SOUTHEAST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY October 25, 2010

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

Call to Order

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

Speakers

Aaron Glick, City Planner II, Planning and Development Department, presented on Florida Friendly Landscaping for New Residential Communities. The goal for new development is to establish minimum standards for the development, installation, and maintenance of low-impact yards for communities who wish to reduce their ecological footprint in Florida. In accordance with the 2030 Comp Plan, new developments are to use river friendly best practices, reduce wasted potable water and to use diversified plants (non-invasive type) in accordance to www.Floridayards.org. These changes apply not only for Deed & Covenant Restricted neighborhoods, but to all developments that will build 3 or more homes.

Staff Reports

- Bill Killingsworth, Mayor Liaison, Planning & Development Department: no report.
- <u>Jim Green, FDOT:</u> on November 9 there will be a public meeting to focus on the replacement of the Overland Bridge; the meeting will be held at the Duval County School Board Office. There will be an open house starting at 4:30 p.m. and a Question and Answer session at 6:30 p.m. Construction and painting of the Hart Bridge will be completed in early 2011. At this time there will be no additional traffic signal mast arm repair or replacement.
- <u>Aaron Glick, Planning & Development Department:</u> no report ~ available for questions.
- Rosemary Wesolowski, Housing & Neighborhoods Department: reminded the group that the CPAC will hold the annual CPAC Chair and Vice-Chair elections at the November meeting. If anyone would like to make a nomination, please contain Gamal Lyons or Rosemary Wesolowski.
- Lt. Roger Highcove, JSO, Zone 3: informed the group that year to date violent crime is down 19% and property crime is down 19%. JSO and the State Attorneys office has been working very heard to put and keep the criminals behind bars. The holiday season is upon us and there will be an increased JSO presence in all the shopping centers and malls. Even with the increased police presence it is

important to keep you car lock and packages out of sight. Lock your valuables in the trunk or leave them at home.

- Michael Walde, Code Compliance: informed the group that they have completed 1300 inspections in the last 30 days. The biggest code violations complaint is over grown grass. We are approaching a time a year when the lawns become dormant for a few months, but there are others issues that that become a problem during the winter months. The Code Compliance officers can not enter backyards to view problems. If a fence is 6 foot high or higher the officer can not look over the fence. If vagrants broken in and living in an empty house call JSO immediately.
- Quinn Bledsoe, Recreation & Community Services Department: announced that
 program guides for the Fall & Winter Season are available; plenty on the table to
 share. Work is being completed in Mandarin Park; the project will improve the
 traffic flow, increase general parking and boat launch parking and add an ADA
 compliant playground.

Chair's Report

- Verified quorum.
- Voted and approved September 2010 CPAC meeting summary.
- Announced that he attended the quarterly Mayor's meeting with Mayor Peyton and it was announced that the Duval County Fair will move to the Equestrian Center in 2014. The City has entered into a new contract for the Florida / Georgia Game and it is in the contract that the fair can't be going on at the same time as the game.
- Reminded the group that Gamal Lyons will chair the Nomination Subcommittee.
 If you are interested in serving on the subcommittee or making a nomination for Chair & Vice Chair please contact Gamal Lyons, Jim Hill or Rosemary.
- The group voted to determine how they wanted to handle the December meeting. The choices were: 1. no meeting / no gathering 2.hold a pot-luck dinner at St. Luke's 3. meet at a restaurant for a fun evening together. The group voted to meet in a local restaurant. Please make you suggestions for date and locations to Rosemary. The date and location will be announced at the November meeting.

Subcommittee Chair Updates:

<u>Beautification and Environment - Chairperson: Dick Cardell:</u> glad to have the presentation from Aaron tonight. Do utilize the Extension service and the master gardener programs.

Economic Development- Chairperson: No Chair

<u>Education - Co-Chairmen: George Banks and John Waddell:</u> George spoke to Tommy Hazouri and W.C. Gentry today and there is nothing new to report. It was noted that Atlantic Coast High School was only expecting 700 students this year, but they have

around 1200 student. With the new high school opening school officials were hoping that Mandarin High School would function at 100% capacity, but they are still over populated.

<u>Growth Management - Chairman: Frank Morgan</u>: working on 6 applications ~ nothing new to report at this time.

<u>Land Use & Zoning - Co-Chairmen: Michael Lashbrook and Pat Corrado</u>: the subcommittee discussed 2010D-001. There was a motion and second to send a letter of opposition to the application when Zoning application is submitted. E-10-70, MM10-17, WLD-10-11 and V-10-20 were also discussed with no motions or actions.

<u>Membership Recruitment - Chairman: Kathleen Perera</u>: introduced new member David Gile and presented him with his appointment letter from the Mayor. <u>Safety - Chairman: Ray Aleksic:</u> not present

<u>Transportation Development - Gloria Stephens</u>: informed the group that Mayor Peyton appointed Steve Debeneau was appointed to the JTA board; also, JTA received a grant to repair the bus hub. In May 2001, daily non-stop service from Jacksonville to San Juan Puerto Rico will begin.

<u>T.R.U.E.</u> Commission - Gamal Lyons: not present

<u>Nomination Subcommittee</u>- Gamal Lyons: If anyone is interested in working on the subcommittee or would like to make a nomination, please contact me at 705-2602 or <u>glyons7@hotmail.com</u> or Rosemary.

The floor was opened to all in attendance:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: 6:30 p.m., Monday, November 29, 2010

LOCATION: St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Road,

Main Hospital - Auditorium C