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President's Message

## Fiscal Budget Requests

By Cristy Lenz • President@inmanpark.org

For the first time since the pandemic there is fiscal cause for celebration! After skimping and budget cutting for the past few years as we went without having a full Inman Park Festival, our main fundraiser of the year, the numbers are in and festival was a huge success! Thanks to our outgoing Festival Chair, Jane Bradshaw, all the festival committee chairs and the hundreds of volunteers who helped us pull off the most successful festival in 50 years! We raised over 200k, more than we've ever made in any past festivals. And we owe it all to the hard work of our Inman Park Volunteers, our committee heads, committee members and everyone who worked a two-hour shift during festival. Festival is never really over in Inman Park. We're already looking for new folks to join the festival committee. Get involved. Kila Posey is the incoming Festival Chair. Reach out if you would like to join festival committee. We have a variety of positions and time commitments. It's a great way to meet your neighbors and give back to your community.

With the influx of festival earnings we have money to restore funding to projects cut and possibly add some new ones. The board will be meeting to discuss the upcoming budget which means you get to tell us if there are any projects or improvements you think would add to our neighborhood. You don't have to be on a committee to submit a budget request to our Treasurer, Phil Disher. Email Phil at Treasurer@inmanpark.org to suggest a budget item. Let us know what you would like to do, how much you think it will cost and what the



benefit is. We'll take the requests and consider them. If there is an organization you think IPNA should support, like the Ponce Library, submit a request. Everyone has a voice. Once the board has come up with the proposed budget we'll publish it in The Advocate in September and put it on the website. We'll discuss the budget at the September meeting. Then we'll vote on the budget in October. Don't wait to the last minute. Submit your requests now.

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*Masks will be required at all events and upon arrival at the blood drive. Please contact us with any questions.*

### American Red Cross Blood Drive

LOCATION: Our Shifalo Cafe

DAY/TIME: Thursday, July 7th, 10:00am-3:00pm

### Emory University Community Health Night

LOCATION: Our Shifalo Cafe

DAY/TIME: Thursday, July 28th, 4:00pm-8:00pm

- Covid & STI Testing
- Walk-ins welcome, Pre-registration preferred
- [www.goemory.org/contactus](http://www.goemory.org/contactus) for info.



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## 2022 Inman Park Book Club

Meets at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of most months.

Most book selections are available at our neighborhood bookstore:

A Cappella Books  
208 Haralson Ave, Inman Park  
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### July 26

Diana Glad,  
960 Edgewood Ave.  
"The Masterpiece"  
by Fiona Davis

### Aug 30

Fiona Havers, 102 Druid  
Circle,  
"The Last Green Valley"  
by Mark Sullivan

NOTE: You MUST be fully vaccinated and boosted to attend face-to-face book club events

Please contact Jan Keith ([janetbkeith@gmail.com](mailto:janetbkeith@gmail.com)) with any questions.

Get your IPNA vinyl banners, cloth masks and Historic Inman Park (HIP) stickers for sale at Intown Business Center!



## Neighbor to Neighbor

Inman Park neighbor volunteers are ready to assist anyone needing short-term help. For example:

- Getting to medical appointments
- Preparing meals or help with pets while recovering from illness
- Managing daily activities

Visit [www.inmanpark.org/lifelonginmanpark](http://www.inmanpark.org/lifelonginmanpark)  
Contact Jackie Lawrence (404-272-0024)



## Shared Porch Party!

**Friday, July 29th at 7:30 pm.**  
Amy Higgins & Mike Simpson at 89 Spruce and  
Galit Levitin & Oren Avissar at 93 Spruce.

**Bring a dish to share and whatever you want to drink.**

**Sign of the Times:** We will be restricted to the porch and the yard for our visiting rather than spilling over into the house as we have often done in the past.

**Questions? Pat or Richard Westrick**  
**404-388-6466**

## Inman Park Parents!

**Want to stay in the know about current APS (and other parenthood-based) news?**

**Join the Inman Park Parent Google Group to hear the latest.**  
**Email [junoble@yahoo.com](mailto:junoble@yahoo.com) to join.**

Welcome new neighbor Dave Lessani to Waverly Way.

