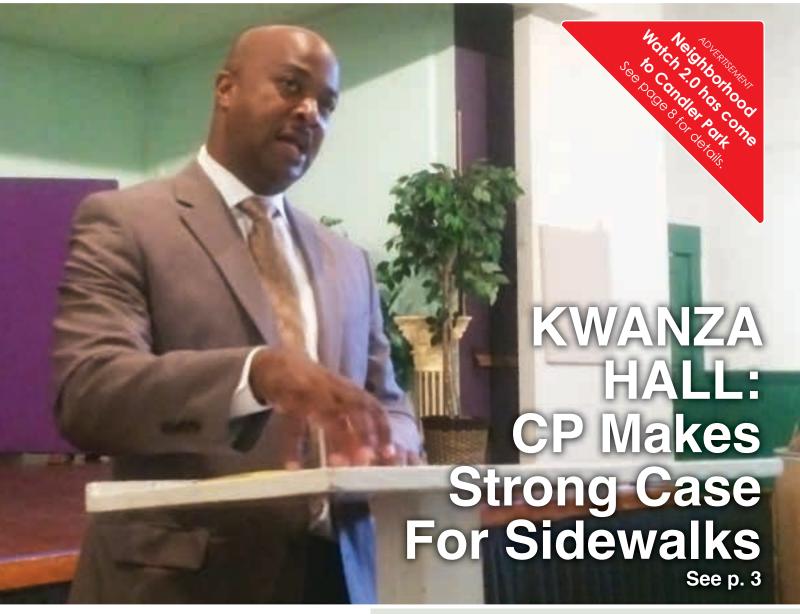


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## Kwanza tells CPNO sidewalk repairs likely

By Ken Edelstein

Our neighborhood is in line for major sidewalk and crosswalk improvements funded by the city's recently approved infrastructure bonds, Council Member Kwanza Hall said at CPNO's May 18 monthly meeting.

"Candler Park is in a good place" to see those nuts-and-bolts projects paid for out of a pot of bond money that Hall said he'll probably be able to dole out for the district.

In preparing its request for infrastructure funding, CPNO's Master Plan Coordinating Committee identified as priorities sidewalk repairs and additions along three major arteries: Euclid Avenue, McLendon Avenue and Oakdale Road. Curb cuts for five or six crosswalks, and raised crosswalks at the new Oakdale-McLendon four-way stop also made our priority list. And Hall hopes to get City Hall to pay for a "Complete Streets" remake of DeKalb Avenue out of a larger pot of bond money intended for projects of importance citywide.

## PRESIDENTIAL BRIEFING

Those fixes by no means solve CP's infrastructure challenges. For one thing, it could take a couple of years for the city's commitment to turn into concrete, and who knows what could happen before then. In addition, many side streets with sidewalk problems didn't make the cut, because more traveled arteries took priority. Similarly, a CP Master Plan proposal to build a new sidewalk or path on Candler Park Drive along the edge of the park wasn't on our list because its cost would have squeezed out other projects. Hall also warned that a separate Master Plan recommendation to make the Moreland-DeKalb intersection less hazardous to pedestrians and cyclists may not get the necessary bond funding.

As we bird-dog the projects that stand a good chance of getting funded, CPNO will continue to seek creative ways to push those additional Master Plan

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## LAUGHTER IN THE PARK

By Deb Milbrath



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## **MEETINGS**

CPNO Members Meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive.

Committee meetings take place at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., unless otherwise announced (enter from the street level door and ring the bell if you're late).

All are welcome. Only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings. Membership applications must be received by Membership Officer by the first day of the month of meeting.

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recommendations. Meanwhile, we all appreciate what Randy Pimsler and Eric Dusenbury of the Master Plan panel and CPNO sidewalk czar Clifton Mack have done to make progress. If the sidewalks, crosswalks and DeKalb Complete Streets all come to fruition, they'll represent the biggest step toward a pedestrian friendly neighborhood — indeed, our largest infrastructure improvements of any kind - in many, many years.

