# District #1 - Urban Core

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Meeting Location: Ed Ball Building – Training Room 110 – 214 N. Hogan St. Chair: Doug Vanderlaan 923-5179 <u>dougcpac@comcast.net</u> Vice Chair: Rex Williams 401-8138 <u>rexwilliams2006@hotmail.com</u> Mayor's Representative: Carolyn Shehee-Williams 630-1636 <u>cshehe@coj.net</u> Neighborhood Coordinator: Marilyn Fenton-Harmer 255-8236 mfharmer@coj.net



# Members

Doug Vanderlaan, Chair Geraldine Walker, 12<sup>th</sup> Street Loyalty Celia Miller, Good Neighbor M.A.N.I.A. Greg Radlinski, The Parks at the Cathedral

# Excused

Rex Williams, Dr. Janetta Norman, Deloris and Johnny Swain, Floree Johnson McPherson, Janice Love, Beverly Toney

# <u>Guests</u>

K. Melvin, UNF Levoyus Partlow, M.A.N.I.A. Barney Roberts, North Springfield Stanford Lugg, Census 2010

# Staff/Resource

Carolyn Shehee-Williams, Mayor's Liaison JSO Zone 1 Sgt. Perkins Emery Nauden, Planning Shorty Robbins, DRCS Devron Cody, Municipal Code Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, HAND - CDD Ruth Arnold, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Louvenia Tippins, Charter Member, Dist. 8 Rep. Ashley Strickland, MaliVai Washington Kids Patricia LaMountain, Springfield Women's Club

Michelle Tappauni Carita Parks, The Hester Group Allan Clotworthy

Director Wight Greger, HAND Milton Locklear, FDOT Kristen Reed, Planning Vanessa Price, DRCS Tony Bellamy, DCPS

# Call to Order

Chairman Vanderlaan called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. in Training Room 110 of the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street and welcomed everyone.

# Approval of the Minutes

Member Radlinski made a made a Motion to accept the minutes from the February 1, 2010 meeting. A second was made by Member LaMountain. The Vote: All in favor; none opposed.

# Staff Reports

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Zone 1 Sgt. Perkins no report but was available for concerns. For information call the JSO Zone 1 Sub Station at 924-5361 or <u>JSOzone1@jaxsheriff.org</u>

**Meet Your Neighbor** – Good Neighbor M.A.N.I.A. (Myrtle Avenue Neighborhood Improvement Association) Member Celia Miller talked about her neighborhood. She is a Charter Member of the Urban Core CPAC and is pleased to be at the meeting. Her neighborhood is located in Durkeeville and Mid-Westside in the middle of Durkeeville. Myrtle Avenue is the central corridor between I-95 and Spires Street and EWC College to the West. They have been an Association since 1992 and officially registered with the city since 1994. They had there first meeting in 1993 with 12 members and have grown to 145 members. The mission is to reclaim the neighborhood since it has fallen into disarray but it is reasonable safe. Member Miller grew up in the neighborhood. In 1995 the ash and lead contamination became apparent from the EPA with it being a Super Fund Site. She has tirelessly asked for reports from the city on the cleanup and it has finally started. This condition has been a barrier to reclaiming, revitalizing and restoring the area.



Historically at the end of the Civil War it was a culturally mixed neighborhood until 1936. The first public housing was built in Durkeeville and it was for colored tenants only. The Brentwood Project was for whites only. The Durkeeville neighborhood had upward middle class working people. Early on the neighborhood had a covenant that recently expired for some unknown reason. Original homeowners have died off and it is in transition. They have lost neighborhood schools and drugs like crack have come into the neighborhood. They will survive and become a village once again in the bold new City of the South.

Chair Vanderlaan thanked Member Miller for her information.

# **Guest Speakers**

- Shorty Robbins, Chief of Recreation and Community Programming started off with the monthly updates:
  - Their office has moved into the Ed Ball Building on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor and the main phone number is 255-7900. On the Hogan Street entrance they have a store front for the Athletics Department.
  - They will be hiring 100 seasonal workers for the centers and 400 life guards. Go to <u>www.jaxparks.com</u> for information.
  - o The Riverside Arts Market will open this Saturday, March 6 with artists and vendors.
- Shorty Robbins then gave a PowerPoint Presentation on JaxParks Urban Loop Trail -Connecting Greenways. There is a 10-mile loop that cyclists are doing every Saturday. She went over the map with its challenges at Forest and Beaver Street. There will be a public meeting later this month on this. Phase 2 of the S-line is being funded by a CDBG (Community Development Block) Grant. They hope that Phase 2 will be underway by late April early May.
- Vanessa Price, Recreation & Grants Coordinator gave a presentation on a the S Line Extension Grant for Greenways and Trails. It would extend to 21<sup>st</sup> Street to Evergreen Cemetery going to the Plaza. The grant would apply to build the 5-miles and the additional 2-mile extension.

Members had questions on amenities, landscaping and lighting. Currently there is no funding for lighting. There have been studies on "to light or not to light." Currently the S-line closes at dusk. There are different schools of thought on lighting. It was mentioned that the S-line started off with truck loads of trash but since the cleanup neighbors have been showing signs of pride and ownership and continue to make the S-line look good.

