PSTC Task Force Meeting 2 Summary Subgroup – Visioning, Memorializing, and the Former Atlanta Prison Farm Site

Meeting Date: May 16, 2023

Attendees
Blake Fortune  Leo Smith  Sheffield Hale
Donna Stephens  Linda Adams  City Staff
Douglas Blackmon  Lisa Tuttle  Urban Staff

Meeting Agenda
• Welcome and Introductions
• Week 2 Presentation
• Subject Matter Expert Presentations
• Visioning Exercise
• Q&A/Open Discussion
• Wrap Up and Next Steps

Meeting Summary
• The Former Atlanta Prison Farm Site subgroup were given presentations from subject matter experts:
  o Sheffield Hale shared a history of the site that greatly differed from the 1999 document previously lauded as the sole source of information about the farm sites history. The site, purchased in 1911, operated until 1994. Conversation later had about how to acknowledge this truer history
  o Doug Young shared an account of the City of Atlanta's efforts in historic preservation via the Future Places Project and how those efforts relate to the vision of the group. Young also answered questions presented by the task force over the course of the process.
  o Douglas Blackmon presented on the similarities and differences of the Chattahoochee Brick Company, Bellwood Quarry, and the Atlanta Prison Farm
• Members reviewed, provided comments on, and revised draft vision statement.

Next Steps
• Respond to remaining questions from the comment cards
• Log recommendations and potential goals for the group based on meeting feedback
• Edit the vision statement and send to task force members for confirmation