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President's Message

Speaking of Money

By DENNIS MOBLEY • president@inmanpark.org



Last month I described efforts to update the IPNA Bylaws, including recognition of the Atlanta Beltline Eastside Trail as Inman Park's western boundary. My predecessor, Andy Coffman, is leading the charge and if you have opinions or, better yet, want to HELP HIM, let him (or me) know!

The Bylaws also require IPNA to share with the membership its initial proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year, which starts on November 1st. To wit: "The proposed budget shall be published in the September *Advocator*, which is distributed prior to the September meeting and shall be discussed at that regular meeting....The final budget, with suggested changes, shall be published in the October *Advocator*, which is distributed prior to the October meeting and shall be discussed and voted on at that month's regular meeting." (Bylaws, page 5).

That compels us, indeed, to speak about money. We in Inman Park have grown accustomed to a larger association budget than most neighborhoods enjoy. This is due to the virtually year-round preparation by those of us serving on the Festival Committee,

and of course the near-flawless execution by those of you who form the One Thousand Volunteers who pull this thing off each year.

Other issues of the *Advocator* have (rightly) thanked the Committee and the volunteers and the sponsors, street market vendors, artists, musicians, food and drink purveyors, police officers, etc. etc. who make Festival such a success.

As the Board set about the task of budgeting the 2014-2015 fiscal year, we had just deposited \$170,000 of Festival 2014 proceeds in the IPNA operating bank account. This put us in the enviable position of having a significant portion of the funds required to operate IPNA already in the bank as we debated proposed spending for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2015.

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the next Porch Party Sept. 26 • 7:30 p.m.

**At the home of Carol & Ben Mitchell
1107 Austin Avenue**

Bring a dish to share & your favorite beverage.



Your porch wants to host a party!
Call Pat or Richard Westrick to get on the schedule.
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Bringing Back The Beer Chase

Check out the calendar for all that's going on in and around Inman Park this month and next – including the return of the Inman Park Beer Chase to support IPSP.

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It's Budget Time

Check out the proposed 2014-2015 IPNA Budget, which will be discussed at this month's IPNA meeting and voted on in October.

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New Trees Coming to IP

Inman Park is slated for 29 new trees as a result of Ponce City Market and BeltLine Eastside Trail construction – see if any will be planted near you.

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New Inman Park Location!
1015 Edgewood Avenue
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- Parents' Morning Out on Tuesday & Thursday from 9-12 noon for children ages 2 to 4
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Minutes of the August IPNA Meeting

BY JANET BERRY, SECRETARY • secretary@inmanpark.org

President Dennis Mobley, using the microphone graciously provided by Danny Black, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

No Newcomers.

Minutes:

Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve last month's minutes.

Announcements:

Regina Brewer revealed that her 83-year-old father, having read the *Advocator* cover to cover, stated, "This new President has his 'bleep' together."

Book Club promoter Oreon Mann announced that Tuesday, August 26, Jan Keith would be hosting discussions of *The Dry August Grass* written by Jean Mayhew.

Pat Westrick noted that a monthly very relaxed Porch Party is held in our neighborhood. Patti McGrugan and Michael Robinson will host the informal event (designed to enjoy the company of your neighbors) at 814 Virgil Street. Drinking commences at 7:30, bring a dish to share, all neighbors are invited.

Lauren Smith, Managing Director of Dad's Garage Theatre Company, announced that we are to be alert for forthcoming announcements. Church property has been secured at the corner of Ezzard Street and Bradley Street SE, exactly one mile from their original site. Initial city requirements for zoning have been approved. Fundraising for the purchase and renovation of the building will begin very soon. Current tenant's lease of the church building expires in 2016. Lauren feels "lucky to have 7 Stages although once you have owned your own place it is hard to be a roommate."

Suzanne Ball, representing L5P's Halloween Festival & Parade, announced events, artist market and vendors are preparing for October 18. Parade begins at 4 p.m.

Officer's Reports:

Lieutenant Floyd, evening watch Zone 6 officer, stated, "not much is going on" in Inman Park. Overall, Zone 6 had a 5% increase in crime last month. Officers are being assigned to the peak areas and times of reported crimes. Crime remains highest in congregated areas of bars and restaurants. A few robberies have been reported, one a shoplifter, one "domestic situation," the last a cell phone at the North Highland Corridor.

Electronic devices remain a favorite item for criminals—easy turnaround for \$200 dollars.

Residents on Austin Avenue reported continued drug, sexual and defecation activity at Bass Field. Meetings with Jay Tribby and calls to APS have been ignored or failed to provide resolution. Health and safety are feared at risk. For eight years or more the immediate neighbors have sought relief without city support. A jurisdiction debate has paralyzed engagement by officials. Neighbors were asked to contact the newly developed L5P's CID for possible partnership to address APS property and report back.

Investigator Watkins reported apartment break-ins at Montag Circle and North Highland Avenue. The same criminal as that on Lenox Road perpetrated the car jacking on Moreland Avenue. Storage sheds have been broken into on Waverley Way, and we are asked again to document serial numbers to assist prosecution and recovery.

Keith Lamar, Prosecutor for Zone 6, encouraged participation in Court Watch. Perpetrators have successfully been prosecuted for burglary, cocaine distribution, entering of automobiles, and the robbery of Hank Aaron's home. Keith was featured in last month's *Advocator* and applauded for his work on the neighborhood's behalf.

Elected Officials: None present.

Committee Reports

Dennis Mobley, President
Nothing to report.

Molly McLamb, V.P. Historic Preservation
Nothing to report.

Barbara Leach, Treasurer
Barbara reported receiving a check for \$170,000 from Festival 2014. A big round of applause followed. Barbara congratulated and thanked the committee and volunteers.

Tonya Marlatt, V.P. Zoning
Tonya expects to soon hear from Krog Street and 280 Elizabeth Street applicants, nothing to report for August.

Tony Neu, V.P. Public Safety
Tony assured neighbors that IP Security Patrol has heard the concerns of Poplar Square and Austin Avenue residents. Although solutions for vagrants and train transients are not easy, attention to solutions are being explored. Citations for after hour camping are now being issued. Bike patrols

are now being conducted by the patrol.

Plans for the October 25 Beer Chase are being locked down along with location, time, 5K route and sponsorship. One half of the proceeds from the September 27 Wine Stroll will benefit IP Security Patrol; Springdale Park will receive the other half. The ticket cap has been doubled in size this year, both in tickets sold and establishments participating.