Shorty Robbins can be reached at 255-7915 or <u>shortyr@coj.net</u> Vanessa Price can be reached at 255-7904 or <u>vprice@coj.net</u>

• Stanford Lugg presented information on the 2010 Census and how important it is to participate. In the 2000 Census we only had a 66% response rate. This has cost the city money since not everyone was counted. Census employees have taken an oath for privacy and could be fined \$250,000 or imprisoned for violating this oath. The forms will be mailed on March 15 and April 1<sup>st</sup> is the mail back date. The form only has 10 questions and is not as intrusive as the 2000 Census. It will ask for your telephone number, sex, age, race, owning or renting and the name and number of people living in the household. 10 questions in 10 minutes. If the form has not been returned in the mail (postage paid) workers will be knocking on your door till they get the information. If you are not counted it will take another 10 years to correct the number of the part Consus. If you are not counted it will take another the number of the part Consus. If you are not counted it will take another the part Consus.

10 years to correct the numbers at the next Census. For info go to <u>www.census2010.gov</u> Chair Vanderlaan would like the Census numbers to reflect the population in the Urban Core. Members had questions on how they counted the homeless and where the local offices were.

# Subcommittee Reports

<u>A Philip Randolph Corridor</u> – Chair Doug Vanderlaan reported on the following for

- Subcommittee Chair Beverly Toney who was at another meeting:
- At the first subcommittee meeting there was enthusiasm for the committee.
- Chair Toney is planning a meeting with Housing and Neighborhoods Director Wight Greger.
- The Neighborhood Action Plan for the Eastside has been done since 2001. Items in the plan have not happened and potential resources are needed to make progress.

- A suggestion at the meeting was made to have some sort of event on A. Philip Randolph at the park across from JCC before a Jags game. This may be a way to have more parking and to have business opportunities for the neighborhood.
- Chair Toney is doing a good job with this Subcommittee.

Homelessness and Panhandling Subcommittee – Chair Greg Radlinski reported on the following:

- There are two groups working on this: Downtown Vision with Terry Lorince and the Emergency Services Coalition.
- They are looking for a location for a Drop In Center. This would help to remove homeless people from downtown and the library.
  - There was a meeting on Feb. 18 that Chair Radlinski was unable to attend but had received the minutes of the meeting. They are in the formation process and he will bring back information from the next meeting.
- He will listen to what is said at the meetings and then bring them back to the UC CPAC membership. The CPAC can make recommendations and comments from the report.
   Chairperson Vanderlaan asked if this would help the Main Library. Yes, since some people feel unsafe with the homeless in the library even with security in place. Discussion ensued with members being interested in what type of services the future Drop In Center would provide.
   They also wanted to know JSO crime stats on crimes in downtown and if and how homelessness and panhandling hurt business. The center would go along way to have a safe environment for the homeless as well as bathing and not hanging out in the park and library. Director Greger has been working on this committee and they received a DuPont Grant to study what services will be needed for the Drop In Center. They are also close to identifying a location for the Drop In Center. When the information becomes available she will let the CPAC know. Chairperson Vanderlaan thanked Member Radlinski and Director Greger for their report.

**<u>Transportation</u>** Chair Celia Miller reported on the highlights of her report:

- Chair Miller handed in a written report to be placed within the minutes and record.
- The North Florida Transportation Planning Organization use to be called the MPO.
- They are now located at 1022 Prudential Dr. and Denise Bunnewith is the Director.
- There are two groups the Technical Committee members which include elected officials and the CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee).
- At the last meeting it was announced that in East Jacksonville they are planning to close a railroad crossing on Franklin Street. Member Miller's concern is if the neighborhood has been informed that this is going to happen and what do they think about it. What type of impact will this have on this older neighborhood with schools, safety and emergency situations? Milton Locklear, FDOT had talked briefly to Doreen Joyner Howard and she wanted to talk with Member Miller in more detail. Mr. Locklear explained that the Feds were trying and requesting that 25% of non essential railroad crossings be closed all over the nation. There was public hearing on Oct. 27 on this closure. One block up there is an opening.
- The New Kings Road Overpass is 78% completed.
- Member Miller is looking to have a replacement at the UC CPAC representative to the TPO. She has served since 1995.

Chairperson Vanderlaan thanked Member Miller for her report.

# Chair Vanderlaan's Report

- Chairperson Vanderlaan asked members for a Motion to write a letter of support for the *S Line Grant. Member Arnold made a Motion for the UC CPAC to write a letter of support for the S-Line Grant with a proper second by Member Radlinski. Discussion ensued. There was some confusion. The Vote: 7 in favor; 1 opposed.*
- The Mayor meets with the CPAC Chairs on a quarterly basis. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 11. He has asked Vice Chair Williams to attend for him since he will be away. He wanted members to know what he has listed for the two UC CPAC Agenda items: the A. Philip Randolph Corridor and homelessness, panhandling and pick pocketing in downtown. His intention was to discuss the items with the CPAC membership but the items were due last week to the Mayor's Office. There was some discussion on the process but a member would have liked to have the Durkeeville/Mid Westside area considered. Chair

Vanderlaan apologized but the deadline was last week and he had picked issues that had been identified by the UC CPAC in the meeting on goal setting for 2010.

