

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY

SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT (SLUP) APPLICATION

to Amend the Official Zoning Map of DeKalb County, Georgia

APPLICANT/OWNER: LaTrice Parrish

Subject Property Address: 1790 Lavista Rd

City: Convington State: GA Zip: 30016

Parcel ID Number(s): 18 110 04 017

Acreage: 8.88 Commission District(s): 2 Super District: 6

Existing Zoning District(s): R85- Proposed Zoning District(s): R85-SF RES DIST

Existing Land Use Designation(s): 620 CHURCHES Proposed Land Use Designation(s): _____ (if applicable)

I hereby authorize the staff of the Planning and Sustainable Department to inspect the property that is the subject of this application.

Owner ☒ Agent ☐

LaTrice G. Parrish
Signature

10-01-2026

Date

NOTE: PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT THE APPLICATION AND ALL OF ITS CONTENTS IS A PUBLIC RECORD ONCE SUBMITTED AND ACCEPTED FOR A ZONING CYCLE

SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT (SLUP) APPLICATION FEE:

\$400.00

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Decatur, GA 30030

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Disclosure of Campaign Contribution

In accordance with the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Act, OCGA Chapter 36-67A, the following questions must be answered.

Have you, the applicant, made \$250.00 or more in campaign contributions to a local government official within two years immediately preceding the filling of this application?

☐ Yes ☒ No

***Notary seal not needed if answer is "No"**

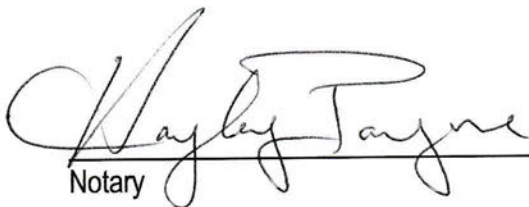
If the answer is yes, you must file a **Disclosure Report** with the governing authority of DeKalb County showing:

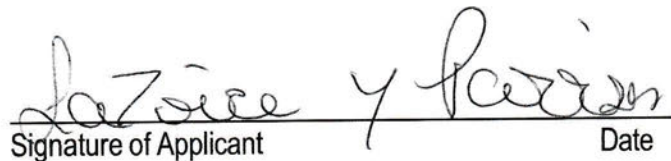
1. The name and official position of the local government official to whom the campaign contribution was made.
2. The dollar amount and description of each campaign contribution made during the two years immediately preceding the filing of this application and the date of each such contribution.

The **Disclosure** must be filed within 10 days after the application is first filed and must be submitted to:

CEO Lorraine Cochran-Johnson
1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, GA 30030

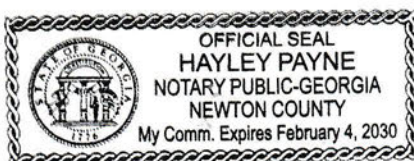
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Notary

 10-11-26
Signature of Applicant Date

Check one: Owner ☒ Agent ☐

02/04/2030
Expiration Date/ Seal





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Authorization

The property owner(s) should complete this form or a similar signed and notarized form if the individual who will file the application with the County is not the property owner.

Sept. 10, 2026

Date

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I/We Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
Name of Owner(s)

being owner of the above-mentioned subject property hereby delegate authority to:

John Carter, Senior Warden

Name of Agent or Representative(s)

to file an application on my/our behalf.

Michael Cron-Harper
Notary Public

[Signature]
Owner

9-10-26
Date



Purpose Christian ATL

Community Meeting Sign-In Sheet

Thank you for attending our community meeting. Please print your name and provide your email address.

#	Name	Email Address
1	Allen Venet	avenet@bellsouth.net
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PURPOSE CHRISTIAN ATL

SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT (SLUP) – LETTER OF APPLICATION

Property Address: 1790 LaVista Road, Atlanta, GA 30329

1. Proposed Zoning Classification

The property is currently zoned R-85. Purpose Christian ATL is requesting a Special Land Use Permit (SLUP) to operate a private Christian elementary school within the existing educational/classroom facilities on the property.

2. Reason for the Special Land Use Permit Request

The purpose of this request is to provide a safe, supportive, and academically enriching educational environment for children in the surrounding community. Purpose Christian ATL seeks to offer quality education with individualized attention, strong academic foundations, character development, and opportunities for students to grow academically, socially, and spiritually.

3. Existing and Proposed Use of the Property

The property currently contains church facilities, a fellowship hall, and a separate classroom building. The proposed use is to operate Purpose Christian ATL, a private Christian elementary school serving kindergarten through third grade. The school intends to utilize the existing classroom facilities without proposing new construction as part of this request.

