Atlanta Public Safety Training Center  
Community Stakeholder Advisory Committee  
Draft Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2023

I. Welcome/Call to Order  
Meeting called to order 6:05pm

II. Roll Call  
A. Present  
Alison Clark – Boulder Walk Community  
Anne Philips – Neighborhood Planning Unit Z  
Jacquelyn Rainy - Stonewall Heritage Community Association  
Chief Tyus – Atlanta Police Department  
Shaun Billingslea – East Side Walk Community  
Amy Taylor – Starlight Heights Neighborhood  
Sharon Williams - East Side Walk Community  
Anne Philips – Neighborhood Planning Unit Z  
Hollis Turner – Norwood Manor  
Shirley Nichols - South River Gardens Community Association  
Patricia Culp - Cedar Grove Neighborhood  
Ophelia Lee - Thomasville Heights Civic League  
LaChandra Burks, City of Atlanta Mayors Designee  
Tory Tucker – Gates at Bouldercrest  
Jerrie Bason - Dekalb County Parks and Recreation  
First Deputy Chief James McLemore - Atlanta Fire Rescue Dept

B. Absent  
LaShun Atwaters on behalf of Commissioner Larry Johnson, DeKalb County  
Dustin Hillis - Chair, Atlanta City Council Public Safety Committee  
Nicole Morado – Starlight Heights Neighborhood

III. Governance  
- Adopt Agenda & Approval of Minutes  
  - Mover- Shirley Nichols  
  - Second- Patricia Culp  
  - Approved Unanimously
- **Elections**
  - Nominations
    - Chair - Alison Clark
      i. Mover- Patricia Culp
      ii. Second- Amy Taylor
      Nomination Accepted
    - Co-Chair – Sharon Williams
      i. Mover- Amy Taylor
      ii. Second- Patricia Culp
      Nomination Accepted
  - Motion to approve Chair (Alison Clark) and Co-Chair (Sharon Williams) by consent vote.
    i. Mover- Anne Phillips
    ii. Second- Patricia Culp
    Approved Unanimously

IV. **Education – Tony Kenney & Jennifer**
  - In conversation with Atlanta History Center and Agricultural Center.
  - Goal is to create an environment where the community is an equal partner and respected.
  - Experiential Graphics – how we define, navigate, and interact with the environment. Space where connection and education can occur.
  - Leadership institute
    i. Recruitment hub – for anyone who wants to start a career in public safety
    ii. Space where community members can learn – lobby will include some history.
    iii. Neutral space where people can interact, collaborate, and grow together.
  - Academic building
    i. Opportunity to tell history of APD and AFD.
    ii. Connecting first responders to community – understanding unique individuals while drawing a connection to how we are alike.
    iii. Create space for conversation.
iv. Space for education, mentorship, growth. Space where we can honor and inspire. Wall graphic with fire, police, EMS.
v. Further discuss concept and ideas around the community involvement.

- How we explore history
  i. Acknowledge site has history - work to preserve it not honor it.
  ii. Interactive element that can provide growth
      a. Art - film, photography, etc. – community provided art on concrete wall.
      b. Rotating tiles featuring individuals from community, police, fire. A conversational piece that explores what makes us different but similar.

- Questions:
  i. Sharon Williams & Alison Clark – questions on logistics for managing display – art will be catered to audience at the time. Great potential include to local artists.
  ii. Jacquelyn Rainy – is it possible to have something present for fallen first responders? – right outside, there will be a memorial wall.
  iii. Amy Taylor – agree with other areas of display. History is a big deal with property. Depth on how to highlight history.
       - Collaboration with CSAC and APF on how to tell the history. Important to work together to determine how best to tell the history.
  iv. Alison Clark – we will set a process for additional committee feedback
  v. Patricia Culp – would like to see those heroes quotes and stories displayed. – a lot of stories we could tell regarding these responders.

V. Security Update – Chief Tyus
- All has been quiet. Continuing daily walkthroughs and drone flyovers. No acts of rock or brick throwing.
- At the site three days a week – daily drone flyover.
- Questions:
i. Sharon Williams – saw a bunch of Dekalb police at key places on Bouldercrest. New normal? Chief Tyus – wanted everyone to be safe, so an uptick in police presence is a plus.

ii. Amy Taylor – see unfamiliar cars parked on street. Is there someone we can send a quick message to notify. Chief Tyus – will give information to Alison to disseminate. Encourage everyone to air on the side of caution. See something say something.

iii. Amy Taylor – a lot of old information/misinformation on social media, etc. might be a good idea to make a strong media appearance so there is not more fuel to the fire.

iv. Alison Clark – Need to make a point to push out more information about the work we’ve done, however, those who seek to spread misinformation will continue to do so. Tony Kenny – LS3P have seen much of the same misinformation and willing to collaborate and provide project data to ensure message is correct. Sharon Williams – Need to go on the offensive as the timing becomes right and it is safe to do so.

VI. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned: 07:14p
- Mover: Patricia Culp
- Second: Shirley Nichols

Respectfully submitted by Alison Clark