

Candler Park Conservancy Board Meeting

August 17, 2022 (7pm)

Virtual Meeting by Zoom

Present: Kim Awbrey, Jonathan Flack, Stacy Funderburke, Elliot Jones, Ben Klehr, Scott Lenhart, Perry Smith, Amy Stout, Doug Wetzel, Lauren Welsh, Omar Zaki

Not Present: Dan Hanlon, Jack White

Motions approved during this meeting:

- Motion to approve minutes as amended with attendees. *Approved unanimously*

Action Points:

- Circulate MOU examples.
 - Consider new board candidate.
 - Connect architects LA&S with P&W to inform CPNO infrastructure planning with CP Vision drawings.
 - Use photo of 2003 mural to create a plaque.
 - Invite new Parks Commissioner to CP.
 - Join Dev/Comm
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Previous Minutes Review

- **Motion to approve minutes as amended to reflect list of attendees.** Approved unanimously.

Finance (Doug)

- We are going to be collecting board donations to the playground. If your amount has quadrupled please let Doug know.
- Park Pride will be updated on the current budget.

Governance (Ben)

- This year's focus is on board recruitment.
- A new candidate is proposed. All are invited to discuss it with the governance committee and can be put into contact with the candidate directly for questions.
- Governance discussed the MOU process and intends to put together a terms-sheet regarding the bathrooms. MOU has the power to address areas such as maintenance, activities taking place in the park, event permits, sign off on minor repairs. Preliminary discussions with the Parks Department are planned to explore the extent of an MOU specific to CP. Towards taking a

fresh look at the opportunity to explore MOUs, governance will circulate MOU examples from other conservancies.

- Four board members are going to term-out this year, and many more next year. For continuity purposes it will be advantageous to bring on as many new people this year as possible. Focus will be on recruitment for the next 5-6 months. Ben will be reaching out to individuals to discuss possible candidates.

Projects (Amy)

- Projects Committee reports a small but excellent meeting this month. Primary discussion was around the poolhouse design. Amy shared the latest art. Weather permitting, prepping and priming will begin next week. Photo of the existing mural needs to be taken for an approximately 2.5 x 4 feet plaque inside the building commemorating the old mural from 2003.
- Projects committee is analyzing a plan for trees that have been donated. Micah and Trees Atlanta have been collaborating about placement and watering plan.
- CPNO infrastructure – AS attended a field visit assessing traffic calming opportunities and improvements that would make McClendon safer/more pedestrian-friendly. Community members have been circulating ideas regarding pathways, walkways and parking. Anticipation exists that proposals will emerge for pathways on Candler Park Drive between McLendon and Freedom Parkway, and highlight the lack of a sidewalk. It is encouraged that CPC members engage and in the process with an eye to supporting and connecting with the CPC vision.
- Suggestion to connect Lord Aeck Sargeant with Perkins and Will in order to overlay plans as this develops.
- Possible that the pool project could be completed before the next meeting. DW gives opportunity to board to weigh in on design.

Development (Stacy)

- Need people to refresh the committee. Anyone who could join the committee please contact Stacy, including community members not on the board.
- We have a new parks commissioner. SF will invite him to CP for a site visit. First quarterly meeting will be October.

Movie Night (Doug)

- We did not receive any RFPs. In the absence of having a champion for movie night this fall who will handle RFPs, outreach and advertising, we will not be doing movie night.

P+W Playground Discussion (Doug/Dan)

- Quotes for work have come in higher than original numbers for engineering and equipment, while charges from P&W have come in at a lower cost. Fluctuating prices and this economy requires that we update prices meticulously to assess the total budget which has risen over \$750k.
- Discussion around returning to foundations and preparing to meet the prices – currently \$818. Possible negotiation or room to lower costs of contractor. Currently playground team is working to confirm the number in order to make the last fundraising push. Within the coming weeks we will determine the upper cost limit. Currently \$756 committed.
- Schedule (for planning purposes)
 - o Draft Schematic Design plans and renderings to CPC-**COMPLETED**
 - o CPC comments provided - **COMPLETED**
 - o Revised plans provided- Community Input begins & in person meeting and online survey
 - § Online Survey Live May 20 – June 24 - **COMPLETED**
 - § On-Site at Playground Saturday, June 18th - **COMPLETED**
 - § CPNO Monday, June 20 - **COMPLETED**
 - § ATL Parks Design Thursday, June 23 - **COMPLETED**
 - o August 1- Schematic Design and Estimate provided - **COMPLETED**
 - o August 1 - Schematic Design refinement begins – **UNDERWAY**
 - o August 18 – Discussions on refining scope to adjust Quote – **UNDERWAY**
 - o August 30 - Construction Documents started
 - o September 30- 100% Construction Documents provided- Permitting begins
 - o October 1 – Fundraising collection complete
 - o December 15- Construction starts
 - o 3.1.23- Construction complete

ALA to Bond Referendum

- P+W is pursuing documents & City is reviewing design plans
- Funds could be available in 2023
- Holding this item for future consideration

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