Michaela Kendall, V.P. Planning

Michaela reported that L5P's CID's is moving forward. The CID's Bylaws do not provide for IPNA representation on their board but they are open to all involvement and ideas. A list of the board members will be published in coming *Advocators*. The goal of the CID is to shepherd L5P's into a theater district. Expected income for 2015 is \$8,000, they obviously need avenues of income.

Yvonne Merkel, V.P. Communications

Yvonne thanked neighbors for completing the recent IPNA survey, and Laurie Stenwall for her help in developing and evaluating the results. Alexandra Kronmeyer asked if an Editor for the *Advocator* had been found and Yvonne and Alexandra agreed to meet after the meeting.

Janet Berry, Secretary

Janet stated she will not attend the September meeting and thanked Alexandra Kronmeyer's willingness to cover her duties.

Committees/Updates

Regina Brewer, Development, intends to schedule a committee meeting including a hard-hat tour with 280 Elizabeth in the coming month.

Caleb Racicot, representing Studioplex LLC, revealed a request for the rezoning of tracts approved originally in the Studioplex master plan. The city is considering their request for rezoning from Industrial to PDMU. Owners are also seeking a height change on Edgewood Avenue, from 60 feet to 78 feet. The density will be unchanged. Caleb's presentation was informational only; a courtesy, as the property is in O4W.

Danny Feig-Sandoval, Transportation, reported there were productive meetings discussing the redesign of Dekalb Avenue. Collaborative neighboring communities have strong momentum. KLENH efforts "continue to roll." Elizabeth Street is scheduled to be paved August 26, and crosswalks will be painted at that time. JPX has reiterated their

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Other Happenings to Note

CNU Atlanta September T3

Thursday, September 18 • 5:30 – 7:30 pm • *The Wrecking Bar* • cnuatlanta.org

The Atlanta Chapter of the Congress for the New Urbanism will host the principals of the newly formed Little 5 Points Community Improvement District at their monthly gathering.

2nd Annual BeltLine Wine Stroll

Saturday, September 27 • 1:00 – 5:00 pm • *Atlanta BeltLine Eastside Trail (Inman Park)*

Visit more than a dozen businesses in just under a mile-long stretch of the Atlanta BeltLine while sipping various vinos. Proceeds benefit IPSP and Springvale Park. For more info: facebook.com/BeltlineWineStroll

Candler Park Fall Fest

Saturday & Sunday, September 27-28 • *Grant Park* • fallfest.candlerpark.org

Get your fall festival fix in Candler Park with live bands, 100+ artist booths, a kids area, a 5K run and a tour of homes.

Atlanta Streets Alive

Sunday, September 28 • 2:00 – 6:00 pm • atlantastreetsalive.com

The next Atlanta Streets Alive will open the streets of a 5-mile loop on N. Highland, Highland, Boulevard and North Avenue. Organized by the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition.

Decatur Craft Beer Fest

Saturday, October 18 • 12:00 – 5:00 pm • *Downtown Decatur* • decaturbeerfestival.org

Enjoy an afternoon of beer tasting on the square in downtown Decatur with special tapings, food for sale and live music. Tickets are required and go on sale September 15. **M**

On the Calendar

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IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn
7:30 p.m.

Sept
25

NPU-N Meeting
L5P Community Center
7:00 p.m.

Sept
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Porch Party
1107 Austin Ave.
7:30 p.m.

see cover for details

Sept
26

Book Club
Hosted by Patty
McGuigan

see page 12 for details

Oct
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IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn
7:30 p.m.

Oct
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NPU-N Meeting
L5P Community Center
7:00 p.m.



The Beer Chase Is Back

Saturday, October 25 • 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. *Stove Works* • inmanparkbeerchase.org

Meet, mingle and run a 5k with your fellow neighbors, all in support of the Inman Park Security Patrol

The Inman Park Security Patrol is an IPNA-led effort to protect the residents of the neighborhood, providing security services that support the city's efforts to keep our streets safe for our families to walk, run and play.

Along with the run, participants will have the opportunity to tour the new Krog Street Market and take part in the inaugural Meatball Challenge. Visit inmanparkbeerchase.org for more details and to sign up for the race and other planned events.

Thank you to the IPNA event committee and Sean Pfister with IWeLife for their support of the event. If you are interested in becoming an Inman Park Beer Chase vendor, please visit the event website for details or contact Sean Pfister at 678-237-5434.

Meet Your IPSP



Investigator David Canup

Years with APD 8
Years with IPSP 6

Lives in Decatur
Hails from Clayton County, GA

Duty Details

Responding to and investigating robberies in Zone 6. Additionally, I assist other officers and investigators with various investigations, such as burglaries, thefts, assaults, and frauds and help manage complex crime scenes.

My favorite thing about Inman Park

The friendliness of the residents

Best part of my job

Arresting violent and/or repeat offenders

Worst part of my job

Not being able to arrest someone I know is guilty due to lack of evidence

Hardest part of my job

Dealing with juvenile offenders/juvenile court system and the lack of serious punishment

If I weren't a police officer, I'd be

Teacher and football coach

My Favorite sports team

Atlanta Falcons and Georgia Bulldogs

My idea of a perfect day

Grilling out with friends and family by the pool

Best advice I ever received

Treat people the way you want to be treated

Superpower I wish I had

Ability to fly

My best "bust" ever

While on patrol I arrested a rape suspect in the act of the crime. Suspect was a repeat violent offender who was later convicted and sentenced to 35 years.

My top safety/security tip

Be aware of your surroundings, including people, and display confidence

Public Safety Update

By ANTHONY NEU, V.P. PUBLIC SAFETY • public.safety@inmanpark.org

Hello Neighbors!

With the summer winding down, August was definitely a quieter month than July. We saw a decrease in the number of auto break-ins and burglaries. Given this lull, we've been working on ideas to continue to improve safety in our 'hood. We are in the process of hiring Inman Park's first dedicated bicycle patrol officer. This new addition will be tasked with patrolling our parks and paths. We're hoping this personal attention will let the less desirable visitors to our fine neighborhood know that we are serious about crime and safety. We also are working to get the word out that trashing up our green spaces is a big no-no.

The patrol committee (yes there is one) is also working with other neighborhood volunteers to look at improved lighting in the Freedom Park area and we hope to have more news about that next month.

The patrol has also reached out to the concerned neighbors on Austin Ave. to understand the role the patrol can plan in addressing the ongoing issues of the inconsiderate people that frequent the Bass soccer fields. We intend to have some meetings in the next month with other civic leaders to identify potential solutions to this problem.

Lastly, you may have heard that we are bringing back the Inman Park Beer Chase. This fundraiser for the IPSP will be held on Saturday, October 25. For event details and to register, visit inmanparkbeerchase.org. We hope you will join the fun and support a good cause!

