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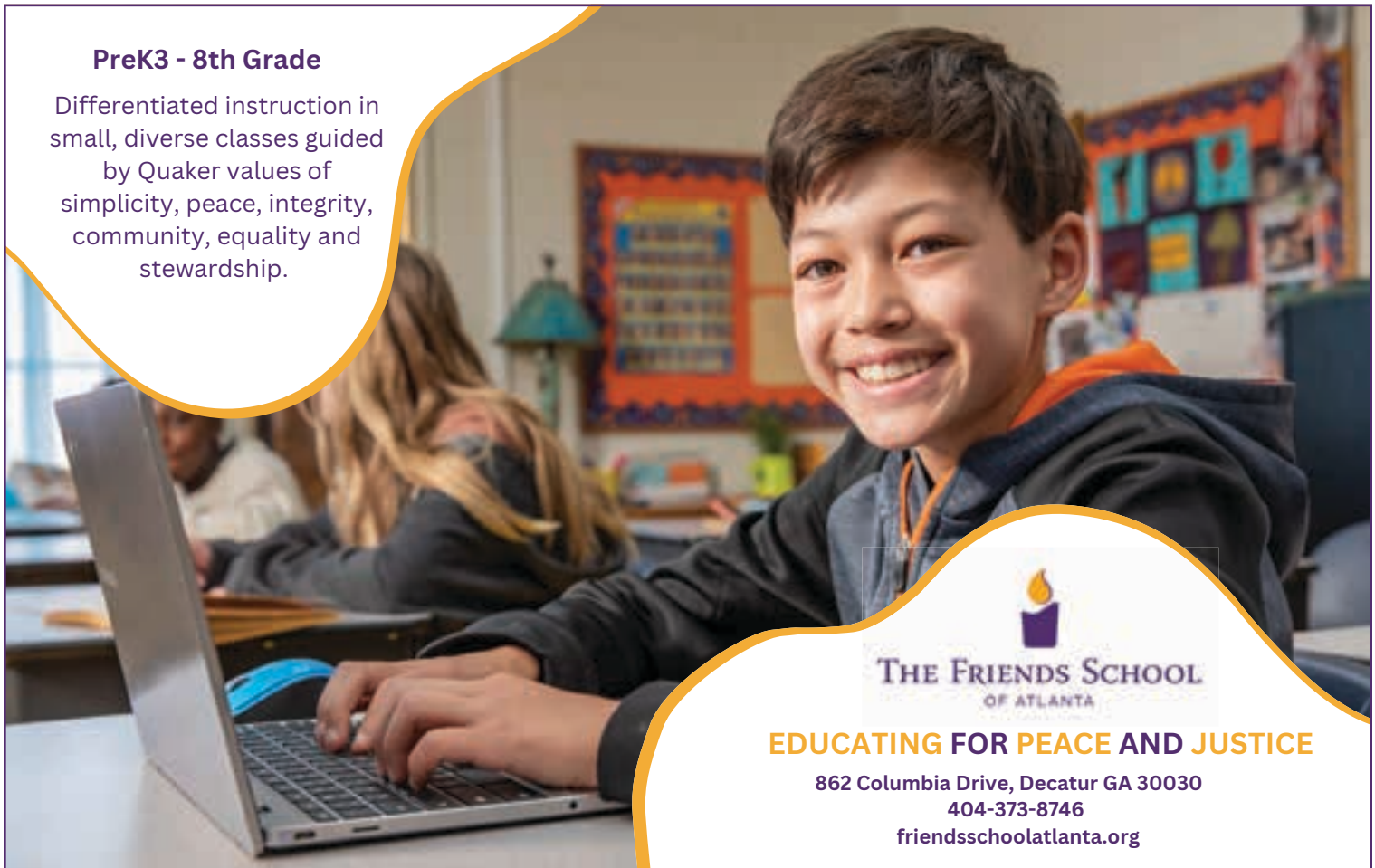
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CPNO Members Meetings are held every third Monday via Zoom.

All CPNO meetings are open to the public. Only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly Members Meetings. Membership applications must be received by Membership Officer by the first day of the month of meeting.

Committee meetings typically take place at The Neighborhood Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., unless otherwise announced. Check online calendar or with committee chair for changes.

Find specific meeting information on page 4 and up-to-date meeting and event information at www.candlerpark.org.

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March Llamas Bring April Showers

By *Christina Hodgen*, president@candlerpark.org

I began gardening at the beginning of the pandemic as a way to ease my anxiety. Luckily, Candler Park is filled with beautiful gardens for me to gain inspiration and knowledge. Every year my garden looks better because I keep working at it in spite of my failures.

Gardening is an exercise in hope. Even with the best knowledge, sometimes a planting isn't successful or a seed never germinates. There are a lot of unknowns in gardening. Often times, there are happy surprises as well.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

In gardening, and in life, there are things we can't control. We do our best to control what we can in situations, but sometimes there is absolutely nothing we can do to change it. If we are lucky, it works out for the best in the end. Maybe it just ends up ok and that's fine, too.

