

Dear Friends of AMPC,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Conservancy's Second Strategic Workshop on September 18, 2013! Nearly 150 attendees gathered at Bobby Jones Club House from adjacent neighborhoods, including the Bobby Jones golf and Bitsy Grant tennis communities, to continue discussion of the following four key components to Atlanta Memorial Park: Bitsy Grant Tennis Center, Bobby Jones Golf Course and the historic grounds and parklands. Organized to address and solicit input to provide the basis for developing a long-term master plan to guide future park improvements, Atlanta-based HGOR principal Bob Hughes facilitated the workshop with guided topics for discussion and ample community feedback.

Workshop Two comments were largely in support of the following:

Park Setting and its Environment

- Preserving and adding accessible passive green space
- Ensuring connectivity to surrounding areas was endorsed with desire for limited development in favor of flexible open space
- Prioritizing items which enhance useable passive park space adjacent to all neighborhoods

Park Connectivity and Trails

- Using environmentally responsible materials
- Clear thought and consideration should be given to the size and materials utilized in the pedestrian trail system
- General trails west of Northside Drive should be narrower and in scale with the neighborhood
- Trails should allow for easy stroller usage

Bobby Jones Golf Course & Bitsy Grant Tennis Center

- Shifting the pro shop operations from Woodward Way to an expanded Tennis Center & Golf Pro Shop
- Supporting 9 holes and a practice range as well as maintaining 18 holes of golf
- General Theme- Bitsy Grant Tennis Center
- Expanded tennis center with co-located separate golf and tennis parking

Historic Club House & Potential Pool

- Continuing to give thought to future uses of historic Club House
- Investigating the feasibility of a neighborhood pool in conjunction with the Club House

The third and last workshop will take place November 21, 2013, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Bobby Jones Clubhouse with a presentation of a final master plan scheduled for January 2014.

Please be sure to spread the word to friends and neighbors who will want to attend the next workshop so their voice will be heard. To get involved, become a member & learn more please visit us at <u>www.atlmemorialpark.org</u>

Plans Discussed at Workshop Two

Golf & Tennis Option 1



Golf & Tennis Option 2



Enlarged Passive Green Space



In Other AMPC News

Georgia Department of Transportation

AMPC was invited by GDOT to become a consulting party to the raising of the Northside Bridge project. Bob Hughes has been notified and we will be moving forward with our proposed design. The fact that we are getting in on the ground floor is extremely important in getting as much of our design adopted as possible.

Membership Drive

John Egan and Erin Mayo have kicked off our Fall Membership Drive. Look for correspondence from your neighborhood captain regarding cocktail house parties to learn more about AMPC's vision and scope.