

# District #1 - Urban Core

## Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

**Chairman:** *Janetta Norman* 355-7822

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**Urban Core ~ District 1  
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee  
Main Library – Room G4 - 303 N. Laura St.  
Meeting Summary  
Monday, August 7, 2006**

### Members and Alternates

Luellen B. Logan  
Eugene Johnson  
Johnny Swain  
Haywood Ball

Deloris Swain  
Flore Johnson-McPherson  
Louvenia Tippins

Doug Vanderlaan  
Janetta Norman  
Michael Bryant

### Guests

Ann Thompson  
Virginia Norton  
Edith Green

JoAnn Smith McFeeters  
Rosa Walker

Terry McFeeters  
Tonya Jackson

### Staff/Resource

Carolyn Shehee-Williams  
Milton Locklear  
Kenny Logsdon

Joyce Hellmann Bizot  
Elaine Lancaster

Kenneth Avery  
Tom McVey

### Call to Order

Janetta Norman called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

### Remarks – Chair / Vice Chair

Janetta Norman greeted attendees, self introductions were made and a moment of silence was observed. Dr. Norman presented certificates of appreciation to resigning CPAC members, representatives of Cathedral Terrace Residents, JoAnn Smith McFeeters and Ann Thompson for their years of service to and support of the UC CPAC. She also announced an event planned for Saturday, August 12, "A Day of Faith" which is a rally against violence in the community. The chair also noted that she hoped to have a bus tour before December.

### Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the June meeting were approved.

### Speaker

***Tom McVey, Better Jacksonville Plan consultant from HDR***

PRESENTATION: Myrtle Avenue (15<sup>th</sup> to Moncrief) Improvements Project and Myrtle Avenue/Moncrief Road Town Center Improvements. The project's objective is to improve the roadway corridor along Myrtle Avenue from 15<sup>th</sup> Street to Moncrief Road and along Moncrief Road from Myrtle Avenue to Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. Improvements will be made to the roadway surface, utilities, sidewalks and landscaping. Funding will include \$2 million from the Better Jacksonville Plan and \$1million from Town Center. The price, as designed, exceeds the budget, according to McVey. If there are questions about the project call Tom McVey at 360-5971.

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### Staff Reports

**Code Enforcement** – Inspector Bob Crawford reported that inspections are still underway regarding two recent fires in the Urban Core. Bob responded to questions about specific locations and he reminded members that the quickest way to get a response is to get a complete and accurate address for the location of the issue and to call it in to 630-CITY. He also noted that the special master process is getting cases through the system in a more timely manner.

**Department of Transportation** – No representative present.

**Duval County School Board** – No representative present. The superintendent will be invited to come speak at a future meeting. He has already spoken to some, but not all of the other CPACs.

**Jacksonville Sheriff's Office** - No representative present.

**Mayor's Representative** - Carolyn Shehee Williams said that the library is involved in a strategic planning process. She said that for the library summit on September 13, they are expecting about 200 people.

**Neighborhood Services Division** - Joyce Bizot announced that the division has temporarily moved to 1 W. Adams Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, until facilities for the new Housing and Neighborhoods Department are readied at the Ed Ball Building. She said that the division will host a Toolkit Training on Thursday, September 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Cuba Hunter Community Center off Emerson Street. The training is for groups trying to start a new neighborhood organization.

**Planning and Development** - Ken Avery presented information on a zoning variance for a new home to be built on Swift Street. The request, to reduce the lot width at the building restriction line from 50' to 44', will be heard on September 28 by the Planning Commission.

### Subcommittee Reports

**Environmental** – Michael Hartman gave further information on a new he is seeking for the clean up of Hogans Creek. He has involved a multi-agency coalition through the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) which is due September 28.

**Hospitality** – Luellen Logan and Flo Johnson-McFerson made arrangements for the evening's fete in honor of JoAnn and Ann.

**Membership** – Doug Vanderlaan reported that Beverly Toney of FRESHMinistries is working with the Eastside neighborhood to get them organized and to select a CPAC representative.

### Old Business

The Mayor's Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for August 21 is sponsored by the Urban Core CPAC.

### New Business

### Guests/Visitor Comments

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### Agenda Considerations

Requests to have the following speakers/presentations at future meetings were submitted: School Board Superintendent; Jacksonville Housing Authority head Ronnie Ferguson on the McNair Park development (formerly the Brentwood Public Housing site), the new plans for the Shipyards project and the new president of the Jacksonville and the Beaches Convention and Visitors Bureau concerning new tourist attractions downtown.

### Announcements

None

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. Following the meeting was a social gathering honoring outgoing Urban Core CPAC members JoAnn Smith McFeeters and Ann Thompson.

*The next CPAC meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. Sept. 11, 2006,  
Main Library, Room G-4, 303 N. Laura St.*