Stay safe out there, friends! **M**

Support the Inman Park Security Patrol

Based on the principles of Community Oriented Policing, the IPSP supplements police patrols provided by the City of Atlanta. The Patrol is staffed by off-duty police officers, managed by the IPNA and funded by memberships and various fundraising activities.

Visit inmanpark.org to become an IPSP member or to make a donation in support of the IPSP, or contact IPNA VP of Public Safety, Tony Neu, with any questions.

Inman Park Patrol Activity August 1 - 28, 2014

Directed Patrol	600	Burglary	1
Drop Ins/Park and Walks ...	407	Injured Person	1
Suspicious Person	19	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Disturbance	5	Welfare Check.....	1
Noise Complaint	5	Arrests.....	2
Theft.....	4	<i>(Possession of Marijuana /</i>	
Criminal Trespass.....	2	<i>Underage Consumption of</i>	
Grass Fire	1	<i>Alcohol)</i>	
Reckless Driver.....	1	Curfew Violation.....	2
Illegal Parking.....	1	Parking Citation	1
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JOHNNYSWIM FRI, SEPT 26, 8:30PM	ZIGGY MARLEY FRI, OCT 17, 8:30PM	BEAUSOLEIL AVEC MICHAEL DOUCET SUN, OCT 26, 7PM
GREENSKY BLUEGRASS SWEAR & SHAKE WED, SEPT 27, 8:30PM	YACHT ROCK REVUE PERFORMS JOURNEY'S GREATEST HITS WITH JOURNEY FORMER LEAD VOCALIST STEVE AUGERI FRI, OCT 10, 8:30PM	NAHKO AND MEDICINE FOR THE PEOPLE WED, OCT 29, 8PM
ASIA FRI, OCT 3, 8:30PM	YACHT ROCK REVUE PERFORMS THRILLER WITH A CLOSING SET OF YACHT ROCK! SAT, OCT 11, 8:30PM	BOWERY SOUTH PRESENTS THE NEW DEAL CONSPIRATOR FRI, OCT 31, 9PM
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Trolley Barn Sale

By STEVE HAYS • CHAIRMAN, ATLANTA AND EDGEWOOD STREET RAILWAY COMPANY • ABBOT.JIM@GMAIL.COM

Many of you may be aware that The City of Atlanta is in the process of selling properties that are not essential to the business of the City, one of which is The Inman Park Trolley Barn. The exact timing of the sale is unknown but the process to dispose of The Barn by sealed bid is anticipated to commence late this year or early in 2015. In a series of articles in the Advocate, I'll keep you updated with the status of the sale and inform you on many facets of The Barn.

The Atlanta and Edgewood Street Railway Company (AESRC) has leased The Barn for over thirty years. AESRC is a nonprofit corporation created in 1976 for the purpose of restoring and maintaining this historic structure. Membership on the Board of Directors is limited to Inman Park residents. [continued on page 15](#)

Dad's Garage Has a New Home

By LARA SMITH • MANAGING DIRECTOR,
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Dad's Garage is excited to announce that we've found a new home--exactly 1 mile from our old location, at 280 Elizabeth Street off Edgewood on Ezzard Street in the Old Fourth Ward. We've made it through the zoning and land use amendment process and now need to lock down the property through traditional philanthropic donations, financing, and corporate sponsorships.



The building is a 12,000 square foot church that includes 90 parking spaces. We'll be converting the sanctuary to our main stage performance space and using the downstairs as support space. We'll be transforming the space over time, much like we did on Elizabeth Street. We are hoping to purchase this location so we have a forever home that can grow with us as we help bring traffic to Old Fourth Ward. Owning the location will secure the legacy of the company--we simply could not find any space in Inman Park that we could afford after losing 280 and we want to make sure that never happens again.

We are working towards a closing in December. Once we secure the property, we'll have another year to raise funds for the limited renovation necessary for us to be operational (think risers, lighting, and a bar!). We're afforded this time because there's a church tenant in there currently who has outgrown the space and is looking for a larger home as well. While we're sad to be leaving Inman Park proper, we are so very excited that we'll still be in the 'hood! We're going to need all kinds of help over the coming months, including fundraising, introductions to the right people, big ideas, and well wishes! Some of your neighbors have already stepped up to help, so be on the lookout for some events. And of course, please feel free to reach out if you have any questions, ideas, or cannot wait to write us a check!

Dad's Garage is currently performing at 7 Stages in Little Five Points.

L5P Halloween Festival

By SHEILA MERRITT • Q&A EVENTS • SMERRITT@QANDAEVENTS.COM

Mark your calendars for the 14th Annual Little 5 Points Halloween Festival & Parade on Saturday, October 18



from noon to 11 p.m. The parade will begin promptly at 4 p.m.

The L5P Halloween Festival & Parade is delighted to welcome back L5P's own Wrecking Bar Brewpub who will serve once again as our Premier Beverage Sponsor.

The Festival will feature two stages of entertainment throughout the day, as well as a host of artists, crafters and

vendors joining the bricks and mortar retailers. As always, one of the highlights of this year's event will be the parade. So, grab a costume, grab some friends, and come participate in the parade or at least come check out the spectacle

We also need volunteers, so if you have a few hours on the day of the event to spare -- you'll get a t-shirt, a post-shift beer (if you're over-21, and with proper ID- of course) as well as the sincere appreciation of the event organizers for your efforts! You can register to volunteer at www.L5PHalloween.com.

Additionally, we try to keep everyone informed of the impact that the festival and parade may have on the community, and we appreciate your support. Please note that road closures will be in effect for the event. The affected roads and times include:

6:00am-12:00am – Colquitt Ave from L5P Music Center to Euclid Ave – 1127 Colquitt Ave – Artist Market

4:00pm – 6:00pm – Moreland Ave. from DeKalb Ave to Freedom Parkway (Festival Parade)

1:00pm- 6:00pm – Austin Ave from Moreland Ave to Elizabeth St. (Parade Marshaling Area)

6:00am – 12:00am – Euclid Ave from Colquitt Ave & to Moreland Ave (Festival Site)

1:00pm – 6:00pm – Euclid from Waverly Way to Moreland Ave.

8:00am – 12:00am – Right lane going south on Moreland from the Corner Tavern to Euclid Ave (Festival Site)

Go to www.L5PHalloween.com for more information or to sign up for the parade or to volunteer. We look forward to seeing you at Little 5 Points' spookiest party of the year!

