

THE CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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From The President

In the July meeting, we will have a vote concerning the land adjacent to the Jackson Hill Baptist Church Parking Lot. Really. So bring a picture ID with your name and address, preferably a driver's license. We will also accept utility bills along with some picture identification. Each person eligible to vote will receive a ballot for one vote.

There will be three options concerning the vote. Option A is a revised plan, interpreted from the mediated agreement by the architects, and reviewed by city traffic engineers (see Option A map). Option B is essentially the plan that was initially drawn from the mediated agreement (and presented in the May meeting), but allows for an ingress/egress on to Clifton Terrace at the request of city traffic engineers (see Option B map). Option C is essentially the "vote no on everything" option, which will resign Candler Park from any further involvement in the development of the privately owned land behind the church, and the land owned by Paideia.

Please take into consideration that the newly revised plan does not include a detail of the four plus acres of future park land currently owned by Paideia. In response to concerns about the ecological impact of the previous layout, Paideia has agreed to work with the Peavine Watershed Alliance, ecology experts, and also a representative from Candler Park, David Dugan, certified landscape architect, to create a "greener" solution.

It is the consensus of the CPNO Board that Plan A addresses the concerns of the majority of the neighborhood. It stops public traffic in and out of Clifton Terrace. It allows us a voice in deciding the ecological fate of the ravine. And we believe it reflects the spirit of the mediated agreement while also complying with city traffic specifications. At this time we still haven't received an official word from Druid Hills as to

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Calendar

MON., 7/13 - 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.
TUE., 7/14 - 7:30 CPNO Exec. Com. Mtg.
Fri., 7/17 - *Messenger* Deadline
Thur., 7/23 - N.P.U. Monthly Meeting

CPNO Mtg., July 13th

The Candler Park Neighborhood Org. Meets on the second MONDAY of the month at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave.

This month's agenda:

7:00 PM:	Refreshments
7:30 -	- Officers' Reports
	- Vote on Jackson Hill Baptist Church land (see articles)
	- Variance, 535 Terrace
	- Variance, 1204 Druid Place

Messenger Delivery Needed

Messenger delivery needed for Euclid Ave. between Moreland and Euclid Terrace. Please contact Betty Knox (378-3544) if you are willing to take over this route.

CPNO Officers

President:	Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman
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From The President (continued)

whether or not they agree that this plan reflects the language of the agreement, even though we have requested that they give us their opinion prior to our Messenger deadline. So, in order to get on with business, we in good faith have chosen Plan A as our recommendation in protecting Candler Park's interests.

This has been a long and confusing process, for all of us. The board would like to thank all of you who have contributed time and energy to this issue.

- Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman

Final Vote on Paideia Plan Pending

At the next CPNO meeting, we will again be addressing the issue of the Paideia Plan.

Thanks to everyone who showed up at the June meeting, but our work is still unfinished. In order for you to make sure that a private school is not allowed to build a parking lot on our parkland, it is imperative that you once again get out the vote.

There are innumerable details and complexities associated with this issue, but the technicalities are irrelevant as far as Candler Park is concerned: the core issue of parkland or parking lot remains the same. The mediated agreement between Druid Hills Civic Association and Paideia allows a parking lot to be built next to Jackson Hill Baptist Church on public parkland. Clearly, this agreement is unacceptable to Candler Park residents as it would be to any member of the public.

Stand up for your public land and vote 'NO' to Paideia's plan.

- Connie Weimar
David Dugan
Susan Grider
Paige Harvey
Jennie & Wayne Richardson

Letter From Druid Hills

The Druid Hills Civic Association is working toward a concrete visual plan for the DOT Right-of-way alongside Jackson Hill Baptist Church that was the subject of mediation between DHCA and Paideia School/Christian Index: a plan that meets the terms of the written mediation agreement. We appreciate the position taken at the last CPNO meeting when you voted down the 'June 2 Plan' and said that you would consider only a plan that Druid Hills and Paideia deemed

met the terms of the written agreement. Although it is regrettable that the current situation exists, please be assured that Druid Hills Civic Association will abide by the written agreement that we signed.