Condolences to Carolyn Stine McLaughlin and family, Druid Circle, on the passing of her mother Barbara Bonds Stine at age 85.

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Want to keep up with local events, civic activism, and neighborhood content related to Inman Park?

Join our Inman Park Google Group with almost 1000 subscribers.

Email admin Allison Gordon ([alisonggordon@gmail.com](mailto:alisonggordon@gmail.com)) to join.



# Advertise in the Advocator!

You can advertise in the Inman Park Advocate! Our beloved monthly newspaper has been a fixture of our neighborhood for 50 years.

Each month, the Advocate is mailed directly to over 2000 homes in Inman Park, emailed directly to the Inman Park Google Group and to all IPNA members, and posted on our web site and on Nextdoor to all of our surrounding neighborhoods. Several hundred copies are also distributed to neighborhood businesses. The Advocate provides a great way to advertise to your neighbors.

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## IPNA Calendar

July 20

IPNA Meeting  
Trolley Barn/Zoom  
7:30 p.m.

July 26

Book Club  
See page 4  
for details

July 28

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

July 29

Porch Party  
See page 4  
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Aug 17

IPNA Meeting  
Zoom  
7:30 p.m.

Aug 25

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

Aug 30

Book Club  
See page 4  
for details



### IP Caregiver Support Group

If you're concerned about someone with memory loss — a family member, friend, or neighbor — please consider attending the Inman Park Caregiver Support Group. We focus on the challenges of caring for someone with cognitive decline. This free group meets every third Thursday of the month from 4:00 to 5:30 at the Inman Park United Methodist Church. Please contact Moira Keller LCSW if you have questions, 404-290-1630 or [moira.keller@comcast.net](mailto:moira.keller@comcast.net)

# The Birds in our Backyard

By Lynn Curtis Koehnemann • lkoehnemann@gmail.com

The balconies of Inman Park Village have an inspiring birds-eye view of our neighborhood's forest canopy. I enjoy watching the vast, lush forest canopy change with the seasons. Now,

and worms on the ground. But there are many more birdsongs than sightings. Although the birds are obscured in the branches above, we are treated to the cheerful call of the

it drills holes in neatly spaced rows to feed on both the sap and the insects attracted to the sap. This woodpecker is common here in the winter, migrating north in the summer. (See illustration.)



at the height of summer, the top layers of our trees are alive with birdsong and breezes moving through an ocean of green foliage. On Austin Avenue at Freedom Park, the Native-Tree and Oak-Tree portions of the Inman Park Arboretum overlap, here, the choruses of birdsongs and calls seem loudest and liveliest.

In summer, the bird I see most frequently here is the Brown Thrasher; it forages for insects

American Robin, the low-pitched warble of the Bluebird, the sweet song of the Carolina Wren, the cawing, chirping, and chattering of the Northern Mockingbird, the distinct whistle and insistent chirp of the Northern Cardinal, and the high clear call of the Tufted Titmouse.

The loblolly pine in Springvale Park, on Waverly Way, bears the unique marks of drilling by the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Woodpecker. With its stout beak,

A recent study by Cornell University noted a decrease of 3.2 billion birds in North America since 1970. Of that total, forest biomes experienced a reduction of more than 1 billion birds. The causes are complex, but habitat loss is a significant threat to bird populations. We can help by landscaping our gardens with birds in mind. Birds have four basic requirements for survival: food, water, cover and nesting places.

Feeding mainly on insects and worms (when they are active), birds later turn to seeds and berries. Cardinals, Robins, and Grosbeaks seek out the berries supplied by shrubs. And goldfinches appear in late summer to eat the seeds of native wildflowers. Dozens of species of birds feed on berries from our native Wax Myrtle and Eastern redcedar (*Juniperus virginiana*).

Water features with shallow edges attract birds, and a moving water source is even more welcoming. Bird baths are best situated near shrubs and small trees to protect birds from predators. Scour the bird bath clean with a compressed hose and refill frequently.

Cover in the understory provides protection, shade and perches to help birds move about. Complement the trees and shrubs already in your garden (and those of your neighbors) by planting species of different

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# Congratulations to Inman Park's 2022 Graduates!

