

## Meeting Notes:

Type of Meeting:	August DHCA Board Meeting
Date:	8/12/2021
Location:	Virtual Meeting via Zoom Meeting ID 894 9289 1004
Is quorum present?	Yes ⊠ No □
Guests:	Ron Foust, Davis Fox, Sanjay & Bhuvani Jelaji, Bruce McGregor, Debbie Skopcynski, Carol Sleeth, Gary Tapp, versoix_ch_002, Anne Wallace, Julia Wilson

Board Name	Present	Absent
Biesel, Van		
Critz, Justin		
Day, Sharon		
Eisterhold, Kit		
Engle, Darin		
Kincheloe, Rob		
Lane, Harriett		
Mathias, Steven		
McEarchern, Dawn		
Misner, Steven	$\boxtimes$	
Nelson, Renee		
Roeser, Thea		

Board Name	Present	Absent
Ross, Michael		
Rollins, Doug		
St. Louis, Mike		
Thornton, Sandra		
Tomlin, William		
Weatherly, Yvette		

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Agenda Item	Main	Notes
	Speaker	
Meeting called to order	Van Biesel	(7:06 PM) Regular Presiding Officer and Secretary are present August 12, 2021 Consent Agenda Unanimously Approved 6-10-2021 Meeting Minutes Unanimously Approved
Announcements	Van Biesel	Recognizing fake emails supposedly sent by DHCA Board Members
	Van Biesel	Praise from DeKalb HPC in regard to the DHCA's as an organization and its website. Thanks were extended to Hilary Killfeather, Michael Ross, Doug Rollins, Kit Eisterhold and Darin Engle for all the work that has been done in improving communication.
	Van Biesel	Reviewed rules for communication during meeting
	Van Biesel	Reminder: Walk Druid Hills – Herbert Taylor Park, August 10, 2021, 9AM
DHCA Dashboard –	Van Biesel	Requested committee updates
Strategic Plan	Doug Rollins	Doug Rollins spoke to the need for expanding the Public Safety Committee – request for members to join the committee to be distributed.
	Steven Mathias	DHCA shifting to a short term budget from September 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 in order to transition budget to new accounting calendar year. Budget is on target, expenses are fine with a bit higher spending in membership and the DHCA online store.

Funding Requests	Van Biesel William Tomlin Sharon Day	Motion to approve the \$200 funding request from Parks and Greenspace for the provision of needed supplies and refreshments for the Plant Swap scheduled for October 30, 2021 from 3 to 6 PM. Approval:  Motion - Sharon Day Seconded – Kit Eisterhold  Motion Approved – Unanimous Agreement
	Doug Rollins Sharon Day	Motion to approve a \$300 funding request to provide forty t-shirts for volunteers at the October 2, 2021 DHCA Community Service Day.  Approval:  Motion - Sharon Day Seconded – Kit Eisterhold  Motion Approved - Unanimous Agreement
Governance Committee District 5 Representative	Harriet Lane Harriett Lane	Motion to elect Gary Tapp as the District 5 Representative to the DHCA Board to fulfill the upcoming vacancy of Renee Nelson on August 31, 2021.  Approval:  Motion – Harriet Lane Seconded – Doug Rollins  Motion Approved - Unanimous Agreement
	Van Biesel	Many thanks were expressed to Renee Nelson for her many years of service to the DHCA Board.
Governance Committee NPU-N and NPU-F Representation	Harriet Lane	DHCA Governance Committee report regarding NPU members and role on the DHCA Board.  DHCA working to identify a structure that supports the plan for NPU-N and NPU-F representation on DHCA. Governance Committee is presently planning to propose that NPU
		representatives remain as liaisons to the DHCA Board for a number of reasons related to NPU operations. Governance Committee is developing policies to determine how the DHCA works collaboratively with NPUs.