### FALL FEST ALREADY BREAKING

**RECORDS:** Fall Fest 2015 continues to move along wonderfully. Our sixteenth sponsor already has signed on, and it's a doozy: Eagle Rock Distributors has committed to a record level of support for the festival, which funds most of CPNO's good works for the entire year. So far, our sponsorships total \$21,000 overall. That's nearly the all-time record — five months before the festival!

We're also putting the final touches on some phenomenal music headliners, are closing in on more than a dozen of the city's finest food trucks, and will have an exciting, diverse selection of craft beers at the festival! Another big boost: Amus Media — sister company to our new beverage concession contractor, Peachtree Events — is providing unprecedented support as a media sponsor!

I'm not normally big on exclamation points, but I find them unavoidable

when raving about Fall Fest. It's become an incredible team effort. Of course, we could use your help. If you have a lead on a potential sponsor, contact fallfestsponsorship@candlerpark.org. If you're interested in helping to spread the word about Fall Fest, write fallfestpr@ candlerpark.org. And if you'd like to volunteer in any other capacity, try fallfestvolunteers@candlerpark.org.

**EDIT THE MESSENGER!** Editing the Messenger has become a pleasure. Honest. But it's really not healthy for the organization for one person to serve as president, Fall Fest chair and Messenger editor. So we need someone to step into this position.

The good news is that the editor's role is more fun and less demanding than in past: Our new deal with KDA Communications (they provide the ads, pay all expenses, and lay out, print and distribute the newsletter) has taken away the headaches and left us with the creative stuff.

We're tightly formatted, so it's really a matter of assembling the right mix of articles. And it takes about a third of the time that the editor had to spend on the Messenger before KDA. The main qualifications: Dependability, accuracy, fairness and serviceable writing skills. Interested? Let me know at editor@ candlerpark.org.

## Thank you, Ration & Dram!

The CPNO Members Meeting goes all foodie on June 15 as Ration & Dram serves up a sampling of its chef-driven cuisine — for free! Opened in March 2014 by Andy Minchow, famously of Holeman & Finch, and Mitch Jaffe, Ration & Dram is a family-friendly spot at the intersection of the Edgewood and Kirkwood neighborhoods. The restaurant is located at 130 Arizona Avenue Northeast. The website is rationanddram.com.

If you know of another local food purveyor who wishes to partner with CPNO as a cash-free meeting sponsor, email Chris Fitzgerald at chriscfitzgerald@ gmail.com.



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Cover photo: Ken Edelstein. Correction: The first brief in April's Messenger was written by Randy Pimsler not Jay Sandhaus

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

JUNE

8 CPNO Board Meeting, 7 pm, Epworth Church

12 Atlanta Soccerfest, in the park

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Members Meeting, 7 pm, 1st Exist. Church

**JULY** 

13 CPNO Board Meeting, 7 pm, Epworth Church

Members Meeting, 7 pm, 1st Exist. Church

In case of cancellations or changes, check calendar at candlerpark.org. For meetings at Epworth, knock on door at street level to get in. All CPNO meetings are open to the public.



## **Candler Parker is new Lin principal**

At the May 4 APS school board meeting, Sharyn Briscoe was confirmed to be Mary Lin's new principal. Her official start date is July 1, and she introduced herself at a principal's coffee last month at the school.

Here's a letter Briscoe shared last month on Mary Lin's Rocket Blast email newsletter:

I am thrilled to introduce myself to you, as your new Principal, beginning on July 1, 2015. Originally from New Jersey, I moved to Atlanta to attend Spelman College and never

## **BRIEFS**

looked back. At Spelman I earned a Bachelor's Degree Child Development and furthered my education at Georgia State University with a Master's Degree in Social Foundations of Education and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership. For the past 21 years, I have been serving the children of Atlanta Public Schools in various positions. I began my career as a teacher at Whitefoord Elementary and Mary Lin Elementary. From there, I became a Model Teacher Leader in the East Region/Grady Cluster, formerly known as School Reform Team 3. I then became the Assistant Principal at Morningside Elementary and Garden Hills before becoming the Principal at Cook Elementary, which is now closed. I currently serve as the Program Administrator at Brandon Primary in the North Atlanta Cluster.

