

Adair Park Today General Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
Agenda & Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of February Agenda
3. Board and Committee Chair Introductions
 - Under our bylaws, committees may elect or the Board may appoint leadership. As most committees have not yet met, the Executive Board unanimously agreed to the following slate of Chairs.
 - Porches and Pies: Kimberly Johnson
 - Public Safety and Community Care: Andrea Porto
 - Youth Outreach Subcommittee: Michelle Marcus
 - Senior Outreach Subcommittee: Pouya Dianat
 - Parks and Public Spaces: Alex D'Antoni
 - Historic Preservation
 - Co-Chair: Jeannie Mills
 - Co-Chair: *Vacancy*
 - Transportation: Brooks Rowlett
 - Land Use and Code: Jarred Bone
 - Housing Fund: Mason Reid
 - Communications Chair (board position): Interim, Robert Sigler
 - Permanent Chair *vacancy*
 - Email Michael Handelman at president@adairpark.com if you are interested in serving as the Historic Preservation Co-Chair or permanent Communications Chair.
4. Reports and Presentations from Elected Officials and City of Atlanta Representatives (7:15pm)
 - Sgt. J. Basile represented APD and gave monthly report.
 - Brinae Pugh, Legislative Aid, attended on behalf of Representative Phil Olaleye. No report and no questions from the audience.
5. Invited Speaker and Presentation
 - David Mitchell, Atlanta Preservation Center
 - Discussion of Adair Park's membership in the Atlanta Preservation Center (APC)
 - APC prioritizes education and advocacy, tours of historic neighborhoods, and writes letters of support for historic preservation claims.
 - Paid staff include one full-time executive director, two contractors, and one part-time staff.
6. Roll Call of Voting Members

7. Approval of January [Minutes](#)

- Approved

8. Board Reports

- [President](#) Report (Michael Handelman)
 - Highlights include:
 - Open Parliamentarian position in NPU-V leadership. Please consider attending the NPU-V meetings (second Monday each month) to help shape the future of Adair Park.
 - Meeting with Culdesac (Duke DiEugenio), who is the lead developer for the Murphy Crossing project. Culdesac is in the final stages of contract negotiations with Atlanta Beltline, Inc. Culdesac will form community engagement committees to inform their project. APT will ensure inclusion accordingly.
- Vice President (Matt Garbett)
 - Not present
- Treasurer (Kevin Fink)
 - Housing fund is down to \$3,500 in reserves.
 - Reminder to committee Chairs to submit their budget by the Tuesday, March 5 general meeting.
- Secretary (Stephanie Selvick)
 - No report
- Interim Communications Chair (Robert Sigler)
 - See Below
- Parliamentarian (Michelle Marcus)
 - No report

9. Committee Reports

1. Communications (Robert Sigler)

- The Communications Committee is seeking volunteers to help manage and lead various communications activities listed below. If you are interested in joining the committee or want to know more, email communications@adairpark.com
 - Social media engagement
 - Copywriting for monthly announcements and ad-hoc events
 - Communications collateral for outreach and events
 - Corporate sponsorship and outreach
 - Offline communications (print, mailers, signs)

2. Events (Kimberly Johnson)

- Porches and Pies has more ambitious corporate sponsorship and fundraising goals this year to help fund all of APT's services and community building efforts.
 - Porches and Pies planning kick-off will be announced soon and held the 2nd – 3rd week in March. This event will bring neighbors together, provide more information on porches and pies, and allow volunteers to sign up for committees.
 - The Events Committee hopes to work with volunteers to organize porch parties, children's and family activities, outdoor activities, and neighborhood skill shares.
 - Hoping to incorporate fundraising and corporate sponsorship at all events.
 - Call for volunteers and sponsors. Email events@adairpark.com
3. Public Safety and Community Care (Andrea Porto)
- Actively recruiting committee members who can authentically represent the diversity and multiplicity of Adair Park community needs.
 - Collecting data on 911 response rates after hold times and EMS/Fire response times are reported to have increased. Contact safety@adairpark.com if you experience a hold or long wait for emergency service response.
 - [Seniors Outreach Subcommittee](#) (Pouya Dinat)
 1. Mission is to provide essential support, foster connections, and enhance the overall well-being of senior and legacy neighbors. To achieve these objectives, the Chair has outlined a 6-point comprehensive operation plan. This includes: creating a map of senior neighbors, collaborating with APT, conducting door-to-door visits, maintaining a list of social service organizations, building a volunteer base, and establishing monthly community building events that can create opportunities for peer-to-peer, as well as intergenerational connection.
 - Youth Outreach Subcommittee (Michelle Marcus)
 - This subcommittee is a new initiative. Michelle actively invites committee members and ideas for event and outreach engagement. Contact her at parliamentarian@adairpark.com
4. Parks and Public Spaces (Alex D'Antoni)

- Met with Trees Atlanta to discuss upcoming projects and services. They offer [several programs](#) that plant free trees in your front yard or neighborhood.
 - Parks and Rec will install finishing touches in Muscogee Park.
 - Committee will circulate survey about capital improvements.
 - Seeking volunteers to organize clean-ups, do outreach, and strategize capital improvements. Email parks@adairpark.com if interested.
5. Historic Preservation (Jeannie Mills)
- No local historical preservation cases.
6. Transportation (Brooks Rowlett)
- Happy Black History Month!
 - Main goal: to provide safe, efficient, accessible pathways to and from where commuters travel most.
 - Committee is dialoging on both short-term resources and long-term transportation outcomes.
7. Housing Fund (Mason Reid)
- Had 5 applications and awards in January – roughly 2k total – for utility assistance.
8. Land Use and Code Enforcement (Jarred Bone)
10. Old Business
- None
11. New Business
- Nakita Robinson motion to add community event agenda item for new business. Approved.
 - Enlisting volunteer support for a neighborhood Easter egg hunt. Kimberly Johnson (Events), Michelle Marcus (Youth Outreach), and Pouya Dianat (Senior Outreach) would love to be involved.
 - Vote on Adair Park membership in the [Atlanta Preservation Center](#)
 - Our bylaws require all expenses greater than \$200 be considered by the membership.
 - Nakita Robinson motion to table until next meeting. Motion does not pass.
 1. In favor of tabling: 4
 2. Opposed to tabling: 7
 3. Abstain: 3
 - Pouya Dianat motion to vote on membership. Motion passes. APT voted to renew APC membership.
 1. In favor: 13
 2. Opposed: 0
 3. Abstain: 1

- [House Number Signs: Memorandum of Understanding \(MOU\)](#) with CreateATL is drafted.
 - Ad-Hoc Committee to establish agreement between Adair Park Today and CreateATL on House Number Signs.
 - Motion to table discussion and create Ad-Hoc Committee. Stephanie Selvick will Chair. Kimberly Johnson will support. Vote on MOU next month. Unanimous consensus.

12. Announcements

- Membership question: has APT received any update from Atlanta Beltline on a new urban agriculture tenant for the pilot plot at Allene Avenue SW, now that Aluma Farm is leaving?
 - Will delegate to Land Use Committee.

13. Adjourn