

2015 OFFICERS

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COMMITTEES

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Preservation and Urban Design

Public Relations/Media

Public Safety

Zoning and Land Use

MEETING MINUTES

West End Neighborhood Development

March 3, 2015 7pm - West End Library

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Kimberly Parmer at 7:05pm.

Officers Present

Kimberly Parmer, President Tony McNeal, First Vice President Alisha Thym, Second Vice President Jason Tutt, Treasurer Naquia Harris, Secretary

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The 2015 Officers introduced themselves, followed by meeting attendees and guests.

ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

A motion was made by Alethea Parker to approve the evening's agenda as presented. Terry Ross seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by LA Thym to approve the February 6, 2015 meeting minutes. Terry Ross seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Jason Tutt provided the statement of financial position.

- WEND's bank balance is \$16,802.27
- During December 2014, WEND received total revenue in the amount of \$1067.26. Expenses were \$3016.78.

Capital City Bank acquisition-First Citizen's Bank. No change. Must use check request form. Wells Fargo Bank for Security Patrol.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Atlanta Streets Alive is in the neighborhood 4/19/15! Go to atlantastreetsalive.com for more information. The next planning meeting 3/16/15 at Hammond's House. westendasa@gmail.com if you are an artist,

business, or want to be an activity partner. Peeples Street will be closed from Ralph David Abernathy to White Street. Closures notification will start to post on 4/4/15.

2015 Infrastructure Bond West End streets improvement recommendations were sent to City Council. Voting will be on 3/17/15. Encourage the City Council via email that the West End Projects should be a part of the list.

President of City Council: Ceasar Mitchell ccmitchell@atlantaga.gov
District 4 Councilperson: Cleta Winslow cwinslow@atlantaga.gov
Post 3 at Large Councilperson: Andre Dickens adickens@atlantaga.gov

GUEST PRESENTATION

Dan Calvert, Urban Planner-Rose Circle Park improvements. Identified issues and sight constraints (broken benches small confined playground, signage issues) worked to develop an activity concept. Created playground concept for 2-5 year old and 5-12 year olds. Community development block grant was awarded. Improved the swings, adding a climbing element, interactive play area. \$60,000 of equipment, \$20,000 install \$30,000 of other elements (ie. benches). Many thanks to Jordan Lingenfelter in being an advocate for the development. The grant covers the equipment and installation. Looking for other avenues for the funding for the other elements. Creating a "Friends of Rose Circle Park" can open the opportunity to applying to other grants.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety

- Sgt King reported crime is down 9% than last year. Vehicle larceny is still elevated. People are asking people to use resident's cell phone and then run away. 2 burglaries 35 crimes 76 arrests in the past month.
- The issue of speeding in the neighborhood is brought up. Looking into getting signs that could deter the speeding. Should be available for residents by next month.
- West End Security Patrol-We are in the 2nd quarter. Those interested in signing up email Alisha Thym <u>info@westendsecuritypatrol.org</u>.
- Neighborhood Watch seminar 3/21/15. Email Inspector Thomas <u>sabthomas@atlantaga.gov</u> or call 404-546-5550 to register. The Deadline to register is 3/16/15.

Education

- Brown Middle School interior renovations will start this summer. The students will attend
 Kennedy Middle School Building in the 2015-2016 school year
- Witness students littering the streets. Call Principal Crooms whenever this happens 404-802-6800.

Beautification

- The next neighborhood cleanup date is Saturday 3/14/15. Meet at the South Parking Lot at the MARTA station at 8:30am.
- Reinstated Friends of West End Park, started Friends of Rose Circle Park. These are advocacy groups so we can apply to grants. If interested contact Tony McNeal at firstvp@atlantawestend.com.

Preservation and Urban Design

812 Peeples-applicant hasn't submitted a plan yet, still waiting for updates.

Membership

Yolanda Bell is the new chair. The first membership drive will be a porch party on 3/14/15
 6:00pm at 670 Grady Place.

PR/Communications

- Neighborhood is 180 years old. Happy Birthday!
- Instagram account @atlantawestend
- Twitter is being more active
- All members should update their contact info on the membership sign in sheet
- Tell a friend about Atlanta ASA
- Google Fiber enter in your home address to support the neighborhood. Go to https://fiber.google.com/about/ for more information.
- The committee will look in to posting WEND meeting signs and flyers distribute to the neighbors who may not have email.
- Electronic monthly newsletter was sent out email <u>firstvp@atlantawestend.com</u> if you didn't receive it.

Zoning

- Meeting takes place every 3rd Thursday of the month.
- Looking for volunteers to help canvass the neighborhood.
- 1195 RDA 3/12/15 ZRB made a zoning recommendation to MRC (Mixed Residential and Commercial) with conditions instead of C1 (what WEND voted on last week).

Business/Economic Development

Capital City Bank offered financing packets and will be hosting a breakfast to interested parties Those interested in the committee email the President president@atlantawestend.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- o ASA Planning Meeting 3/16/15 6:00pm
- o NPU-T 3/11/15 7:00pm Encourage WEND members to be involved
- o Easter Egg Hunt 3/28/15 10:00am West End Park
- o Condolences to The Jackson family

- Steve Barlow-Changes of Real Estate in West End, consistent growth in home owners
- o Ali Carter <u>aacarter@atlanta.ga.gov</u> 404-548-6480
 - BeltLine partnering with Fed Home Loan bank home financing and renovating homes within the BeltLine
- o AUC consortium ongoing workshops aucuniversity.org

Next Meeting

April 7th, 2015, 7pm – West End Library

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm.

Submitted this 6^{th} day of March, 2015

Naquia Harris, Secretary

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West End Neighborhood Development, Inc.