# New Subcommittee on Vacant Properties

Chairperson Vanderlaan will begin to have a new subcommittee on vacant properties. He will Chair this subcommittee. If anyone would like to be part of this committee to please let him know. Member LaMountain would like to be part of this committee and Levoyus Partlow from Good Neighbor M.A.N.I.A. also volunteered. Mr. Partlow can attend the meetings but will not be allowed to vote since he is not a CPAC member.

He prepared a PowerPoint presentation on 3 different homes close to his home in Springfield.

- 1524 Market Street has been vacant for 7 years and has been sold 8 times. It is mowed occasionally. It has a lien of \$265.
- 1416 Market Street has been vacant for 7 years and was sold in 2001 but the owner can't afford to restore it. In 2008 it began with a rolling fine of \$250 a day and it is up to approximately \$142,000. It has had no maintenance except what neighbors have done. The city could foreclose on this property.
- 202 7<sup>th</sup> Street East was bought in 2007 by T. Hopson and was foreclosed in 2008 by Countrywide. The auction has been postponed twice. It has a lien of \$224. It has had no maintenance except what neighbors have done.

In summation the first one has been flipped, flipped and flipped. The second one is an under capitalized owner and the third address is a bank walk away. He has spoken with Director Wight Greger from the Housing and Neighborhoods Department. Chairperson Vanderlaan asked Director Greger to speak on this. She talked about how in September 2009 the Foreclosure Task Force began. They are looking at prevention after the fact. At the next Task Force meeting on Thursday, March 11 at 4 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building they will discuss the preliminary draft Ordinance sponsored by Council Members Hyde and Lee. Chair Vanderlaan has read the draft. The recommendation is to create a foreclosure registry with the recording of a property manager of record so that the city may contact the owner of record to compel them to keep up the property. Municipal Code Compliance can site a vacant property but this doesn't fix the problem. It has been a major problem trying to track down the owner. This is only one strategy on the foreclosed properties that are an eye sore for the neighborhoods that are not being maintained. He thanked Director Greger for coming to the meeting and presenting this information.

Chairperson Vanderlaan explained that the process is moving quickly and he would like to express its support by writing a letter from the UC CPAC. He asked for a Motion of Support since this would be a good thing for neighborhoods. He apologized to the members for such a short notice. Members would like more time to review the Draft Ordinance on Mortgage Foreclosure Regulation and to bring it back to their neighborhoods to discuss it. Discussion ensued on properties that are not being maintained. They are then cited by Code which then become homes with upside down liens. That is why the owner of record needs to be recorded to keep the property clean. There was no Main Motion and was not brought before the membership. Members asked Neighborhood Coordinator Marilyn Fenton-Harmer to send information on the Draft to the CPAC membership. She will e-mail members the Draft Ordinance on Mortgage Foreclosure Foreclosure Regulation.

### Staff Reports

Mayor's Representative – Carolyn Shehee-Williams had no report but can be reached at 630-1994 or <u>CSHEHEE@coj.net</u>

Mayor's Office - Project New Ground Consultant Carita Parks reported on the following:

- Project New Ground is making progress. They started remediation in the Browns Dump site and it is going very well. Tetra Tech is the contractor. The City of Jacksonville is providing temporary housing for residents as their house is being remediated. A few have taken this option.
- 5<sup>th</sup> and Cleveland will start mid-month. Children are a priority and will go first. WRS Compass is the contractor.
- The Forest Street contractor is ECC.

- WRS Compass is the contractor for Lonnie Miller and it will be the last one to start remediation.
- They have 1025 access agreements signed but over 3000 properties. If you know of someone that needs to be sampled they will need to sign an access agreement.
- They will have a table at a Health Fair that the YMCA Johnson Center is hosting this Friday.

Members wanted to know how they would be notified when their property would be remediated. The contractor will send a letter and phone them to see if they will need temporary housing and let them know when the work would begin. For more information call the Outreach Center at 357-8077 or visit it at 1605 N. Myrtle Avenue.

*Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)* – *Milton Locklear had numerous handouts on FDOT projects and maps. They are included at the end of the minutes. Milton Locklear* can be reached at 360-5686 or <u>Milton.Locklear@coj.state.fl.us</u>

*Planning and Development* – Emery Nauden gave his report time to City Planner Manager Kristen Reed to speak on the following:

The City of Jacksonville's Future Land Use Element (FLUE) is a document that illustrates the location and distribution of land uses (residential, commercial, industrial, etc.) throughout the city. The element and its associated map, the Future Land Use Map, are part of the City of Jacksonville's 2010 Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 1990 as a requirement of State law (Chapter 163.3177(13-14), Florida Statutes). The 2010 Comprehensive Plan, including the Future Land Use Element, is tasked with guiding the growth and development of Jacksonville until 2010. Local governments are required by State law to assess the effectiveness of their Comprehensive Plans every seven years. This assessment is called the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR). In the past nine years, the City of Jacksonville has received 2000 requested amendments to the Future Land Use Map. The City's Future Land Use Map has become largely ineffective in guiding the growth and development of Jacksonville.