Nora Ball  
Sinclair Avenue  
Midtown HS  
George Washington  
University

Oliver Coffman  
DeGress Avenue  
Midtown HS  
Georgia Southern

Adeline Diem  
Seminole Avenue  
Midtown HS  
Georgia Tech

Grace Dwyer  
Delta Place  
Georgia Tech  
BS in Computer  
Science—working in  
Oakland, CA

Fritz Goodman  
Dixie Avenue  
Midtown HS  
Northeastern University

Gwendolyn McManus  
Austin Avenue  
Northeastern University  
BS in Marine Biology  
(summa cum laude)—  
pursuing advanced  
degrees

Carter Paul  
Euclid Avenue  
Midtown HS  
Reinhardt University

Grant Polazzo  
Carmel Avenue  
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Georgia State University

Stella Raio  
Hurt Street  
Midtown HS  
Appalachian State  
University

Zephy Schroeder  
DeGress Avenue  
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University of Georgia

Gabriel Simpson  
Spruce Street  
Midtown HS  
Embry-Riddle  
Aeronautical University

Ava B. Smith  
Moreland Avenue  
Midtown HS  
Boston University

Brody Weiss  
Druid Circle  
Midtown HS  
Vassar College

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## The Birds in our Backyard, con't

heights, textures, colors and shapes. Plant underneath tall trees, such as Oaks, Birch, Tulip Poplar, Sourwood and Holly, with shorter, more shade-tolerant trees. These include Dogwood, Serviceberry, Wild Cherry, native Red Mulberry and Wax Myrtle. Underneath these, add shorter berry-laden shrubs, such as high bush Blueberries, Viburnums, and Elderberries. Seed-loving birds seek out native Daisies such as Sunflowers, Asters, Black-eyed Susans and Coneflowers.

Nesting places are best hidden in dense shrubs, vines, or low trees. The thick cover provided by Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana* L.) makes it very desirable as a nesting spot. If we resist the impulse to remove them, snags and logs (dead trees) also offer important cover and nesting places for many bird species. Eastern

Bluebirds rely on natural cavities or those made by woodpeckers for nesting. In response to an alarming decline in bluebird populations in the 1970s, a national initiative to build bluebird nesting boxes has assisted a dramatic rebound of its numbers here in our neighborhood and elsewhere.

For help identifying your overhead birdcalls try Cornell's app BirdNET <https://birdnet.cornell.edu/>. The BirdNET app can currently identify around 3,000 of the world's most common species. Cornell University's website [allaboutbirds.org](http://allaboutbirds.org) is a very helpful bird guide with bird calls and information on more than 600 North American species. The Audubon site, [audubon.org/bird-guide](http://audubon.org/bird-guide), is also excellent.



# Goodbye from Heartwork

By Linda Weiskoff • [linda@htwcc.org](mailto:linda@htwcc.org)

Dear People of Inman Park,

The building that houses the Heartwork Counseling Center has been sold. We'll be moving out of the neighborhood, but we'll be reaching out to you from just a few miles away. Starting on July 15, our new address will be 1244 Clairmont Rd, Decatur, GA 30030, the corner of Clairmont Rd and N. Decatur Rd.

You've been our neighbors for the past 19 1/2 years and we couldn't leave without saying goodbye and thank you.

Like other businesses here, we've gotten many things right and some things wrong. All and all it's been a wonderful experience to be here in Inman Park.

We'll miss the church chimes that ring on the hour and the half-hour. I'll remember the beautiful Christmas lights in the houses on Elizabeth St. We'll remember marching in the Inman Park parade, as well as welcoming and hydrating vendors as well as well watchers during the festival. We'll remember your friendliness and being a part of the vibrancy of the neighborhood.

Our phone remains 404-658-1222x20. Please keep in touch.

With caring for all, Thank you, Inman Park,

Linda Weiskoff and the therapists of Heartwork: Allen Welty-Green, Brittany Briscoe, Terri Duda, Erma Croom, Raven Barnes, Marcus Price, Melinda Robb, Marina Reichenberger, Deana Panza



## Doggo the Month: Sir Periwinkle



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# Party Time at Inman Park Pool!

A great time was held by all at the Inman Park Pool Party in June!  
Live music, beers, babies, and friends--what more could you want?



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## Inman Park Fourth of July Party!