This spring, I have had a lot of happy surprises. I hope you all have some happy surprises as well.



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MAY

- 15** CPNO Membership Meeting, 7-9 pm, via Zoom and in-person at First Existentialist Church.
Deadline to submit content for May Messenger!

APRIL

- 15** Deadline to submit content for The Messenger!
- 19** CPNO Membership Meeting, 7-9 pm, Zoom and in-person at First Existentialist Church.

Many CPNO meetings are still held via Zoom. Please check CPNO's Upcoming Events list at candlerpark.org and watch for membership email notices for location and cancellation information. All CPNO meetings are open to the public.



Correction to April Messenger

A byline was omitted.

The article "RE: In Person CPNO Meetings – Are We Ready?" was written by Candler park resident Russell Miller. Apologies for not giving you credit, Russell, and thank you for your article!

How Many Shades of Grey

By Lexa King, Founder, Candler Park Forever, cpforever@candlerpark.org

Grey seems to have taken over as the new neutral paint color for home interiors. It used to be beige or cream, but now the favorite clearly is grey. Of course, it's not really a color of its own, but a combination of black and white. The darkness of it depends on the ratio of the 2 colors involved.

People talk a lot about the extreme views in the country right now. Seems almost like people see things as black or white. No room for grey. No room for including anything from a different point of view. Our society does that a lot. Something is good or bad, someone is right or wrong. And we seem to be applying it to more and more things. Lately it's books, history, cross dressing and even art for heaven's sake. I go to the High Museum a lot these days. I hope the people objecting so strongly to The David don't go there or the only things naked will be a lot of wall space and pedestals. Years ago they didn't seem to think of the human body as being something filthy, gross or pornographic. Go into the ancient churches in older continents and you will see naked cherubs and angels, including in the Sistine Chapel which has long been considered a masterpiece. But things change.

Just as favored paint colors seem to change over time, so do the beliefs and biases of the citizens. Years ago everyone in the Wild West wore a gun and at times those guns were what dictated which side won the argument. Some people seem to think we should revert back to that behavior. That would be one extreme of the spectrum of this issue. They think everyone should be able to carry a gun everywhere. Schools, churches, restaurants, theaters, no where is off limits. Others think society would be better gunless. Those are extreme viewpoints. There are several points along the way where they may be room for agreement between the 2 extremes. Should people known to be mentally unbalanced be able to purchase? Should there be a reasonable waiting time to perform background checks? Should weapons intended for war use be available to the public? Lots of room to try to find agreement.

We live in the time of lots of information being available to lots of people. With that comes the ability to know more about entertainers, celebrities, sports figures and leaders. We still seem to be sorting out how we use that information. Also, the information given to us is not always truthful. How do we weigh what

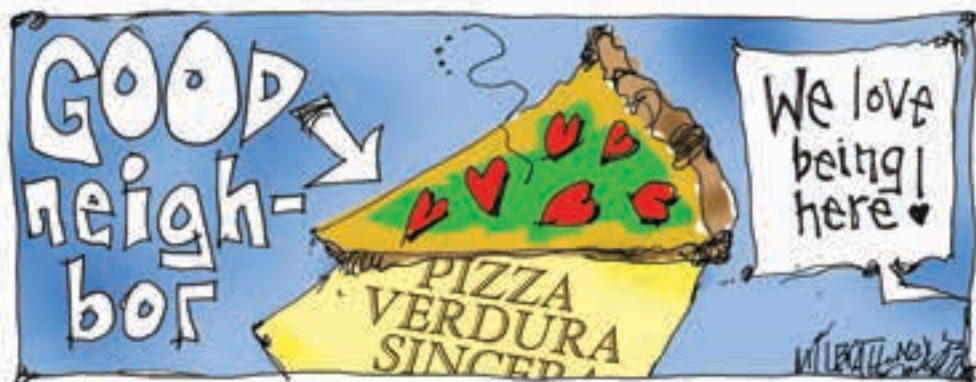
we believe? There are many choices to be made. Where on the spectrum do we want to be? Do we expect too much of our leaders? Now that we have so much more information, we have more responsibility. When FDR was in office, great pains were taken to not show him in his wheelchair fearing that people may think him weak. Now we have someone in office who has worked his entire life to overcome a speech impediment and some who don't care for his positions don't miss an opportunity to call a stumble in his speaking glaring evidence that he is inept.

Lest you think I am just rambling, I am trying to make a point. First, our able CPNO Board and Officers are VOLUNTEERS. They do not get paid for their service to our community. They do it out of love and a commitment to make us, as a group, better and, perhaps there is a tinge of masochism. They should be thanked on a regular basis for their efforts. WHETHER YOU AGREE WITH THEM OR NOT. This goes for all sorts of committee chairs. Fall Fest, Infrastructure, Historic Designation, etc.