4. Detailed Characteristics of the Proposed Use

- **Floor Area:** Use of existing classroom space, with the specific area to be determined from available building records.
- **Building Height:** No change to the existing building height is proposed.
- **Number of Units:** Not applicable; the proposed use is an educational facility rather than a residential development.
- **Student Enrollment:** Initially anticipated to serve approximately 40 students, subject to final facility approvals and enrollment planning.
- **Staffing:** A small team of teachers and administrative/support personnel, with staffing based on enrollment and program needs.
- **Teacher-to-Student Ratio:** A target ratio of approximately 1 teacher for every 10 students to promote individualized instruction and student success.
- **Educational Programs:** Core academic instruction, dedicated reading and mathematics labs, arts enrichment, and activities that encourage critical thinking, creativity, confidence, and character development.
- **Manner and Hours of Operation:** Primarily weekday school-day operations, with occasional Saturday educational or enrichment activities as needed.

Community Benefit

Purpose Christian ATL will be a valuable asset to the community by providing families with an additional educational option focused on academic excellence, individualized learning, and student development. The reading and mathematics labs will provide targeted opportunities for students to strengthen essential skills, build confidence, and improve academic performance. The school's small class structure will allow teachers to identify individual learning needs and provide additional support where needed.

The school intends to operate responsibly, maintain a safe and orderly environment, and work cooperatively with neighboring residents and the surrounding community. The goal is to create a positive educational resource that supports children, strengthens families, and contributes to the long-term well-being of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

LaTrice Y. Parrish
Purpose Christian ATL

PURPOSE CHRISTIAN ATL

SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT — IMPACT ANALYSIS

Property Address: 1790 LaVista Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30329

Proposed Use: Private Christian School Serving Kindergarten Through Third Grade

A. Adequacy of the Site

The proposed site includes existing church-related facilities and a separate classroom building that will accommodate the proposed educational use, subject to applicable county requirements and approvals. Purpose Christian ATL intends to provide a structured educational environment with appropriate classroom space, reading and mathematics labs, and educational enrichment activities. The proposed enrollment, classroom arrangement, parking, and other site requirements will be addressed in accordance with applicable regulations.

B. Compatibility With Adjacent Properties

Purpose Christian ATL seeks to operate as a responsible educational institution that complements the surrounding community. The school will provide elementary education in a structured, supervised setting. The school intends to minimize impacts on neighboring properties through orderly student drop-off and pick-up procedures, appropriate supervision, responsible operating practices, and consideration for surrounding residents.

C. Public Services and Utilities

The school will rely on the property's available public or private services and utilities, subject to confirmation that they are adequate for the proposed educational use. Any additional requirements identified by the appropriate county departments will be addressed before operations begin.

D. Streets and Traffic Capacity

Purpose Christian ATL recognizes the importance of maintaining safe and orderly traffic flow. The school plans to implement organized student drop-off and pick-up procedures and use designated personnel to help direct traffic during arrival and dismissal. Enrollment and daily operations will be managed with consideration for traffic conditions and the safety of students, families, staff, and surrounding residents.

E. Ingress, Egress, and Safety

Student and staff safety will be a priority. The school will establish procedures for controlled entry, supervised student movement, and safe arrival and dismissal. Existing building exits and access routes will be reviewed for compliance with applicable fire, building, and life-safety requirements. Emergency access and evacuation procedures will be coordinated with the appropriate authorities as required.

F. Impact on Adjacent Properties

The school intends to operate during established school hours and maintain orderly, supervised activities. Its daily operations will emphasize student safety, respectful conduct, appropriate supervision, and the prevention of unnecessary noise or disruption. Any additional activities outside regular school hours will be managed responsibly and in accordance with applicable approvals.

G. Consistency With Zoning Requirements

Purpose Christian ATL understands that the proposed educational use must comply with the applicable zoning classification, Special Land Use Permit conditions, and other county requirements. The school will work with DeKalb County Planning and Sustainability and other applicable departments to address the requirements identified during the review process before beginning operations.

H. Consistency With the Comprehensive Plan

Purpose Christian ATL seeks to contribute positively to the community by expanding educational opportunities for elementary-age children and supporting families. Its proposed educational programming, individualized attention, and academic enrichment are intended to advance community well-being. The final determination of consistency with the applicable comprehensive plan rests with the county.

I. Refuse and Service Areas

The school will maintain a clean, orderly, and sanitary environment. Refuse will be stored and disposed of appropriately using the property's approved service arrangements. Any required refuse collection and service areas will be maintained in accordance with applicable county requirements.

J. Duration of the Special Land Use Permit

Purpose Christian ATL requests consideration of a Special Land Use Permit duration appropriate for the proposed ongoing educational use, subject to the county's regulations and any conditions established through the approval process.