Little 5 Points Center for Arts and Community will  
host the Fourth of July Party Monday July 4  
4 - 6 pm.

Everyone should bring  
a dish to share and  
whatever they'd like to  
drink.

Children are very  
welcome, there is plenty  
of space to play.

Air conditioned cafe  
space available, tent  
outside, and shade plus  
unshaded play area  
outside also available.



# Springvale Park Update: Fun with SVP Knowledge

By Beau Weidman • g.weidman@comcast.net

The more we know about Springvale, the more we enjoy it. Let's take a test to affirm our understanding of the basics. Warning: this requires foreign language skills and intuitive abilities. Please, no GA Tech - UGA jokes. However, if your teen can score at least 2 of 3, perhaps an application to Emory or GA State is in order.

1. The Springvale Park season starts with volunteer days around a celebration named for which day of the week? A) Lundi B) Mardi C) Mercredi D) Jeudi.

2. One of the year's final volunteer activities takes place about the

time of a fest in which month? A) August B) September C) Oktober D) November.

3. The acronym SVP stands for which of the following? A) Special Volunteers Perform B) Super Vibrant Playground C) Springvale Park D) All of the above.

Don't cheat. To be certain we are now qualified volunteers, the answers are provided here. 1. B 2. C 3. D

## Inman Park Board Transition Dinner

By Yr. Editrix • advocator@inmanpark.org

Inman Park Board members and committee chairs met on June 8 for dinner at Wisteria restaurant for the annual Inman Park Board Transition Dinner. This is the first of these such dinners that we have held since the Board transition in 2019, due to COVID. This dinner has traditionally been a chance for new Board members to



IPNA President, Cristy Lenz, addresses the group

meet the heads of committees and their fellow Board members, as well as an opportunity to thank outgoing members for their service. IP President, Cristy Lenz, asked attendees to discuss what their focus has been over the past year and what goals they have for the upcoming year. Yr. Editrix was in attendance and can report it was a lovely event and wonderful opportunity to hear what everyone is doing and exchange information. Thank you Wisteria for hosting and thank you to all who serve in Inman Park!



Enthusiastic Board members and committee chairs eagerly contemplate the coming year of activities.

# whitespace

whitespace gallery is a contemporary art gallery located in Inman Park that is active in Atlanta and across the southeast. whitespace seeks to foster an immersive environment of free expression, intimacy, and dialogue. As a respected institution in Atlanta's art community, whitespace and the artists it houses continue to inspire all who attend through thoughtful examinations of the world around us.

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# IPNA Meeting Minutes: June 15, 2022

Hybrid Meeting In-person & Zoom 7:32pm start time.

64 participants online and 50 in room.

\*Technology issues and weak internet were an issue throughout this meeting; omissions were unintentional.

Welcome/Introduction of newcomers

- New couple to the neighborhood and IPNA

Police officers' report

- Intro 2 new officers – Trent Denninger, Jon Grubbs
- APD is following up on a recent incident with someone who was found "porch creeping." Report have been made. PAD officers can be called during the daytime hours only. Not on weekends.

Minutes of last meeting (Minutes approved)

Announcements

Festival Finances Announcement

- Jane and Kyla – We need people to do website and volunteer committees! Please volunteer for Festival committee. Posters and merchandise is still for sale, free tour books and maps.

- Worried with prices increased, would not make much this year. We made \$150k net in 2019, would be happy if we gave \$100k this year. Thought we might only get \$60k net this year. This year IPNA will receive over \$200k! This increase was due to increase in Tour of home ticket sales (sold 1,000 more tickets) and raised alcohol prices, sold a lot of alcohol, did well on merchandise.

- Atlanta Preservation Center will receive the amount made on beer tips only, totaled over \$14k.

- We really want to make sure everyone has the opportunity to help volunteer for next Festival – get word out. We need everyone to make this as big as we can. We were short in every volunteer category this year. We will find a place for you, please come! We may have to make festival smaller if we don't get ample numbers of volunteers. Porch Party - Next Friday, June 24th at 7:30pm at the home of Marji McCullough and Dirk Schroeder (196 Waverly Way). Bring dish to share and drink of your choice.