Atlanta Public Schools – Important Information

By TAMARA JONES • IPNA EDUCATION COMMITTEE • TJONES@KEEPERS-BAGS.COM

Georgia is requiring all school districts to declare an operating model by June 2015. The following choices have been provided to the districts by the state. These choices are differentiated by their levels of flexibility/autonomy and accountability/consequences:

1. Status Quo: districts remain as they are currently run, but will receive almost no waivers from state BOE requirements. APS and many other districts currently operate under multiple waivers from state requirements. (Note: in all options, federal requirements must be followed, as well as state requirements that cannot be waived.)

2. Charter System: broad flexibility from state requirements. This option has three variants:

a. System of charter schools: all schools would be individually run and managed as separate autonomous entities, which may or may not have attendance zones, depending on final execution.

b. System of charter clusters: management and autonomy at the cluster level. A cluster with one high school and its feeder elementary and middle school(s) would have its own governing body (each school would have its own local governance as well). This is a new concept Georgia created. There are no current examples in other states, and currently none in Georgia. Druid Hills was the first to seek this status.

c. Charter system: similar to current APS operations, but with more flexibility from state requirements. Each school would have its own school governance team (SGT, similar to Local School Council) with many functions still centrally provided (nutrition, legal, compliance, etc.). Georgia has quite a few districts that have already adopted the charter system model. The vast majority of these districts have only one

high school (Decatur City is an example). Only three GA districts thus far with more than one high school have become charter systems: Fulton County, Barrow County, and Floyd County.

It is not yet known whether a hybrid approach to these charter system variants is possible.

3. IE2 (Investing in Educational Excellence): More flexibility granted than status quo, in most ways similar to charter systems. More central control over some functions. Major difference in terms of consequences for repeated failure of an individual school to meet stated performance targets – the district would lose control over the school(s), which would then either be absorbed by another school system or converted to a charter. Examples: there are three IE2 districts in GA – Gwinnett County, Forsyth County, and Rabun County.

View to the most recent presentation given to ABOE regarding this issue, including timeline for resolution including community engagement at this URL: [http://www.boarddocs.com/ga/aps/Board.nsf/files/9MVJ6S4B20FC/\\$file/August%20Board%20Flexibility%20Session%2008%2004%202014%20v6.pdf](http://www.boarddocs.com/ga/aps/Board.nsf/files/9MVJ6S4B20FC/$file/August%20Board%20Flexibility%20Session%2008%2004%202014%20v6.pdf)

More information on the differences between the options, as well as links to other details, is available here: <http://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/42444>.

Final recommendation will be made to Superintendent Carstarphin on October 1 by an Advisory Task Force. The APS Board of Education will vote in December on which model to choose and the selected model will be implemented in the 2016-2017 school year.

Mary Lin O-LIN-PICS

By JULIE NOBLE • EDUCATION COMMITTEE • JUNOBLE@YAHOO.COM

Mary Lin Elementary will be holding its annual fall fundraiser, called O-LIN-PICS on Friday, October 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Candler Park.

This unique twist on the world's most famous athletic event will emphasize fitness, community and cooperation, and will feature Mary Lin Elementary students competing in "O-LIN-PIC" events and appealing for donations – 100% of which will directly fund our school's needs, especially our new playground!

Mary Lin's current expansion project required the demolition of the existing playground and the new one must be funded by the Mary Lin Community (not APS). Help us build a new and exciting outdoor space for our kids!

We also are inviting local businesses to sponsor this effort. As a sponsor, your business name will be announced the day of the event and displayed on promotional signs around Mary Lin and the Inman Park, Candler Park, Lake Claire and Little Five Points neighborhoods. Businesses contributing \$300 or more will secure placement of their logo on our t-shirts (worn by 600+ kids) and banners. For additional event information, please contact Julie Noble (404.855.5505 or junoble@yahoo.com).



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2014-2015 IPNA Budget Overview

By BARBARA LEACH • TREASURER • TREASURER@INMANPARK.ORG & DENNIS MOBLEY • PRESIDENT • PRESIDENT@INMANPARK.ORG

INCOME

A mostly rain-free Festival 2014 resulted in a fairly healthy infusion (\$170,000) of funds received from our Festival Treasurer at the beginning of August. The \$157,500 of Festival Revenue in the proposed budget reflects the Board's recommendation for FY15 spending based on the cash we have in the bank plus a conservative projection of Festival 2015 revenue. For the first time in recent memory, the proposed Festival income is based largely on actual results from a Festival already concluded.

Security Memberships/Fundraising is running below the FY14 budgeted level of \$130,000 so we've reduced the FY15 projection to \$110,000. We think is a realistic goal, given the fundraising and membership drives planned for this fall.

IPNA membership dues and sales of flags and banners is running ahead of previous budget estimates.

Proposed budget income of \$274,550 is \$17,950 greater than last year's budget estimate.

EXPENSES

Proposed budget expenses of \$274,550 largely mirror previous budget estimates, with several notable exceptions.

Major expense categories are shown below, comparing proposed expenses, previous budgeted expenses, and variances.

Category	2013-2014 Budget	2014-2015 Proposal	Variance
Public Safety	\$152,500	\$152,500	\$0
Communications	\$7,100	\$19,100	+\$12,000
Planning	\$2,550	\$15,050	+ \$12,500
Beautification	\$63,100	\$32,500	(\$30,600)
Executive	\$13,200	\$13,200	\$0
Social	\$10,950	\$12,700	+ \$1,750
Grants	\$13,500	\$29,500	+\$16,000
Total	\$262,900	\$274,500	+\$11,650

Drivers of year-over-year variances in proposed spending are as follows:

Results from the just-completed Neighborhood Survey make it clear that respondents want IPNA to build on its website and database infrastructure. For example, neighbors want to be able to easily check their Security Patrol and IPNA membership status online and to receive email reminders so they can prevent lapses in membership. An increase of \$12,000 in Communications is for the purpose of procuring and paying a vendor to make these and other desired improvements.

At the present time there is at least one important planning initiative underway that IPNA may need to support via a targeted investment of funds. The Krog-Lake-Elizabeth-North-Highland (KLENH) traffic study was recently adopted by the Atlanta City Council as a blueprint for a range of improvements aimed at improving traffic flow, pedestrian safety, and parking as new developments such as Inman Quarter and Krog Street Market near completion. Additional funds are budgeted in anticipation of helping make the study a reality. The net result is an increase of \$12,500 in planning resources.

Beautification efforts are slated to benefit from proposed legislation that would require the City of Atlanta to fully cover the cost of sidewalk repairs. The reduction of \$30,600 is attributable to the completion of the Springvale Park Visioning Plan which was an important one-time investment, as well as eventual elimination of the need for sidewalk subsidies. Other beautification activities are budgeted at previous levels.

