

North Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

March 11, 2020 Meeting Summary

Oceanway Senior Center, 12215 Sago Ave. W., Jacksonville FL 32218

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members: Mike Getchell, Chair; Dr. Donald Green, Captiva Bluff; Deborah Green, Captiva Bluff; Bob Austin; Blue Grass/Northwood HOA; Dot Mathias, Charter Member; Jim Sumara, Heckscher Drive Community Club; Tommy Ruffin, Council Appointee District 7; Michael Wozniak, Lydia Estates; Shelley Wozniak, Lydia Estates; Vicki Drake, DCC of PTS/PTA Assoc.; Ingrid Montgomery, Victoria Preserve HOA

Visitors: Donald Drake; Jamie Lacy, San Mateo Neighborhood Association; Marilyn Miles, Devinston; Donna Philbrick, San Mateo Neighborhood Association; Gary Pickel, San Mateo Neighborhood Association; Al Saffer, Armsdale; Mary Sperow, Bonaparte Crossing; Lynn Vandenhoy, San Mateo Neighborhood Association

Staff and Elected Officials: Asst. Chief G. Burton, JSO; Berdell Knowles, JEA; Chief O. Heggs, JFRD; Michael Sullivan, Jacksonville Public Libraries; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Erin Abney, Planning and Development; Richard Leon, Public Works

Meeting Summary

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Mike Getchell called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. Michelle Godwin verified a quorum.
2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** Vicki Drake motioned that January's and February's meeting summaries be approved. CPAC member Ingrid Montgomery seconded. The motion unanimously passed.
3. **Elected Officials:** None
4. **Presentation:** None
5. **Staff Reports:**
 - **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** – Zone 6 Chief Burton reported that crimes are down and is the lowest in the City. Chief Burton reminded CPAC members to keep car doors locked in order to prevent auto burglaries. Chief Burton also informed CPAC members that the City is looking into placing a signal light at the intersection of Armsdale Road and Duval Road. Chief Burton may be contacted at (904) 696-4335
 - **Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD)** – Fire Chief Heggs reported that JFRD is preparing for brush fire season. They have been working with the forestry industry to prepare standard operations of procedure for this time of season. Chief Heggs also reported that when responding to a possible Covid-19 call, one emergency response person is sent in to assess the patient who may be sick. Orlando Heggs may be reached at (904) 630-0860 or oheggs@coj.net
 - **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)** – Berdell Knowles, Government Affairs Specialist / Director of Regulatory Affairs had no report but was available to answer questions. Berdell Knowles may be reached at Knowb@jea.com
 - **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Michael Sullivan, Executive Assistant I Library Services, reported that the Jax Book Fest was a success. Mr. Sullivan announced that tax assistance is being provided by AARP through April at most branches. Mr. Sullivan also announced that the Main Library will host "B is for Baby", for new and expecting parents. Michael Sullivan may be contacted at (904) 630-1994 or Michaels@coj.net
 - **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)** – Cheryl Riddick, Community Engagement Manager reported that there is a new service available to JTA's Connexion customers

called Connexion Plus. Connexion Plus provides eligible Connexion customers private, same –day, door-to-door service to anywhere in Duval County. Ms. Riddick announced the opening of the new Jacksonville Regional Transportation Station is scheduled for March 30th. Ms. Riddick advised that most routes outside of the downtown area will not be affected by the move of the transfer station. Ms. Riddick announced that a new program called “Door to Store” has begun. The program provides free rides from your door to your community grocery stores for the Northwest Jacksonville Community. You may call (904) 515-2458 Monday through Saturday, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. to schedule an appointment or if you have any questions.

Cheryl Riddick may be contacted at (904) 632-5522 or CRiddick@jtafla.com

- **Public Works (PW)** – Richard Leon, Mowing and Landscape Contract Manager, reported that Public Works does not prune trees for esthetics. Trees are only pruned if there is an emergency, or if they are a danger. Mr. Leon also advised that the City is still taking request for free trees to be planted in City right-of-way in your neighborhood. If interested, please call 630-City to make a request.

Richard Leon may be reached a (904) 255-4324 or rleon@coj.net

6. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports.

