SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus
3939 Roosevelt Blvd. Jacksonville, FL
Monday, May 9, 2011

MEETING SUMMARY

Members and Representatives	Media/Staff/Officials
Chair - Rosanne Vernon	Mayor's Liaison – Wight Greger
Vice Chair - Bruce Tyson	Housing & Neighborhoods – Mary Beth Ridderman
Charter Member – Chuck Mann	FDOT – Doreen Joyner-Howard
Charter Member – Don Ingram	Municipal Code Compliance – Maria Buchwalter
Argyle Comm. Garden – Sandi Newman	Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel
FL State College at Jax Cecil North – Paul McNamara	Recreation and Community – Shorty Robbins
SMG- Equestrian Center – Jean Ellen DeSpain	NFTPO- Milton Locklear
Springtree Village HOA - Dewey Walker	JTA - Fred Haley
The Village Salon – Steve Shaffer	JSO – Sgt. Jackson
Timuquana Manor North – Alice Turknett	
Watermill Master Association – Thomas Martin	**GUESTS**
West Jacksonville Civic – Ric Dill	Alberta Hipps - Hipps Group
Westside Area Residents – Charles Kelley	April Parker
ALTERNATES ALSO IN ATTENDANCE	Tony Bates
Timuquana Manor North - Polly Walker	
	ABSENT
MEMBERS EXCUSED	Charter Member - Jerry Spinks
Armstrong & Bosh – Opal Burgstiner	Family Investment - Robert Smith
Cedar Hills Estates – Johnny Carter	N. E. FL Equestrian Society – Olwen Busch
Confederate Point – James Nolting	RAP – Jean Grimsley
Crystal Springs HOA - Marilyn Lehman	Westwood – Jim Ross
Gleaners Dispatch – Jim Kelly	
Murray Hill Preservation – Len Burroughs	
Tree Top Estates – Russell Carlson	
Westside Business Leaders – Jane Miller	

Call to Order/Verify Quorum

Chair Rosanne Vernon called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
A quorum was verified by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.

Approval of the Meeting Summary:

The April summary was approved.

- **JSO Report:** Sgt. Jackson reported that Assistant Chief Lendvay and Lt. Ayoub were unable to attend. Crime is down throughout the city, but increased incidents are expected during the summer. Currently, the Westside is experiencing a number of smash and grab incidents of burglary to businesses. Juveniles breaking curfew are the cause of some of the crime. If residents are seen juveniles outside of their homes between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. on weekdays or midnight to 6 a.m. on weekends, please call 630-0500. Residents expressed the following concerns:
  - Theft of large air conditioning units from a well-lighted area at Ortega United Methodist Church, 4807 Roosevelt Blvd.
  - Arrests of 7 identified "103rd Street Boys" gang members; numbers of gang members remaining in the area.

- Growing graffiti problem on the Westside, much of it identified as "103rd Street Boys" since the arrests.
- New graffiti is located on sidewalks where it is not seen by passing JSO Officers, Municipal Code Officers or other motorists
- Conflicting difference in COJ departments' needs regarding graffiti: JSO asks to be called in order to take photos to identify gang activity while Municipal Code Compliance asks residents to call 630-City so the graffiti may be eradicated as quickly as possible.

Introductions and Acknowledgments: Chair Vernon welcomed guests Alberta Hipps, Tony Bates, April Parker, Milton Locklear and Fred Haley. She welcomed Doreen Howard, FDOT, back to the CPAC.