Trolley Barn Executive Director Search: Interviewing now and invite anyone who is interest to reach out to Beverly jobs@thetrolleybarn.com

July 4th Party – on Monday July 4th at the LSP Center for Arts and Community from 4-6pm. Fried chicken and drinks will be hosted by IPNA. Event will be indoor/outdoor, using the air-conditioned café space as well as a tent outdoors. There will be activities and prizes for children. Volunteer for set up and clean up with Carol Mitchell at carol@the-mitchells.org.

Elected officials' reports

Councilor Amir Farokhi

- City opened cooling centers for homeless
- Working on budget proposal: increased salary for police and fire. Arts budgets increased by >\$500k.

- Worked with Police foundation to create a program to subsidize fire and police to live in the city. Federal ARP money. Will be announced soon.

- Thank you for helping pass TSPLOST! In process of budget details now. Repaving, revisioning Euclid Ave as it approaches LSP, improvements. Amir has \$3M in discretionary funds for street projects. About ½ is allocated for horizontal projects (sidewalks, streets) and ½ for vertical projects (playgrounds, speed tables, pedestrian safety).

- Received emails about work at intersection of Euclid and Edgewood – triangle being poured in concrete. Amir is happy to help work with immediate neighbors and DOT to help add nice planters, "greener" spot.

- Stop sign at Inman Village Parkway – stop bar added. People getting used to it.

- Put forward a rezoning paper for property that includes Wisteria. Amir put forward and is supportive because his goals have been to make it safer to walk around district, and put a focus on livability. Support places where people want to live and spend time. Mostly complaints about noisy bar and transportation issues. Don't think this will be the case with Wisteria.

- Q: How do i report a water leak – over a year? A: Email Amir – he has good luck with Water Dept. Forward emails with the city to him to escalate issue. arfarokhi@atlantagov.gov.

- Comment: When they send confirmations of issues – it would be good if they could confirm which issues we supported they responded to and resolved.

- Q: If you have money for sidewalks, would the sidewalks

otherwise be the responsibility of the property owners? A: Any side walk – in practice is the responsibility of the property owner but the city does not bother residents. These funds can be used to expand and maintain sidewalk repair, even if in front of your house.

IPNA officers' reports

President

Initiation of Officers -Voting to elect announces candidates for VP of Planning and VP of Zoning

- Big thanks to Regina Brewer and Pat Pontius for their service.
- Todd Jackson for VP Zoning – lives on Ashland Ave.

Commercial Real Estate- happy to have his expertise on board.

- Matt Cherry for VP Planning. Both bring great expertise to IPNA!

- Motion to accept nominations. (45 in favor online, 1 abstain, unanimous in room. motion passes)
- 465 North Highland – "Wisteria Block" Building Zoning Amendment to make outdoor dining area permanent

- Amy Higgins to lead discussion - Strong feelings on both sides. Let's keep the discussion respectful, respect the speaker.

- NC13 – neighborhood commercial ordinance. Special zooming in City of Atlanta with long term establishments in neighborhoods. Allows commercial operations with surrounding residential areas. Should be compatible with residential - residential scale and shared parking commercial/residential. Strong prohibition on drive-thrus, shared parking. Been operating as commercial for a long time, though original zoning was multifamily (changed about 10 years ago). When this was previously zoned, the individual parcels were consolidated into 1 lot, from 4 separate sites. Extra parking on site to meet requirements for restaurants. Neighborhood supported rezoning to put 4th use – so didn't sit vacant. This zoning included prohibition on outdoor dining.

- With the COVID pandemic, the city looked other way with outdoor dining. Restaurant wants to keep it, but would require revising the zoning and striking the prohibition on outdoor dining. Took unused space to make it outdoor dining, space that couldn't have been turned into parking. This revision to ordinance includes a prohibition on expanding the current patio and no expansion of existing outdoor dining.

- Jonathan Miller – He re-wrote the ordinance, to make things more explicit. Doesn't change the NC13 prohibition, no changes to parking, no outdoor amplified music. This represents a change to the ordinance; this is not something Wisteria applied for or a business request. IPNA rewrote and Amir is taking up.

- What we are voting on is a proposed ordinance, which is currently restrictive with outdoor dining. Current parking requirements are still necessary. Change is to only one section of the ordinance. Outdoor dining shall be permitted to operate until 10pm Monday through Thursday, and to 11pm Friday to Saturday. Outdoor dining will only be allowed in the locations designated with the site map. No additional patios on property permitted.

