

District #1 - Urban Core

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

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**Urban Core ~ District 1
Citizens Planning and Advisory Committee
Klutho Building – 1833 N. Main Street
Meeting Summary
Monday, November 7, 2005**

Members and Alternates

Ann Thompson (e)

Doug Vanderlaan

Floree Johnson-McPherson

Johnny Swain

Michael Bryant

Celia Miller

Eugene Johnson

Janetta Norman

Louvenia Tippins

Michael Hartman

Deloris Swain (e)

Ethel Griffin (e)

JoAnn Smith

Luellen Logan

Guests

Chris Pearson

P.A. Royland

Denise Ostertag

Ruth Arnold

Staff/Resource

Bob Prado

Elaine Lancaster

Milton Locklear

Carolyn Shehee-Williams

Kenneth Avery

Sandra Willis

Doris Leach

Lloyd Martin

Call to Order

Janetta Norman called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Remarks – Chair / Vice Chair

Janetta Norman asked that all present introduce themselves, then observed a moment of silence. E. M. Johnson indicated that the 2005 Florida Neighborhoods Conference was very informative.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve minutes from November 7, 2005 was made by Floree-Johnson McPherson, properly seconded by Michael, and approved by the group with the following recommendation(s) for change: Under Old Business, delete “bring attention to the lead and ash contamination in Durkeeville”. Add “information and answers to help with cleanup of lead and ash.”

Speakers

Chris Pearson, Environmental Resources, City of Jacksonville- Reported that over 200 contamination sites were identified countywide; 51 of which are the responsibility of the City of Jacksonville to investigate. The additional sites were operated or owned by private companies who have the responsibility of cleaning up the sites. Eight sites are required to be cleaned annually to meet compliance. The site located at 5th and Cleveland as well as four other major ash sites were reinvestigated to identify their contaminants. Lead arsenic and dioxin were the major contaminants identified. The top two feet of soil in each affected yard will be excavated and replaced. Areas with deeper contamination will have construction netting installed and two feet of top soil applied. Questions were taken from the floor.

Denise Ostertag – Parks, Recreation and Entertainment, City of Jacksonville – Reported on the Parks Rules Ordinance. Stated rules that are not ordinances may not be enforceable by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Officers. She provided members with a copy of the proposed ordinance. Questions were taken from the floor.

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Subcommittee Reports

Grants and Awards – no report.

Environmental – Michael Hartman reported that the subcommittee had scheduled meetings with the mayor's office on November 15, 2005, to discuss strategies to restore Hogans Creek. Another meeting is scheduled with the COJ Environmental Quality Board on November 21, 2005.

Hospitality – No report

Membership – Doris Leach reported member Keith McLaughlin of Florida Community College Downtown Campus would be leaving the college to pursue a career with the public library and had rendered his resignation.

Nominating - Janetta Norman announced the appointment of the following members to the Nominating Committee: Joyce Brinson, chair; Johnny Swain Louvenia Tippins and will present the slate at the December meeting.

Transportation – No report

Staff Reports

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elaine Lancaster reported 1557 inspections had been completed for the month of October. There were 2050 cases sent to the Municipal Code Enforcement Board resulting in \$116 levied in fines for 2004. She also reported Code Enforcement for the Urban Core was at full staff (six officers), and currently working on backlog complaints.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – Milton Locklear reported Imodal Mobile Center funding was appropriated at \$10 million dollars and will commence in approximately two years. The center will be located near the convention center.

DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD – Lloyd Martin reported that all Region VI schools which formerly received "F"s were no longer failing schools. A community meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2005 5-7 p.m. at Ribault High School for stakeholders of Region VI schools which will announce plans for a baccalaureate program at Ribault High in 2006.

JACKSONVILLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE – Not present

MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE – Carolyn Shehee-Williams announced the grand opening of the new Main Library on November 12, 2005. The ceremony commences at 10:00 a.m.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES – no report

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – Ken Avery indicated that Mike Saylor assumed the role as Director of Planning and Development on November 1, 2005.

Old Business

New Business

Janetta Norman advised members to review the NSD responsibilities to the CPAC and consider them before requesting services. She also stated that the December meeting would have refreshments for the holiday celebration.

Agenda Considerations

Requests were made to have School Board Superintendent Wise and Planning and Development Director Mike Saylor attend a future CPAC meeting.

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Announcements

The December meeting will be held at the main library, parking is available at the library garage. The first hour would be validated by the library. A suggestion was made to park at Cathedral Residence on Ocean Street, or on the street meters which are free after 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:24 PM.

The next CPAC meeting is scheduled for 5:00 PM December 5, 2005, at the Main Library - Multipurpose Room - 303 N. Laura Street.