- **Presentation:** Chair Vernon introduced Milton Locklear, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization. The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) schedules funding for service and facility improvements for roadways, transit, air and seaports, bicyclists, pedestrians and the transportation disadvantaged. The TIP details the funding and progression of these projects through study, design, right-of-way, utilities and construction over a five-year period. The current TIP encompasses slightly over $2 billion in funding for fiscal years 2010/11 through 2014/15. Each year a list of priority projects is created to be funded in the fifth year of the TIP. Mr. Locklear provided a list of priority projects for the Westside. The list included a safety project on 103rd Street from Daniel Terrace to Carden Road; adding lanes on Brannan Field Chaffee from 103rd Street to New World Avenue; lighting at 103rd Street and Normandy Boulevard; a sidewalk on Normandy Boulevard from Publix to Lane Avenue – the need for this project was identified by Mary Beth Ridderman and funding was obtained; safety project at Normandy and Cassat; Resurfacing and rehabilitation Normandy Boulevard from beginning of the 4-lane to Lamplighter Lane – project will begin very soon; 3-lane Old Middleburg Road from 103rd Street to Brannan Field and others. A lengthy discussion followed regarding projects on Roosevelt Boulevard, Normandy Boulevard, Shindler Road and Old Middleburg Road. Concerns were expressed about the safety of pedestrians/cyclists on Old Middleburg Road. The Better Jacksonville Plan showed four lanes with space for bikes and pedestrians. Collins Road will be 4 lanes and it is a concern that the current 3-lane plan for Old Middleburg Road will not accommodate traffic when construction on Collins is finished.

Public Comments:

- Tom Martin announced Bill #2011-295 will be before the City Council. The bill allows a land swap of land at Argyle Forest Boulevard and Old Middleburg Road which was set aside for parks/green space and a fire station. The space would be developed for commercial property instead of parks. The land proposed for the swap is 85 acres on Brannon Field Chaffee – over half of the acreage is wetlands and unusable.
- A concern was expressed that residents in the Argyle Forest area have not been provided a Notice of Proposed Change (NPC) regarding 2011-295. They should be provided a NPC and a public hearing held. Developer Paul Harden has indicated at public meetings that he will provide the NPC after the land swap described in Ordinance 2011-295 has been approved, but that is not sufficient notice to residents who will be affected.
- *A motion was made and seconded* to prepare a letter in opposition to the

described land swap. Green space and park space was set aside in the Master Plan and should be kept for the future – not changed to commercial development on Argyle Forest Boulevard, where there is a high concentration of homes and residents. *The vote: all in favor.*

- Tony Bates announced Concerned Taxpayers endorsed Dick Kravitz.

Staff Reports and Announcements:

- Mayor's Liaison: Wight Greger announced she was available to answer questions. Please call 255-8200 with questions for Ms. Greger.
- Council Members' Reports: No representative. No report.
- Duval County School Board – No representative. No Report.
- Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel provided a written report (see attached). Mr. Hetzel may be contacted at 904-255-8721 or AHetzel@coj.net
- Municipal Code Compliance –Maria Buchwalter reported:
    - Completed a systematic inspection in Oak Hill and wrote 90 new cases
    - Please report graffiti to 630-CITY (2489).
    - Weekend inspections were completed last weekend.
    - To report concerns or possible code violations, please call 630-CITY (630-2489) or contact Officer Buchwalter at 255-7011 or maria@coj.net.
- Recreation and Community Services – Shorty Robbins reported:
    - Quick Start Tennis, for children ages ten and under, is ongoing at Boone Park and other COJ locations. The first session ends on Thursday.
    - She provided Summer 2011 JaxParks Activity Guide Books and information about the Cecil Recreation Complex.
    - Summer Night Lights (SNL) will be held in 8 Northwest District parks. Last year crime was down 28 percent during the park hours. Last year, the SW had one site at Mary Lena Gibbs, which is under construction this year and could not host SNL. Next year, they are looking at Mary Lena Gibbs and McGirts Creek parks.
    - John Kelly may be contacted at 904- 255-7918 or jkelly@coj.net.
- Florida State College at Jacksonville, Cecil North – Paul McNamara reported:
    - Approximately 2500 students graduated on May 7.
    - The Summer term started today.
    - Paul McNamara may be contacted at 779-4030.
- Jacksonville Aviation Authority – Alberta Hipps reported the next meeting of the Cecil Advisory Committee is August 1, at the Cecil Conference Center. Bob Simpson is the interim Chief Executive Officer of the Jacksonville International Airport.
- Florida Dep't. of Transportation – Doreen Joyner Howard reported:
    - Resurfacing on Normandy Boulevard should begin soon.
    - Resurfacing on Roosevelt Boulevard from Yorktown to Timuquana should begin any day.
    - A safety project (median) is planned for 103rd Street from Daniel Terrace to Carden Road.
    - Doreen Joyner Howard may be contacted at 360-5684.
- Housing and Neighborhoods Department – Mary Beth Ridderman (see attached).
    - Please vote. Early voting is available until May 15. On May 17, please vote at the polls.
    - On May 26, 6 p.m., the Housing and Neighborhoods Department Neighborhood Initiatives Team will partner will Jacksonville Legal Aid to present *Running Effective Meetings: Roberts Rules of Order*. 58 people are registered so far. To register, contact Mary Beth Ridderman, 255-8260.
    - Ms. Ridderman may be reached at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.

- Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) – Fred Haley reported:
    - Community Shuttles can be boarded at a designated stops or residents may request premium curbside service that will pick up and drop off anywhere within the service area. To make a reservation for premium service, call 598-8724. Regular fare is $1 each way. Premium service costs 50 cents additional each way. Shuttles are available in Ortega and in the Cecil area.
    - JTA is looking for volunteers to provide input, comments or suggestions to make JTA service better. To volunteer, contact Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260 and she will send the information to Mr. Haley.
    - Notices will be mailed out and posted regarding a public meeting on June 1 at FSCJ Kent Campus.
    - For more information, call 630-3100 or visit www.jtafla.com.

Subcommittee Reports and Announcements

- Education, Youth and Recreation – Chuck Mann reported:
    - State legislators have cut funds and decimated the school system.
    - No one from the Duval County School Board (DCSB) attends the CPAC meetings. Please call Becki Couch at 390-2373 to invite her.

Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission – Tom Martin provided a written report (see attached).

- Economic Development – Jim Kelly's absence was excused. Chair Vernon asked for assistance with the subcommittee. Mr. Kelly may be reached at 742-4903.
- N. Florida Transportation Planning Organization – Tom Martin provided a written report ((see attached).
- Beautification, Community Facilities and Services – Johnny Carter's absence was excused. Mr. Carter may be reached at 786-2535.
- ShAdCo - Alice Turknett reported:
    - ShAdCo Sector J has had several burglaries. Thanks to JSO, 2 of 3 suspects were arrested at the scene and at the hospital.
    - See Mrs. Turknett or Chair Vernon if you are unsure in which ShAdCo your home is located.
    - The ShAdCo is working on a joint meeting. The proposed date is July 18.
    - ShAdCo Sector J meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ortega United Methodist Church. Visitors and new members are welcome.
    - ShAdCo Sector K meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lane Wiley Center. Visitors and new members are welcome.
    - ShAdCo Sector L meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Maxville Community Center. Visitors and new members are welcome.
- Land Use, Zoning and Transportation – Russell Carlson's absence was excused. Mr. Carlson may be contacted at 772-8984.
- Cecil Area – Bruce Tyson reported the fair relocation engineering study has been completed. Council Member Corrigan met with Mr. Coxwell. The subcommittee needs more information. For more information, contact Mr. Tyson at 771-4924.
- Membership - Rosanne Vernon suggested CPAC Members obtain identification badges. See Mary Beth Ridderman for an application for an identification badge. The thanked Mary Beth for providing copies of the CPAC brochures. Chair Vernon may be reached at 477-5187.
- Safety – Bruce Tyson provided handouts regarding before/after a storm. If you know of a senior citizen or other person with special medical needs, call 630-CITY (2489) to register them for transportation and or designated shelters.

- Three shelters are pet friendly. Pets' immunizations must be current. The pet's owner must bring all necessary food, medication and supplies and remain with the pet. Call 630-CITY (2489) to pre-register your pet.
- Brochures about venomous snakes; venomous spiders and poisonous plants were provided.
- For more information, contact Mr. Tyson at 771-4924.