Just like you, I call Candler Park home, as I have been a resident for the past 15 years and raised my two wonderful sons, TJ and Marley here. In fact, they began their educational journey right here at Mary Lin! I have been active in the community for many years, serving as the CINS Representative for Mary Lin, and as the Curriculum Liaison on the Mary Lin PTA. In my spare time, you can find me eating at various neighborhood restaurants, catching up on my favorite TV shows, or helping my now teenaged sons graduate high school (Grady) and get into college.

Although my official start date is July 1st, please know that I am available via email at sbriscoe@atlanta.k12.ga.us anytime, and am eager to get started. As the school year winds down, I plan to visit the school and attend cluster and school related events, whenever possible to be visible and to meet you all. I will also host an informal meet and greet during the summer and look forward to any summertime visitors!

- Kate Sandhaus



Sharyn Briscoe (photo courtesy of Sharyn Briscoe)

## **Celebration service for Ceci Mitchell**

A Celebration of Life Service will be held for Cecilia "Ceci" Mitchell, starting at 11:30 am, Saturday, June 13 at the First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive. The service will be followed by a potluck lunch; please bring a dish to share.

Cici was a dear friend and a social justice activist. After moving to Atlanta in the mid-1970s, she made her permanent home in Candler Park. Over the decades, she was active in the Atlanta Women's Union, the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance, our neighborhood's Stop the Road fight, political campaigns, the peace movement, birding groups and the Women's Outdoor Network. Professionally, Ceci was a therapist for 25-plus years — at Grady Hospital since 2002. She also was a journalist briefly, winning Georgia Press Association recognition.

— Ann Mauney

## **Mulberry Fields Solstice Soiree**

It's time again to party at the Summer Soulstice Soiree in Mulberry Fields Community Garden.

Please mark it on your calendars. We gather on June 20 when the day is long and the sun shines for an evening of music, food and drink. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year. We count on you to be here and to give generously.

We are excited: Webster will be playing. Our famous and fabulous neighborhood musicians have once again donated their time and talent. Lotta Frutta will be here — supporting the garden and offering delectable vegan ice cream and mini pops. The chickabilly will burn. We will have a keg. It is potluck. Please bring food and drink to share,

Share this information widely and remember its never too soon to make your donation at mulberryforever.blogspot.com.

Jesse Merle



Photo by Ken Edelstein

## Candler Park Conservancy seeking nonprofit status

By Lauren Welsh

It's official. On April 2, the Candler Park Conservancy was incorporated in the state of Georgia. Now, the organization's founding Board of Directors is working on next steps to activate the organization, including filing for 501(c)3 nonprofit status.

As the Conservancy gets up on its feet, board members will be seeking input from the park's neighbors to build on recommendations for park improvements that were part of the neighborhood's 2013 master plan. Establishing the Conservancy was one of those recommendations. Among the others were improving the pool, the playground, tennis courts, and the management of events in the park; creating a splash pad and a small amphitheater; and protecting the park's wetlands and wildlife.

Last year, CPNO's Environment Committee spearheaded formation of the Conservancy, and the CPNO Board held in trust \$10,000 donated by the movie "The Fifth Wave" toward support of the Conservancy. Scenes from the "Fifth Wave," which opens in theaters in January 2016, were filmed last summer in the Candler Park playground. That generous

## **Candler Park Conservancy Board of Directors**

Stacy Funderburke (chair) Amy Erwin (vice-chair) Ben Klehr (treasurer) Amy Stout (secretary) Katharine Connell Ken Edelstein Charles Hooker Randy Pimsler John Skach Lauren Welsh **Jack White** 

grant, which Conservancy Treasurer Ben Klehr expects to transfer to the Conservancy this month, will provide seed money for future fundraising.

