

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

November 8, 2021, Meeting Summary

Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: 953 4177 6452 Passcode: 276301

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Dr. Willie Crosby, Chair; Christina Purdy, Vice Chair; Cecil Pines Adult Living Community; Len Burroughs, MHPA.; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Shirley Lowry, Hyde Grove Terrace.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA; Jaquelyn Woods, Cedar Hills Estates Community Association; Bernice Gremer, Fishweir Neighborhood Watch.

Visitors: Mary Rumph, Aisha Rumph, David Lowry.

Staff and Elected Officials: Angie Nixon, FL. House of Representatives District 14; Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to State Representative Angie Nixon; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Bryan Mosier, Director of Neighborhoods; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Lt. Mark Musser, JSO; Derek Dixon, FDOT; Donald Tuten, JEA; Michael Pearson, MCCD; Michal Hoffman, MCCD.

Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Crosby called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum was present.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The October 11, 2021, summary was approved by the CPAC.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:**
 - Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to State Representative Angie Nixon, reported that this week representative Nixon is preparing for another committee weekend, and for special sessions in Tallahassee next week. Ms. Worley reminded CPAC members that constituents are welcome to contact Representative Nixon's office if they need assistance. Representative Angie Nixon may be reached at (904) 924-1500.
 - FL. House of Representatives District 14, Angie Nixon, reported that Governor DeSantis has called a special session regarding COVID-19 legislations. Committee meetings are almost done, and regular sessions will start January 11, 2022. Regular sessions will run through March 11, 2022. Representative Nixon reported that she is working in partnership with the City of Jacksonville and City Council President, Sam Newby on a cleanup and trash initiative. Representative Nixon also announced she will be participating in a ride along with Public Works and Municipal Code Enforcement, to better understand and address the drainage and illegal dumping issues throughout Jacksonville. Representative Nixon advised that constituents may contact her office at (904)924-1500 if they need assistance with many issues.
- 4. Presentation:** None
- 5. Chair's Report:** Chair Crosby reported that Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) is hiring for all positions. The available positions can be found by visiting JTA's website www.jtafla.com. Chair Crosby reminded CPAC members that the Mortgage Relief and Rent Relief program has funds available for those who need assistance with their mortgage or rent. He reminded CPAC members that the City of Jacksonville (COJ) is offering COVID-19 booster shots at four locations for those who are age 18 and up, in a long-term setting, medical setting, or works or lives in a high-risk setting. A list of the COVID-19 booster shot locations can be found on the COJ website at <https://www.coj.net/welcome/news/city-offers-covid-19-booster-shots>.
- 6. Staff Reports:**
 - Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** – Lt. Mark Musser, reported that over the past 30 days Zone 4 has seen a four percent drop in violent crimes and property crimes. Burglaries to residences and autos have shown a slight drop, with an increase in aggravated battery. Lt. Musser reported that the individuals who were targeting the Hyundai make of vehicles have been identified and arrested. Lt. Mark Musser may be contacted at (904) 573-3165.
 - Neighborhood Department** – Bryan Mosier, Director of Neighborhoods, reported that citizens who need mortgage and rent assistance may go to the MyJax website <https://myjax.custhelp.com> to apply for assistance. Those without access to a computer may call (904) 630-CITY (2489) to be placed on a list to

be assisted with the application. Mr. Mosier also reported that Animal Care and Protective Services (ACPS) will hold two adoption events. The first is a Veterans Day event and will be held on November 11, 2021, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. The event will be located at Animal Care and Protective Services, 2020 Forest St. The other event will be held November 13 and 14 at the PetSmart located at 356 Monument Rd. During the two events all adoptions are free, and only city license fees will apply. Mr. Mosier announced that ACPS needs volunteers for their Foster Program. Fostering can be done for a weekend or a few weeks. Those who are interested in fostering an animal may visit ACPS website to register <https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/animal-care-protective-services/>, register in person at 2020 Forest St., or call (904) 630-CITY (2489) for more information.

Bryan Mosier may be contacted at (904) 255-7000.

- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Derek Dixon, Transportation Coordinator District 2, reported that the Lane Avenue (SR-103) resurfacing project was awarded to Anderson Columbia, Co., Inc., and is scheduled to begin fall 2021 with an expected completion in Spring 2023. The project includes improvements such as milling and resurfacing, new signage, concrete sidewalks, the addition of bike lanes between Wilson Boulevard and Lucente Drive, lighting and pedestrian signal upgrades at multiple intersections, and utility upgrades through a partnership with Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA). Mr. Dixon also announced that the San Juan (SR-128) project, were it crosses the Cedar Creek Bridge will begin spring 2022. The project will include erosion protection, and slope protection along the water banks.
Derek Dixon may be reached at (904) 360-5653 or derek.dixon@dot.state.fl.us.
- **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)** – Don Tuten Government Relations Specialist, reported that JEA is offering free in-home efficiency assessments. A JEA representative will offer cost-effective ideas designed to help lower customers energy bills. Mr. Tuten also reported that JEA is offering a Battery Incentive Program, which allows customers with rooftop solar panels to store the excess energy generated by their solar system. Customers with existing solar panel systems interested in adding a battery system may submit an application for interconnection of Distributed Generation System by going to the JEA website <http://jea.com> and typing "Solar Battery Incentive" in the search bar for more information. Mr. Tuten reminded CPAC members that they will see an 8.5 percent increase in the electric rates starting as early as December 1, 2021. The increase is due to the increase in fuel cost.
Donald Tuten may be reached at (904) 838-0389 or tutedf@jea.com.
- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported that early voting for the Special Unitary Election for City Council At-Large Group 3 will begin Saturday, November 27, 2021, and run through Sunday, December 5, 2021, at various library locations from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Election Day for the 2021 Special Unitary First Election will be held Tuesday, December 7, 2021, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. You may only vote at your precinct on December 7, 2021. The list of early voting sites is available on the Duval County Supervisor of Elections website <https://www.duval elections.com/>.
Lynne Baldwin may be contacted at (904) 338-4383 or at LBaldwin@coj.net.
- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** – Michael Pearson, Senior Code Compliance Officer, reported that a total of 995 inspections were completed in the month of October. MCCD completed nine commercial inspections, 86 junk vehicle inspections, 395 nuisance inspections, 24 nuisance board ups, 70 nuisance graffiti, 10 nuisance pool inspections, 44 nuisance tree inspections, 229 residential inspections, 36 unsafe structure inspections, and 24 snipe sign removals were completed in Zone 4. The next systematic inspection is scheduled for the Jacksonville Heights neighborhood and will begin Monday, November 15, 2021. Mr. Hoffman also reported that the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) is still available for those who need abatement services due to disability or economic disadvantage. To find out if you qualify for the JAR program, visit <https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program>.

Michael Pearson may be contacted at (904)255-7096 or lhoffman@coj.net.

7. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** – Chair Crosby reported that the subcommittee reviewed five applications. The LUZ subcommittee made suggestions to send one letter of recommendation for:
- **Ordinance 2021-0777 – Rezoning to a PUD – 6947 Townsend Road:** The application seeks to rezone approximately 2.8+/- acres of property from Commercial Community General-1 (CCG-1) to Planned Unit Development (PUD). This property will be designated Medium Density Residential (MDR) in the Future Land Use Map in the City's Comprehensive Plan. The gross density is 17 units per acre. The

proposed multifamily product will consist of six buildings containing eight units per building for a maximum of 48 units. The full CPAC motioned and approved the suggestion to submit a letter requesting the applicant provides clarification before final approval by the City Council's Land Use and Development Subcommittee meeting scheduled for December 7, 2021

Andy Hetzel may be contacted at (904) 255-7821 AHetzel@coj.net.

- **Cecil Field** – None
- **T.R.U.E Commission** - None
- **Nominating Subcommittee** - Bruce Tyson presented the slate of nominees for the 2022 CPAC Chair and Vice: the reelection of Dr. Willie Crosby for Chair and Christina Purdy for Vice Chair. Mr. Tyson ensured there were no additional nominations for Chair and Vice Chair by asking three times from the floor. Len Burroughs motioned to elect Dr. Crosby as Chair; Shirley Lowry seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Len Burroughs motioned to elect Christina Purdy as Vice Chair; Shirley Lowry seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Willie Crosby and Christina Purdy will serve a second term as Chair and Vice Chair for 2022.

8. Unfinished Business - None

9. New Business – None

10. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report: Mrs. Godwin-Ware announced that the Paper Collection and Tree Giveaway event will take place Saturday, November 13, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at TIAA Bank Field Lot E. Participants may only drop off two bags of paper documents. There will not be a shredding truck on site.

Michelle Godwin-Ware may be reached at 904-255-8236 or Michelllegw@coj.net

11. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements

- Vice Chair Purdy reminded CPAC members that Cecil Pines will be hosting its annual Antique Car Show on November 13, 2021, starting at 10 a.m. It is free and open to the public. If you have an antique car, bring it to the show or just come and look at the awesome cars that will be there.

12. Adjourn: Chair Crosby adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: January 10, 2022, 6:30 p.m. In person at Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd.

Next Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Subcommittee Meeting: January 10, 2022, 5:30 p.m. In person at Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd.

Summary prepared by Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8236 or michelllegw@coj.net.

A copy of the audio recording of this Southwest CPAC meeting is available through a Public Information Request by calling 630-CITY. Details about Public Records can be found on the City's Website: [Public Records](#).

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