Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 15, 2016
6:30 pm
Antioch East Baptist Church

Meeting called by:

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Scribe

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Agenda

New Member Recognition

Community Efforts

- Matt Field: Edgewood Whitefood entrance mural design (east wall only)

- Possible designs were presented to the community

- Funding opportunities: 1) Grants 2) Crowd-funding

  - Office of Cultural Affairs Neighborhood deadline is March 31st.

Old Business

City Government Reports

- DeKalb State Court-Traffic Division judges

- Judges Shondeana Morris and Kiesha Storey

- Newly formed Dekalb County State Traffic Court appointed by the Governor; Legislature's dissolved Recorder's Court

- Same locations as the the old Recorder's Court

- The newly formed State Traffic Court vs old Recorder's Court ONLY handles traffic issues. The old Recorder's Court would handle BOTH traffic & ordinace/code violations.

  - Ordinace/Code violations will now be handled by the Dekalb Magristrate's Court

- Valencia Hudson, Public Safety Liaison Mgr., @ narchibong@atlantaga.gov; 404.330.6048

  - **Several neighbors reported some issues to Valencia for resolution**

- Natalyn Archibong, Councilmember

  - Roundabout @ LaFrance & Whitefoord is on track; developer is requesting impact fee credits to allow for the engineering and site plan work for completion

  - Working with the Path Foundation to have the Trolley Line Trail extended to Moreland Avenue via Arkwright Place to end near the Beltline entrance

    - Georgia DOT (GDOT) is looking at redesigning the Arkwright / Moreland intersection to possibly remove the light

    - More information to be shared when it becomes available

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        - The desired outcome is more fiber = more cameras for the area
            - Renew Atlanta bond fund will provide the funding
    - She has requested License Plate Readers for the area; real time information provided to the APD VIC (Video Integration Center)
        - She has requested 3 cameras
    - March 1st Primary voting taking place
        - Of note, to renew the 1-cent MOST (Municipal Option Sales Tax) is up for reauthorization on the March 1st presidential primary ballot.
        - The MOST is a 1-cent tax on most products purchased inside the City

APD Zone 6

- Major Peek, Commander, attended to address the communities concern
    - City of Atlanta Police Department (APD) is currently in the midst of a hiring campaign; 300 openings
- HJ Russell company representatives to address Edgewood Courts
    - John Spillers, Security Consultant: thespillersgroup@bellsouth.net; 678-283-4561
        - 19 cameras have been added to the property, and increased lighting
        - Some of the cameras are tied into the APD VIC (Video Integration Center)
        - Meeting held with the Edgewood Court residents from buildings 39 through 44 (all but 2) were present to discuss the issues
        - The crimes are being committed by primarily non-Edgewood Courts residents
        - Edgewood residents are living in fear of retaliation by these young men
        - Individuals can/have been banned and evicted from the property
    - APD reported being on the Edgewood Court property 1,500 times during 2015
    - This continues to be a **"work-in-progress"** to address the communities concerns

Edgewood Shining Stars

- No reports

Next Meeting

- **Monday, March 21 , 2016**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:20pm