We are in the midst of what could be a contentious issue. Whether or not to seek a historic designation for our neighborhood. There are a number of positions on this issue. Some want lots of restrictions, some do not want any. Personally, I don't care where you stand on the issue. The main focus is to protect our neighborhood from investors only here to make a quick buck and to preserve our property values. Here's what I do care about. Civility. Honor and respect each other in ALL interactions. Truth. Make sure you are spreading facts if you are interacting with others. I have heard all manner of falsehoods including, but not limited to, that the city will tell us what we can or cannot do (IT CAN TOTALLY BE OUR CHOICE), that we will be restricted to certain house paint colors (NOT UNLESS WE DECIDE WE WANT THAT), or that existing houses will have to be brought up to include whatever specifications we decide (JUST NO)!!

There are many shades of grey in this issue. Let's choose one that compliments us and shows us at our best. This can have a long and terrific impact on our Dear Candler Park.

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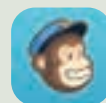
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Welcome and Thanks!

By Roger Bakeman, membership@candlerpark.org

CPNO welcomes new members:

- Bill Blouin
- Charles Bond
- Justin George
- Lindsey Cohen (Atlanta native who played in Candler Park as a child)
- Samrit Sangal and Meris Lutz
- Scott Johnson, Monica Lowstuter, & Jasper Johnson
- Susan Marx, Chris Serjak, and their family
- ... and 9 others who wished to remain anonymous.

CPNO thanks members for their donation:

- Alex and Paul Curtis
- Amanda Bolster
- Barbara Marston
- Bill Blouin
- Bob Emerson
- Caroline Swartz

- Hope Harrelson
- Howard and Katherine Connell
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- Jennifer Boehm
- Jennifer Gilligan and Joe Fucile
- Jerome and Norene Quinn
- Jess and Logan Thore
- John Morgan
- Kate Gundry
- Lance Holland (at Encyclomedia)
- Lauren & Jared Welsh
- Lindy and Jeff Kerr
- Naoya Wada
- Nicholas, Anthony, and Oliver Forge-Fontana
- Olivia & Eric Manders
- Pat and Terry Moy
- Robert and Carole Craig
- Sarah Colley and Mike Mikula
- Shari Obrentz
- the Lambert family

... and 39 others who wished to remain anonymous.



A Candler Park apartment building.



A house with two apartments.



A single-family house.

Candler Park Neighborhood: Stability and Change, Homeowners and Renters

By Roger Bakeman

Have you had this experience? You are driving in Atlanta and suddenly nothing seems recognizable. Where did all these new buildings come from? What happened to that grassy field?

By contrast the Candler Park neighborhood seems an island of stability. I moved here in 1975, nearly 50 years ago, just after homes had been demolished for a highway project on land that is now Freedom Park and other buildings and houses had been torn down for the MARTA station. Still, in spite of infill housing and renovations, almost all of the neighborhood remains recognizable.

This includes the large amount of relatively affordable rental housing in Candler Park. You could even say our stock of rental housing is historic. This, and recent conversations concerning historic preservation, caused me to wonder how many Candler Park residents are homeowners and how many are renters?

I posed this question to Emily Taff, our past CPNO president, who has been digging into this herself and who suggested I check out <https://City-Data.com> for a cursory investigation. This website provides reams of detailed data about Atlanta neighborhoods and provides data for Candler Park defined exactly as we do in our bylaws; thus for a first look it's much easier than trying to deal with census data.

Here are a few facts I gleaned from this website.

As of 2019 the population of Candler Park was 4,373. The makeup is 82% white and the rest relatively evenly distributed among Black, multiracial, Hispanic, and Asian. People, of course, live in households and so it is of interest to know how many households there are. According to City-Data.com, the total number of owner-occupied and renter-occupied units is 2,082, with 73% being owner-occupied and 27% renter occupied. Another helpful table gives the number of renters as 1,368, so 31% of the total Candler Park population lives in rental units.

CPNO has 866 members currently representing 647 households. I have no way of knowing whether a household represents an owner or a renter, but I do know that 14% of households gave an apartment number in addition to their street address and so live in a multifamily building. Probably many of these are renters.

Occasionally someone asks whether they can join CPNO as a renter. The answer of course is YES! CPNO is a neighborhood organization, not a homeowners' association. True, homeowners may be more motivated to join CPNO, but it is gratifying that the proportion of members living in multifamily buildings is as high as it is.

Roger Bakeman is a long-time Candler Park resident and currently is the Membership Officer for CPNO.

April Safer McLendon Update

By: CPNO Infrastructure Committee

CPNO's Infrastructure Committee has been busy working with their consulting partners at Lord Aeck & Sargent to analyze all the insightful feedback that we've received from our community. We've identified key intersections along McLendon Ave. spanning from Moreland to Ridgecrest and have started to conceptualize what a safer corridor could look like in the near future. These intersections include, but are not limited to Euclid/Elmira, Oakdale, Candler Park Drive, Page/Brooks/Clifton, Lakeshore/Claire/Southerland, and Howard.