The Social category reflects an increase of \$1,750, requested for IPNA flags and banners to match the anticipated sales revenue of these items, as well as to bolster the amount available for the annual Holiday Party.

The Board received a number of new requests under the Grants category, and is attempting to honor them in whole or in part. IPNA's Education Committee has requested an increase from \$6,000 to \$10,000 to support our local schools. Freedom Park Conservancy requested \$7,500 and the Board reduced this to \$5,000. IPNA's Theater Committee requested \$5,000 in support of Dad's Garage's efforts to finance their new home in the nearby Old Fourth Ward. IPNA's Transportation Committee requested \$2,000 for PEDS, the group that promotes pedestrian safety. In addition, the Board has set aside \$1,500 to accommodate any future small grant requests. The sum total of these requests result in an increase of \$16,000.

Proposed budget expenditures of \$274,550 are \$11,650 greater than last year's budget estimate.

The \$6,300 difference between increased income (\$17,950) and increased expenses (\$11,650) is the fact that the previous budget planned to spend \$6,300 from the prior year's surplus. The proposed 2014-2015 IPNA budget is a balanced budget.

A detailed line-item tally of year-to-date (YTD) actuals for the seven-month period from 11/1/2013 to 8/5/2014 is included. It includes a projection of annual expenses for the current budget year as well as a side-by-side comparison of the previous and proposed budgets.

Inman Park 2014-2015 Proposed Budget

		<i>FY14 Budget</i>	<i>YTD Actual JUL 14</i>	<i>Est. 2013-2014 Actual</i>	<i>Variance to Budget</i>	<i>Proposed Budget</i>
REVENUE	Membership Dues	5,500	6,089	6,329	829	6,300
	Security Memberships/Fundraising	130,000	83,029	103,029	(26,971)	110,000
	Interest	200	0	0	(200)	0
	Festival	120,000	170,000	170,000	50,000	157,500
	IPNA Flags & Banners	500	540	720	220	750
	Holiday Party Guests	400	0	0	(400)	0
	Total Revenue	\$256,600	\$259,658	\$280,078	\$23,478	\$274,550
EXPENSES						
	Public Safety					
	Police Officers	135,000	102,352	136,469	1,469	135,000
	Vehicle Expense	15,000	8,301	11,069	(3,931)	15,000
	Signs/Stickers	1,500	545	727	(773)	1,000
	Graffiti Removal		0	0	0	500
	Telephone	1,000	437	870	(130)	1,000
	Subtotal	152,500	111,635	149,135	(3,365)	152,500
Communications	Advocator	100	0	0	(100)	100
	Website	4,000	0	0	(4,000)	16,000
	Hospitality	500	0	500	0	500
	Directory	2,500	2,505	2,505	5	2,500
	Subtotal	7,100	2,505	3,005	(4,095)	19,100
Planning	NPU-N Mtg Space Contribution	50	0	50	0	50
	Traffic Calming	2,500	0	0	(2,500)	15,000
	Subtotal	2,550	0	50	(2,500)	15,050
Beautification	Beautification Maintenance	23,000	10,558	14,100	(8,900)	18,000
	Springvale Maintenance	7,500	3,715	6,000	(1,500)	7,500
	Visioning Plan	12,600	12,800	12,800	200	0
	Homeowner Sidewalk Subsidies	20,000	1,700	2,300	(17,700)	7,000
	Subtotal	63,100	28,773	35,200	(27,900)	32,500
Executive	General Board Expenses	3,000	1,696	2,300	(700)	3,000
	Accounting & Tax Preparation	1,000		1,000	0	1,000
	Officers Insurance	1,700		1,700	0	1,700
	Bank Charges	100		100	0	100
	Trademark	60		60	0	60
	Corp Registration	50		50	0	50
	Legal	7,190		0	(7,190)	7,190
	Taxes	100	0	100	0	100
	Subtotal	13,200	1,696	5,310	(7,890)	13,200
Social	IPNA Flags & Banners			0	0	750
	Porch Parties	150	18	25	(125)	150
	Holiday Party	10,000	10,337	10,337	337	11,000
	4th of July Party	800	441	600	(200)	800
	Subtotal	10,950	10,796	10,962	12	12,700
Grants	Little 5 Mini Precinct	5,000		5,000	0	5,000
	Freedom Park Conservancy			0	0	5,000
	Education	6,000	1,050	6,000	0	10,000
	Ponce de Leon Library	500		0	(500)	500
	Historic Fourth Ward Park	500		0	(500)	
	Conservancy					
	MLK Library	500		0	(500)	500
	Art on the Beltline	1,000		0	(1,000)	
	Dad's Garage					5,000
	PEDS					2,000
	Board Discretionary Grants				0	1,500
	Subtotal	13,500	1,050	11,000	(2,500)	29,500
Total Expenses		\$262,900	\$156,456	\$214,662	(\$48,238)	\$274,550
Net Income/(Expense)		(\$6,300)	\$103,202	\$65,416	\$71,716	\$0

Atlanta Urban Design Commission (AUDC) Update

By MOLLY McLAMB, V.P. HISTORIC PRESERVATION • historic.preservation@inmanpark.org

Please note: If you wish to perform any construction work (beyond routine maintenance) on the exterior of a site, home, or building in the Inman Park Historic District, you must contact the AUDC to begin their review/approval process. Please contact me at the email address above as early in the project as possible to schedule immediate neighbor meetings and be placed on the monthly IPNA meeting agenda, or for any questions related to the historic regulations or approval process.

	Application Deadline	AUDC Hearing Date
Upcoming Application Deadlines	September 16	October 8
	September 30	October 22
	October 21	October 12

Recent AUDC actions on applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

July 23, 2014

1. 65 Waddell St. Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-172) for a variance to allow for an addition taller than the existing house and with a higher ridgeline and (CA3-14-171) for alterations and an addition. Property is zoned R-5/ Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / BeltLine.

Staff Recommendation (CA3-14-172): Approve with conditions. Commission Voted (CA3-14-172): Approved with conditions. Staff Recommendation (CA3-14-171): Approve

with conditions. Commission Voted (CA3-14-171): Approved with conditions.

Please see the agenda on the back cover for applications scheduled for this month's IPNA meeting.

AUDC Contact Information:

Website: <http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx>

Address: 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 3350 • Atlanta GA 30335-0331

Phone: (404) 330-6145

Fax: (404) 658-6734

Book Club Calendar

The Inman Park Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month to discuss the featured selection. Please bring a covered dish to share. Visit inmanpark.org for the full 2014 schedule and book selections, and contact Jan Keith (404-688-7330) with any questions.

