Tom Boyle (O4WNA) asked about graffiti stats for reporting vs removal, she said she would look into it; David Yoakley Mitchell (Atlanta Preservation Center said to email him at [david@preserveatlanta.com](mailto:david@preserveatlanta.com)
  - f. Code Enforcement - Amber Taylor (470-694-7316, [apd-antaylor@atlantaga.gov](mailto:apd-antaylor@atlantaga.gov))
  - g. Office of the Ombudsman of Neighborhoods, under Dr. Jodi Merriday ([exe-jmerriday@atlantaga.gov](mailto:exe-jmerriday@atlantaga.gov), 470-316-2382) - Akilah Blount representing - Amber Ware Neighborhood Relations Manager ([amberware@atlantaga.gov](mailto:amberware@atlantaga.gov), 470-834-6453)
6. Comments from Elected Officials
- a. Post 1 At-Large - Amber Madison for Councilman Michale Julian Bond ([MBond@atlantaga.gov](mailto:MBond@atlantaga.gov), [AMadison@atlantaga.gov](mailto:AMadison@atlantaga.gov), 404.330.6770 Cell: 470-549-6748)
  - b. District 3 - Kelly Benton representing Councilman Byron Amos ([kbbenton@atlantaga.gov](mailto:kbbenton@atlantaga.gov), 404-655-5781)
  - c. District 4 - DeMicha Luster (404-290-2174, [DLuster@atlantaga.gov](mailto:DLuster@atlantaga.gov), Councilmember Dozier: 678-330-6047, [JDozier@AtlantaGa.gov](mailto:JDozier@AtlantaGa.gov), [www.District4ATL.com](http://www.District4ATL.com))
  - d. District 5 - Patrick Husbands (Councilmember Liliana Bakhtiari, <https://www.district5atl.com/>, [lbakhtiari@atlantaga.gov](mailto:lbakhtiari@atlantaga.gov), [ncappon@atlantaga.gov](mailto:ncappon@atlantaga.gov), [phusbands@atlantaga.gov](mailto:phusbands@atlantaga.gov), 404-330-6048)
    - i. GB has questions for Patrick Husbands
7. Committee Reports
- a. Transportation Committee - DeJon Tebought gives updates
  - b. Land Use Committee - N/A
    - i. GB has no questions for Landuse to Chair
  - c. Public Safety Committee - Dorthey Hurst gives updates
  - d. Community Impact Grant (CIG) - Carrie Burns gives updates
    - i. Funding recv'd, business stickers and branding starting, ATLDOT and others engaging on Instagram ([@npumatlanta](https://www.instagram.com/npumatlanta)), please follow and email [asstsecretary@npumatlanta.org](mailto:asstsecretary@npumatlanta.org) for questions about the CIG
8. APAB Report
- a. Kyle Kessler gives GB updates
    - i. 3rd Saturday of each month (next – July 19), 10:00am at City Hall, <https://www.youtube.com/@neighborhoodplanningunitsa5501>, <https://showcaseatlanta.com/>, <https://www.atlaudit.org/>
    - ii. GB has questions for Kyle Kessler
9. Planner's Report
- a. Susan Coleman gives updates on Planner's Report  
Planner's Report Links Track applications in the NPU Dashboard  
<https://coaplangis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/0edb5ee66955448d9edf659e3472b3ee>  
Register for Urban Plan Academy  
<https://www.npuatlanta.org/event-details/urban-plan-academy-3>