- Chair's Report – Chair Vernon reported:
  - The Jacksonville City Council voted to support Ordinance 2010-900. Most of the members did not listen to the 6 CPACs, who opposed the ordinance.
  - Ordinance 2011-237, puts a moratorium on Fair Share and developers' fees. The SE CPAC opposed it because it places an undue burden on the City. She suggested members look closely at it.
  - On June 2 Bruce Tyson will represent the SW CPAC at the Mayor's Meeting with CPAC Chairs. Chair Vernon has another commitment. This meeting will be Mayor Peyton's last meeting with the CPAC Chairs. If members have input, please let Chair Vernon, Mr. Tyson or Ms. Ridderman know.
  - Please be sure to vote on or before May 17.

Old Business/ New Business:

- Tony Blake suggested members look into the Mobility Study. The Greater Arlington Beaches had the information from Council Member Bishop.
- Tony Blake thanked Tom Martin for his work on the TRUE Commission – he is a very active member and represents the SW CPAC well. Mr. Blake thanked Alberta Hipps for her work in resurrecting the TRUE Commission.
- Tom Martin suggested members look into the Mobility Bill.

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The vote: all in favor. Chair Vernon adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

The next SW CPAC meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 13 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus, 3939 Roosevelt Blvd., and Building E-128.
For more information, please contact Rosanne Vernon at 477-5187 or Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260. CPAC meetings and subcommittee meetings are open to the public.

The following provision is required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Summary prepared by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.

HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT

Southwest
Neighborhood Coordinator's Report
May, 2011

Early Voting May 2 - May 15, 2011, Monday - Friday 10 A.M. - 6 P.M. Saturday - Sunday noon- 4 P.M.
Voting sites: Webb-Wesconnett Library, 6887 103rd St and West Regional Library, 1425 Chaffee Rd S.

Vote at the polls on May 17, 2011

Housing and Neighborhoods Department:

- Neighborhood Initiatives Team: Free training opportunities:
  - May 26, 6 p.m., Running Effective Meetings – Roberts Rules of Order, 214 N. Hogan St. Room 110, [32202]. To register, please contact Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.
- Housing: Stay Home Program - If someone you know is worried about losing their home, call 255-8200 or 630-2489 and ask to register for a free foreclosure prevention program. To learn more, please visit http://www.coj.net/Departments/Housing+and+Neighborhoods/Stay+Home/Tools/default.htm.
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program- redevelops abandoned and foreclosed properties and increases the availability of affordable housing for low, moderate and middle income households. For information call 255-8200 or 398-HOME or website www.nspjax.com
- The Northwest Jacksonville Economic Development Fund (NWJEDF) has public funds used to provide capital for project development. The prospective applicant must be a business located within the Northwest Jacksonville area or a business that is expanding its operations into this targeted area.

Jacksonville Journey: The next Journey meeting will be May 19, 2011, 4 p.m. at the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St. 8th floor, Room 851. Contact: Michelle Innes at 630-1273

Duval Extension Office - Website: http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu

Riverside Arts Market – Every Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Under the Fuller Warren Bridge, Downtown Jacksonville. http://www.riversideartsmarket.com/

Phone Numbers

- City Link **630-CITY (**630-2489) Please provide the exact address and obtain a tracking number to follow up.
- City Council meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. City Council Chambers, 117 W. Duval St. 32202. For information call 630-1377.
- Duval County School Board meetings are on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., First Floor Board Room, 1701 Prudential Dr., 32207. For information call 390-2000 or Duval County Public Schools www.duvalschools.org
- Jacksonville Public Library - 303 N. Laura St * Jacksonville, FL 32202 – 630-2665 or www.jaxpubliclibrary.org
- JSO - Police Non-Emergency 630-0500.
- First Coast Crime Stoppers – 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
- JEA – 665-6000 – If a street light is out please get the number on the pole to report it
- Duval Extension Office – 387-8850 or 1010 N. McDuff Ave. www.coj.net (Search word Extension Office)
- JOBS - WorkSource Career Center at Gateway, 5000 Norwood Ave., Suite 2 open M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. or 924-1710 or **www.employflorida.com**