Design concepts will be shared at the April CPNO meeting. Also in April, we will be having a conversation with the City of Atlanta to share your thoughts, the concepts and to receive some feedback. Our neighbors in Lake Claire will also be presenting to their members the ideas/concepts at their monthly meeting. Current concepts may be found at safermclendon.org.

Thank you for all your support and we look forward to continuing to advance this further.



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Aji Verde

Recipe Submitted by Kerry Dobson

Now that the warm weather is here to stay a lot of us will be firing up the grill. And to turn a simple grilled dinner into something absolutely outstanding I reach for this adaptation of an aji verde sauce. Aji verde is a bright and tangy Peruvian green sauce. It's fabulous on meats, fish, veggies, eggs, and absolutely anything else you can think of! An authentic Peruvian aji verde is made with aji amarillo (hot yellow pepper) and huacatay (black mint or black mint paste). Those ingredients can be difficult to find so this recipe uses simple substitutions you probably already have on hand. Enjoy!

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups lightly packed fresh cilantro, mostly leaves but small stems are ok
- 1/2 cup mayonaise
- 2 jalapeño peppers, seeded and roughly chopped
- 4 cloves of garlic roughly chopped
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan or Cotija cheese
- 1 or 2 limes, juiced
- 1/2 tsp sea salt

INSTRUCTIONS

In a food processor or blender, combine all of the ingredients. Blend until smooth. Taste, and adjust if necessary. If you find it's too spicy for you taste, blend in 1 tablespoon of olive oil while running the food processor. If it's not spicy enough, add some of the reserved jalapeño seeds and blend again. If it doesn't have enough zip, add some more lime juice. Aji verde keeps well in the refrigerator, covered, for about 1 week.



Why Hybrid Meetings Are Problematic

By Roger Bakeman, CPNO membership officer

At the April CPNO monthly meeting members voted 44 to 41 (52%) to “support returning to in-person meetings (with zoom option/hybrid) starting on the third Monday of May 2023 at First E Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive, 7pm EST.” This could be problematic.

In-person meetings, remote meetings, and hybrid meetings are qualitatively different experiences. In-person meetings, as we had before Covid, had the merit of simplicity. People came, signed in, and eligible members were given a voting ticket. Discussion proceeded by addressing the assembly and voting proceeded by counting the tickets of eligible members. Opportunities for informal socializing were provided both before and after the meeting with food available.

Remote meetings have the merit of convenience. No need to travel, find babysitters, or even be in Atlanta. Discussion proceeds by looking at your device’s screen and addressing your device’s microphone. Voting proceeds by the honor system—no voting tickets are handed out but people are told to vote only if they were members by the first of the month as our bylaws specify. But two people on one device count as one vote, although when I verify Zoom votes post-meeting (a fairly time-consuming process because Zoom names don’t always match membership names), I correct for two people on one device. Happily, almost always the Zoom results and the verified results are within a percentage point or two. Remote meetings require more resources. CPNO has to pay for software licenses, learn how to use the software effectively, and members need both devices and some computer skill.

Hybrid meetings introduce yet more complexities and require yet more resources. Discussion for in-person attendees proceeds by addressing, not the assembly, but a camera so it can be incorporated in the feed for remote attendees. This requires both good cameras and people to tend the cameras. It requires a screen or screens and speakers to display remote attendees. Coordinating all this puts more demands on the chair, who requires a staff to stage manage all the moving parts. And voting will become more time-consuming as both in-person and remote tallies need to be combined, the in-person being accurate and the remote still needing post-meeting verification as with remote meeting. Perhaps we could require that all in-person people also be on a device for voting, which could seem over-demanding for the less technically proficient. At least there could be some time for informal socializing, perhaps before because afterwards people might be too exhausted.

In sum, given the need for planning, testing, appropriate equipment decided on and purchased, and the need for more volunteers to staff hybrid meetings, beginning in May seems infeasible. And the closeness of the vote raises the question, might we be better served by an optional pause for a more careful consideration of costs and benefits.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR LISTING: FIDDLER’S GREEN

Fiddler’s Green Coffeehouse presents Deidre McCalla and Nicholas Edward Williams Saturday, May 20, 7:00 pm, at First Existentialist Congregation of Atlanta, 470 Candler Park Dr. NE. Deidre McCalla has long been in the forefront of Black artists reconfiguring perceptions of how Black folk do folk. Sing Out!