- This is an update on the Future Land Use Map and Element (FLUM & FLUE). The EAR (Evaluation and Appraisal Report) recommendations to update the 2010 Comprehensive Plan to 2030 Plan have been adopted by the city and became effective on February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The FLUM & FLUE have gone to City Council for the first round of hearings but there is still time to have a presentation for your community. There will be another round of public hearings in June.
- Here are the Planning Department links on the FLUM and EAR. <u>http://www.coj.net/Departments/Planning+and+Development/Community+Planning/Fu</u> <u>ture+Land+Use+Map.htm</u>

<u>http://www.coj.net/Departments/Planning+and+Development/Community+Planning/20</u> <u>10+Comprehensive+Plan+Evaluation+and+Appraisal+Report+%28EAR%29.htm</u>

For questions on the FLUM or EAR contact Planner Manager Kristen Reed at 255-7837 or <u>kreed@coj.net</u> Planner Nauden can be reached at 630-0258 or <u>enauden@coj.net</u>

Municipal Code Compliance – Zone 1 Senior Officer Devron Cody reported on the following:

- There are 2100 active cases in the Urban Core
- They have just completed systematic Inspections in East Jacksonville, Springfield and the Phoenix Avenue neighborhoods. The inspection includes going door-to-door in a particular neighborhood.
- The following addresses have been sent to contractors for demolition:
  - o 1102 Hart St., 1731 West 28th Street, and at 501 West 18th Street the porch
- With the addresses that Chairperson Vanderlaan mentioned in his report at 202 7<sup>th</sup> Street last summer it was occupied with a tenant. There were no code violations for lack of maintenance. The neighbors have been keeping up with the mowing. At 524 N. Market St. the owner had signed a stipulation agreement to bring it into compliance but that didn't happen. It has to be brought before the historic preservation board to proceed and that can take a while. At 1416 N. Market Street there is a \$142,752 lien with a \$250 a day rolling fine.

- The house that caught on fire on Ionia Street is up for an emergency demo.
- There are 2 types of liens: Code Abatement which uses tax dollars to demo structures and hire a contractor to maintain vacant properties as well as boarding them up. This is recorded with the Tax Collector. Then there is an Administrative lien from the Municipal Code Compliance Magistrate.

Members wanted to know if the demolition list is available for the public. Officer Cody gets the list when it is sent to the contractors for demolition. However; if you see a neon green sign posted on a house the demolition is pending. Senior Officer Cody can be reached at 255-7000 or Municipal Code Compliance can be reached at 255-7000 or psafety@coj.net

Department of Health - not present. Jocelyn Turner can be reached at 253-2037 or Jocelyn Turner@doh.state.fl.us

Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) - Tony Bellamy, Executive Director for Turnaround Schools (Cluster 4) talked about the 9 high schools that are Turn Around Schools: Englewood, First Coast, Forrest, Jackson, Raines, Randolph, Ribault, Parker, and Ed White. These schools have the State coming into the schools for an overview and many visits into the classrooms for strategies for improvement. There are 7 Turn Around middle schools: Butler, Ford, Gilbert, North Shore, Northwestern, Paxon, and Ribault. Schools with this designation will receive additional resource and financial support, such as dedicated District oversight, special District funds allocations and special leadership learning opportunities

- FCAT tests will be on Mach 9 and 10 for math and reading and on March 15 for science. The schools have been working hard on preparing the students. With benchmark testing they have seen growth at all the schools. They are taking a holistic approach to the total child with extremely hard and rigorous content. They have shut entire schools down to have the same environment that the day of the FCAT test to prepare the students well in advance. The students have been given test taking tips and now they are in the motivating stage asking them to give their personal best. Schools have been having pep rallies and the parent link phone system is reminding parents to get the students to school on time.
- For 10<sup>th</sup> grade FCAT writing at every one of the 9 schools 90% of the students were tested. •
- In 11<sup>th</sup> grade science there were gaps since Earth Science is taught in 9<sup>th</sup> grade but they have been going back and looking at benchmarks and going over the subject area.
- Tutoring and Saturday school has been going on to assist students. •
- On the day of the FCAT test they want to be sure that the environment is conducive to test taking, down to not having the heaters turned on high to giving the students a breakfast.

