

District #1 - Urban Core

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Meeting Location: Main Library – room G4 - 303 N. Laura St.

Chairman: *Dr. Janetta Norman 355-7822*

Vice Chairman: *Bishop E. M. Johnson 343-7206*

Mayor's Representative: *Carolyn Shehee-Williams 630-1636*

Neighborhood Coordinator: *Adrianne Ligon 630-7131 aligon@coj.net*



Meeting Summary Monday, March 5, 2007

Members

Janetta Norman
Sandra Willis
Eula Canty
Yvonne Lane
Delores Swain

Floree McPherson
Luellen B. Logan
Doug Vanderlaan
Johnny Swain
Rex Williams

Michael Hartman
Ruth Arnold
Gerre Walker
Louvenia B. Tippins
Tony Nelson

Guests

Ayesha Covington

E. Denise Lee

Liz Knight

Staff/Resource

Adrianne Ligon
Carolyn Shehee-Williams
Jocelyn Turner

Marvin Echols
Milton Locklear
Dana Fields-Johnson

Sgt. Danny Perkins
W. B. Butler
David Roe

Call to Order

Chair Dr. Norman called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. and a quorum was verified.

Remarks – Chair

Dr. Norman greeted everyone in attendance. Maps of the Urban Core were distributed at her request. Concerns were raised about the difficulty getting a school board representative. Floree McPherson and Luellen Logan volunteered at the request of the Chair to help organize the urban core bus tour. Tony Nelson agreed to assist as he has in the past. The Chair encouraged members to submit questions they'd like addressed at the Mayor's CPAC Chair meeting on March 21.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the January meeting were approved with a correction to the list of attendees. Louvenia Tippins' name was added.

Guest Speaker/Presentation

Dana Fields-Johnson of Healthy Jacksonville presented information about the various coalitions they've formed to prioritize and create solutions to local health problems. Healthy Jacksonville strives to increase the quality of life in Jacksonville through education, disease prevention, treatment efforts, and advocacy. Literature and contact information were distributed. Additional information about upcoming Healthy Jacksonville events will be sent.

Subcommittee Reports

Environmental – Michael Hartman announced that on behalf of the Environmental Subcommittee, he submitted a subcommittee on Energy and Water appropriations FY 08 funding request for future projects to clean up Hogan Creek. He expressed his opinion about the chemical and bacteriological contamination in Hogan Creek, his passion to remedy it, and the need for continued support.

Membership – Douglas Vanderlaan encouraged everyone to become familiar with the urban core boundaries and help identify and recruit potential members.

Staff Reports

Mayor's Representative – Carolyn Shehee-Williams announced that the library is conducting an online survey to obtain input to improve services.

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Sgt. Perkins and Officer Butler announced that they are available for questions during and after the meeting.

Duval County Public Schools – No report

Neighborhood Services Division – Adrienne Ligon announced the following:

- 2007 Mayor's Housing and Neighborhoods Summit will be held at the Prime Osborn Convention Center on April 3 from 1 – 8:30 p.m. and nominations for the Mayor's Awards are due no later than March 9. Nomination forms were made available.
- The next Urban Core Town Hall meeting is scheduled for May 21 (time & location are to be determined).
- Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants: application booklets with deadline and training schedules were made available.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – Milton Locklear announced that he had no formal report but was available for questions or comments.

Planning and Development – Marvin Echols announced that he had no report.

Duval County Health Department – Jocelyn Turner introduced the guest speaker from Healthy Jacksonville and distributed health related information.

Code Enforcement – David Roe announced that he had no report.

Additional Comments, Concerns, Discussion

- Ayesha Covington announced that she is running a grassroots campaign for City Council District 9.
- Denise Lee introduced herself and announced that she is a candidate for City Council District 8.

Adjournment The chair adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**The next Urban Core CPAC meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m.
April 2, 2007, at the Main Library, room G-4, 303 N. Laura St.**