Magazine names Deidre one of our generation’s most important singer-songwriters. Deidre McCalla has touched audiences from Maui to Maine, church basements and college coffeehouses to Carnegie Hall. In 2021 Deidre was recognized with a SERFA Award from the Southeast Regional Folk Alliance. Host of the popular roots music history podcast American Songcatcher, Nicholas Edward Williams is a multi-instrumentalist and storyteller who is dedicated to “playing it forward” by preserving the songs and styles that have shaped our country: ragtime, Piedmont blues, traditional folk, old time and early country. Williams has spent the last 15 years touring around the US, the UK, Western Europe and Australia, blending the roots music spectrum in his own style. He has performed at festival stages on three continents. Presented by Atlanta Area Friends of Folk Music (AAFFM). Admission: Minimum Admission (cash or check): \$10 general, \$8 AAFFM and 1st E. Cong. members; additional contributions appreciated. Masks are encouraged. More information: www.aaffm.org (go to AAFFM Events) or 404-444-2334.

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Moving on to Phase 2

By the Historic Designation Committee



After March's CPNO vote, the Historic Designation Committee is gearing up for its next stage: A 10- to 14-month inclusive process to engage Candler Park residents and work with a consultant to define and draft proposed regulations for a potential Candler Park Historic District.

Most of you probably want to know when we're going to get started but there are a few items of business to take care of first.

THE COMMITTEE

The Committee will serve as the project management team for Phase 2 of the historic designation initiative. Our tasks will include publicizing and organizing meetings, continuing to educate ourselves and the neighborhood as we draft potential regulations, and ongoing fundraising to make sure the process is done as well as possible. Emily Taff is taking over as Chair the Committee, giving Mary Shaltis a much-deserved break, and the committee will take on new members.

All neighbors can have a voice as we work on drafting regulations through Community Engagement workshops and meetings designed for public input, review, and discussion. **However, if you have time to dedicate to the task of engaging the neighborhood in the process, please consider joining the Historic Designation Committee!**

We have outlined some specific tasks of the working Committee below to share the work that's needed to engage the neighborhood in this process and encourage those of you with these skills to join the team:

- **Communications and Outreach:**
These roles are among the most important in providing updates and insight to neighbors. Tasks include brainstorming, writing, and editing communications, posting content, and updating the website.
- **Secretary:**
Someone who can be responsible for taking meeting notes.
- **General Volunteers:**
People the committee can call on periodically to help with "legwork" like distributing communications, help at in-person events, or for other tasks.
- **Fundraising and Finance:**
Are you skilled at raising money? Diligent at tracking spending and a whiz with a spreadsheet? Please raise your hand for this subcommittee. Fundraising is important to make sure the process is done well!
- **Regulations and Education:**
Although our consultant will take the lead, these members will research and focus on developing an in-depth understanding of the historic designation process and regulations

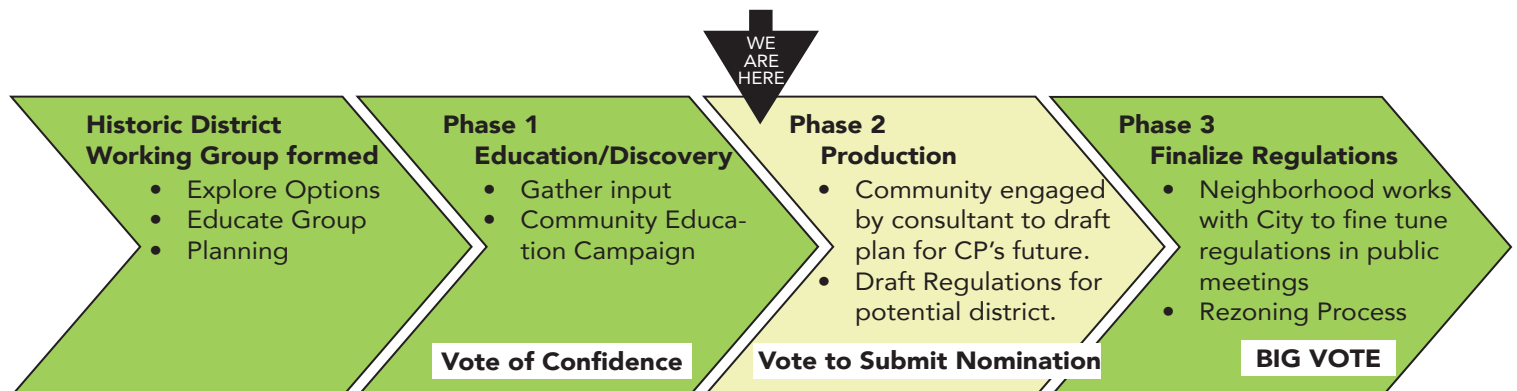
in order to work with the consultant to transform working session feedback into potential regulations. If you're knowledgeable about zoning codes and/or historic districts or designation processes, this may be a good place to volunteer.

THE PROCESS

While the team is currently working on a schedule, generally there will be at least 7 public engagement meetings over the next 10-14 months which follow a similar process to that of drafting a neighborhood master plan. We will start with Community meetings focused on deep dives into regulatory topics related to historic districts and then we'll get into workshopping draft regulations for a potential Candler Park district. Meeting notes and drafts of any documents generated will be posted after every meeting, both committee meetings and public engagement meetings/workshops, so that if you miss something you can still stay in the loop. You can also join our email list to get notices sent directly to you!

