URBAN CORE CITIZENS
PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 1999

Members Present
Dr. Janetta Norman, Chair
Phil Neary
Michael Bryant
JoAnn Smith
Carlon Robinson
Lisa Neary
Celia Miller
Padrica Mendez

City Staff/Public/Media
Thelma Jackson
John Curtin
Lorrie DeFrank
Ed Pratt-Dannals
Lt. Mark Richardson
John Sheffield
Helena Atalla
Don Donahoe
Janet Hamer
William Sweet
Terri Booker

Call to Order
Dr. Janetta Norman called the meeting to order at 5:21 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes from the March meeting were not approved as a quorum was not present.

Presenters
John Sheffield, Transportation Planner with the Planning and Development Department, explained the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Fiscal Years 1999-2004 regarding District One Urban Core. He provided the committee with copies of the TIP and responded to questions raised.

Helena Atalla, CIP Coordinator with the Planning and Development Department, provided an overview of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Years 1999-2004 for District One Urban Core. She responded to questions and announced a meeting would be held on April 27, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. at the Florida Theatre Building on the seventh floor for public input. Ms. Atalla provided her phone number for additional information. Her number is 630-4921.

Committee member Michael Bryant reported on the Core City Asset Assessment Study conducted by Lockwood Greene Consulting. He explained the origin of the study for economic development by Fresh Ministries and provided highlights. Mr. Bryant addressed the concerns expressed by committee members. He gave his phone number for additional information. His number is 355-0000.

JoAnn Smith discussed the requests received from Urban Core applicants for the New Ways Initiative Grant.

Tricia Booker of JCCI Forward spoke to the group regarding the need for their assistance in recruiting young leaders to bring us into the 21st Century. She announced a conference would be held in September for 100 people or future leaders who will represent a cross section of the city to help write a roadmap and/or plan for the future of Jacksonville. The conference will be held at the World Golf Village. A series of 5 public dialogues will be held to obtain information to share with the emerging leaders. It was suggested that councilpersons leaving office would be good candidates.

The Chair noted a quorum was present and requested the group to review the March minutes for approval. The minutes were approved.

New Business

Committee member Lisa Neary told the group she had attended a meeting where a flyer was distributed with the Mayor's seal, NationsBank and a community organization that was formed to put in-fill housing in their neighborhood. Mrs. Neary expressed her concern, for the record, that the department heads seem to have a lack of regard for the community residents and leaders and organizations that have worked tirelessly in Springfield for years by having a new organization formed without their knowledge. Committee member Phil Neary and Springfield resident Don Donahoe also expressed their concerns as to the formation of the new organization for housing. Janet Hamer, Housing Services Division Chief, apologized and briefly explained the project. She stated she would be happy to come back to the next CPAC meeting with pictures, renderings and floor plans to address their concerns.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.