- Debbie L. McDonald
President DHCA

Explanation of Maps Included in Messenger

As the included maps indicate, we are submitting two separate plans for the driveway portion of the parking area at the Jackson Hill Baptist Church/Christian Index property for your consideration. Following the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization's June 8 vote that rejected our previous proposal, we developed two revised plans, which we will submit to another vote at the CPNO July meeting.

The first plan, marked Option A shows a single-lane driveway connecting to South Ponce de Leon. The plan also includes several other driveways which together form a circular, loop configuration. All the driveways are single-lane and none of them exceed 12 feet in width.

The second plan, marked Option B, provides for single-lane driveway onto South Ponce de Leon. The width of this driveway shall not exceed 12 feet. This plan makes no other allowance for vehicular circulation in the front of the property and would entail full egress onto Clifton Terrace.

We believe that both of these plans comply with the mediated agreement reached by Paideia, the Druid Hills Civic Association and the Christian Index last April. We also believe they will meet with the city's approval.

At the July CPNO meeting we are asking the neighborhood organization to vote only on the parking lot portion of our plans. We are still in the process of reviewing, studying and analyzing, with our professional designers, some very constructive comments we have had from Candler Park's and other neighborhoods' residents relating to the proposed plan for Lullwater Creek at Freedom Park. Simply put, we are going back to the drawing board in a very fundamental way. Some obvious concerns that we will try to address include, but are not limited to, watershed protection, Olmstedian design characteristics, and more neighborhood-inclusive, collaborative design process. We would like to return to the CPNO in

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the future with preliminary revisions and work towards a plan that the neighborhood can support. We are committed to creating this park and donating it to the City of Atlanta, and we are determined to take time to make certain that it is the asset to the community that we intend for it to be.

We will have representatives at the July CPNO meeting who will be happy to answer questions about our two parking proposals.

- Peter Anderson, Paideia Board of Trustees
- Bill Dorn, Paideia School
- Tim Norton, Christian Index

Message from Paideia School

Over the last 18 months, Paideia School has been working, in cooperation with neighborhood organizations to complete a plan that would create a 4.4 acre park to be donated to the City of Atlanta and would allow the school and the Jackson Hill Baptist Church/Christian Index to share an improved and expanded parking area adjacent to the church.

Within recent weeks, an anonymous leaflet full of inaccuracies, innuendo and misinformation about Paideia and its intentions was circulated in and around Candler Park. We don't believe this tactic of anonymous attack is productive. Regardless of the particular issue at hand, unsigned, uncivil and uninformed broadsides are destructive to the fabric of the community we all share and the damage they do far outlasts the resolution of the matter at hand.

Paideia School has been a positive presence in the community for 27 years: we have graduated more than 1000 students. We are educating a generation of scholars, basketball players, budding musicians, volunteers in the community - kids any school or neighborhood would be proud of. The great majority of our students live within five miles of the school. We are an intown school, and an institution that has been a stabilizing force for the Ponce de Leon corridor. Our campus is attractively designed and well-maintained.

Throughout the time our park and parking plan has been in the works, we have faithfully met with individuals and organizations, seeking their input and suggestions. In May, Paideia's representatives attended the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization's monthly

meeting and three special informational meetings for Candler Park residents.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss our plan with interested parties, to answer questions, to hear suggestions and to make adjustments that will address neighbors' concerns. In fact, Paideia's original plan has undergone several modifications based on meetings with neighborhood groups including Candler Park, Druid Hills Civic association and residents of Fairview Rd.