This process will allow Candler Park to have a thoughtful in-depth discussion about how this neighborhood would like to handle future growth.

We look forward to talking with you at workshops or working with you on a subcommittee to share some of the work that's needed to get us to regulations that everyone can review and vote on.



Where the Sidewalk Ends... On Euclid, Between Benning and North

By Seth Eisenberg

Shel Silverstein was not literally describing Euclid Avenue between Benning and North Avenue when he wrote the famous poem “Where The Sidewalk Ends.”

There’s no storybook ending here. What you have instead on Euclid Avenue is more of a high-speed thoroughfare, complete with unsafe sidewalks, zero crosswalks and limited visibility. Adults, children, dog walkers, athletes, anyone and everyone has no choice but to travel across and through traffic, from where the sidewalk ends, because there is no continuous sidewalk connecting Benning Avenue to North Avenue, right there along the tennis courts and Goldsboro Park.

This creates a perilous condition for everyone, including elementary students like my son and daughter who use this portion of Euclid to access Mary Lin Elementary School. It’s also no fun for the many walkers and runners using Euclid to get to the Freedom Park trail. They are forced to choose the lesser of two evils – walking on uneven and slippery gravel or squeezing in between parked cars and dodging vehicles traveling at high speeds. Tennis and basketball players cannot safely access the courts on Euclid despite these courts being a part of the City of Atlanta.

Last month, City Councilmember Amir Farokhi, and his adorable dog, met with concerned Candler Park residents who live along the Euclid Avenue corridor. The reason for the meeting was to discuss possible safety and infrastructure improvements by the City for the area. Councilmember Farokhi was receptive to concerns about the lack of sidewalks and traffic safety. At the meeting he promised to request a pricing estimate from the City for the installation of sidewalks along this stretch of Euclid. Additionally, he said he would request that a site visit be performed by a qualified engineer with the City’s transportation department to investigate potential traffic calming measures. He did, however, caution that finances would be an issue as the City has limited funding to address these issues.

There is the promise for ongoing dialogue that will hopefully lead to concrete action in the near future.

The lack of sidewalks along Euclid Avenue in this area has been a long-time concern for Candler Park residents. The neighborhood’s Master Plan,



enacted in 2013, expressly incorporated a recommendation for sidewalks along Goldsboro Park and the surrounding Euclid Corridor.

Recommendation 4.22 stated: “Complete the sidewalks on both sides of Euclid Avenue (Candler St. to Oakdale Rd.)”

Unfortunately, no further action was ever taken by the neighborhood or City to address the lack of infrastructure in this area.

Compounding this potentially dangerous situation is that Euclid Avenue is now a high-speed thoroughfare for motorists trying to avoid the traffic on Moreland Avenue. The posted speed limit is 30 mph, but cars routinely travel in excess of that. There are no crosswalks, signs, or other warnings to prevent motorists from driving too fast – which endangers pedestrians

trying to access Goldsboro Park or just walk along Euclid Avenue where there is no sidewalk. Also, there appears to be little to no concern for ADA access to the City tennis courts, basketball courts or Freedom Park Trail. Along this part of Euclid.

Simply put, there is no safe way to travel Euclid Avenue as a pedestrian or motorist without risking injury due to the lack of sidewalks or traffic calming measures in the area.

The residents on Euclid Avenue are committed to pushing for positive improvements in this area. If you are interested in learning more or engaging with City Councilmember Farokhi on this matter

in the future, please email him directly at arfarokhi@AtlantaGa.Gov or connect with concerned Euclid Avenue neighbors by contacting me at seth@eisenbergfirm.com.

I hope you are interested in joining us because we want to turn Euclid, between Benning and North, from a dangerous high-speed thoroughfare where pedestrians dodge traffic, into what Shel Silverstein would describe as a place where, “we’ll walk with a walk that is measured and slow...”

Where the sidewalk ends is where our work begins.

Seth Eisenberg is a proud Candler Park resident since 2008 and CPNO member, having formerly served as Zoning Chair and as a Board Member from 2013-2016.



EGG HUNT

A bunch of egg-cited kids participated in the Egg Hunt on April 16. Thanks to all the organizers and volunteers who worked to make this event so much fun! (Pictures submitted by Shari Golla and Amy Jensen)





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also 1/2 off many of their wines. Be sure
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CPNO Officer and Committee Report for April 17, 2023

Membership-Roger Bakeman

- As of April 15, CPNO has 867 members; 596 of them have renewed for 2023, which means 271 will no longer be “members of record” (our bylaws phrase) unless they renew by April 30. We have scheduled a block party for May 20th— see the April Messenger for details—and hope to see more porch and block parties throughout the year.