Sept
30

Whistling Past the Graveyard
by Susan Crandall
hosted by Patty McGuigan at
824 Virgil St.

Oct
28

The Chaperone
by Laura Moriarty
hosted by Julie Bookman at
791 Ashland Ave.

There Inman Park Book Club will not meet in November, but mark your calendar now for **Sunday, December 7** at 1:00 p.m. for the Holiday Brunch and Book Exchange.

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Aging Well in Inman Park: An Initiative of Inman Park Lifelong Communities Program

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Have you experienced being a caregiver for a parent or friend? Are you currently facing an aging-related situation and would like to talk with a neighbor experienced with working in the field of aging? Would you like to have easy access to information on aging and caregiving? Would you, your friends and neighbors like to be assured that you can remain in this neighborhood for many years to come?

We may have thought about these issues because of our own age, challenges with caring for aging friends or family members, and/or simply the recognition that it is wise to take a proactive approach to life long planning no matter one's age. Experts tell us it is never too early to plan and know about options. The concept of Lifelong Communities has been introduced to our neighborhood through past IPNA meetings, a community forum and the *Advocator*. It is clear that to be a truly livable community, the needs of all ages must be considered.

To pinpoint opportunities for age-friendly targets in Inman Park, a neighborhood survey was conducted with a focus on aging. The results of this lifelong community survey identified a need for transportation options for non-drivers, assisted living and other age friendly housing and care options for older residents, and easier access to information and resources. Over the past several months, discussions on this topic have taken place with many of you both formally and informally – at meetings, neighborhood gatherings and on neighbors' front porches. This information, along with input

received by the Inman Park Lifelong Communities workgroup has resulted in the following efforts to formalize a process for addressing some of the expressed challenges and needs in our community.

Schedule quarterly Information and discussion sessions on topics of interest. These will begin in the fall, and include topics such as: Understanding Medicare and Medicaid; Home care assistance; Housing Options; Transportation; Legal/financial matters; Memory loss/dementia, and Caregiving.

Provide contact information on aging resources to folks in our neighborhood.

Offer updated Aging Well information on the neighborhood website and in the *Advocator*.

Should you have any aging- or caregiver-related questions and would like assistance in identifying resources and looking at options, please contact one of us. We will be glad to help you make the connections. Thank you for being interested in one more way we can work together to enhance the quality of life for Inman Park Residents and our families.

Representing Aging Well in Inman Park, a component of The Inman Park Communities initiative.

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commitment to Krog Street and IP Village Parkway crosswalks.

Rick Bizot, NPUN Representative, reviewed this coming months discussions and agenda which include: Studioplex amendments to their master plan, electric vehicle charging stations, sign ordinance revisions, sidewalk fees, solid waste disposal and a shared bike proposal.

Fred Yalouris, BeltLine Update, Fred gave an update on plans and the status of plans which included: twenty two miles of path planned, shape is like a pear, Westside path will be one half as wide, an organic urban farm is to occupy four acres, a new plan for a second skate park and new park due south of Metropolitan Avenue, Kroger has funded a ramp to Kroger on Ponce, Ponce City Market is rebuilding a wall and seating area, ribbon cutting for the "gateway" to O4W park is this week – gateway to park has an eight degree grade / thirty-four foot drop, Buck and doe are now grazing along gateway, Edgewood Bridge steps and ramp is framed and will open soon, 100 projects have been approved for 2014 Art in Park-their fifth year, Lantern Parade anticipates 15,000 on September 6, past Memorial another one mile of path has been privately funded and will begin in November. Fred then responded to questions about what he has learned over the development of the BeltLine. Fred first stated that there is not enough places in Atlanta for people to walk, he expects the uniqueness of the path to abate and the density to spread as extensions are added, contentions will continue between bikes, dogs, walkers-the courtesy

campaigns will continue to educate users, a light rail will cost 3 billion (over 136 million per mile.)

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:58.

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Helping Hope Hill

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Our neighborhoods are very fortunate to attend some of the best schools in the state of Georgia. The Grady Cluster schools are high performing and richly diverse which enhances the children's education experience. Hope Hill Elementary School is one of the feeder schools to Inman Middle and Grady High. They are making incredible progress under the dynamic leadership of Principal Maureen Wheeler but still face many challenges for a school comprised of a student population of over 85% eligible for free and reduced lunch. Inman Middle PTA is reaching out to the community to ask for assistance and mentoring for this school.

Angela Lewis, a Hope Hill and Inman Middle parent and Hope Hill PTA's Treasurer, provided us with the below list of needs for the school. If you are able to assist with any of them, we encourage you to contact to Angela (angela.dhati@gmail.com) and help these wonderful kids to achieve success.

Functionality and Beautification

- Foyer refresh – redoing the foyer with a fresh idea and welcome, academic atmosphere. Three trophy cases and a bulletin board are in need of a welcoming display.
- Photography – candid shots of students and activities taken and put in frames around the school
- A flag for the flagpole
- Replacement mini-blinds in all classrooms and cafeteria (they are very old and many do not work)
- A facelift for the teacher workroom
- New planters at the front of the building

Jamestown Properties to Plant Trees in Inman Park

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In order to construct two buildings and plazas between its Ponce City Market and the Eastside Trail of the BeltLine, Jamestown Properties has removed about 250 caliper inches of trees.

To meet the requirements of the Tree Protection Ordinance, Jamestown must replace those trees inch-for-inch or pay recompense. City arborists have agreed to allow Jamestown to plant some of the replacement trees in Inman Park, at no cost to the neighborhood. Trees Atlanta will supervise the planting of these balled-and-burlapped street trees (2.5-3.0" caliper) by professional crews.

The plantings will take place this fall, after the weather cools. Please contact Alex Beasley at Trees Atlanta with any questions or concerns (alex@treesatlanta.org or 404-681-4894). The City Arborist has not yet officially approved the below list of locations and tree species, but at press time, this is Trees Atlanta's proposed list. Please note that these will be street trees, which means they will be planted in street-side strips and tree wells, where a public right-of-way exists.