Tony Bellamy can be reached at 630-6852 or bellamyt@duvalschools.org

### HAND - Community Development Neighborhood Coordinator Marilyn Fenton-Harmer reported on the following: Budget Workshops:

Mayor Peyton will hold Budget Workshops on the following dates. Space is limited so please visit www.myjaxbudget.com to register or call 630-2747 to request seating at any of the upcoming workshops:

- **Saturday, Mar. 6, 2010** 9:30 11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Mar. 25, 2010 6 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 17, 2010** 9:30 11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, April 29, 2010 6 8 p.m.
- **City Council Budget Workshops**

Council President Richard A. Clark will host a series of "Budget Workshop Meetings" from 6-8 p.m. at the FSCJ Campuses:

- South March 8, 2010, 11901 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32246 for Districts 1,2,3, & 13 •
- Deerwood March 18, 2010, 9911 Old Baymeadows Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32256 for Districts 4,5, & 6 •
- Downtown March 30, 2010, 401 W State St. Jacksonville, FL 32202 for Districts 7,9 & 10
- Kent April 8, 2010, 3939 Roosevelt Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32205 for Districts 12 & 14
- North April 22, 2010, 4501 Capper Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32218 for Districts 11 & 8

The meetings are to hear public comments and discussion of the City of Jacksonville's Budget. Please note that all Council Members have been invited. All interested persons are invited and encouraged to attend. Contact Sonia Johnson, ECA, District 3, at 630-1031. City Council Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> &4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m., City Hall, 117 W. Duval St. For info call 630-1377.

- Jacksonville Children's Commission, 1095 A. Philip Randolph Clanzel T. Brown Community Center, 4545 Moncrief Rd.
- Dinsmore Community Center, 7126 Civic Club Dr.
- Balis Community Center, 1513 LaSalle St.

Duval County School Board Budget Workshops - All meetings will begin at 6 p.m.

- Thursday, March 11 Sandalwood High School
  - Tuesday, March 16 Peterson Academies of Tech
  - Thursday, March 18
  - Jean Ribault High School Mandarin High School Tuesday, March 23

2750 John Prom Blvd, 32246 7450 Wilson Blvd., 32210 3701 Winton Dr., 32208 4831 Greenland Rd., 32258

Duval County School Board meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m., School Board Building, 1701 Prudential Dr. For information call 390-2000. Duval County Public Schools www.duvalschools.org REPORT A TRUANT by calling 390-2093 or make an online report at www.duvalschools.org and for other info "Save Duval Schools" www.saveduvalschools.org

# Housing and Neighborhoods Department:

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The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for 2010-2011 will have technical assistance available on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon until March 3, 2010. Applications must be delivered no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday,

March 5, 2010 or postmarked on or before Friday, March 5, 2010. For information on the 2010-2011 application please call 255-8241 or cdd@coj.net

- The Housing and Neighborhoods Department sponsors free Foreclosure Prevention workshops. To register, call 630-CITY. The website Stay Home: Jacksonville Foreclosure Prevention is designed as a resource to help connect you with the appropriate agencies for assistance. The City of Jacksonville does not directly provide counseling or legal assistance but will help put you in touch with someone who can help with your mortgage situation. The Foreclosure Task Force will meet on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 4 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building, 8th Floor. 214 N. Hogan Street. www.coj.net/Departments/Housing+and+Neighborhoods/Stay+Home
- The Neighborhood Stabilization (NSP) Program, authorized by the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA), will assist state and local governments in the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed properties and increase the availability of affordable housing for low, moderate and middle income households. For information on Jacksonville's economic stimulus efforts, please send an e-mail to stimulus@coj.net or call 630-CITY.

Project New Ground is eager to answer your questions. Please contact the City of Jacksonville: 630-CITY or the Outreach Center at 357-8077. The Project New Ground Outreach Center is at The Oaks of Durkeeville Plaza at 1605-8 Myrtle Avenue. Outreach specialists are available to talk with residents about the cleanup and impacts to their neighborhoods. Hours are Monday -Friday from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Jobs - Project New Ground contractors are hiring ground crews and skilled laborers. WorkSource manages the employment process. Those interested in employment opportunities should contact Jerry Box at 798-9229 ext. 2204 or JBox@worksourcefl.com. If you have any specific questions about how ash on your property may affect your health, please contact the Duval County Health Department at 253-1000. You may also visit the Web site, www.dchd.net for

more info go to: www.coj.net/Departments/Environmental+and+Compliance/Project+New+Ground/About.htm

Jacksonville Journey: The next Journey meeting will be Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 4 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 32202. During the month of January they continued to move forward in implementing the Jacksonville Journey program. The progress includes (1) The Oversight Committee held its monthly meeting (2) Team Up programs served an average of 1964 children per day in January (3) The Out of School Suspension program began its new contract and expects attendance to be 115 children per day. The contract requires 95% of the seats to be filled. If those numbers are not met, the Duval County School Board will not be paid for those seats (4) The Juvenile Assessment Center processed 485 Juveniles in December with 48% of those being sent to secure detention and balance returned home (42%) or were released home with a detention contract (10%). (5) The Juvenile Crime **Prevention** and Intervention program which is run by the Youth Crisis Center began working with 45 new clients. All Information relative to the Journey programs is available on the website at

www.coj.net/Mayor/Jacksonville+Journey All meetings are broadcast live and recordings are available on the website within 48 Hours of each meeting. For information call Tina Rehmel 630-1273

Planning Department - The Planning and Development Department's Office of the Director, Current Planning Division and Community Planning Division have relocated to the third floor of the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St. The new main telephone number will be 255-7800 and the new main fax number will be 255-7886. Individual staff phone numbers have changed and will roll over to the new numbers for 60 days.