Pubic Safety-Larry Compton

- The following is the quarterly state of Zone 6 as reported by Maj Angela Webster of APD. Text summary by CPNO Safety:
- Crime Rates: Violent crime is down 40%. Property crime is up 20% but this is almost entirely due to a 100% increase in vehicle thefts. Increased vehicle theft rates are due to a KIA/Hyundai software flaw that is still unpatched. Residents that own vulnerable vehicles may reach out to APD to obtain a “club” anti-theft device for free. If you don’t know who to contact email safety@candlerpark.org.
- Camera Coverage: APD Zone 6 is working to increase camera coverage. Little Five Points now has 8 working cameras with remote pan-tilt-zoom capability. APD is working to increase camera placement in Old Fourth Ward and Grant Park.

- DUI Training: Zone 6 officers are being sent for DUI training to increase ability to improve roadway safety.
- Noise Complaints: Zone 6 noise complaints are being worked proactively by placement of noise meters. Residents should continue to report noise ordinance violations.
- 911 Upgrade: Relevant to Candler Park, the City of Atlanta is fixing call routing issues for neighborhoods on the Dekalb County line. Officers are making test calls from known troublesome areas. Residents that are being misrouted to Dekalb 911 please contact safety@candlerpark.org. In addition, 911 upgrades coming soon will allow text messages containing video and text to be sent directly to 911.

External Affairs- DJ Roedger

- Two items addressed at the March 23, 2023, NPU-N meeting were pertinent to Candler Park
- 1.Moxie Burger LRB application - NPU-N voted to support.
- 2.Community Design Awards - NPU-N voted to award Candler Park Fall Fest Community Design Award.

April 17, 2023 CPNO Members Meeting - Draft Minutes Virtual

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Christina Hodgen, President. The motion to adopt the amended agenda passed. The motion to approve the March Minutes passed.

Guest Speakers:

- Atlanta Police Zone 6- not present
- Amir Farouhki, City Councilman, District 2, spoke about MARTA funding and sidewalk repair.

NEW BUSINESS:

Russell Miller proposed a motion to return to in person meetings at the First Existentialist Church, beginning May 2023.

Motion to amend the motion to include online/hybrid option passed. Motion to call the question passed. Motion to return to in person meetings, with an online/hybrid option, at the First Existentialist Church, beginning May 2023 passed.

SAFER MCLENDON

Matt Cherry of Lord, Beck, Sargent presented a progress report on the McLendon Avenue Safer Streets project.

COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Lauren Welsh, Little Five Points Business Association

Gateway helping with homeless in Little Five Points; Call 311

People Make the Place-Sunday August13

Business Association has received a grant from the City.

Brian Kyle- FallFest Chairman

Will expand the footprint; need volunteers; need sponsorships

May 6- FallFest Field Day

Emily Taff- Historic Designation Chairperson

Committee meetings open to all; Next meeting April 26

Working on the following: communications, volunteers, Secretary, Fundraising, Regulations/Education

Kelly Stocks-Little Five Points Alliance

Patio Parties every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

Motion to support the Patio Parties passed.

Zoning- Jason Key

Pizza Verdura Sincera- 1.Motion to support Pizza Verdura Sincerra’s application for a beer and wine license at 377 Moreland passed.

New Development at 323-361 Moreland Avenue- does not require a neighborhood vote (200 units, retail space, and parking for 200 cars).

Treasurer Report-Amy Wheeler

- \$5,000 donations
- Reviewed monthly expenses

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Secretary

April 17, 2023

MAY CRIME REPORT, CANDLER PARK

Date	Day	Time	Location	Description
Theft From Motor Vehicle	3/18/2023	Saturday	2247	400 Block Candler St NE
Theft From Motor Vehicle	3/20/2023	Sunday	0102	1600 Block McClendon Ave NE
Theft From Motor Vehicle	3/22/2023	Wednesday	1612	1500 Block Iverson St NE
Burglary / Vandalism (Business)	3/24/2023	Friday	0432	1600 Block McClendon Ave NE
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4/1/2023	Friday	1330	1600 Block McClendon Ave NE
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4/9/2023	Sunday	0700	1500 Block Dekalb Ave NE
Vandalism / Property Damage	4/11/2023	Monday	2315	1200 Block Druid Place NE
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4/14/2013	Thursday	0200	1500 Block Dekalb Ave NE
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4/15/2023	Thursday	1345	1500 Block Dekalb Ave NE
SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY ROLLUP			SAFETY OFFICER ASSESSMENT	
Theft From Vehicle - 7 Vandalism - 1 Business Burglary / Vandalism - 1			Increased reporting from commercial areas of McClendon/Clifton and Dekalb/Mell (6/9 incidents)	

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Being sequestered in the house on another stormy spring day seems like a perfect time to talk about hydration. The plants outside my window look so lush and healthy after the rain. Fully hydrated and ready to face the heat of the sun when the storm passes. Makes me want a glass of water....wait...I'll be back....oh actually! Go grab a glass and come back, I'll wait.... Ahhhh.... Better.

