

CAP/ADID Town Hall Meeting

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Q&A – Responses from Atlanta Police Department Major Prenzinna Spann

What is the status of negotiations with Fulton County on the City Detention Center? I am unaware of the status of negotiations between Fulton County and the City Detention Center. The Atlanta Police Department is a separate entity and remains committed to enforcing the law. Once a suspect is apprehended, we will transport our perpetrators to any jail that will hold them for prosecution.

Have any of the restaurants/clubs had their liquor licenses pulled this year? Have any been audited this year to examine their food/liquor sales ratio? None of the restaurants/clubs had their liquor licenses pulled this year by the city. However, Brooklyn Kitchen and Lounge located 12 W. Peachtree Pl had their state license for alcohol revoked due to their inability to obtain a city alcohol license. There have been several applications for alcohol permits denied through the License and Review Board and the Mayor. The City's Department of finance is responsible for conducting the random audits for food/liquor sales. It is unknown how many audits have been completed by them to date.

What about the drag racing? The Atlanta Police Department has been successful in apprehending drivers that commit drag racing in our city. We continue to modify our efforts in partnership with our local and state law enforcement partners. Street racing activity will not be tolerated on our streets, and we will continue working to stop these incidents and apprehend these reckless drivers.

We're experiencing problems with young teens who are armed on scooters threatening tenants and security personnel downtown. This is apparently gang related. Corporations want employees back on site, however, this is a deterrent to getting them back in the office downtown. We have seen an increase in juvenile lawlessness in Zone 5. In addition to deploying more officers in the areas where we have observed the juveniles congregating, we have partnered with the Mayor's Office of Youth Engagement, Atlanta Public Schools, Fulton County Sheriff's Office, and Fulton County Police Department to provide mentorship and entrepreneurship opportunities. For businesses or apartments that wish to cease scooter operations in their parking decks, they can [submit an ATL311 request with this link](#). The complaint gets sent directly to scooter companies and they have to fix the issue. Please continue to call 911 when you see suspicious activity.

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