# Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

# Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Boulevard 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 22, 2011

### Meeting Summary

#### Members and Alternates

Michael Anania Michele Davis Dave Evans Kacy Evans Linda Hemphill Florence Holcomb Marcella Lowe Helen Ludwig Ed Maxted Patty McPeek Tami Moe Eddi Parsons Jerry Petoskey Patricia Schorr Roger Sharp

## Members Excused

Larry Belge Al Cherry Ben Tucker

#### <u>Guest</u>

Sally Doherty Kim Neumann Linda Nogle

#### Staff/Resources

Paul Davis, Planning and Development Jim Green, FDOT Elaine Lancaster, Code Compliance Tera Meeks, for Kelley Boree, Mayor's Liaison Rosemary Wesolowski, Community Development

The June Greater Arlington Beaches CPAC that was scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> was rescheduled to June 22<sup>nd</sup> due to a power outage at the Regency Branch Library as a result of a severe storm that went through Arlington.

#### Call to Order

Roger Sharp called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., the meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. It was established that a quorum was present.

#### **Chairs Report**

No report

### Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the May 2011 meeting summary was made. The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

#### <u>Speakers</u>

Kevin Holbrooks, JEA, Director Environmental educated and informed the group that our water source is the Floridan aquifer, which is one of the major sources of groundwater in the United States. This highly productive aquifer system underlies all of Florida, southern Georgia, and small parts of adjacent Alabama and South Carolina – a total area of about 100,000 square miles. Our abundant, fresh, clean water supply is obtained by drilling wells deep into the aquifer. The water is then pumped to large water reservoirs where it is aerated, chlorinated for disinfection, and then distributed via pumping stations to our homes. In JEA serves 248,172 residential customers, 23,318 commercial customers by utilizing 36 water treatment plants, 136 wells and 4,619 miles of water pipes.

The safety of our drinking water is tested every 3 years. In 2009 the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) performed Source Water Assessments on our systems. These assessments were conducted to provide information about any potential sources of contamination in the vicinity of our wells. The number of potential sources and susceptibility level of contamination identified for all wells in our systems are shown in the table below. Potential sources of contamination identified could include landfills, above and underground fuel storage tanks, dry cleaning facilities, and wastewater disposal areas. The assessment results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at <u>www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp</u>.

**Fred Forbes, City of Jacksonville, Chief of Solid Waste, Public Works** informed the group that the City has been looking at ways to improved waste collection since the early 1990's. There seems to be a vast improvement by utilizing automated residential waste and recycling collection. Legislation has been introduced that would enable Republic Services and Southland Waste Systems portions of the Arlington, East Arlington, Mayport and the Northside.

Southland is willing to invest a very large initial cost of \$14 million for 28 new trucks, 145,000 trash cans and transition costs, all at Southland's expense. Each home will receive 2-96 gallon heavy duty trash cans with tight fitting, fixed lids and strong wheels; one can is for trash and one is for recycling.

Andy Barker, Southland Waste, Operations Manager showed a short DVD to better illustrate how the automated systems work in a residential area. Mr. Barker stated that converting to the automated collection has significant financial benefits to the City of Jacksonville. Recycling revenues increase \$41 per ton and \$11 per ton of avoided Trail Ridge Landfill cost for every additional ton of waste diverted to recycling. The rate paid to Southland by the city will remain the same. All the new trash trucks have been converted to compressed natural gas for fuel; this has the potentials to improve our environment as well as reduce our fuel costs for garbage removal. Mr. Barker brought trash / recycling cans and an automated trash truck for everyone to see. There was a lengthy question and answer period.

#### Subcommittee Reports

PARKS & RECREATION - Chair - Tami Moe - no report

**BEAUTIFICATION** – Chair Larry Belge – not present

LAND USE & ZONING - Chair Mike Anania -

The LUZ Subcommittee met on June 13<sup>th</sup>, outside, under the vestibule at the Regency Branch Library. At that time no actions or motions were made. Due to the extra week, another application did come through and was shared with the full CPAC.