#### Recreation and Community Services - Parks and Senior Events - JaxParks Admin Offices have moved to the Ed Ball Building.

- 2010 Blessing of the Fleet Sunday, March 28, 2010 at 2 p.m. at the Hogan Street Gazebo/Northbank Riverfront Downtown.
- ARTS ON THE GO @ Balis Community Center Friday, March 26, 2010 6 8 p.m., 1513 LaSalle St. Release your artistic talent and come draw, paint, and make take home crafts. Art instructors will be on hand to assist. Refreshments will be served. This is a free community event. Contact: For more info call 630-4100.
- Easter Eggstravaganza @ the Jax. Arboretum Friday, April 02, 2010 6pm -egg hunt starts at 6:30pm Jax. Arboretum 1445 Millcoe Rd. Getting you ready for the holiday. Bring the little ones to our egg hunt along the trails of the Arboretum. For more information call 630-4100.
- Starry Nights 2010 The 2010 Starry Nights series, produced by the City of Jacksonville, will feature concerts on Saturday, April 10 and Saturday, April 24, 2010. For info call 630-3690 or events@coj.net.
- The 18th annual World of Nations Celebration will be held April 29-May 2 at Metropolitan Park. A new adventure awaits you at every turn. Admission to Our World - One-Day Ticket to the World: \$5.00 (Saturday and Sunday only) 3 years & under: Free Two-Day Round Trip Ticket: \$8.00 13 years & older: \$3 12 years & under: Free. Discount Tickets - \$1.00 off admission with Military and Senior Citizen I.D. - Look in the April issue of your Mint Magazine

- MOB Meeting (Mayor's Older Buddies) Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 10 a.m., Metropolitan Park Join Mayor John Peyton to discuss issues pertinent to seniors. MOB Members; be sure to wear your MOB t-shirts and buttons! Make your lunch reservations by calling 630-3690.
- Mayor's Walk for Senior Wellness Saturday, March 27, 2010, Location TBD. Join the City of Jacksonville for a 2-mile walk around the Sports Complex area to socialize while improving your health. Seniors ages 60 and over will receive a complimentary lunch and chances to win a variety of prizes. Activities begin at 9 a.m. for Check-in. Register by calling 630-3690 or go on line at: <a href="http://apps2.coj.net/CMS\_Forms/MayorsWalk.asp">http://apps2.coj.net/CMS\_Forms/MayorsWalk.asp</a> Complete the registration to ensure your free lunch and t-shirt. There is the opportunity to win prizes.

Library – To learn about classes and events at the library please visit <u>www.jpl.coj.net</u> or <u>www.coj.net</u>

Another Great Jacksonville Book Sale - The first Great Jacksonville Book Sale of 2010 will be at the Fairgrounds March 5-7. This is an opportunity to find some great bargains and help the library! Here is the schedule for the sale: March 5: 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. March 6: 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. - March 7: 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

**Tax Assistance** - Through cooperation with the <u>Real\$ense Prosperity Campaign</u> and the <u>American Association of</u> <u>Retired Persons (AARP)</u>, this service is provided from February to April. Please bring the following with you when you come: current year's tax forms and preparation booklet; copy of last year's income tax return(s); W-2 forms from each employer; unemployment compensation statements; SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits; all 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B, etc.) showing interest and/or dividends and documentation showing original purchase price of sold assets; 1099-misc. showing any miscellaneous income; 1099-R form if you received a pension or annuity; all forms indicating federal income tax paid; dependent care provider information (name, employer, ID, Social Security number); all receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions; Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents. It will be at <u>Main Library</u> -Room G4, Conference Level, 303 N. Laura St. Jacksonville, FL 32202 - Saturday 10 a.m.

to 2 p.m. \* February 6 - April 10, 2010 - \* exceptions February 15, 27, March 20 Free street parking on Saturdays. <u>Downtown Events</u> – For a listing of events happening in downtown Jacksonville go to <u>Downtown Vision, Inc.</u> <u>http://www.downtownjacksonville.org</u> and area kiosk. The <u>Visit Jacksonville</u> office and welcome centers along with various downtown hotels, restaurants and businesses. Also, visit <u>www.experiencejax.com</u> for your one-stop resource for events throughout Jacksonville. First Wednesday Art Walk – Mach 3, 2010 Theme: Rock 'n 'Roll

<u>**Riverside Arts Market</u>** – Every Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Under the Fuller Warren Bridge, Downtown Jacksonville. **RAM** will reopen with artists and entertainment on Saturday, March 6, 2010 to December 18, 2010. http://www.riversideartsmarket.com</u>

Phone Numbers – City Link - where to go when you need to know 630-CITY (630-2489) www.coj.net

- \*Please have the exact address and get a tracking number to follow up on the issue.
- ShAdCo (Sheriff's Advisory Council) Zone 1 call 924-5361at Gateway Shopping Center
- First Coast Crime Stoppers 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
- JEA 665-6000 If a street light is out please get the number on the pole to report it
- JTA –For customer service call 630-3100 or <u>www.jtafla.com</u>
- Duval Extension Office is located at 1010 N. McDuff Ave or for more info call 387-8850
- JOBS WorkSource Career Center at Gateway, 5000 Norwood Ave., Suite 2 open M-F, 8 a.m. 5 p.m. For info call 924-1710 or <u>www.employflorida.com</u> or <u>www.worksourcefl.com</u> or 356-JOBS (5627)

There is a new community information service to receive government communications – go to www.nixle.com to sign up.