978 Euclid Ave.....	5 two-winged silverbells (Halesia diptera)
807 Euclid Ave.....	6 two-winged silverbells (Halesia diptera)
73 Spruce St.....	1 two-winged silverbell (Halesia diptera)
445 Seminole Ave.....	1 crepe myrtle (Lagerstroemia indica)
1084 Washita Ave.....	8 crepe myrtle (Lagerstroemia indica) and 3 redbuds (Cercis canadensis)
298 Highland Ave.....	5 trident maples (Acer buergerianum)

Student Interaction and Engagement

- Three (3) cafeteria volunteers each on Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to help with monitoring, line movement, efficiency and cleanup
- Tutors on Wednesdays from 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. every week. Email John Child, our parent liaison, at jc@mentalfitnessatl.org if interested
- Ideas and support for developing after-school clubs for our students

School Programs

Seeking volunteers for the following programs and events:

- Fall Festival, Friday Oct 17, 5 – 7:30 p.m.
- Career Day, April 24, all day
- Field Day, May 15, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Financial Support

- The PTA has about \$800 in the bank. Financial support could provide supplies to teachers and students and provide programs to our children.

Other Support

- Join the PTA – It's only \$5 per person
- Provide dinner for a PTA meeting, held once a month on the second Thursday (Open months include: November, December, January, February, March, April and May)
- Provide food for Terrific Thursdays lunch, held once a month to show appreciation for our teachers

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President's Message

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However, as we all know, it's impossible to guess what the weather will be the last weekend of April 2015. Therefore, the board has proposed a budget based on the funds already in the bank, what we believe is a realistic projection of 2015 Security Patrol dues, and a very conservative projection of Festival 2015 proceeds. We've proposed a spending level that supports activities we believe the community wants IPNA to sponsor based on survey results, and balanced it against the need to maintain a cash reserve as a hedge against less successful Festival years.

Okay, enough technicalities. We urge you to read and ponder the enclosed proposed budget, which will be discussed at this month's IPNA meeting (September 17). This proposed budget can be modified as a result of such discussions, and the final budget will be published in the October edition of the *Advocator* and voted on at IPNA meeting on October 15.

Come to both meetings, make your opinion heard, and let's put our money to work!

Trolley Barn Sale *continued from p. 15*

The current members are:

Steve Hays, Chairman – I've been active on the Board from the beginning.

Diane Floyd, Treasurer – She contributes her time and skills in keeping The Barn's financial records in tip-top shape.

Christel Sundin – Most of you probably know her as Chairperson of Festival but she's also the Vice-President of Administration.

Wayne Mitchell – A talented musician and one of the Vice-Presidents of Operations.

Richard Westrick – He moved to Inman Park when it was not a fashionable neighborhood and serves as one of the Vice-President of Operations.

Joyce Sayles – A longtime member of the Board who made the recommendations for the lovely plantings that create a green space between The Barn and its neighbors.

Louis Arcangeli – Our very own policeman – we all feel safer having Lou in the neighborhood – and the person that reminds us of our ethical duties.

Judy Clements -- She's known for her charitable works and has been a committed member of this Board for several years.


Jay Doyle – He's the legal beagle on the Board.

Oreon Mann – He, too, has served on the Board in a variety of positions since the early days.


The Board of Directors is committed to purchasing The Barn so that AESRC will become the owner of this architectural gem. It will be an arduous task. AESRC will need your help to raise funds for the purchase, your commitment to save The Barn, and your activism to let it be known that Inman Park stands united with AESRC. **M**

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NPU-N Update

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Notes from the August 28, 2014 meeting:

PRESENTATIONS:

Police Department: Ben McGee reported that year-to-date crime is down 18% in zone 6; YTD burglary is down 19%.

Solicitor's Office: Lauren Clayton reported that 805 Ashland Avenue has entered a plea agreement, contingent on repairs. If anyone would like an update on this or other properties, please contact Lauren at lmclayton@atlantaga.gov. She also encouraged the use of the City's Citizen Gateway website Accela (https://aca.accela.com/atlanta_ga/) to enter code enforcement complaints or track status. This site can also be used to track Planning and Building Permit applications.

LICENSE REVIEW BOARD:

William Ford Fry (Superica Restaurant, 99 Krog St, Suite ?, Inman Park) New alcohol license request for new location. Application was deferred to allow applicant to meet with IPNA.

ZONING REVIEW BOARD:

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (Z-14-026): To allow for the development of electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the City by adding definitions; allowing charging stations as a permitted accessory use and structure; allowing vehicle battery exchange stations as a permitted principal use in certain districts (C, I, NC, MRC, MLK Jr, and some SPI); allowing charging stations to count as parking spaces (up to 10% of requirement); and adding general design standards and criteria for signage, landscaping, etc. NPU-N Board voted 8-1 to support.

659 Auburn Ave (StudioPlex) (Z-14-035), An Ordinance by Zoning Committee to modify the PD-MU conditions. [project is in NPU-M; Review & Comment only] Concerns of some IP residents regarding increased height were relayed. Dillon Baines (Studioplex) noted that the proposed height is not greater than that already allowed at the north end of the property.

Signs Inside of Buildings (Z-14-044): To amend the signage ordinance (Section 16-28A) with further regulations for signs inside buildings but visible from a public right-of-way (ROW). Recently, signs facing ROWs have been displayed behind glass and have functioned as changing illuminated general advertising signs in an attempt to circumvent the sign ordinance. If not regulated, this would result in visual clutter and negative effects on public safety. NPU-N Board voted 8-0 (with 1 abstaining) to support.

Fees for Urban Garden Permits (Z-14-045): To establish a \$30 application fee for Special Administrative Permit for an Urban Garden or Market Garden as a primary use on a vacant lot. NPU-N Board voted 8-1 to support.

Candler Park / Reynoldstown MARTA station, south parcel (Z-14-051): to rezone from the C-1 (Community Business) District to the MRC-3 (Mixed Residential Commercial) District, certain

NPU-N Members

The citizenry advisory council of this neighborhood planning unit includes representation from the following areas:

Cabbagetown
cabbagetown.com

Candler Park
candlerpark.org

Druid Hills
druidhills.org

Inman Park
inmanpark.org

Lake Claire
lakeclaire.org

Poncey-Highland
ponceyhighland.com

Reynoldstown
reynoldstown.net

L5P Community Center
l5pccc.org

L5P Business Assn
little5points.com

properties located on La France Street, Whitefoord Avenue, Hutchinson Street, and Mayson Avenue. [NPU-O; Review and Comment only]. Deferred to allow review by NPU-N members.

Bike Facilities on Private Property (Z-14-029): to create a process for permitting the installation and usage of bike share stations; allow bike share stations on private property as a permitted accessory use (except not in R- or PD-H districts); and to regulate the appearance, signage and traffic safety of bike share stations on private property. AUDC approval would be required for any station to be constructed on a property regulated by the Historic Preservation Ordinance. For questions, please contact Stosh Kozlowski at sakozlowski@atlantaga.gov

Bike Facilities on Public Right-of-way (14-O-1325): to authorize the Commissioner of Public Works to allow the installation of bike sharing stations and kiosks on public property including the public right-of-way by a Provider that has a contract with the City to manage and provide services to the public under the program. The legislation also establishes criteria for the location of stations in the public right-of-way, including prohibitions on interference with driver visibility, flow of pedestrian traffic and adjacent businesses.

