# SOUTHEAST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY January 23, 2011

6:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Rd., Main Hospital, Auditorium C, Jacksonville, FL. 32216

## Call to Order

Pat Corrado, SE CPAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Speakers**

Curtis Kincaid, IRS, Stakeholder Relationship Tax Consultant informed the group of a couple of new filing deadline for the 2011 tax season (April 17, 2012), shared the latest on tax credits and rebates, and the various free tax preparation sites throughout the city.

## **Staff Reports**

- Mayor Liaison, Planning & Development Department: TBA
- Jim Green, FDOT: FDOT presented an expansive list of roadway projects that will be started / completed in the Southeast District. The I-95 Overland Bridge Replacement Project will impact this district 3-5 years. There will be a number of homes and businesses that will be lost in order to complete this project besides the challenges associated with such a large project. On Thursday, January 27, 2011, FDOT will host a Public Meeting in regard to the I-95 Overland Bridge Project at the Aetna Building (old Prudential Building); doors open at 4:30 p.m. and the presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Copies of all the FDOT materials on this project are on file at San Marco Branch Library for your review. The Hart Bridge painting and restoration project will be completed in March or April; then the Mathews Bridge painting project will begin. J. Turner Butler between Belfort Road and Philips Highway will be repaved. 9B construction will begin within the year. The 9B projected is funded with stimulus money.
- Elaine Mann, Duval County Public Schools: School board representative Elaine Mann explained the expansion of the accelerated programs that are in all Duval county High Schools. This year every high school has an accelerated program on their campus; now kids do not have to leave their neighborhoods to be involved in these types of programs. There was also significant discussion in regard to the budget shortfall of our public schools; there will be no stimulus money this year and the shortfall is expected to be between \$80 -100 million dollars.
- <u>Aaron Glick, Planning & Development Department:</u> informed the CPAC of the new online Zoning & Land Use application that the Planning & Development Department is now using. Aaron walked the group through and showed them have to navigate to the site. Go to <u>www.coj.net</u> then select the Planning &

Development Department, select the Current Planning option. At this point you have the option to search Zoning or Land Use; with in these 2 categories you can review any particular or all applications.

- Rosemary Wesolowski, Housing & Neighborhoods Department: informed the group that on March 26, 2011 there will be a free HOA Training at the Southpoint Marriott 4670 Salisbury Road at 8:30 a.m. and free condo association & certification for board members on Thursday, April 7, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St, 32202. Pre-registration is required for both; please contact Rosemary for more information or to pre-register.
- Lt. Jesse York and Lt. James Judge, JSO, Zone 3: reminded the group that the Zone 3 Substation is located at 7100 Powers Ave. (next to Wolfson High School). Crime in Zone 3 is down 18%. There are 2 main factors that have been key in getting crime rates down; support from City Council and community involvement through ShAdCo. There has also been a lot of support from the State Attorneys office; they have gotten cases quickly to trial. The officers answered question in regard to homicides, bullet proof vests, types of weapons & guns criminals carry and how the media portrays crime in the city.
- Bob Crawford, Code Compliance Supervisor: informed the group that Zone 3 is now working with 6 officers and they have been very proactive. Most recently Code Officers completed a systematic sweep in Lakewood; this sweep netted 86 violations. Political sign are a problem with each campaign. The candidate needs to inform his volunteers where to place the signs. If the political signs are placed improperly, the city will not removed them but call the candidate and inform them they need to remove the signs. If there are any questions or you need help, Bob can be reached at 255-7042.
- Shorty Robbins, Recreation & Community Services Department: announced that construction has been completed at Mandarin Park and the park will be reopened on Friday. Losco Park may be receiving a new synthetic soccer field and misting systems. Due to the heat in the summer most research is under way to see the technology that other soccer fields are using throughout the state. Road to Olustee Living History Weekend will be held February 4-6<sup>th</sup> at Camp Milton Preserve. Duestch Bank presents Arts on the Go on March 18, 6-8 p.m. at the Balis Center; Great Outdoor Adventure's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Great Jacksonville Campout will be held March 26-27<sup>th</sup> at Losco Park. The Great Campout is an opportunity to learn how to camp. Tent rental is available and food will be provided for the first 500 individuals that sign up. The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual JaxParks ... Get Out There Festival will be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Hanna Park, Movies in the Park will kick off on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at Jessie Dupont Park. Spring Break Camp will be held March 28 to April 1; to register for camp or view any of the events visit <a href="https://www.jaxparkds.com">www.jaxparkds.com</a>

# **Chair's Report**

Verified quorum.

- Voted and approved November 2010 CPAC meeting summary.
- Welcomed John Waddell back to the CPAC.
- Informed the group that Jim Hill is currently in the hospital (Mayo Hospital) and will be there for the next couple of weeks. Jim is in isolation, but can have visitors. To call or visit, Jim is in room 246 North.
- Reminded CPAC that in the CPAC by-laws attendance is addressed. If any CPAC member has missed 3 or more unexcused consecutive meetings they can and will be removed from the CPAC. Please take your commitment to CPAC seriously or find a replacement.
- Recognized City Council candidates Lori Boyer, District 4 and Matt Schellenberg, District 6.

## **Subcommittee Chair Updates:**

<u>Beautification and Environment</u> – <u>Chairperson: Dick Cardell:</u> informed the group that there is currently a bill in front of City Council that will address electronic bill boards. Currently these signs (by law) are only supposed to change once every 3 minutes, but it is being proposed that they change every 8 seconds. The 1<sup>st</sup> workshop on this topic will be held Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

# Economic Development- Chairperson: No Chair

<u>Education - Co-Chairmen: George Banks and John Waddell:</u> George recognized John for his continued commitment to the subcommittee and for working so hard to get a representative from Duval County Schools to the meetings.

<u>Growth Management - Chairman: Frank Morgan</u>: Frank recognized Lisa Ransom for her commitment and support through out the Vision Plan process. Frank also encouraged everyone to read the vision plan.

<u>Land Use & Zoning - Co-Chairmen: Michael Lashbrook and Pat Corrado</u>: the subcommittee review & discussed all the new applications; no motions were made.

Membership Recruitment - Chairman: Kathleen Perera: not present

**Safety - Chairman: Ray Aleksic:** not present

<u>Transportation Development - Gloria Stephens</u>: informed the group that FDOT will host a public meeting in regard to the I-95 Overland Bridge on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>; an open house will begin at 4:30 p.m. and a presentation will be held at 6:30 p.m. American Eagle added 2 flights to Miami daily from JAA. Hanjin terminal project has been postponed to late 2016 due to dredging. Currently the Mayport Ferry has been closed due to an endangered Right Whale in the shipping channel.

*T.R.U.E. Commission* – Gamal Lyons: not present.

# The floor was opened to all in attendance:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Monday, February 28, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Road, Main Hospital – Auditorium C