



Oakland City Community Organization

General Body Meeting | Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

AGENDA

23 in attendance

- I. Welcome – Terra Washington, President**
- II. Approve September Minutes - Laura Glass-Hess, Parliamentarian**
 - a. Allison motions to approve, Alex seconds.
 - b. No opposition. Minutes approved.
- III. Treasurer’s Report – Allison Myrick, Treasurer**
 - a. Some \$12K in the bank.
 - b. Terra and Allison remind folks to select OCCO for Amazon Smiles and Kroger points.
 - c. Want an OCCO banner? Let Allison know that you’d like to purchase.
Treasurer@occoatl.org
- IV. Atlanta Police Department Zone 4 Update – Lt. Gruen of APD - Geno Yoscovitz, Public Safety Chair**
 - a. Aggravated assault for beats 403, 408, and 402. 9 in 28 days. 9 burglaries in same window, as well as 7 vehicle larcenies (broken windows, laptops taken) and 4 vehicle thefts. Murder and rape down for this 28 days. Slider crimes and keys in cars and still the number of nuisance crimes.
 - b. City-wide, looking at a 7% decrease compared to this time last year (acknowledges we were looking at lower numbers last year because of COVID). Zone 4, however, we are up 8% since this time last year.
 - c. Running details every week -- 8pm - 4am on Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Captain Clayton from Zone 5 has been spearheading this, and every zone has been dedicating people. We will see if we will
 - d. New commander over vehicle larceny unit -- doing a good job of sharing vehicle descriptions with all of the officers. Lt. Marg (spelling?).
 - e. Cascade Corridor between Ralph David Abernathy, Avon, Donnelly, Beecher... lots of nuisance crimes. But Gruen says officers are in these areas.
 - f. Questions: Barbara Burson asks about accident on Campbellton Road yesterday - pedestrian hit. 50 year old woman killed, says Gruen. Vehicle stayed on scene. Campbellton/Stanton intersection.
 - g. Terra Washington asks: what are the actual numbers on rapes and murders during the last 28 day period? Last year 161 murders this time last year, now at 131... cumulative? 13% uptick from last year. Relative to this time last year, down 28% in murders city wide...
 - h. Follow-up from Terra: what can we do to keep the community safe? Are we seeing an increased presence in the community?
- V. Atlanta Election Reminder - Election Day on November 2 - Alex Dileo, Secretary**

- a. Final Candidate Introductions -- N/A

VI. OCCO Board & Committee Elections - November 26 General Meeting

- a. Quick Overview of Positions, which can be found here:
<https://www.occoatl.org/leadership>
- b. Send Nominations by Friday, November 19 to Laura at Laura Glass-Hess
laura.glasshess@gmail.com

VII. Committee Updates & Community Events – Chairs

- a. TFA Grant - Alex Dileo
 - i. Trash Bin Order - in process
 - ii. Crosswalks - Brent Brewer from West End encourages us to get this in writing after West End plans fell through due to conflict with ADOT.
 - iii. Terra shares GDOT has approved initial plans
- b. Holiday Events/Service - Terra Washington
 - i. Halloween
 - ii. Thanksgiving - Mary Hall Freedom House
 - iii. Winter Holidays
 - iv. Leaders: Mrs. Barbara Bursona and Mrs. Diane Trimble
 - 1. Please reach out to them if you are willing to help!
 - 2. Barbara Burson BBurson789@aol.com 404 753 6497...Holiday Project for volunteers
- c. Zoning – Kyle Lamont
 - i. Fort Mac - Board approved preliminary plans at their last board meeting. TD Jakes will continue to do community engagement re: how they develop that site.
 - ii. Avon - Subcommittee met. Mrs. Trimble and Kyle Lamont are reps. 8 acres in the Murphy Triangle area. Looking to make it a holistic plan between Murphy Crossing, Cut Rate Box, and the Avon site.
 - iii. Murphy Crossing - Still in quiet phase, RFP
 - iv. Lee/Tucker Avenue -- Kyle says the community will revisit the plans from a year ago so the community remains apprised. DJ this Saturday with food for the homeless.
 - v. Tucker Avenue/Atlanta Land Trust - permitting working through red tape at the city (lots of delayed)
 - vi. Atlanta Land Trust (OCCO to Make Recommendation to NPU-S) -- voting matter this evening to determine whether we will take this to the NPU
 - 1. At the last Zoning meeting, residents asked that ALT reach out to immediate neighbors near the Donnelly site. ALT did flyering on Peoples and Donnelly so that all neighbors have been reached. 1024 Donnelly. 1 mile from West End station. Directly across from BeltLine Westside trail OC access point. 5 parcels, 3.5 acres total. But only 1.5 acres are developable because of streams and sewer easement.
 - 2. 42 units proposed from 1-3 bedrooms. All for sale.
 - 3. Preserving the stream buffer, save for a proposed pathway that will connect Donnelly to Lawton portion. Eliminated original plans for garage parking - will instead do surface and street parking.
 - 4. Market rate -- currently doing a market study
 - 5. The historic designation will follow the parcel even if rezoned
 - 6. Traffic off Peoples/Donnelly -- traffic -- will anything be done to address the traffic through-put?

- a. They will work on narrowing road, adding speed bumps, etc. To make it more pedestrian friendly.
 - 7. Noise impact study? No, not required as part of the process.
 - 8. Recommendation of Zoning and Land Use Committee to move to NPU. Neighborhood votes yes. No opposition.
- d. Historic Preservation – Chika -- absent. UDC hearing for this Wednesday has been postponed to 11/3. Chika will confirm time
- e. Beautification – Carissa Zedaker - absent
- f. Code Enforcement - Jason Murphy - absent
- g. Seniors & Youth Engagement – Laura Glass-Hess
 - i. Finch Elementary - We have been asked to join the “Go Team” - Terra managing.
- h. Gardens & Trees – Mike McCord
 - i. Starting back up ivy removal for NPU-S. Can participate for up to three trees by donation, even if you participated last year.

VIII. Brief Updates from Public Officials & Community Partners – Various

- a. *In the interest of time, we're proceeding with short updates this month on an as needed basis*
- b. OAC is currently going through repairs at current moment until Mid-late November, so please contact to email at info@wawa-online.org. Residents interested in participating in Urban Heat Atl for this season, please send interest to me. Westside River Rendezvous is 11/20/2021 from 10a-1pm, just locked in location, outdoor event- Water sampling in Utoy, Sandy Creek, and Proctor creek, and info coming soon. Lastly, MLK Day Save the date 1/17/22, want community participation/input in projects for the event... For all inquiry on mentioned topics, email me at quanda@wawa-online.org

IX. Questions & Wrap-up – Terra Washington, President

- a. Announcements/Events:
 - i. We are giving away stuffed backpacks, blankets and serving hot soup for those in need this Saturday from noon-3pm at 1149 Lee st. Any ?? Or need a voucher. Please email hiihco@gmail.com
 - ii. 11th Annual MUSIC IN THE PARK at Gordon White Park from 1-6 pm on Oct 30 In collaboration with ELEVATE, the 11th Annual MUSIC IN THE PARK will be an incredible day of fun for the community featuring performances by Brenda Nicole Moorner, Kebbi Williams and WolfPack, Julie Dexter, Kevin Oliver, DJ Cozy Shawn, Zacchae'us Paul, and Russell Gunn and the Royal Krunk Jazz Orchestra! 1350 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd SW