Now where was I (besides well hydrated)? Let's sprint right through the dry basics of staying hydrated.

Basics:

How much water should I drink? A good baseline is about 72-96 ounces per day. This can vary by activity level, climate, body size, etc. But getting 72-96 ounces is a great amount for most people most days.

Do all liquids count? Generally, no. Many beverages have other ingredients that makes our body use the water in the beverage to process them. Coffee, alcohol, and sugary drinks (soda) are not hydrating (and can be negative). When considering caffeine, I often ask that you add back the ounces in water that you drank in the caffeinated beverage.

Start your day with a tall glass of water, at least 16 ounces. I am always surprised how

parched I am in the morning. That first glass before doing anything else is both satisfying and fantastic for hydration. I find it harder to hit my water goal if I skip this glass.

Now let's get fully immersed!

Drink room temperature water! I know. I know. In America, we always have ice in our water or drink from the refrigerator. But cold water can be harder on your system than warm water. Room temperature water or warm water has many health benefits that range from blood circulation to better bowel movements. Now, after coming inside on a 97o summer day may be forgivable but only because the full body ice bath wasn't ready.

Another item to consider when discussing water is when to drink it. You want to consume the lion share of water NOT while you are eating or digesting food. Spread out the water thought the day. You may wish to stop drinking water by a certain time in the evening to avoid nightly wake ups.

Also try to ditch the bottled water (for so many reasons). Drinking filtered water is best.

Can I make my water interesting?

Yes! I know that no one is going to only drink room temperature water all day long without

getting a little bored. Here are some ways to make that water exciting and fit your needs throughout the day.

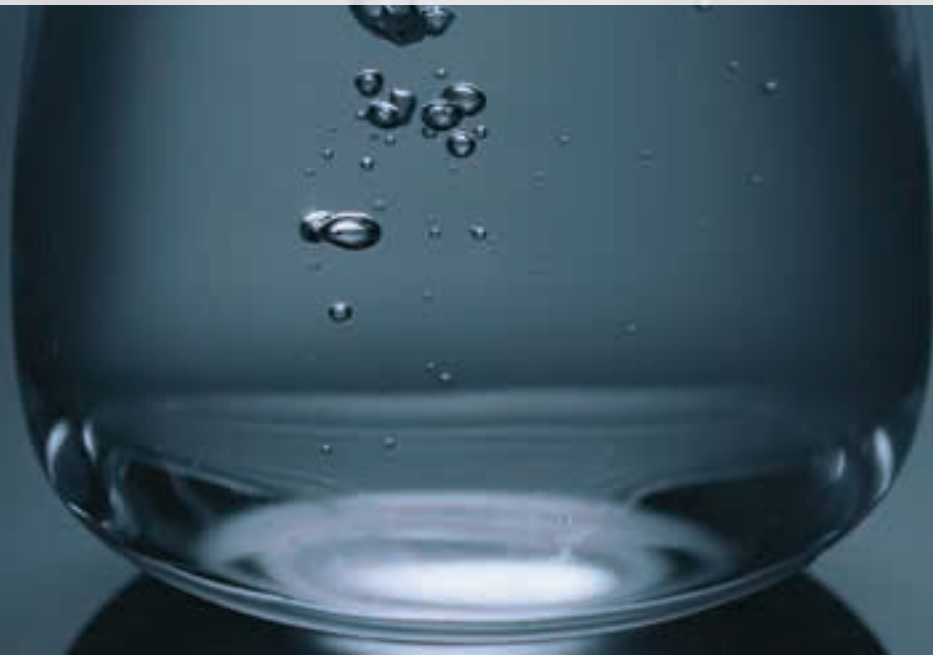
Thirsty after a workout? Add some electrolytes to your water. Find a brand that does not have added sugar or fake flavoring to get the benefits of the nutrients without inhibiting your ability to absorb them.

Enjoy a little zest? Squeeze a lemon into a full glass. This is particularly great first thing in the morning to jumpstart your system (and wake you up a little).

Time for a tea break? Yes, sounds lovely. A nice afternoon cup of herbal tea is both hydrating and calming. Some herbal teas can be dehydrating like ones that say detox or remedy. Those are great if you are feeling a little under the weather but may not help stay fully hydrated. Lemon, ginger, lavender, and many other teas are a great way to get a tasty beverage.

What do I do?

Glad you asked. I warm filtered and re-mineralized water to fill a 32 ounce mason jar which then doubles as a hand warmer. I do this at least three times per day. Warm and hydrated, what could be better!



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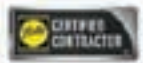
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- ✓ May is also the month when temperatures can soar into the 90s, and on average, Atlanta registers its first 90 degree day on May 31.
- ✓ However, the earliest 90 degree day on record for Atlanta was recorded on April 23, 1980. The latest first 90 degree day occurred on July 28, 1961.
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