- Q: What is the capacity for outdoor seating? Will dumpster move away from residential area? A: Capacity for outdoor seating is XXX. Dumpsters couldn't be serviced when they were against the building. Moved back to the fence about 5 years ago.

- Q: Prior establishment in Amore Amore, had made a request for outdoor dining, which was denied. Would that be possible? No, different situation – would only be the locations on the map.

- Q: What is omitted is that outdoor dining requires additional parking because servicing greater restaurant area. 12-13 spots lower than should be. This is not about Wisteria, concern from immediate neighbors is about future use of that space. Concern about a permanent long term zoning change. We know there are problems with enforcement of hours across the neighborhood, not fair to immediate neighbors to police. The ordinance says won't reduce required parking, but it does. Ordinance says it will specify the location of a noise barriers/baffles to mitigate the noise, but that's not on site plan.

- Amy – interpretation needing to be made by city to make clear on outdoor dining- requires additional parking if it exceed >25% of size of the restaurant. Ambiguity in the code. Need clarity from Amir and planning department.

- Comment: Parking issue – could be a red herring. Ordinance is better than it was. Noise barrier – could be tricky, but could be fixed.

- Comment: Parking is not an issue. Kitchen small, not necessarily serving more people.



- Comment: We would be supporting a really great business. Zoning is restrictive. We can change the ordinance again in the future if its not working out.
- Comment: Not issue with Wisteria – whoever is at that place can have an outdoor space. If they move, we could be faced with any bar, noise. That is immediate neighbor's concern.
- Jonathan – There are delineated principal accessory uses of the property included in the ordinance. The ordinance reads that there are prohibitions to the types of operations that can rent on that space - night clubs and private clubs are prohibited. Getting a license is more restrictive to new businesses.
- Q: Can the variation just apply to Wisteria, not the building in perpetuity? A: It is not possible to apply to just one business in building under the current ordinance.
- Q: Can it expand? Could it expand to outdoor seating for other establishments, if doesn't encroach on parking? A: No and no, the seating must be included on the map.
- Q: There is still a parking issue, how will this be resolved? A: There are 76 parking spaces, and 72 we can use for zoning. We are required to have valet, when valet park, well over 100 cars. More than sufficient parking.
- Comment from immediate neighbor: Wisteria was granted permission during COVID for outdoor dining by immediate neighbors, and no one asked for a change to this. When the zoning change was brought to immediate neighbors, they voted no. Wisteria is a good steward, no assurance about future tenants. For the interest of the neighbors who live near this property now and in future, encourage voting against ordinance change.
- Comment from Owner: Offered patio to other tenants, Jason was only one who wanted to use it. Haven't gotten a complaint the whole time. This is a family business, 4 generations. No plans to sell commercial real estate. Our tenant roster is strong, and strive to make every neighborhood they are apart of, more vibrant.
- Immediate neighbors meeting was held May 17th - 5 immediate neighbors attended. 4 votes in opposition, 1 vote in support.
- Motion moved to support the (changed) ordinance, currently in front of City Council. (Vote: 73 voted to support the motion, and 42 voted against. IPNA position is to support the ordinance change). VP of Historic Preservation  
182 Elizabeth St. (Motion to support the application 70 voted to support, 0 voted against.)
- Tree fell on house a little over year ago. Precipitated some renovations inside and on back. Tear down addition on back in the 60-70's. Want to move the extension of the driveway on the left side of house and have vehicular access to rear of house on Park Lane. By Springvale park.
- Immediate neighbors meeting was held, and 3 immediate neighbors in attendance were all in favor of project.  
1019 Washita (motion to support the application – unanimous support)
- Changes made in 1971, and owner wants to restore lot to original orientation. Taking two lots and combining it back into one lot. Returns it to original 1951 boundary.
- Immediate neighbors meeting was held, and 2 immediate neighbors attended. All voted (enthusiastically) to support the application.  
VP of Zoning  
Villa de Grip Design Update
- Regina – Proposal is going really well, they are keeping preservation standards. Building a second building, similar but not identical. Villa de Gripe is going to be Street front retail and offices. Comment from committee to push it back a little. Building glass roof system over the existing joists. Connecting to second building, where the restaurant is located in the back under covered glass, but able to open windows above – to allow air circulation and block some sound from restaurant.
- Around corner, up Copenhill, the current historic house is being moved down. Find the house to be too tall, scale needs to be reduced, doesn't meet historic standards. Immediate neighbors want that house to remain there, not a new building. Side addition is not supported by the immediate neighbors and Historic Preservation. Parking is completely subterranean.
- Neighbors didn't want any parking entrances/exits on North Highland. 47 spaces underground. Residents will reach their parking via Elizabeth St, to the lower parking deck and have 27 dedicated parking spaces.
- Additional building in back – We do not believe this building conforms to historic standards, they had proposed it was under the beltline overlay, city ruled that the Historic compatibility overrules the