RSVP for Chronicling Stankonia

<https://www.atlcitystudio.org/acs-events/2025/3/6/chronicling-stankonia>

10. Matters for Voting (remaining applications - please see attachment)

- i. Motion to defer the following 3 applications as a collective: atl passport to the world, hip hop day, edgewood food mart.
- ii. Tom Boyle
- iii. 2nd Steve Yazell
- iv. Motion carries with none opposed
- b. Beats on the Beltline - Meghan Hardison presents
  - i. GB has questions
  - ii. Motion to approve beats on the beltline
  - iii. Tom Boyle
  - iv. 2nd Catherine Chase
  - v. Motion passes with none opposed
- c. Georgia Beer Gardens - Feleg Dawit presents
  - i. Public Safety Chair gives updates that both should be Change of Ownership
  - ii. Motion to support this business
  - iii. Dorthey Hurst
  - iv. 2nd Gay Lemmerhirt
  - v. GB has questions
  - vi. Motion passes with none opposed
- d. U-25-17 - 346 Edgewood Parking Lot - Lara Landero
  - i. GB has questions for Lara Landero
    1. Motion to recommend denial of this Zoning Review Application
    2. Tom Boyle
    3. 2nd Steve Yazell
    4. GB has discussion
    5. Motion carries with 20 in favor and 0 opposed
- e. U-25-21 - 144 Forsyth Street - April Stammel for Smorgasburg's
  - i. Motion to vote in support of this application
  - ii. John Fischer
  - iii. 2nd Carrie Burns
  - iv. Motion passes with none opposed
- f. Sunday in the Park 2025-Historic Oakland Cemetery (N/A)
- g. OYE Fest 2025 - 432 Beckwood Ct - Randall Ruiz -
  - i. GB has questions for Randall Ruiz
- h. Bell Street Burritos - N/A
- i. V-25-117 Appeal - 323 Walker Street - Miya Bailey
  - i. GB has comments for MiyaBailey
- j. 25-O-1257
  - i. GB has discussion
  - ii. Dejon Tebough + Catherine Chase volunteers to write a letter on behalf of the GB
  - iii. Motion that to NPU M writes a letter sent to the transportation committee ahead of their Wednesday meeting, reiterating our policy but competley

supportive of Edna Moffett Street, NE ,because we are amongst those that know her.

- iv. Kyle Kessler
- v. Dorthey Hurst requests to amend the motion to request that they add a street topper with her name to the sign as well/
- vi. 2nd Steve Yazell
- vii. Motion passes 18 in favor 1 opposed

11. Presentations

- a. N/A

12. Old Business

- a. N/A

13. New Business

- a. GB has announcements

14. Announcements

- a. GB has announcements

15. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn - 20:07

## 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)			
Event Name	Event Organizer	Event Location	Event Date
Georgia State University *CODE 142-64*	Boyd Beckwith & Anthony Banks	Hurt Park – 25 Courtland Street	July 7, 2025-October 5, 2025
AMENDED - Atlanta Field Day (Amended site plan and added another contact person to the application. Previously supported in April).	Kevin Cregan & David Maika	Historic Fourth Ward Park Greenspace – C   830 Willoughby Way, NE	July 26, 2025
Atlanta Passport to the World	Michelle Lewin	Historic Fourth Ward Park-680 Dallas St NE	August 2, 2025
11th Annual Cool Dads Rock Soapbox Derby Festival	La Verio Barnes	Historic Old 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward Conservancy – 667 Rankin Street	August 23, 2025

<a href="#">Football Fest</a>	Paige Eskens	Chik-Fil-A College Football Hall of Fame – 250 Marietta Street – Baker Street – Park Avenue	August 23, 2025
<a href="#">Broad Street Boardwalk Events</a>	Parker Thornton	Broad Street Boardwalk – Broad Street NW	August 26 – November 20, 2025
<a href="#">Atlanta Hip Hop Day Festival</a>	Amir James	Historic Fourth Ward Park – 680 Dallas Street NE	August 30-31, 2025
<a href="#">Beats on the Beltline</a>	Eyal Schechter & Meghan Hardison	Historic Fourth Ward Skatepark - 830 Willoughby Way NE	September 6, 2025

