

**Urban Core ~ District 1
Citizens Planning and Advisory Committee
FCCJ Urban Resource Center – 601 W. State St. Rm. 411
Meeting Summary
Monday, February 7, 2005**

Members and Alternates

Deloris Swain
E.M. Johnson (e)
Keith McLaughlin
Joyce Brinson

Doug Vanderlaan
Faye Battle
Janetta Norman
Michael Bryant

Satonia Hart
Floree Johnson-McPherson
Johnny Swain

Guests

Ayesha Covington
Jennifer McGillick
Sharon Coon

Mary Saadeh
Jenny Toole

Scott Hamrick
Ruth Arnold

Staff/Resource

Doris Leach
Laurie McEwen

Kenneth Avery
Valerie J. Williams (e)

Robert Baughman
Milton Locklear (e)

Call to Order

Janetta Norman called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

Introductions

Janetta Norman asked that all present introduce themselves.

Subcommittee Reports

Membership – No report

Hospitality – No report

Transportation – No report

Speakers

Robert Baughman, Director, Parks and Recreation

Topic: Safe Park Program

Stated that crime prevention in the parks is very important. Discussed three elements of the Safe Park Program: Officers living in the Parks, Park Watch and Park Rules. Also stated that Parks and Recreation has partnered with JSO. Sheriff Rutherford has dedicated one officer to the department and will expand the Police Athletic League Program to additional parks. Questions from the floor were addressed.

Kevin Gay, Operation New Hope

Topic: Drive to New Home Ownership

Not present

Staff Reports

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Not present

CONSUMER AFFAIRS – excused

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - excused

DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD – Not present

JACKSONVILLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE – No report

MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE – not yet assigned - Doris Leach

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES –Doris Leach announced that annual CPAC training would be held on February 23, 2005 12 noon – 3:00 p.m. at city hall.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – Ken Avery reported that an application for administrative deviation to install an illuminated sign was submitted by Tabernacle Baptist Institutional Church, which is located in a residential area. Information will be presented to city council subcommittee on February 15 and at planning on February 18.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve minutes from January 3, 2005 with changes was made by Michael Bryant and in second by Doug Vanderlaan.

Old Business – Janetta Norman encouraged members to submit study ideas to JCCI.

New Business – Mary Ann Saadeh of Oak Haven Preservation Association presented information to the CPAC regarding the land use change to allow a Super Wal-Mart in her neighborhood. She stated that if allowed, bill 2004-1156 and 2004-1348 are allowed to pass, it could leave other properties vulnerable.

Sharon Coon of James Weldon Johnson Festival, requested to be allowed to present information regarding the upcoming JWJ festival to the CPAC at the March meeting.

Ayesha Covington, expressed dissatisfaction with the proposed introduction of tasers into the school system. Members were encouraged to contact the school board.

Announcements – Janetta Norman announced the passing of Yvonne McGruder and her husband Derrick Walker.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM.

The next CPAC meeting is scheduled for 5:00 PM March 14, 2005 at Florida Community College Jacksonville, Urban Resource Center - Room 411.