



Meeting Minutes

Special Greetings from Al Bartell

Mayoral Candidate, attending the meeting to ensure that community leaders are a part of the decision-making process. Wants to improve our relationship to data. Mr. Bartell addressed the group. For more information go to www.bartellformayor.com.

Midtown Assistance Center - Jillian Madden

The Development Director at [Midtown Assistance Center](#) presented to ADNA. The Midtown Assistance Center started in Midtown but recently relocated in the Downtown neighborhood. MAC is located at [Atlanta First United Methodist Church](#) on the corner of Peachtree Street and Ralph McGill Blvd. MAC's mission is to provide emergency assistance to lower income working Atlantans to help prevent homelessness and hunger during periods of crisis. They inter-faith non-profit organization provides resources for people who are in low income working households and help to prevent families from experiencing homelessness. MAC serves as a safety net for people in need and served over 3,700 clients in 2016. For more information go to: midtownassistancectr.org. They accept donations for clothing and food.

CAP/Interface consultants

[Central Atlanta Progress/Atlanta Downtown Improvement District](#) is updating the Downtown Master Plan. It has been 10 years since the [Imagine Downtown](#) plan was initially created. Downtown has had substantial growth throughout the area and now is the ideal time to create a vision for the next 10 years. The [Downtown Atlanta Master Plan](#) consists of three components: Downtown Real Estate Market Study, Downtown Transportation Plan, and Planning and Urban Design.

This Planning and Urban Design component is being led by [Interface Studio](#). Mindy Watts, and other representatives from Interface attended the meeting to discuss the Downtown area with ADNA. This is one of many public engagement events to gather information about the vision of the Downtown area. For more information visit: www.planDowntownATL.com or take a survey to provide your thoughts.

MARTA Listening Session

MARTA has announced a public [Listening Sessions](#) to discuss the implementation plans for the MARTA half penny sales tax. This meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 18th and Thursday, January 19th. For more information visit: www.itsmarta.com.

Thursday, January 19, 2017
City of Atlanta – City Hall
Old Council Chamber Upstairs
68 Mitchell Street SW
Atlanta, GA 30303
Day Meeting: 11:00 am – 12:30 am
Evening Meeting: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Wednesday, January 18, 2017
MARTA Headquarters
2424 Piedmont Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30324
Day Meeting: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Evening Meeting: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Atlanta Arts and Entertainment District

Change to the City sign district to allow for off-site signage advertising. This would allow for billboards and new signage. As new commercial development comes online they are unable to include digital media and dynamic signage. This would help to activate dead concrete walls and allow for more signage. CAP has identified a model in the Denver Theater District to help regulate signage to improve the Downtown area rather than take away from it. Advertisement would participate in a revenue share to help fund activation in the Downtown Area.

For more information visit:

- [Atlanta Arts & Entertainment District](#)
- [Atlanta Arts & Entertainment District Fact Sheet](#)
- [Denver Theater District](#)
- [Downtown Atlanta Bright Lights District](#)
- [CAP A&E District Presentation](#)

City Council Legislation

- [Co-operation Agreement](#)
- [Creation of Arts & Entertainment District](#)
- [Downtown Arts & Entertainment District – 16-O-1608](#)

Westside TADAC Designee

- Martin DiGeronimo was nominated
- Motion to have Martin serve as the representative. Motion seconded. No votes opposed.

Underground Community Meeting – January 14, 2017

WRS is having a public meeting on Saturday January 14, 2017 at 10:30 am in the atrium above the food court. Projected closing is after January 19th. ADNA sent a demand letter to City Council and the Mayor in the first week of January. A response was received from the City acknowledging receipt of the suit. Funding was provided by TreadATL, Darin Givens. The best way to access the Atrium is through Alabama Street near Central Avenue. This meeting is open to the public.

Hilton Hotel Alcohol License

- Change of Agent – Kevin Left
- Hilton hotels is restructuring and they are moving the liquor license from one LLC to another LLC. It will be Hilton Management LLC moving forward.
- Motion to support, seconded. No opposition. Motion was passed.