Mary Beth Ridderman, Neighborhood Coordinator may be reached at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.
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Southwest CPAC Monthly Planning and Development Department Report - May 9, 2011

Type*	Hearing Date	Planning Dist.	Council Dist.	Application**		Development/Location	Owner/Agent	Request	Status / Companion Application
PC	4/28/11	4	14	MM	11-02	St Marks Episcopal Day School	Paige Johnston	Modify site plan - was approved#	
PC	5/12/11	4	11	E	11-005	1700 Otis Road	Ray Spofford	Const. & Debris Recycling Facility	

* AD = Administrative Deviation; PC = Planning Commission; LUZ = Land Use & Zoning Comm.

** P = Planned Unit Development Rezoning; C = Conventional Rezoning, E = Exception; V = Variance; AD = Admin. Deviation; CTW = Cell Tower

JP&DD Contacts:

Rezonings/Exceptions Variances/Waivers:	Ken Avery Andy Hetzel Folks Huxford	255-7818 255-7821 630-7033
PUD Rezonings and Minor Mod.:	Andy Hetzel Bruce Lewis	255-7821 255-7820
Cell Towers:	Bruce Lewis Andy Hetzel	255-7820 255-7821
Admin. Deviations:	Ken Avery	255-7818
Site Plan Review:	Mike Sands	255-8575

Thomas Martin
Monday, May 9, 2011

NORTH FLORIDA TPO

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

to the

SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following major items were discussed at the last meeting of the Committee on Wednesday, May 4, 2011:

- Discussed a the List of Priority Projects for FY 2016/2017. The State Legislature will be meeting in January 2012 instead of March. The submittal date of the List is therefore changed. The List then must be approved at the June meetings of the TPO. The staff provided the committee the 2010 List of Priority Projects for review and modification.

- Discussed the SU Funding Priority. The change in the Legislature calendar effects this funding , however nothing of substance was presented.

- Received and discussed the FY 2011/2012 Unified Planning Work Program tasks:

    - US 1 (Philips Highway) ITS Benefits Analysis.

    - Clay County Transit Study.

    - North Florida Strategic Safety Plan.

    - Argyle Area Aggressive Driving Campaign. The committee voted not to fund this project as there other elements shown is the study that should be completed first. The traffic signals along Argyle Forest Boulevard are being retimed.

- Received ~~Received~~ the final draft of the Transportation Improvement Program for the FY 2011/2012 through FY 2015/2016. This is a lengthy document with the most obvious changes from the previous year are the start dates for many of the project being at the end of the period.

- Received a Blue Toad Update. The Bluetooth sensors will be appearing along side of majors highways soon. They will initially used to measure vehicle speed to determine traffic congestion.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

Thomas Martin
Monday, May 9, 2011

TRUE COMMISSION REPORT

to the

SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following major items were discussed at the last meeting of the Commission on Thursday, May 5, 2011:

- Legislative Tracking Committee: Provided a committee report concerning seven bills pending before the City Council, however no action was requested of the Commission.

- Performance Committee: Analyzing and understanding the internal service funds is an enormous task much less the City budget as a whole. The committee will meet in June to develop a list of cuts to suggest to the Finance Committee. The True Commission should get involved early in the budgeting process before a draft is completed.

- Banking Fund Committee: The final draft report was presented and the Commission voted to accept the report and forward it to the City Council.

- Council Auditor's Office: Notice of the recently availability of following report: Audit report 698 – Audit of Miscellaneous Bank Accounts.

- Old Business: There has been some concern about the Police and Fire Rescue pension on the City finances. There are some opinions that the pension agreement may not be legal under the Florida State statute.

- Public Comment: Bob Downey, former General Manager for SMG Jacksonville, and John Burns, CFO of SMG Jacksonville spoke on the contractual relationship between SMG and the promoter Live Nation.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 2, 2011 at 4:00 P.M.