Last year, our conceptual plan received the support of the City of Atlanta and the Freedom Park Conservancy/CAUTION, Inc. an alliance of neighborhoods that includes both Candler Park and Druid Hills. This support came over the objections of Druid Hills. Subsequently, the school, the Christian Index and the Druid Hills Civic Association entered into mediation in an attempt to resolve our differences. An agreement was reached and we are now in the process of proposing the final design and plan that is consistent with the approved concept, incorporates the suggestions of various neighbors, and reflects the results of mediation.

We do not want our proposal and others' reaction to it to be an occasion for further division within the community.

On behalf of Paideia School and the Board of Trustees, I invite you to address any questions that you have about our school or its plans to us, to give us the opportunity to respond. We are proud of the school that 27 years of parent effort has built and willing to attach our names to any information about Paideia that we give out.

If you have any questions, please call on me or contact Susan Percy, Paideia's Director of Communications, who can be reached at the school at (404)377-3491, ext. 339.

- Peter J. Anderson
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Paideia School

Public Safety

During the four weeks covered here, among Candler Park's approximately 1400 households and businesses, we had reports of six burglaries, seven thefts from a vehicle, three motor vehicle thefts, two assaults and six other thefts. Please note the latest of at least three thefts of envelopes from a Callan Circle mailbox. It may not be safe to leave mail for pickup. Please see

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Public Safety (continued)

last month's BOND Community STAR for a good list of crime prevention actions. Finally, our neighbor Mike Brandt recently found out about the value of a victim's going to court. At a hearing for a man who had burglarized Mike's house, Mike was able to speak up and explain that the crime happened in DeKalb, not Fulton. As a result, the perpetrator can be expected to get a longer sentence.

Please let me know about any crimes I miss so I can report them in an update the next month. And do call me at 404-378-5883 after you make a police report so we will know to check for it before we go to the precinct. Please get in touch if you are interested in working together to make our neighborhood a safer place. Thanks to Austin Wattles for helping with data collection. Between Messenger reports, check the CPNO number (770-453-8255) for updates on crime. Or send me an e-mail note to notify me or if you want to be notified of any unusual activity - berts kellie@mindspring.com.

Crime Report for 5/15/98 - 6/16/98 (includes earlier dates recently reported):

Date	Approx. Time	Incident Block
5/1	8:30 am	Victim threatened, car vandalized, person known by victim 300 Brooks Ave.
5/1	5:00 pm	Gun stolen from bag on location 1600 Clifton Terr.
5/05	12:40 am	Checks stolen from Doctor's office 1300 McLendon Ave.
5/10	9:00 am	Car phone stolen during party at home 400 Sterling St.
5/13	8:40 pm	Person drinking alcohol in Candler Park 1500 McLendon Ave.
5/14	6:50 pm	2 men in possession of alcohol in Park 1500 McLendon Ave.
5/15	3:10 am	Driving w/o license wanted for Failing to Appear Euclid & North Ave.
5/15	5:20 am	Theft from auto - duffel bag & clothes stolen 400 Clifton Rd
5/16	7:20 am	Known man banging in door breaking it 400 Page Ave.
5/17	12:30 am	Stolen vehicle 1300 McLendon
5/18	5:20 pm	Drinking alcohol in park 1500 McLendon Ave.
5/19	4:10 pm	Suspected marijuana found beside picnic table 1500 McLendon Ave.
5/19	5:30 pm	ATM card snatched by man at machine 400 Moreland Ave.
5/20	3:30 pm	Home entered, window broken in, items stolen. Burglar might have been there when victim entered. 300 Oakdale Rd.
5/20	?	Stolen vehicle reported and found 400 Moreland Ave.
5/20	10:30 pm	Theft from vehicle 300 Josephine
5/22	1:00 am	Threatening phone calls about killing victim 200 Josephine St.
5/24	10:00 am	Storage crate & contents pushed into ravine 500 Goldsboro St.
5/25	9:00 pm	Car window broken, C.D and other items stolen 1400 Iverson St.
5/25	4:35 pm	Urinating in public, arrested by foot patrol 300 Moreland Ave.
5/25	5:30 pm	Harassing Telephone calls, recording put on about kidnapping victims 300 Ferguson St.
5/26	3:45 pm	Residence forcefully entered, jewelry and VCR and other items stolen 1300 Euclid Ave.
5/26	10 :00pm	Theft from Auto, C.D. stolen 500 Oakdale Rd.
5/26	6:45 pm	Fraud when ordering magazine "Global Communications" 400 Clifton Rd.
5/27	1:00 pm	Theft of property, wallet left at cafe, when returned, credit card social security card missing 400 Moreland Ave.