### **Announcements**

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### Public Comments - none

### Adjournment

Chair Vanderlaan adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

The next Urban Core CPAC meeting is on Monday, **April 5**, **2010** at 5 p.m. in Training Room 110 of the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street

Submitted by: Marilyn Fenton-Harmer Neighborhood Coordinator 255-8236 Mfharmer@coj.net CPAC REPORT - CITIZEN PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE -

#### TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEE

URBAN CORE CPAC - DISTRICT ONE (1)

#### MARCH 1, 2010 ED BALL BUILDING-TRAINING ROOM 5:00 P.M.

FYI - District One CPAC Members

From - Celia Miller, Charter CPAC Member,

North Florida Transportation Planning Organization UC Rep

Names of the Transportation Sub-Committee CPAC members are requested.

Thanks to Ms. Marilyn Fenton-Harmer for providing copies of the report for February.

Correction: The old and new names of the North Florida Transportation independent agency was not accurately listed.

Former Name: North Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO/CAC)

New name : North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO/CAC).

NFTPO Executive Director: Ms. Denise Bunnewith

Administrative Assistant: Ms. Bettie Barber

Long range Planning Manager: Ms. Wanda Forrest

Public Information Officer: Ms. Marci Larsen

**Planning Director: Jeff Sheffield** 

1022 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32207

Item in FDOT letter to NFTPO last month:

427390-1 Franklin Street Rail Crossing (near Talleyrand Marine Terminal)

– Crossing closure.
 FY 09/10 Grants, RHP (Railroad Crossing Protection Devises) \$7,500.

Other Items:

- The Matthew Bridge Project is #2 on the LTP List pending funds
- New Kings Road Overpass

Construct a new, six-lane vehicular and pedestrian overpass over existing railroad tracks. Budget: \$21.7 million Mr. Mike Goldman of FDOT verified that this project is under the Better Jacksonville Plan. Ms. Anita Warming verified the following project update: Project Contractor: Hubbard Construction Project Manager: Mr. Roger Miller, BJP, 360-5969 Date Project began: March, 2008 Project Status: 78% Completed Roads underneath overpass and service roads are being constructed presently. Webb Site states completion date as Summer, 2010. Ms. Warming stated completion is listed as September, 2010. Pre-Construction Meeting held in 2007 by Ms. Mia Jones,then City CouncilMember,Dist.10 Side walks and bike path were questioned during this meeting. No current information available on if the sidewalks and bike paths amenities were approved and or included. The project manager not available this time to discuss and report. Will attempt to get this info for the next CPAC meeting.

- The New Kings Road Pedestrian Project between Whitner Street & Spires is expected to begin in 2010. No further information available.
- UC CPAC Transportation Committee Chair sent an e-mail memo to CCM W.A. Jones requesting a follow-up on the needed maintenance which we requested for the Myrtle Avenue Tunnel Underpass between Bay Street and Dennis Street. Awaiting a response from CCM Jones on his efforts to intercede in this needed maintenance project. Jurisdiction of this site appears to be jointly held, but is confused presently where oversight is not being done.

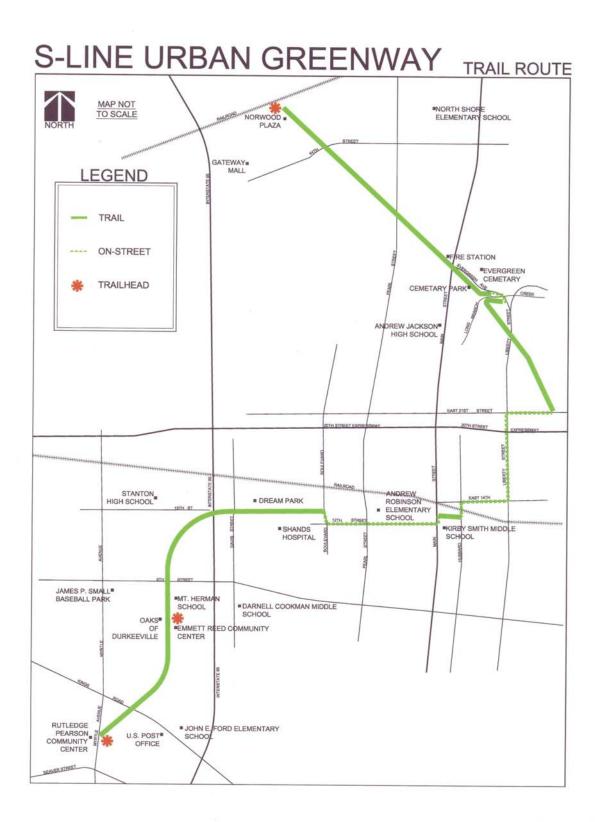
There is a great need for an interested volunteer to serve as the new rep and an alternate rep for the North Florida TPO. TPO Training for TPO volunteer Members are periodically scheduled.