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT:

300 Elmira Place NE (V-14-149), seeking a variance from Zoning Regulations to reduce the north side yard setback from 7 ft. (required) to 3 ft. 11 inches to add a shed to the back of an existing accessory structure. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

2054 Howard Circle NE (V-14-170), seeking a variance from Zoning Regulations to reduce the west side yard setback from 7 ft. (required) to 4 feet to allow for a second floor addition. NPU Board voted unanimously to support.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND OUTDOOR FESTIVALS:

Chomp and Stomp Chili Cook-off and Bluegrass Festival (Cabbagetown), Sat. Nov. 1, 2014. NPU-N Board voted 8-0 (with 1 abstaining) to support. Note to those attending: parking is extremely limited, and cars parked illegally will be ticketed and may be towed. There will be a bike valet station near the south end of the Krog Street tunnel.

NPU-N Update *continued*

OTHER MATTERS:

Lake Claire Park Plan: The Master Plan for improvements to Lake Claire Park was presented. Proposed improvements include improved entryways, ADA access, new tennis court surface, playground and drainage improvements and new walking path with fitness stations. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

TEXT AMENDMENTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Sidewalk Fee Revisions (14-O-1240): An Ordinance to increase residential sidewalk installation fees charged to adjacent property owners when the City of Atlanta directly provides the installation services. Proposed increase is reported to be 164% (from \$3.90 to \$10.28/SF). NPU-N Board voted 8-0 (with 1 abstaining) to oppose this ordinance. The Board also discussed the proposed ordinance to put sidewalk maintenance and repair under City responsibility (14-O-1361), but did not vote on that ordinance as it was not on the agenda.

Infrastructure Maintenance Fee (14-O-1241): An Ordinance to impose a fee for commercial solid waste haulers. The City incurs costs to maintain the infrastructure used by these haulers without recompense. The legislation will allow for data collection and oversight of such users. The fee is typically charged in major metropolitan areas. NPU-N Board voted 6-0 (with 3 abstaining) to support this ordinance.

Pavement Degradation Recovery Fee (14-O-1242): An Ordinance to establish a fee structure for cutting a street. The

purpose of the fee is to recapture the lost value of the degraded street since intrusion into the road base decreases the expected life cycle of a street. NPU-N Board voted 8-0 (with 1 abstaining) to support this ordinance.

Subdivision Ordinance revision (14-O-1366): An Ordinance to amend Section 15-06-001 of the Subdivision Ordinance of the City of Atlanta so as to amend the definition of the term "Historic Neighborhood" as a Neighborhood actually listed on the National Register of Historic places (current definition includes neighborhoods merely eligible for listing, which now encompasses practically every neighborhood in the city). This ordinance would not affect City-designated historic districts, as subdivisions within those districts are regulated by the ordinances in Section 16-20. NPU-N Board voted 7-0 (with 2 abstaining) to support this ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS:

Art on the Beltline runs from September 6 through mid-November.

Former Atlanta Dairy Site (Memorial Drive) – a Beltline SAP application was recently received.

NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the 4th Thursday of every month, January through October. The November meeting will be on Monday, November 24 and the December meeting will be on Thursday, December 18. The meetings begin at 7:00pm in the Little Five Points Center for Arts & Community. Next meeting: Thursday, September 25. All are welcome to attend. M

More on the Big Tent in Inman Park

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I enjoyed the article about the circus in last month's *Advocator* and wanted to share a couple of things you may find interesting. There were two tents. The main show tent and midway were up on Highland Ave in a flat area that extended almost back to the railroad. A second tent was set up in the lower area on Lake Ave, which was the mess tent for the roustabouts and performers.

And yes, many of the workers got to know the neighbors. I remember a Mr. Springer who often ate at our house when the circus was in town. There was a bad incident with several of the elephants that were poisoned (supposedly by a disgruntled trainer). Several men in the neighborhood – including my father and grandfather – volunteered and sat with the animals. I think most died and were buried at Maddox Park.

The other really exciting thing I recall was the elephant that escaped and tore the porch off a house on Virgil and ruined our victory garden.

Williams Bros. Lumber was located at the end of Elizabeth Street and that's probably the siding shown on the map but not sure about Bernina Street. All of what was the Mead parking lot was a virgin forest until the 1950s.

Thanks to Pat Westrick for the article!



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Agenda

September 17, 2014 Meeting

IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m. • Babysitting Available

The Trolley Barn • 963 Edgewood Ave NE

- I. Welcome & Introduction of Newcomers
- II. Minutes of Last Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Police Officers' Reports
- V. Elected Officials' Reports
- VI. IPNA Officers' Reports
 - A. President
 - B. Historic Preservation
 - C. Treasurer
 1. 2014-2015 IPNA Budget Preview
 - D. Zoning
 1. Alcohol License Application: Barcelona VinoTeca (Barcelona) - 280 Elizabeth Street
 2. Alcohol License Application: Superica (Rocket Farms Restaurant) - 99 Krog Street
 - E. Public Safety
 - F. Planning
 - G. Communications
 - H. Secretary
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjourn



Good to Know

IPNA Membership: Open to everyone, including non-residents. Membership year is May 1-April 30 though you are welcome & encouraged to join or renew at anytime. First year is free. Membership has its rewards: allows you to vote (see bylaws online for details) and is your invitation to the Holiday Party & other events. Pay online or send a check to the address on the front page. Online applications are available.

IPNA meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Trolley Barn.

IPSP membership is based upon a rolling annual membership term. Your renewal date is one year from your membership date and again every year after that.

Websites

InmanPark.org

InmanParkFestival.org

Facebook.com/InmanPark

Report All Crimes: Call 911

IP Security Patrol: 404-414-7802

L5P Mini-Precinct: 404-658-6782

L5P Business Association

www.little5points.com

Want to be a part of next month's *Advocator*?

If you have news to share with your neighbors in the October issue of the *Advocator*, please send your submissions to advocator@inmanpark.org before **September 20**.

We are still seeking an editor for the *Advocator*. If you are interested in this role, or simply enjoy writing or photography and would like to contribute your time and talents to bringing the *Advocator* to your Inman Park neighbors every month, please contact IPNA VP of Communications Yvonne Merkel at communications@inmanpark.org or 404.285.8283.



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