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5/28 8:00 am Bikes stolen from basement - door broken into
300 Elmira Place

5/30 8:30 pm Driver arrested, suspended license
400 Clifton Rd.

5/30 9:30 pm Driver arrested, suspended license
North Ave. at Candler Park

5/30 11:40 pm Property stolen from vehicle
Euclid Terr. & Euclid Ave.

5/31 10:00 am Vehicle missing
1200 Mansfield Ave.

6/1 1:25 pm Someone tried to enter home, alarm rang, nothing stolen
1400 North Ave.

6/2 8:00 pm Suspended license
North Ave. & Candler Park Dr.

6/4 1:40 pm Suspected marijuana plant found in a yard
400 Candler Park Dr.

6/4 6:40 pm Subject arrested in theft of uniforms, theft in progress when officer arrived
1500 DeKalb Ave.

6/4 4:30 pm Person possessed beer in Candler Park
1500 McLendon Ave.

6/4 3:40 pm Subject grabbed victim, threw to ground
400 Moreland Ave.

6/8 11:00 am Items taken from house- wallet and rings
1200 Euclid Ave.

6/8 6:00 pm Victim's porch vandalized
300 Sterling St.

*6/12 day Several checks stolen from outgoing mailbox
400 Callan Cir.

6/12 9:40 pm Marijuana, cellular phones found in car search, 3 arrested
200 Ferguson St.

6/13 1:25 am Suspect had unlicensed weapon concealed in belt at café
Pistol taken away by officer
400 Moreland

6/13 10:30 pm Screen window partly removed, no entry made
200 Oakdale Rd.

6/13 5:30 pm Property taken from vehicle
1500 McLendon Ave.

6/14 10:30 pm Vehicle windshield broken after argument
400 Candler Park Drive

6/15 5:45 am Possession of marijuana from unlicensed vehicle
300 Oakdale Rd

6/16 10:40 am Two windows damaged at Laundry
300 Moreland Ave.

* Supplement to Beat 602 book.
-Bert Skellie & Austin Wattles

Zone 6 Police Names and Numbers

Telephone: 404-371-5002
Major Carlos Banda, Commander
Inspector Ruby Naylor, Prevention
Officer Bud Watson, Beat 602 Evening Watch
Pager 404-225-7085)
Officer Craig Cooper, Beat 602 Day Watch
Officer Grady James, Beat 602 Morning Watch

Variance Notice for 535 Terrace

A variance has been applied for by Diirga Richard Brough and Bonnie Jokl for 535 Terrace for the purpose of building an accessory building on the footprint of an old garage. The request is to reduce the side yard setback from 7 ft to 2 ft and increase height of building by 5 ft. to add a dormer.

National Night Out

A reminder to mark your August calendar for National Night Out. This year Candler Park will celebrate National Night Out on our regular meeting night, Monday August 10. We will meet in the picnic pavilion in the Park at 7PM. Watch the August *Messenger* for more details about this event.