The Conservancy Board aims to be as inclusive and transparent in setting goals for the new organization as CPNO was in creating the neighborhood master plan. Board meetings are open to the public, and volunteers are encouraged to participate by serving on committees. Part of the Conservancy's vision is to develop an active membership base. And the founding Board expects to turn the organization early next year over to a Board selected under a permanent process.

Later this year, Board Planning and Projects Committee Chair John Skach anticipates leading an open, communitywide process to mold the Master Plan recommendations, along with other ideas, into a coordinated plan for park improvements.

Meanwhile, dedicated volunteers are working on immediate needs. Board Vice Chair Amy Erwin recently secured additional furniture for the pool, using money raised last year for the same purpose. Erwin also solicited Intown Ace Hardware on Scott Boulevard — for the second year in a row — to contribute \$200 in plants, soil and mulch for planters around the pool house. Thanks, Intown Ace!

For more information, and to keep up with meetings and next steps, please go to candlerparkconservancy.org. If you're interested in volunteering for the Candler Park Conservancy or just have a question, send an email to info@ candlerparkconservancy.org.



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## What good's a nice new sidewalk with a car parked on it?

As many of you are aware, the City of Atlanta's bond referendum passed by a very large margin. This is great news for the residents of Candler Park as the bond includes funding for major improvements along DeKalb Avenue plus money allocated by City Council district to be used on projects recommended by each council member.

In preparation for meetings with Councilman Kwanza Hall, we took a survey of existing sidewalks within the neighborhood. Based on the results and the meeting, we are hoping to make improvements to sidewalks along Euclid Avenue, Oakdale Road, and McLendon Avenue. It is our hope to have good sidewalks on both sides of the streets within Candler Park boundaries.

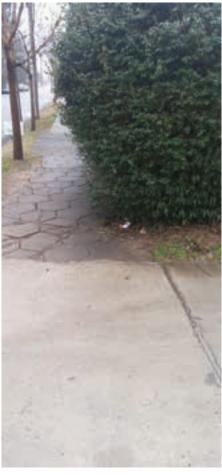
During the survey process we did find some items that cannot be addressed by the bond money. We encountered several instances of people not pulling all the way into their driveways. We could have perfect sidewalks throughout the neighborhood but parents pushing strollers, kids on scooters, and wheelchair bound individuals will still be forced into the street if residents are not conscientious enough to not block the sidewalk when they pull into their driveways.

Additionally, there were many, many, instances where serviceable sidewalks were blocked by overgrown bushes or impaired by debris (usually a thick mat of wet leaves). These obstacles are a hindrance to pedestrians and prevent the full use of the sidewalk. They are also a liability to the property owner.

We are optimistic that we will make good progress in improving the most frequently used sidewalks within Candler Park. This is the first step in making Candler Park a truly pedestrian-friendly neighborhood. We dare say Candler Park residents could make an even bigger difference by keeping the sidewalk in front of their houses clear of debris and pulling their cars completely into their driveways.

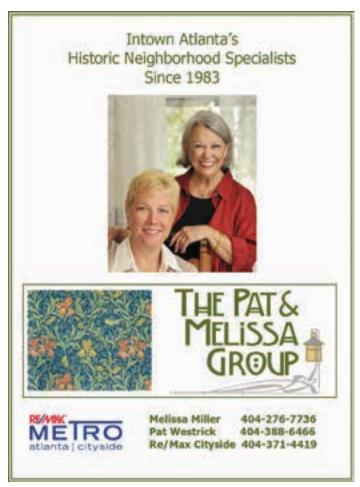
— Eric Dusenbury & Randy Pimsler Master Plan Coordination Committee







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## Candler Park crime reports, April 14-May 8

Crime reports are provided by Atlanta Police Department Zone 6 and compiled by CPNO member David Bruce.

**400 block Moreland Ave.** – Larceny from auto - 4/14 Tuesday day. Parking lot. Window busted out. Book bag and Sony laptop taken.

**351 Moreland Ave.** – Larceny from auto - 4/16 Thursday evening. Parking lot. Two vehicles, both with windows broken. Boots, bill of sale, documents and drive-out tag taken.

