NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ

May 13, 1998

Meeting Summary

Members

Dan Downing	Warren Alvarez	Selinda Keyes
Ann Downing	Arthur Sullivan	Marie Simmonds
Roland Biederer	Lois Adams	John Smaglis
Madeline Reed	Dot Mathias	Richard Berry
Jessie Sammons		

Guests

Merle Feldbaum	Sam E. Mousa	Debra Igou
Kenneth Moore	Lynn A. Westbrook	Thomas Goldsbury
E. T. Hall	Bill Watson	Patricia Brown
Fred F. Kyle		

Staff

Glory Dixon	Carol J. Hladki	Councilman Max Leggett
Bill Potter	John Fleming	

AGENDA ITEM I - Call to order - Warren Alvarez called the CPAC to order at approximately 4:10 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM II - Verification of Quorum - The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

AGENDA III – Old Business – There was a motion to approve the minutes. The decision was unanimous.

AGENDA IV – New Business

A. Chairman's Report (speaker)

Sam E. Mousa, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Public Works, presented the Department of Public Works, department heads and explained their job functions.

B. Neighborhood Services Division

John Fleming, Chief of the Neighborhood Services Division, made the following announcements:

1. The Agriculture Department is sponsoring a Vegetable Exhibit Contest on May 30, 1998.
2. The Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants Program will award 40 grants to neighborhood organizations for the term starting October 1, 1998 to September 1, 1999. The grant awards will be announced at the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit on the 24th of September. Training

Workshops have been scheduled for May 18, 26 and June 1, 1998 at the Neighborhoods Department, 117 W. Duval St.

Bill Potter, Director of Parks and Recreation Department, addressed concerns regarding the remainder of the $750,000.00 which was allocated to fix up parks. **Councilman Max Leggett** provided further explanation of the distribution of funds by districts. He then advised CPAC members to identify needs to use the bond money. **Richard Berry** made a motion to have another committee, other than the Governmental Affairs Committee, formed to work with Bill Potter to utilize the remainder of the $750,000.00 for parks. The motion was second. **Richard Berry** will appoint a subcommittee in September to work with Bill Potter.

C. Subcommittee Reports

Governmental Affairs

Richard Berry, Governmental Affairs, discussed topics relating to land use and zoning issues in the North District. The issues addressed were:

1. PSD-98-013, A motion was made to support the Planning Department Denial. The vote was unanimous.
2. Ord—98-219, Recommend that the Planning Commission continue to defer action until revised drawings have been approved. The vote was unanimous.
3. E-98-39, The committee recommends no action be taken.
4. V 98-48, A motion was made to deny. The vote was unanimous.
5. E 98-43 and V 98-58, A motion was made to deny the exception and variance. Both are the same piece of property. The vote was unanimous.
6. Ord. 97-940, Recommend no action.
7. Ord. 98-247, Recommend no action.

Crime

Carol Hladki, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, reported that the three crimes driving the numbers up in district 6 are auto thefts, burglaries to residences and businesses. Crime in p-1 still ranks #1, however, the population has increased. Ranking #2 is p-2. The activity is picking up east of 95. Sixty-seven percent of the crime is west of 95 and 33 or 35% is east of 95. Compared to the rest of the city Zone 6 only has 6% of the crime.

Transportation

Richard Berry, Transportation, reported that there was no MPO meeting this month.

Education

No report

Beautification

Dot Mathias, Beautification, reported that the Trout River Bridge Beautification Project on I-95 has been completed. She also reported that the Dedication took place on April 24th. The $90,000.00 funding for this project was appropriated by Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) to landscape the area vacated by the removal of the toll plaza. **Warren Alvarez** announced that they are trying to get 50 more crape myrtles to run down to east port, New Berlin. **Dot Mathias** announced that JEA is having a Tree Mitigation Meeting on tomorrow (5/14/98) at 4:30 p.m. at the JEA bldg. on Heckscher Drive.

D. Staff Reports

None

Miscellaneous

Madeline Reed reported that several residents asked her to make a request to the CPAC Committee to consider starting CPAC Meetings at later hours so that more people can attend.

Arthur Sullivan introduced Kenneth Moore, President of Turtle Creek Village Homeowners Association to CPAC members.

Jessie Sammons requested the status of the bids for the landscaping on both sides of the Ferry. She was advised to contact Sam Mousa regarding this matter.

Dot Mathias advised members that the minutes from the March CPAC meeting were reviewed but not approved, because there was no quorum present. A motion was made to ratify the minutes. The vote was unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM V – Adjournment

Warren Alvarez informed the members that the next CPAC meeting would be held on June 10, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. at FCCJ North Campus. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.