



## LAWRENCEVILLE UNITED

A Resident Driven Organization

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June 2, 2011

Boys and Girls Club | 4600 Butler Street

6:30p

In attendance:

Lauren Byrne (LU)

John Pergal (NA)

Community Residents

Matt Galluzzo (LC)

Chris Lasky (NA)

Maya Henry (LC)

Jimmy Woods (NA)

Chris Lasky distributed expansion plans to all present. The plans showed the full kitchen build-out on the first floor, as well as, the roof top construction (plane and ground view).

Jimmy Woods confirmed that the roof-top area would be a dining establishment only. No music, no speakers. In addition, it would close once the kitchen closed (Sun – Thurs 11p, Fri & Sat 12a).

The roof deck will have a canvas canopy that covers half the area, plus table top umbrellas on the exposed tables. There will be a 3'6" fence/ railing around the entire deck. Patrons will access the roof top via interior stairs. Ideally, the roof will open early August 2011. The occupancy will double from 80 to 160 with the expansion.

In addition to the roof construction, Chris Lasky mentioned several other updates for New Amsterdam. As of June 1<sup>st</sup> New Amsterdam is a non-smoking establishment. Sound Proof panels were purchased and will be installed to absorb more sound in the bar and thus allow less sound to echo out to surrounding residents. The garage door will be closed the moment any DJ or band begins playing and the speaker system will be moved to point inward to the bar, rather than out the garage door. Music/ bands will only play M/W/F.

In addition, New Amsterdam is currently looking to hire a full time chef to bring back several old menu favorites, as well as, increase the number of healthy and vegetarian menu options.

Concerns about parking were discussed. New Amsterdam stated that a large portion of their client is local traffic. They do not plan to actively recruit more patrons from outside Lawrenceville, but overall they do not have much control over parking issues. The Lawrenceville Corporation in association with the URA will be conducting a parking analysis of Lawrenceville to find temporary solutions for parking between residents and business patrons.

As side note, Chris Lasky also mentioned that the mural on the 45<sup>th</sup> street side of the building will be painted over.

Jimmy Wood (manager and part-owner) also offered to hand his cell phone out to any neighboring residents so they can call him if any further problems occur.