- Bert Skellie

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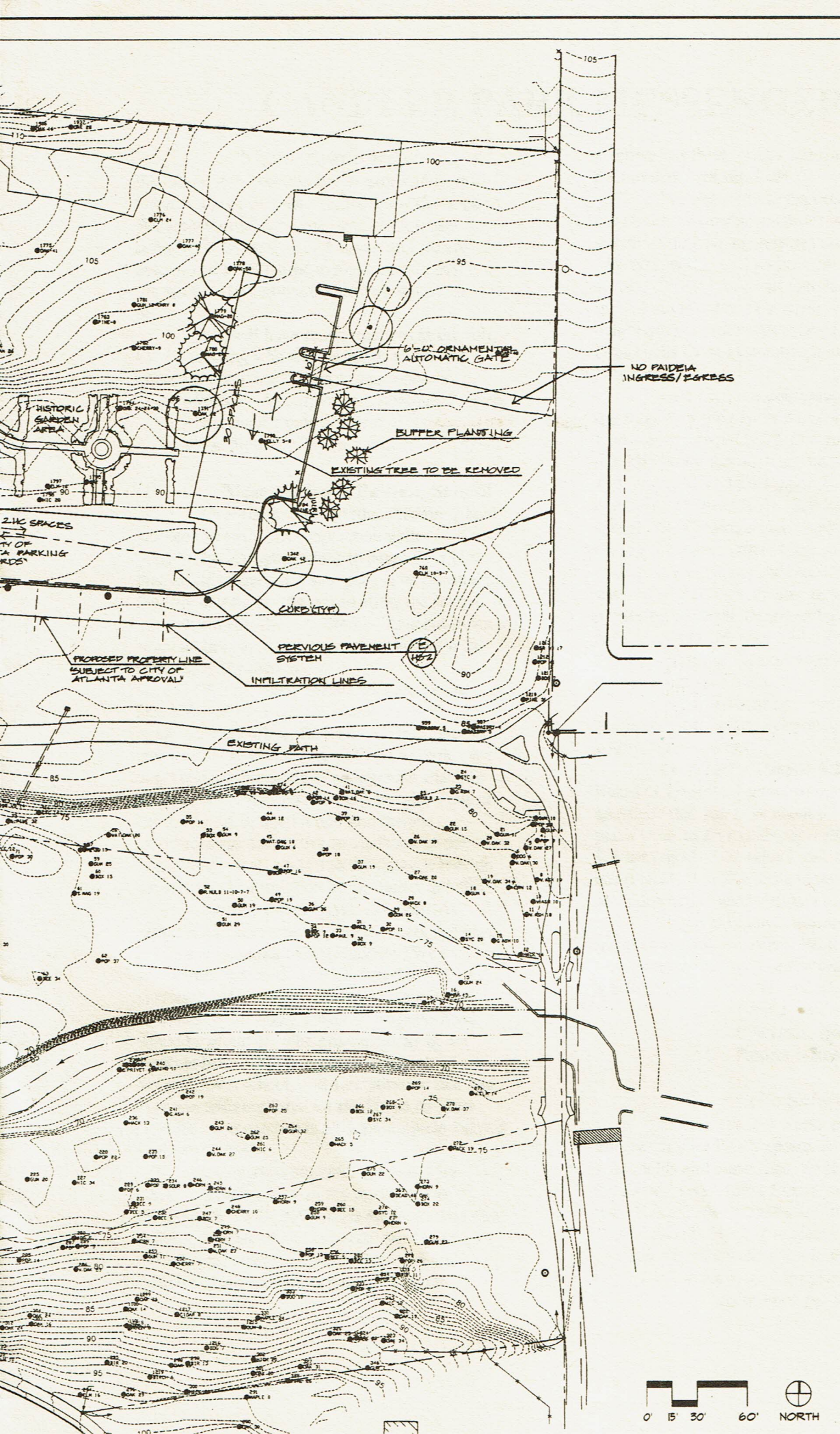
Selling in town one yard at a time

Map of neighborhoods: ANSLY, TOCO HILLS, LITTLE FIVE POINTS, DRUID HILLS, VIRGINIA HIGHLAND, MIDTOWN, WINGSIDE, RE/MAX in TOWN

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LULLWATER CREEK PARK - OPTION A

