

November 16, 2020 UHNA General Meeting Minutes

- 1. Meeting called to order on Zoom by President Heather Sheets at 7:05pm
- 2. Eva Nason introduced Cara Cown from Fox Bros. BBQ
 - a. Cara described Fox Bros. history
 - b. Original location on Dekalb Ave.
 - c. Family owned
 - d. Opening new location in The Works on Chattahoochee in late spring/early summer
 - e. Would like neighborhood support for liquor license
 - f. Brooke French will send info to Fox Bros. about park fundraising for their community outreach efforts
 - g. UHNA voted 25-2 to support request for liquor license
- 3. Adeline Collot gave update on Upper Westside CID efforts
 - a. Wrapping up master plan
 - b. Draft should be finished in December
 - c. Will be interactive online
 - d. Would like to get neighborhoods to vote on it
 - e. Working with neighborhood art grants
 - f. Getting quotes for putting Eva Nason's signature on the pavilion at the park
 - g. Must be routed through city parks department
 - h. Starting mural at the MARTA facility on Brady Ave.
 - i. Showing movies on 12/4-5 at 950 W. Marietta St. with catering from DAS BBQ
- 4. Eva Nason gave an update on the short term rental ordinances that City Council has been discussing
 - a. Original ordinance introduced by Howard Shook would not allow any short term rentals, i.e. less than 30 days
 - b. Substitute ordinance introduced by Andre Dickens allows short term rentals with restrictions.
 - c. Owner must get a certificate from the city annually
 - d. Limits on number owned without setting up as a business
 - e. 8% tax collected
 - f. Rules against disturbing neighbors
 - g. Certificate can be revoked for repeated violations
 - h. NPU-D will likely decide to defer voting until final ordinance content is determined
 - i. UHNA decided not to vote on this issue since there is not enough information
- 5. Captain Singh gave an update on Zone 2
 - a. Have new, motivated supervisors, so should see more presence
 - b. Suggested to QT that they hire security. Offered patrol car if off-duty APD officer used
 - c. Courts should open up in 7-10 days which should help in processing offenders
 - d. Arrested suspect in murder at Goodwill donation center
 - e. Advised to not leave keys in car and be aware when getting gas
 - f. Seeing too many crimes of opportunity
 - g. Sharing info with Zone 1



- h. Was asked about getting license plate readers. Answered that cameras are helpful, but can't get a warrant based on camera
- i. Camera requests should go through the Atlanta Police Foundation
- j. 1824 Defoor has Flock camera installed
- k. Two extra units have been added to Howell Mill/Northside and Defoor/Collier from 10PM-6AM
- 6. Election of Board and Committee Chairs
 - a. Slate of officers presented
 - b. Stephen Rudolph nominated as new president
 - c. Concern expressed over his lack of past involvement as board member or committee chair
 - d. Noted that no one else has stepped up to take on that role
 - e. Heather Sheets said that she will advise him
 - f. Stephen's vision is to get everyone in the neighborhood to know each other
 - g. Parks and beautification chair left open with Steven Lindsay continuing in the role until a replacement can be found
 - h. Board and Committee chairs approved 22-0
- 7. Beau Grant gave an update on Buckhead Council of Neighborhoods
 - a. Recent discussions mostly about security
 - b. BCN backed candidates Fani Willis for DA and Patrick Labat for Sheriff won their respective elections
 - c. Trying to get street racing arrests to require posting of bond
 - d. Discussion of 911 calls going to voice mail. Capacity is being expanded and it should never happen
- 8. Anna Bruns, new Membership/Engagement chair gave presentation on her ideas for expanding membership
 - a. She decided that she can't be a "passenger" anymore and must get involved
 - b. Goal is to increase dues paying members
 - c. Use less obvious means of growth, i.e. invite friends, involvement with kids, private events, random acts of kindness
 - d. Include apartments and condos
 - e. Develop a survey for expectations of membership
 - f. Consider membership/merchandise bundles
 - g. Tyler Smith and Brooke French will help with data from park fundraising
 - h. Stephen Rudolph noted that he intends to host an event every other month
- 9. Brooke French gave an update on park fundraising
 - a. Grant application was submitted 11/2. Should hear something by mid-January
 - b. Still actively fundraising
 - c. Checks can be given to Brooke or go through Park Pride
- 10. Stephen Rudolph reminded everyone of the Varsity food truck at the park on 11/21, 11:30-1:30
- 11. Katie Torres gave an update on tree plantings near new ADUs
 - Trees Atlanta planting trees on Harper and Volberg and on the property line behind the new ADUs being constructed near the corner of Harper and Volberg



- b. Planting Saturday 11/21
- 12. Heather Sheets thanked our sponsors PetWell Veterinary Clinic, 1824 Defoor, Comfort Shield Heating & Air Conditioning, The Works Upper Westside, Stephen Rudolph Ansley Atlanta Real Estate, Modern Space Construction, Handyman of Marketing (In Kind), Florist Atlanta (In Kind)
- 13. Meeting adjourned at 8:55