400 block Euclid Terrace- Larceny from auto - 4/21 Tuesday morning. Parking lot. Vehicle left unlocked. Nothing taken.

200 block Elmira Place – Larceny from auto - 4/21 Tuesday evening. Street. Window broken out. Brief case and laptop taken.

200 block Elmira Place - Attempted auto theft - 4/24 Friday evening. 1999 Black Jeep Cherokee with Georgia tag. Victim said she came outside and noticed two

young black males inside her vehicle. She opened the door and told them to get out. They did and ran to a black Acura MDX. One turned and pushed her to retrieve a tool used to defeat the club device on the steering wheel. Acura left the scene. Damage to the club and door lock. One suspect left his cellphone in the vehicle, and it had a background photo of a juvenile, 17 years old, known for stealing cars.

400 block Moreland Ave. - Larceny from auto - 4/27 Tuesday day. Parking lot. Window busted. Mac Pro laptop, Sony headphones and Tractor S4 DJ controller taken.

1600 block McLendon Ave. – Larceny from auto - 4/30 Thursday evening. Parking lot. Window busted. Briefcase taken.

Euclid Avenue and Moreland Ave. -Robbery – 5/3 Sunday morning. Street. Victim said a dark-skinned black male walked up to him and asked if he could have a cigarette and use his cell phone. The victim was unable to do either. He walked away and then victim felt a push in his back several seconds later. He turned and saw suspect. Victim threw a punch but missed. Suspect then punched him several times and knocked him out. Victim woke up several hours later and noticed his cellphone gone.

1300 block DeKalb Ave. - Larceny from auto - 5/5 Tuesday morning. Two windows broken out. Gwinnett County Fire Department ID badge taken.

1500 block Iverson Street - Auto theft -5/8 Friday day. Street. 1994 Brown Chevy C15 with Georgia tags. Neighbor saw a black male look inside the pickup and jump in driving away.



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## May 18 CPNO Members Meeting — draft minutes

These draft minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the June 15 Members Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Ken Edelstein, President. The motion to adopt the agenda passed. No new members were in attendance.

### Visitors:

- Kwanza Hall, District 2 Councilman, updated the members concerning the Infrastructure Bond, Discretionary Funds, Freedom Park clean-up, MLK Natorium, and legislation creating The Little Five Points Improvement District. There are enough funds to repair the sidewalks on McLendon Avenue, Oakdale Road, and Euclid Avenue. Atlanta Public Schools and City Council are conducting talks outside the 'lawsuit' in an attempt to collaborate on what is best for the schools and the City. There will be a public meeting May 28th concerning the relocation of the MLK Natorium.
- Major Peek, Commander of Zone 6, reported a 47% decrease in crime in the last 28 days. All available resources are being utilized in our Zone to suppress crime. The Police have apprehended three individuals who were responsible for many car break-ins.

### **Announcement:**

- Thank you to Corner Tavern for the refreshments.
- Thank you to Kelly Jo Bluestone for being this month's volunteer bar tender.

- Eric Dusenbury will be next month's 'bar
- Mark Clement announced the dates for Candler Park Food and Music Festival as May 29 and 30. It will be a 'hard ticket' event.
- Edi Kelman, Bi-Racial History Project, announced that fund raising exceeded its goal. Thank you to all who supported and donated so that matching funds were made available.

## **Treasurer Report:**

Peter Bluestone reviewed the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheets for last month. Some Fall Fest sponsorship money has already been deposited. The expended \$1200 was for a lost check from a previous Fall Fest. The transfer of \$10,000 to Candler Park Conservancy will take place in the next couple of months.

### General Discussion:

• John Skach, Environmental Officer, updated the progress of the Candler Park Conservancy. IRS and State paperwork has been filed. The Conservancy needs to open a bank account before accepting the \$10,000 transfer. All meetings are open to the public; the next scheduled meeting is June 2nd at 7:00 pm in one of the Park pavilions. Meeting times will be posted on the CPNO website.

