

Urban Core ~ District 1

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

June 23, 2003

Cathedral Terrace Auditorium ~ 701 N. Ocean Street

MINUTES

Committee Members/Guests/Staff Present

Sign in sheets attached

Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:20p.m. Chairman acknowledged visitors.

Approval of Minutes

The decision to approve the minutes from the May 19, 2003 meeting was unanimous.

Speakers – 2003 Urban Core City Council Representatives

- **The Honorable Elaine Brown (Councilwoman – At-Large Group 2)** – Discussed the Downtown Master Plan created with the Downtown Development Authority. The Master Plan is designed to improve the appearance of downtown and make it vibrant, which is her main focus of service. The City anticipates 2000+ citizens to relocate to the area, including Brooklyn and Lavilla and Springfield has proven to be a success. Future plans include setting a model for the way our city should be and make Jacksonville the representative for all of Duval County.
- **The Pat Lockett-Felder (Councilwoman – District 7)** – Discussed the accomplishments and developments primarily in the East Jacksonville area. Her main focus for service is to bring back the quality of life with parks, recreational facilities, lucrative jobs, health clinics, housing, and improved streets and sidewalks. Future plans include safety and care for senior citizens, improved housing including in-fill housing and affordable homes, and revitalization of blighted areas in her district.
- **The Honorable Gwen Yates (Councilwoman – District 8)** – Expressed concern for the appearance of parks in District 8. Main focus of service is to continue to work to establish and improve parks and other recreational areas. Over \$1 million has been invested in parks such as J.P. Small Park for renovations and improvements. Future plans also include economic development efforts that are dedicated to bringing new businesses and jobs into the district. Also discussed plans for senior citizens services.
- **The Honorable Reggie Fullwood (Councilman – District 9)** – Reiterated his fellow council representatives thoughts and future plans, as they are similar to those in District 9. Mentioned that Neighborhood Actions Plans are being transformed from mere plans to implemented initiatives. Main focus of service includes urban renewal and revitalization. Councilman is looking forward to working with new associations that are now located within District 9 upon as a result of re-districting.

- **The Honorable Lad Daniels (Councilman – At-Large Group 3)** – Main focus of service includes moving plan to implementation. Continues to work closely with neighborhood associations and focus on revitalization and restoration efforts.

Reports

No reports were given.

Old Business

None at this time.

New Business

None at this time.

Additional Concerns/Issues

All council representatives took part in a panel question and answer period to address citizens concerns including:

- Mixed and affordable housing to address sub-standard housing
- Sidewalk repair
- Collaboration with CDCs to develop guidelines and heighten the standards in enforcing requirements for housing.
- Improved staffing of parks for supervision of children
- Condemned housing in the communities, particularly District 8

Announcements

None at this time.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm

The next meeting of the Urban Core CPAC will be held at 5:00 P.M., Monday, August 25, 2003 at the Cathedral Terrace Auditorium – 701 N. Ocean Street.