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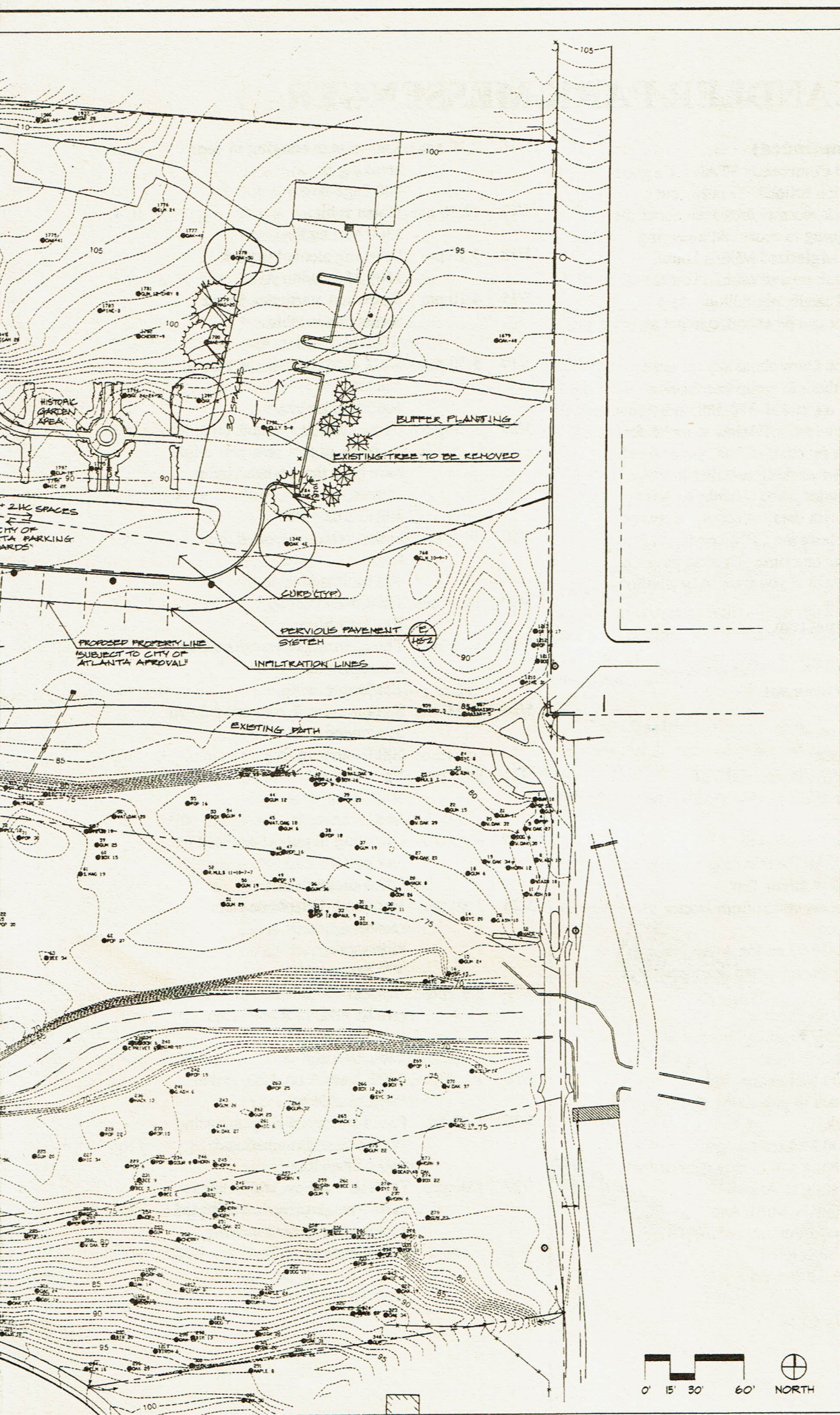
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LULLWATER CREEK PARK - OPTION B
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