• Ken Edelstein, Chair of Fall Fest Committee, announced the signing of a three year agreement with Peachtree Events and Eaglerock Distributors. This sponsorship will garner \$10,000/yea and will be paid in advance of the event.

## **Zoning:**

Seth Eisenberg, Zoning Officer introduced three applicants for variances at 619 Page Avenue, 442 Euclid Terrace, and 569 Candler Street.

Motion made to support of the Application No. V-15-093 with the condition that the project is built according to the one car garage City of Atlanta stamped site plan dated April 8, 2015 passed.

Motion made in support of the Application No. V-15-102 with the condition that the project is built according to City of Atlanta stamped site plan dated April 21, 2015 passed.

Motion made in support of the Application No. V-15-112 with the condition that the project is built according to the City of Atlanta stamped site plan dated April 23, 2015 passed.

The motion to adopt the April Minutes passed. The motion to adopt the May Officer and Committee Report passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Recording Secretary May 18, 2015





## **CPNO** officer and committee reports for May

These reports were submitted by officer and committee chairs prior to the April Members Meeting.

### Freedom Park Conservancy- Carol Gregory

Freedom Park Conservancy Board meeting is May 19. Several members of the Freedom Park Board and Eric Duesenbury, Candler Park resident, met on May 12 to discuss the small piece of Freedom Park at the corner of Moreland and North. The board will receive a report from that group and discuss next steps to turn that small portion of the park into a more environmentally friendly area. The new park map is available. I will bring them to the next meeting that I can attend.

## Candler Park Master Plan Coordinating Committee- Randy Pimsler, Chairperson

The Candler Park Master Plan Coordinating Committee did not meet officially in May, as there was only one person in attendance. The meeting time was actually utilized to finalize two items that the committee had needed to address. The first item was to prepare a letter to the Department of Public Works (DPW), with regards to the completion of the traffic study at the intersection of Oakdale Road and McLendon Avenue. The committee had previously requested letters from CPNO President, Ken Edelstein and NPU N Chairperson, Chris Jenko. Upon receipt of those letters of support from both organizations, the committee submitted a request to the DPW to make the improvements permanent. In addition, the letter requested raised walkways at the intersection as well as curb markings north of the intersection on the east side of Oakdale Road, in an effort to clarify the no parking zone. The signage at this location is less than completely effective, at this time.

The second item that the committee completed was to submit an updated summary of projects for funding through the Infrastructure Bond initiative, to Council Person Hall. The list was similar to the list presented at the group meeting Council Person Hall in the month of April. Thanks to the diligent efforts of Clifton Mack and Eric Dusenbury, we were able to quantify the sidewalks repair and replacements to be considered in our neighborhood along with accompanying cost figures.

At the next meeting of the committee, which will be held on Monday, June 1, 2015 at Epworth Methodist Church, the Master Plan Coordinating Committee will host representatives from MARTA who will present design options for a proposed round about at the intersection of La France Street and Whitefoord Avenue. While this intersection is officially located in the Edgewood Neighborhood, these improvements could have direct impact on traffic in and around Candler Park. It is anticipated that representatives from the Candler Park Zoning Committee will also be present at this meeting.

Neighbors are welcome to attend these meetings at all times.