#### Alcohol License Applications (LRB)

Name of Business	Type of Business	Applicant	Property Address	Request
<a href="#">Edgewood Food Mart</a>	Retail Package	Amin Panjwani	400 Edgewood Avenue SE	Change of Agent
<a href="#">Scout Living Powered by Placemakr</a>	Hotel	Nicholas Kiraly	639 Glen Iris Drive, NE	New Business
<a href="#">Georgia Beer Gardens</a>	Restaurant	Feleg Dawit	420 Edgewood Ave SE	Change of Ownership
<a href="#">Georgia Beer Gardens Additional Facility</a>	Restaurant	Feleg Dawit	420 Edgewood Ave SE	Change of Ownership
<a href="#">Close Company Atlanta</a>	Open Air Café	Elizabeth A. Rodriguez	505 North Angier Avenue NE	New Business

Consent    Deferred

#### Zoning Review Board Applications (ZRB)

Application	Property Address	Public Hearing
<a href="#">U-25-17</a> Applicant seeks a special use permit to operate parking for hire. <a href="#">SITE PLAN</a> , <a href="#">SURVEY</a>	346 Edgewood Avenue NE	July 10, 2025
<a href="#">U-25-21</a> Applicant seeks a special use permit to operate an outdoor event/sales > 90 days. <a href="#">SURVEY</a> , <a href="#">SITE PLAN</a> , <a href="#">FLOOR PLAN</a>	140 Forsyth Street SW	July 10, 2025

## 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.

<a href="#"><u>Special Event Applications (MOSE)</u></a>			
Event Name	Event Organizer	Event Location	Event Date
<a href="#"><u>Sunday in the Park 2025-Historic Oakland Cemetery</u></a>	Sandy White	Historic Oakland Cemetery – 248 Oakland Avenue SE (NPU-W)	September 28, 2025
<a href="#"><u>OYE Fest 2025</u></a>	Randall Ruiz	432 Beckwith Ct SW (RPM Lot 432) (NPU-T)	October 04, 2025

<a href="#"><u>Alcohol License Applications (LRB)</u></a>				
Name of Business	Type of Business	Applicant	Property Address	Request
<a href="#"><u>Bell Street Burritos</u></a>	Restaurant	Matt Hinton	112 Krog Street NE (NPU-N)	Other/Adding

<a href="#"><u>Board of Zoning Adjustment Applications (BZA)</u></a>		
Application	Property Address	Public Hearing
<a href="#"><u>V-25-117 Appeal</u></a> Applicant seeks to appeal a citation issued by a Code Enforcement Officer.	323 Walker Street SW	July 17, 2025

## PUBLIC NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided for informational purposes. Votes/comments are neither required nor expected.

25-O-1257   Peace Avenue, NE Street Renaming
<a href="#"><u>25-O-1257</u></a> An Ordinance by Councilmember Amir Farokhi to re-name Peace Avenue, NE as Edna Moffett Street, NE; to waive certain provisions of Section 1388 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances; and for other purposes. (Held 5/14/25 by the Committee for Public Hearing) <a href="#"><u>PUBLIC NOTICE</u></a>
Atlanta Zoning 2.0: Zoning Ordinance Rewrite

DRAFT I of the Zoning Ordinance Rewrite has been posted to the project website [atlzoning.com](http://atlzoning.com).

To find the draft:

- From the project website select “Zoning Drafts”
- Select “Online Zoning Drafts”
- Select “Zoning Ordinance: Revised Discussion Draft V1”

The draft will be available June 2, 2025 through September 2, 2025. You may use the Konveio tool to make comments and suggestions to the draft.

### **Campaigning by Elected Officials & Candidates**

Campaigning at NPU meetings is strictly prohibited by the City of Atlanta’s Code of Ordinances.

#### **Sec. 6-3019 Prohibition of Political Forums**

“Neighborhood planning unit meetings shall not be used for political forums or campaigning for city, county, state, or federal elections.”

Examples of campaigning could include, but not be limited to:

- Introduction of elected officials as political candidates in upcoming elections;
- Distributing campaign materials and literature; and
- Conducting either of the above in City Hall, its rooms or offices.

Please contact Leah LaRue at 404.546.0159 or [llarue@atlantaga.gov](mailto:llarue@atlantaga.gov) with any questions or concerns.