	Provided an overview of the Emory Graduate Student Housing Proposal and the steps/meetings, to date, of the DHCA working committee.
Van Biesel	The discussion process for public commentary acquisition was shared.
Sharon Day	Shared the results of the community-wide survey posted to the DHCA website.
Gary Tapp	Shared the results of the approximate 66-household neighborhood survey of those most directly impacted by the proposal.
Van Biesel	Presented and explained the position statement developed by the Emory Graduate Housing Working Group. It was noted that the Emory project does not meet with many of Emory's recently stated CDP character/density guidelines as well as several other Emory published guidelines for development. The DHCA proposed position statement focuses on quality-of-life concerns: scaling, massing, greenspace and trees, congestion, parking, construction coordination, and storm water management.
Van Biesel	Shared Emory's response to the massing along N. Decatur Road by opening of the courtyard along N Decatur.
Steven Misner	Motion to adopt the DHCA Emory Graduate Student Housing Project Position Statement as drafted and submitted by the DHCA Working Group.  Approval: Motion- Steven Misner Seconded – Darin Engle Discussion: Steven Misner, Kit Eisterhold, Doug Rollins, Bruce McGregor, Van Biesel, Sanjay Jelaji, Davis Fox, Thea Roeser, William Tomlin, Sandra Thornton Vote: 9 In Favor 6 Opposed 1 Abstention Motion Approved
	Sharon Day  Gary Tapp  Van Biesel  Van Biesel

Position of DHCA to take to the	Van Biesel	Task to determine position to forward to the NPU-F Meeting
NPU-F meeting		
	Van Biesel	Background provided regarding discussions with Emory as to possible design changes to open the buildings along N Decatur.
	Darin Engle	Motion for DHCA to support the Emory Housing Student Project on the condition that the requests noted in the DHCA Graduate Student Housing position statement are fully met including the clarification under 1A, 1B and 1C.  No second  Motion died for lack of a second.
	Steven Misner	Motion to oppose the project as currently designed unless there is significant, meaningful movement on items 1A and 1B.
		Approval:  Motion – Steven Misner  Seconded – Kit Eisterhold  Discussion – Doug Rollins, Sandra Thornton, Bruce McGregor,  William Tomlin
		8 In Favor 7 Opposed 2 Abstentions Motion Approved
CDP Land Use Map Designation for Fairview Road	Carol Sleeth	Comprehensive Development Plan Future Land Use Map has not shown a change with regard to Fairview Road; Fairview Road remains classified as medium density road.
	Dawn McEarchern	Motion: DHCA will send a letter to Jennifer Ide, Tim Kane, Matt Westmoreland, and Felicia Moore requesting that zoning of Fairview Road be equivalent to that of Springdale Road, Lullwater Road and Oakdale Road (low density) on the Comprehensive Development Plan Future Land Use Map Designations.  Approval:  Motion – Dawn McEarchern Seconded – Harriett Lane 13 In Favor

		0 Opposed  Motion Approved
Rezoning Proposal Near MARTA Stations	Carol Sleeth	Ordinance to amend the Land Use Element of the 2016 City of Atlanta CDP – "MARTA Rezoning Proposal" A review of the proposed ordinance change (21-O-0455) was presented. Commentary to be sought.
NPU-N Freedom Park Master Plan	Harriet Lane Carol Sleeth	Discussion of the Master Plan maintenance plan inclusion for Freedom Parks.
	Dawn McEarchern	Motion: Druid Hills supports the development of a maintenance plan for existing and proposed park land and amenities and to stipulate so in the DHCA Freedom Park Master Plan support letter.  Motion – Dawn McEarchern Seconded – Sandra Thornton Discussion: Harriet Lane, Justin Critz 5 Approved 10 Opposed Motion Failed
Membership Committee – Halloween Activity	Thea Roeser	Committee working with EVA Open Streets – Costume Parade ot be held October 24, 2021 at 2:30 PM. This is the last membership event of the year.
Next Meeting Date, Time, Location	Van Biesel	October 14, 2021, 7PM Virtual Zoom Meeting – Link posted to DHCA website
Adjournment	Van Biesel	(9:24 PM)