K. Building Size, Scale, and Height

The proposed school intends to utilize existing buildings and classroom facilities rather than introduce unnecessary new construction. The use of existing facilities is intended to support an orderly transition to educational operations while respecting the property's established setting. Any proposed alterations or improvements will be subject to applicable building, zoning, and safety requirements.

L. Historic and Archaeological Resources

The proposed educational use is intended to utilize existing facilities. Purpose Christian ATL is not proposing any activity intended to adversely affect historic buildings, sites, districts, or archaeological resources. Any concerns identified by the county during its review will be addressed in accordance with applicable requirements.

M. Supplemental Regulations

Purpose Christian ATL will comply with the supplemental regulations and other applicable requirements governing the proposed school use, including any conditions imposed through the Special Land Use Permit process. The school will coordinate with the appropriate county departments to identify and satisfy applicable requirements before opening.

N. Consistency With Community Needs

Purpose Christian ATL will provide elementary education for children in kindergarten through third grade, with an emphasis on individualized attention through a targeted 10:1 student-to-teacher ratio. The educational program will include reading and mathematics labs, academic enrichment, and arts-related learning opportunities. The school is intended to be a positive asset to the community by expanding educational options, supporting families, and helping children develop strong academic foundations. Through structured instruction, attentive supervision, and responsible school operations, Purpose Christian ATL seeks to serve neighborhood families while maintaining consideration for surrounding residents.

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PRE-APPLICATION FORM

REZONE, SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT, MAJOR MODIFICATION, & LAND USE AMENDMENTS

(Required prior to filing application. Signed copy of this form must be submitted at filing.)

Applicant(s) Name: LaTrice Parrish Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED] Commission District(s): 2 & 6

Property Address: 1790 LaVista Road, Atlanta 30329

Tax Parcel ID: 18 110 04 017 Acreage: 8.88

Existing Use: Place of Worship Proposed Use: Private school.

Supplemental Regs: YES 4.2.43 Overlay District: NO

☐ Rezoning: Existing Zoning: R-85 Proposed Zoning: N/A

DRI: N/A Square Footage/Number of Units: N/A

Rezoning Request: N/A

☐ Land Use Amendment - Existing Land Use: SUB Proposed Land Use: ☐ Consistent ☐ Inconsistent

Land Use Amendment Request: N/A

☒ Special Land Use Permit Special Land Use Permit Article Number(s) 27-7.4.1

Special Land Use Request(s): To operate Purpose Christian ATL; a private Christian school.

PCH/CCI: Use both of these links to search & identify other "Personal Care Homes" (PCH) and/or "Child Care Institution" (CCI) [Child Care Distance Measuring Tool](#) and [PCH-CLA Distance Measuring Tool](#) Select both of those types on the left-hand side and then click "search".

☐ Major Modification: Existing Zoning Conditions: None

Major Modification Request: N/A

Condition(s) to be modified (if applicable): N/A

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WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU FILE YOUR APPLICATION

Pre-submittal Community Meeting Deadline w/15-day notification: October 5, 2026

Calendar Dates: CC: 12.08.2026 (Zoom) PC: 01.07.2027 (Zoom) BOC: 01.28.2027 (In-Person)

- ☒ Letter of Intent ☒ Impact Analysis ☒ Owner Authorization(s) ☒ Campaign Disclosure
☒ Public Notice, Signs ☒ Tree Survey, Conservation (if applicable)

Submittal Format: ONE (1) COMBINED, PDF DOCUMENT UPLOAD via OUR ONLINE PORTAL.

Site Plan Checklist, if applicable:

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|-----------------------|--|--|------------------|-----------------------|
| *Density | *Frontage | *Sidewalks | *Density Bonuses | *Street Width |
| *Fencing/Walls | *Mix of Uses | *Landscape Strips | *Building Height | *Open Space |
| *Parking - Auto | *Parking - Bicycle | *Building Separation | *Lot Size | *Screening |
| *Pedestrian Plan | *Streetscapes | *Enhanced Open Space | *Garages | *Building Orientation |
| *Perimeter Landscapes | *Setbacks: front, sides, side corner, rear | *Building Materials: Roof, Fenestration, Façade Design | | |

☐ Possible Variances: No proposed changes to the existing building.

Comments: Applicant is proposing a private school within a place of worship. The place of worship is
existing and the school will operate within existing classrooms. The Application must meet Sec. 4.2.43. -
Private elementary, middle and high school. There is no proposed construction.

The Applicant will still outline the floorplan of the building and/or classrooms and include a survey if
available. Additionally, employees, number of children, and ages can be described.

Planner: Andrea Folgherait, Sr. Planner

Date: August 3, 2026