Beltline overlay. Asked the architects to start over on the tall dark grey building in back.

- Brown 2 story residential/multi-family. Details needs a lot of work. 2-3 stories. Very hard to see this building from the street, but still need to be compatible with materials, height, styles, etc.
- Next step is to meet with city and go over the rules and agree. Discuss the historic house and residential zoning. Want to make it renting office. No, must be residential. Will ask city to make determination. Architects can be creative with it, even if duplex, etc. should be residential. Will go back into redesign, next meeting will be in July or August.
- Q: Do we know if they are going to ask for variance? A: No, they can't ask for variance because its part of their rezoning. Whole new process underway. They lowered the density requirements to meet R5 requirements. Not at complex drawing phase yet, so we are a ways off from discussing some of these details.
- Q from immediate neighbor: Like to be part of the process, apartment building didn't get flyers. A: It's a challenge for the IPNA to flyer apartment buildings. Can't put in mailboxes or access doorstops. The process has just started, and the committee would love to have their participation.
- Q: What happens with Victory bar? A: This development plans will take over victory area.
- Comment: Concern about the height of these buildings. Response: Height will only increase 8ft above existing joists, but will be all glass above joists. NOTE: Victory will not be affected, per Regina. VP of Planning  
Matt Cherry – Works as a planner professionally and a landscape architect.
- Cristy to provide an update on Freedom Park Master Plan:
- We approved it and sent it back with some amendment and it never came back to neighborhoods for review. The city addressed and accepted all of our comments. We had a meeting with City and Parks Dept and they said they will send the plan back to the neighborhoods before it is approved. Big success. Thanks to Pat and Sally and others for spearheading.
- Treasurer
- Budget items due in August -Start thinking about what you would like to ask for and send it to Phil at treasurer@inmanpark.org
- Communications
- Public Safety
- There has been an uptick in crime, be aware of your surroundings.
- Secretary
- NPU Report
- NPU Bylaws Vote NPU – rep. September is vote. No reason to change bylaws 15 pages. (support current npu bylaws) (passes unanimously ~60)
- Committee Reports
- Transportation
- Education
- Filming
- Old business/New business
- Springvale Park:
- Please support Amy Senn, the artist who created the beautiful butterfly sculpture in Springvale. We are selling sculpture prints to support the artist, please consider purchasing.
- We met with Parks Dept Architectural Services Chief, with Amir Farokhi and Jay Tribby. The Master Plan includes projects in Springvale.
- The toddler playground will be installed in late June, and there will be a popsicle ceremony sometime this summer. Motion made to adjourn the meeting, unanimously and enthusiastically support. Meeting adjourned at 9:31pm.



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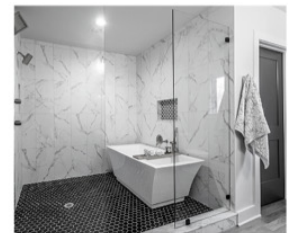
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# Agenda

**July 20, 2022**

**IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m.**

**Location: Trolley Barn & Zoom**

I. Welcome & Introduction of Newcomers

II. Police Officers' Reports

III. Minutes of Last Meeting

IV. Announcements

V. Elected Officials' Reports

VI. IPNA Officers' Reports

A. President

B. Planning

C. Zoning

D. Historic Preservation

E. Public Safety

F. Communications

G. Treasurer

H. Secretary

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Adjourn

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### **Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) membership:**

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