Mike Anania, LUZ Subcommittee chair discussed application E-11-036 with the full CPAC. After some discussion, the CPAC voted unanimously to send a denial letter. The motion stated that the CPAC recommends denial of the request to allow a charter elementary school on the subject property.

A copy of the LUZ Subcommittee letter is attached at the end of the CPAC summary.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Chair Pat Schorr – no report

TRANSPORTATION - Co-Chairs Roger Sharp and Richard Witzel - no report

**ENVIRONMENT** – Chair Lad Hawkins – not present

**T.R.U.E Commission** – Marcella Lowe – informed the group that the commission has completed working with the Budget & Finance Committee of the Council on possible ways to cut the budget. They have also completed the study on SMG's operations and made suggestions that should help to eliminate any problems with subcontracting.

**Craig Airport Advisory Committee** – Dave Evans – there will be a hearing coming up in August.

#### Staff Reports:

**Mayor's Liaison** – Tera Meeks for Kelley Boree, Recreation & Community Services – introduced herself as the Chief of Waterfront Management Programming. Ms. Meeks reminded everyone to attend the Mayoral Inauguration on July 1<sup>st</sup> at the Prime Osborne Convention Center or at the City Council Inauguration on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The transition teams are in place and have been actively working to be ready on July 1, 2011. The City of Jacksonville will host the Independence Day Celebration downtown on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

There was a question in regard to the status of the Sunny Acres Community Center; Ms. Meeks asked the questioner to call her for follow up.

JSO- not present

DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS - not present

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT - Paul Davis - not present

**FDOT – Jim Green** – reminded the group that FDOT will host at least one community meeting prior to Mathews Bridge painting project. Other projects continue such as the nightly lane closures on the Dames Point Bridge (project will be completed late in 2011), installation of ITS signs (weather sensors and traffic information) will be a lengthy project, but will begin soon. Southside Blvd (Atlantic to Cargal) will be resurfaced; a left turn lane will be added providing a dual left turn for southbound traffic on Southside Boulevard to turn left (east) onto Atlantic Boulevard. There was a question to how often street sweeper swept the Mathews Bridge; the group was informed that all FDOT streets are swept every 4 weeks. If you notice any major debris on the bridge or FDOT roads, call 360-5200 for clean up.

**MUNICIPAL CODE** – Elaine Lancaster – completed systematic inspections in Sandlewood and East Arlington. By the July meeting they hope to have completed systematic inspections in the Fort Caroline Shores, Cobblestone and Southside Estates. Apartments at Gran Oak Townhouses (off Justina Road) have 90 units open. Code Compliance is working daily to keep abreast of the situation. If there are any abandoned homes, condos or apartments in or around your neighborhood, call code compliance to apprize them of the situation.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – Neighborhood Coordinator Rosemary Wesolowski – thanked everyone again for arriving to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting in the down pour. Encouraged everyone to go out and view how the automated trash truck worked and try using one of the trash cans.

Announcements and invited the entire CPAC to celebrate this award with Helen.

#### **Public Comments** (Comments are limited to 2 minutes)

Adjournment - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, July 11, 2011 6:30 pm at the Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Blvd.





June 23, 2011

To: W. Marc Hardesty, Chair; Planning Commission

#### Re: Denial of Exception E-11-036

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) recommends denial of the request to allow a charter elementary school on the subject property.

While the CPAC wishes to support business activity in appropriate locations, there are overwhelming concerns about the adverse impacts to the neighborhood in regard to:

- Ingress and egress traffic back-ups near the Millcreek-Lonestar intersection,
- > The placement of the basketball court on the resident's side of the property which will produce noise concerns,
- > The appropriateness of the school close at this location.

Sincerely,

H. Roger Sharp, P.E.

Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

CC: Hon, John Peyton, Mayor William Killingsworth, Director, Planning and Development Department Sandy Simmons, Planning and Development Department Merriane Lahmeur, City Council Cheryl Brown, City Council

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