NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ
December 12, 2001
Meeting Summary

AGENDA ITEM I - Call to order and Verification of Quorum – LaTrecia Baker called the CPAC to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

AGENDA ITEM II – There was a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The decision was unanimous.

AGENDA III – Old Business - None

AGENDA IV - Subcommittee Reports

A. Governmental Affairs Subcommittee

Harry Wagner presented the following Bills to CPAC:

1. **R2001-1174 CPAC recommended approval.**
2. **R2001-1241 CPAC recommended approval.**
3. **R2001-1259 CPAC recommended approval.**
4. **WRF-010-36 CPAC recommended approval.**
5. **WRF-01-37 CPAC recommended approval.**
6. **R2001-1060 CPAC recommended approval without conditions.**

The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting which was scheduled for January 3, 2002 was cancelled.

- **Education Subcommittee**
  Dr. Barbara Darby distributed brochure on Great Holiday Gift Ideas from Florida Community College at Jacksonville.
- **Children Commission Subcommittee**
  No report
- **Beautification Subcommittee**
  No report

B. Special Reports

- **Transportation Report**
  Richard Berry reported that of the fifteen road projects submitted for consideration only 6 made it to the cost feasibility.
- **Citizen Health Advisory Report**
  No report

C. Mayor's Representative Report

John Crofts announced that on December 20th an old fashion holiday celebration would be held downtown from 4 to 7:30 p.m. and the library design show. He also announced the groundbreaking for the new ballpark that will replace Wolfson Park.

D. Council Member's Report

Councilman Warren Alvarez reported that the tree mitigation is on-going with the Department of Transportation. He also announced a town meeting on December 18th with V.C. Johnson residents.

E. **Staff Reports**

- **Crime Report**
  Assistant Chief Steven Weintraub presented the crime report then deferred to **Lieutenant Randy Russell** for additional information. Lieutenant Russell reported that burglary rose last month. Robberies increased by 10%, auto theft down to 22, business burglary down, residential burglaries in P1 area on Harts Road, Highlands area and in apartment complexes; Q3 area east of I 95 & New Berlin.
- **Building Inspection Division**
  George Baker, Inspector, made no report but was available for questions.
  Dr. Dave Lawson made a request for a representative from the city to make a presentation on the tree and sign ordinance at the next meeting. The chairman asked Glory Dixon to follow-up on this request.
- **Property Safety Division**
  Michael Berry reported that $23,000 worth of liens was placed on property in zones 1, 5 and 6 where he is responsible. Mr. Berry also reported that they are towing a lot of cars in the area.
- **Duval County School Board**
  Vicki Drake of the Duval County of PTSA informed members of the new state standards across the state for testing students.
- **Planning & Development Department**
  Doug McDowell, Planner introduced **Jerry Laston. Project Manager, and Jim Sellen, Principle of Sellen Conner & Walsh Inc.**, the consultants for the North Jax. Vision and Master Plan. Mr. Laston introduced **Robert Charles Lesser**, who is with a firm in Atlanta that will also help with the plan. Reportedly, Richard Berry, LaTrecia Baker and Doug McDowell went on a tour in the north district with the consultants.
- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)**
  No report.
- **Duval County Health Department**
  No report
- **Neighborhood Services Division**
  Lorrie DeFrank thanked member for supporting the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit and for providing positive feedback. A special thanks was extended to Delores Spruill for writing a letter to the editor of the Times Union Newspaper regarding the summit. Ms. DeFrank announced that there would be CPAC Training scheduled for the first of the year for members. Ms. DeFrank presented awards to the chairman, vice-chairman and subcommittee chairs for their service to CPAC.

AGENDA V – Presentations

Election of Officers

Harry Wagner presented the slated of officers and member accepted the nominations from the committee. The chairman explained who was eligible to vote. The vice-chairman read the by-laws regarding the election of officers. The election of officers was conducted. LaTrecia Baker was re-elected as the Chairman for Year 2002 and Harry Wagner was elected as the Vice-Chairman for Year 2002.

Public Comments

Harold Jones, Director Duval County Extension Service distributed the following newsletters: "A New Leaf " and the "Urban Gardening".

AGENDA VI - New Business

- None

AGENDA ITEM VII – Adjournment

The Christmas party was enjoyed by all. The next CPAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2002 @ 4 p.m., FCCJ, North Campus, 4501 Capper Road, Room C-136.