

**Morningside-Lenox Park Association (www.mlpa.org)
Monthly Board Meeting Agenda – October 9, 2015**

Call to Order and Welcome - Rae called the meeting to order as Carmen was out of town.

Approval of Minutes- Separate votes for July, August, August Special meeting, and September. All minutes were approved 9-0

Variations

V-15-255

683 Cumberland Circle - **Board approved 10-0 pending verification of notification letters sent to neighbors.**

- Applicant seeks a variance to reduce the West side yard setback from 7 feet to 4.9 feet to allow for a 2nd story addition to a single family dwelling.
- Motion to approve per the site plan dated 9-30-15. Pending verification of notification letters to neighbors.
- Motion Passed 14-0-0.

V-15-260

1476 North Highland Ave - **Board approved 10-0 motion to defer**

- Applicant seeks a special exception to allow a 6 foot high privacy fence in the required half depth front yard.
- Motion to approve.
- Motion failed 2-9-4
- Motion to defer for one month.
- Motion passed 14-0-0

V-15-261

1825 Homestead Ave - **Board approved 10-0**

- Applicant seeks a variance to reduce the half depth front yard setback from 17.5 feet to 8 feet to allow for additional floor area in an existing attic.
- Motion to approve per the site plan dated 9-9-15. Pending verification of notification letters to neighbors.
- Motion Passed 15-0-0.

V-15-265

810 Cumberland Road - **Board approved 10-1-0 Pending letter of approval from Frank Mabley (City Arborist).**

- Applicant seeks a variance (1) to reduce the required West side yard setback from 7 feet to 2 feet and (2) to reduce the rear yard setback from 15 feet to 2 feet to install site improvements to include a 7 foot high bench and 7 foot high fountain, respectively. Applicant also seeks a variance (3) to exceed the required lot coverage from 50% to 64.3% to install the proposed landscaping, fountain, patio, and bench.
- Motion to approve per the site plan dated 9-9-15.
- Motion Passed 14-0-1.

Treasurer's Report –Chuck >\$100K in assets (first time in years). There was a question raised about an item under fall event proceeds. Chuck will review the reports and determine what/where this line item belongs.

Action item for each Committee Chair by OCTOBER 26 CLOSE OF BUSINESS (5 PM) to both Chuck and Carmen. Chuck will provide a copy of the contract for MSP by NOVEMBER 2ND.

Parks and Monuments Committee Report – Sally

A grant request for \$2500 to help develop Smith Park. Other ideas to help raise funds - place a link on the MLPA Facebook site to donate money; sign at Smith Park with the URL to donate.

Pack 17 and Trees Atlanta will be planting trees on November 14th from 9AM-11AM. They will be planting >150 trees in our neighborhood.

Membership Categories Discussion – Bill

1. Beyond Security - what price points? Still not determined.

2. Security - what price should we ask? Do we change the current price point or change? Still not determined.

3. We need to have our members vote on any changes. The survey may shed light on this issue (see New Business).

New Business

- **Renewal Process -- Rae - The bottom line - direct mailing works. After all the emails (and even calls) the best “bang for our buck” was the direct mailing via USPS to our non-renewing members. The cost for the mailings is approximately \$400 per quarter to get these out. A motion was made and seconded to approve the spending of \$400/quarter for direct mailing. Passed 11-1**
- **Survey -- Rae - Reviewed the survey questions and process. Costs for the survey are approximately \$100. Motion was made and seconded to approve the spending of \$100 for the survey. Passed 11-0**
- **A new magazine may be launching shortly that will be mailed directly to the residents of MLPA. Title TBD. The creator of the magazine (insert name here) presented his vision and asked for our input. He will be contacting Tom Coggin for more information.**
- **Update from traffic - there will be a meeting in the next few weeks with Alex Wan to discuss the traffic issues on Pelham.**

Adjourn