- **Governmental Affairs and Planning & Development** – Tommy Ruffin and Erin Abney, City Planner I

The Governmental Affairs Committee reported on the following:

New Business

- **E-20-12 – Exception: 1241 Eastport Road** – This application seeks to allow the retail sale and service of beer and wine for on premises consumption in connection with a bar, previously known as Eastport Tavern. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to oppose this application at the full CPAC meeting.
- **WLD-20-04 – Waiver of Liquor Distance – 1241 Eastport Road** – This application seeks to reduce the required minimum distance between liquor license location and church or school from 1,500 feet to 500 feet. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to oppose this application at the full CPAC meeting.
- **2020-0131 (Land-Use 2020-0130) – Conventional Rezoning: 0 New Berlin Road** – This application seeks to rezone approximately 36.35 +/- acres from AGR to IL to allow for industrial uses compatible with the existing industrial uses within the area. Companion Large-Scale Land-Use Amendment Ord. #2020-0130 request change from AGR III to LI. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to oppose this application at the full CPAC meeting.
- **2020-0171 (Land-Use 2020-0170) – Conventional Rezoning: 0 Heckscher Drive** – This application seeks to rezone approximately 7.18 +/- acres from IW to CSV in order to place environmentally sensitive lands into conservation. Companion Small-Scale Land-Use Amendment L-5407 request change from WE/WR to CSV. Both the rezoning and land-use amendment are City Sponsored. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to support this application at the full CPAC meeting.
- **2020-0173 (Land-Use 2020-0172) – Conventional Rezoning: 2731 Arnold Road** – This application seeks rezone approximately 6.30 +/- acres from AGR to IL in order to relocate an existing business. Companion Small Scale Land-Use Amendment L-5431 request change from AGR IV to LI. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to oppose this application at the full CPAC meeting.
- **Z-2707 (L-5393) – Conventional Rezoning: 0 Duval Road** – This application seeks to rezone approximately 13.79 +/- acres from RLD-60 to CRO in order to develop land consistent with CRO uses. Companion Large-Scale Land-Use Amendment L-5393

request change from LDR to RPI. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to oppose this application at the full CPAC meeting.

- **2020-0169 (Z-2737)** – Rezoning to PUD: 0 Starratt Road – This application seeks to rezone approximately 30.24 acres from RLD-90/PUD to PUD to allow for 72 single family dwellings with 50/60-foot-wide lots. A companion Large-Scale Land-Use Amendment L-5391 request change from CGC to LDR. CPAC members unanimously approved the Governmental Affairs Subcommittees motion to defer this application at the full CPAC meeting. A community meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2020. The location will be provided to Michelle later.

Erin Abney may be contacted at (904) 255-7849 or eabney@coj.net

- **Membership** – No Report.
 - **Transportation** – Vacant.
 - **Ad-Hoc-Taxation, Revenue, Utilization and Expenditures (T.R.U.E)** – Vacant
7. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report** – Michelle Godwin-Ware reported that the Neighborhood Services Office will host the inaugural Neighborhood Awards program on April 30, 2020 in the Main Library, 303 N Laura Street, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Michelle also reminded members that the St. Johns River Celebration Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday March 21, 2020 at various locations and parks throughout Jacksonville. Everyone is welcome to volunteer and no registration is required. If interested in a site, please reach out to Dan Durbec at 904-255-8276 or email him at ddurbec@coj.net. Michelle welcomed new CPAC members Bobby Austin. Mr. Austin is the alternate representative for the Blue Grass Northwood community.
- Michelle Godwin may be contacted at (904) 255-8236 or michellegw@coj.net.
8. **Chair's Report** – Chair Mike Getchell announced that Dr. Don Green is the new Vice Chair for those who may have missed the last meeting.
9. **Unfinished Business** - None
10. **New Business** – None
11. **Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:** Donna Philbrick announced that since San Mateo has started their monthly neighborhood clean ups, great relationships have formed between the community and the Park staff. Staff has made every effort to assist with repairs when possible.
12. **Motion to Adjourn:** Chair Mike Getchell adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: **Wednesday, April 8, 2020**, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center 12215 Sago Ave. W.

Next Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Meeting: **Thursday, April 2, 2020**, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center 12215 Sago Ave. W.

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