A Guide to Transportation Decisionmaking - should be available by contacting Ms. Marci Larson.

If you are interested and have questions, feel free to call Celia Miller and/or Doug Vanderlan, CPAC Chair to apply.

Submitted By:

**Celia Miller** 



#### FDOT Projects Urban C-PAC (as of 2/3/2010)

#### **Projects Under Construction**

**Interstates 10 and 95** Reconstructing interchange from Stockton Street and the Fuller Warren Bridge to Adams Street. Began Feb. 15, 2005 and should finish in 2,273 days (early 2011) at a cost of \$152,382,972.86. This project is 89% complete

**Interstate 95** Installing Traveler Information System from just south of the Duval County line to north of Interstate 295. Began November 3, 2009 and should finish in 200 days (Summer of 2010) at a cost of \$1,794,398.63.

Main Street 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Street. Reconstruction commenced November 2007. Project is 96% complete. Contractor is currently working of landscaping and clean up. This City permitted project

#### **Projects in Five-Year Work Program**

Arlington Expressway (State Road 10) – Paint the Mathews Bridge in 2010/11 at estimated \$14.4 million.

Arlington Expressway (State Road 10A) Rehabilitate the Palmetto Bridge overpass in 2010/11 at estimated cost of \$500,000.

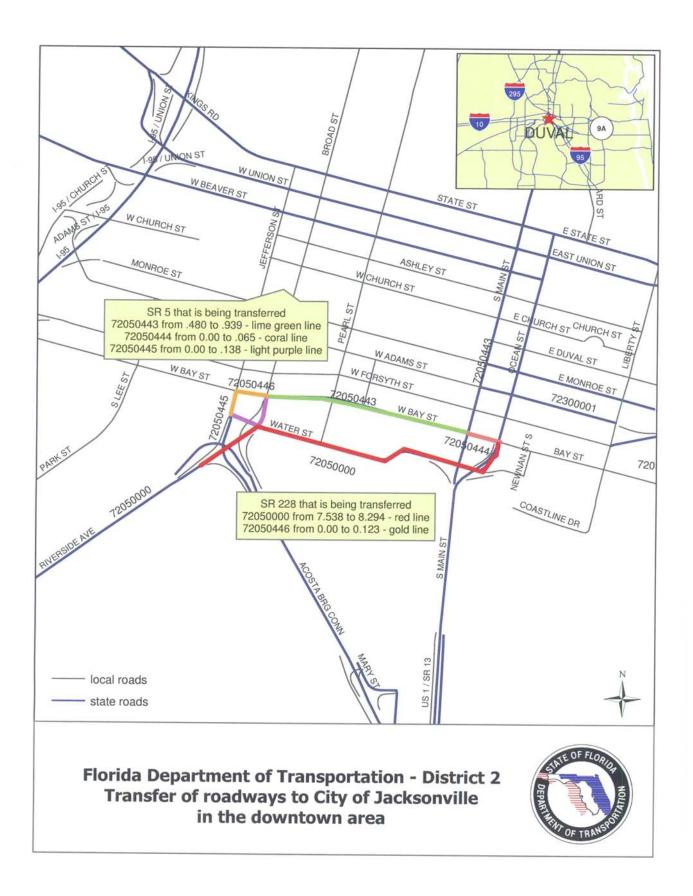
Interstate 10 - Landscape interchange with Interstate 95 in 2011/12 at estimated \$1.8 million.

**Interstate 95** – Replace the I-95 Overland Bridge that carries traffic over Hendricks, King and Montana avenues in 2011/12 at estimated \$185.5 million.

Interstate 95 - Myrtle Ave Bridge Spot Clean and Paint in 2012/13 at estimated \$2.0 million

**ITS - Regional TMC** Jax Transportation Center Intermodal HUB Capacity in 2013/14 at estimated 5.6 million (first phase)

Main Street (U.S. 17) Rehabilitate the Main Street Bridge in 2011/12 at estimated cost of \$11 million.



### URBAN C-PAC STATE MAINTAINED ROADWAYS

- 8<sup>th</sup> Street / SR 114 (from I-95 to Boulevard)Map ID # 72005000
- Acosta Bridge / SR 13 Map ID # 72070000
- Adams Street / SR 228 (from Main St to Liberty St) Map ID # 7230001
- Beaver Street / SR 10 /US 90 Map ID #72010000
- Hart Bridge / SR 228 Map ID #72090466
- I-10 Map ID #72270000
- I-95 Map ID #72020000
- Main Street Bridge / US 1 Map ID #72070000
- Monroe Street / SR 228 (from Main St to Washington St) Map ID #72300000
- Mathews Bridge / SR 115 Map ID 72040000
- MLK (20<sup>th</sup> Expy) /SR 115 / US 1A Map ID #72090000
- Ocean Street / US 1 Map ID #72050000
- Riverside Ave / SR 211 Map ID #72050000
- State Street / SR 139 / US 17 Map ID #72080000
- Union Street / SR 139 /US 17 Map ID #72080101