## Zoning Officer May Report: Seth Eisenberg

The May Zoning Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015. There were three residential variance applications pending for consideration by the Committee. The pending Applications were as follows: 442 Euclid Terrace -V-15-093, 619 Page Avenue NE - V-15-102, and 569 Candler Street NE - V-15-112 442 Euclid Terrace/V-15-093 - The Applicant was represented by Catherine Taylor, who presented the Application variance request for a reduction of south side yard setback from 7 ft to 1 ft, reduce the west rear yard setback from 15 ft to 3 ft, reduce the east front yard from 35 ft to 28 ft. Ms. Taylor discussed the proposed project involving the addition of a master bathroom and a deck within the existing non-conforming layout. Additionally, Ms. Taylor discussed the Applicant's plans for a one car garage and questioned whether a two car garage would be feasible. The layout of the subject property showed that the property was uniquely hard shipped because the existing structures were already constructed within the setbacks. The Committee expressed concerns over the impact to the adjacent neighbor regarding the placement of the one car garage, but Ms. Taylor demonstrated that the adjacent neighbor had expressed their consent to the project by signing the CPNO neighbor affidavit. Due to circumstances with the City that delayed processing of the Application, there was limited time for the Applicant to obtain complete all the necessary materials prior to the May meeting. The Committee voted unanimously in favor of a motion to support the Application No. V-15-093 pending the following conditions: a receipt of signed neighbor affidavits for 423, 429, and 433 Euclid Terrace, or copies of certified mail receipts to said neighbors dated no later than May 11, 2015; a completed vicinity map; and the project be built according to the City of Atlanta stamped site plan reflecting one car garage project.

619 Page Avenue/V-15-102 - The Applicant appeared with his children to present a variance Application to reduce the required north side yard setback from the required 7 feet to 5 ft and the south yard setback from 7 ft to 2 ft in order to allow for the addition of a second story on the existing structure. The Applicant demonstrated compliance with the CPNO Checklist Materials and provided neighbor affidavits for all neighbors except the neighbor sharing the south side property line. The Applicant intimated that this neighbor resided outside Candler Park and was under contract to sell their home, and the affidavit would be forthcoming once they could discuss the project.

The Committee voted five in favor, one in abstention in favor of a motion to support the Application No. V-15-102 with the condition that an affidavit signed by the owner of 621 Page Avenue be provided or copy of email confirming delivery of plans and notification to said owner of membership and

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BZA meeting dates, and further conditioned that the project be build according to site plan filed with the City on April 21, 2015.

569 Candler Street NE/V-15-112- The Applicant was represented by his architect, Tarver Siebert, to present an Application for a special exception from zoning regulations to reduce the front yard setback from 35' to 28'to construct a decorative wall in the required front yard. The project is a "Garden Folly" that will surround an existing fountain in the front yard. The existing fountain is 6' 6" tall, and the Garden Folly as presented would be as tall as 5' 10" at its high point. The Committee expressed legitimate concern over the lack of apparent hardship demonstrated by the Applicant. However, the Committee did discuss whether the location and condition of the pre-existing non-conforming fountain could satisfy the hardship requirement for granting special exceptions. Additionally, the Committee voiced concern about whether the approval of this Application would set a dangerous precedent and lead to other neighbors developing front yard fences outside the height and location limitations allowable by the Atlanta City Code. The Committee voted five in favor, and one in opposition, in favor of a motion to support the Application No. V-15-112 with the condition that the folly be built specific to the site plan filed with the City of Atlanta on April 23, 2015, and signed neighbor affidavits documenting approval of neighbors located at 564, 559 and 560 Candler Street be provided.

## Special Projects Officer: Mark Clement

May 29 and 30th Candler Park Music and Food Festival. Movie Night is in full swing. Next movie will be August 8th.

### Treasurer's Report: Peter Bluestone

There are P&L statements in the back of the room.

### Safety Report: Russell Miller

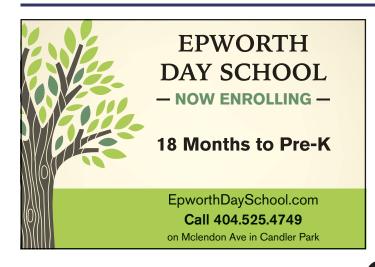
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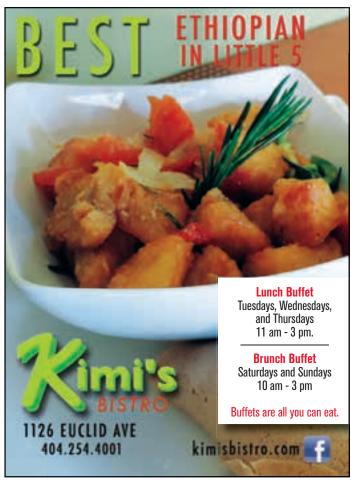














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