

MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Sallye B. Mathis Elementary School – 3501 Winton Drive
Thursday, May, 11, 2006

Committee Members Present

Joseph Anderson, Chairman	Gadson Burgess, Vice Chair
Ruth Arnold, 2 nd Mile	Bertha Richardson, Better Living
Barney Roberts, Charter Member	James Gloster, Kinlock
Ernest Clayton, Kinlock	Glriden Norris, Lake Park
Ella Watson, Magnolia Gardens N	Joan Davenport, NWJ CDC
Danny Thomas, Paxon/Biltmore	Penny Trawick, Pickettville
Gertrude Peele, Reed Campus	Rev. Anthony Wyche, Ribault
B.J. Scott, Ribault	Doretha Tompkins, Riverview
Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson	Yvonne Smart, Washington Hgts.
*Paulette Turner, Lake Forest	*Yvonne Ward, Moncrief Springs
*Vickie Anderson, Palmdale	*Ruth Campbell, Magnolia Gardens CDC
*Awaiting paperwork	

City/Staff/Public/Media

Devin Reed, Mayor's Liaison/Director of Procurement	
Lt. K.F. Goff, JSO Zone 5	Officer W. B. Freeman
Terry Murphy, Planning Dept.	Terri Lindermann, Property Safety/Code
Professor Ahearns, UNF Nursing	Wanda Forest, FCMPO
Belinda Johnson-Cornett, DCHD	Sheila Thomas Upson, DCHD
Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, NSD	Thomas Hudson, Magnolia Gardens N
English Watson, Magnolia Gardens N	Carlotta McIntosh, Moncrief Springs
Alma Hudson	Orzola Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N
Priscilla Simmons, Lincoln Estates	Cindy Parker, Lake Forest
Evans-Muhamad, Unity to Loyalty	<i>UNF Nurses – Amanda Jerreld, Jordyn Sims</i>

Excused: Tod Johnson, Susannah Carter, Marcus Smith, Edward Ceconnello, Elaine Burnett, Edward Hall,

Call to Order

Chairman Joseph Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center at Sallye B. Mathis Elementary and welcomed everyone.

Invocation: Rev. Anthony Wyche

Approval of the Meeting Summary

A Motion to approve the April 13, 2006 meeting summary as written was made by Member Ella Watson and a second by Member Thomas May. The Vote: All were in favor. None opposed.

Chairman Anderson's Report

- Member Todd Johnson is ill please sign the card to let him know that we are thinking of him.
- Please become a Blueprint for Prosperity Partner – If you need any information please let us know.
- Chairman Anderson asked for discussion on a zoning for Manson Lane. There was none.

- Welcomed new alternate member Dave Collins for 2nd Mile Ministries and new primary member Yvonne Smart for Washington Heights Estates.
- Thank you to UNF and Professor Ahearns for coming to our meeting with his students. Prof. Ahearns spoke about some of the nurses that had been coming to our meeting had graduated and a new group started on Monday of which 2 were at the meeting tonight. The students will be working with the City Rescue Mission and Metro Kids Connection.
- Chairman Anderson also acknowledged our past Chair Diane Kerr. She said that she had been attending the Task Force against Violence and was glad to be back.
- Donations for NW Planning District #5 foster children for yearbooks collected were \$24.48.

Guest Speakers

- Wanda Forest, Long Range Planning Manager “Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for 2006/2007 through 2010/2011” gave her presentation with a handout of the annual report and a draft of the FCMPO TIP. She went over projects for the NW Planning District. Members had questions on Better Jacksonville Projects. Milton Locklear assisted Wanda with these questions. Members are concerned that projects that are needed such as overpasses over railroad crossings are not in the draft or on the immediate list. Members would rather see overpasses than alert signs that are very costly. They were also concerned with Better Jacksonville projects that are not completed especially road resurfacing projects and the quality of the work. The NW Planning District does not have a representative on the FCMPO. We need to submit a name to them and it will need city council approval. Members talked about the need for light rail mass transit especially now with the high cost of gas. They are moving towards a dedicated lane for buses. If you have any questions Wanda Forest can be reached at 306-7500 FCMPO, 1022 Prudential Dr. 32207 www.FCMPO.com
- Belinda Johnson-Cornett, Department of Health gave a presentation on the services that were available to residents in the NW Planning District. The West Jax. Health Center is located at 102 King St. 665-2785 and Agape at 1760 W. Edgewood Avenue, 307-4900. Both centers are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please get the word out to your neighbors that they are open for the community to utilize for their health care needs especially if they don't have insurance. Lots of members thought that Agape was a private office. They do referrals for dental work. There is an age limit of 18 for dental work. Members asked numerous questions. For general information for the Department of Health call 630-3300.

Staff Reports

JSO Zone 5 – Lt Goff reported that crime in the Zone 5 was down 1% in violent crimes and 5% in other crimes and 7% over all. Starting May 14th they will be enforcing the “Click it or Ticket” campaign. Members had concerns with dog fighting (Palmdale) and continued drug dealing in the same location for years (Junior St.). Members wanted clarification on how long a car could sit in the city right-of-way? Call JSO and they will ticket it and it will be moved within 36 hours. If the car is in the yard call 630-CITY for Property Safety/Code Enforcement. If you have a problem with crime, CPAC members were encouraged to attend ShAdCo meetings and or fill out an incident report. Call the Zone Sub Station for information (Zone 5 - 384-8028 or Zone 4 -573-3165 or Zone 1 -924-5361).

Mayor's Liaison Devin Reed – had to leave early but had the report on the *Mayor's new initiative Growing Great Neighborhoods – Seeds of Change*. There will be 2 pilot areas:

Historic Arlington and in the NW Jacksonville (29th and Chase and 45th and Moncrief.) Both of these areas have or will have a completed Neighborhood Action Plan (NAP). The initiative will work closely with the Sheriff's Office to identify ways to reduce crime. They will also have opportunities to boost summer jobs for our youth. Derek Igou will head up this initiative. Devin Reed can be reached at 630-1184 or dreed@coj.net

Florida Department of Transportation – Milton Locklear did not have a report however public meetings like this help make it possible to add ideas to the list for future projects. On New Kings Road that is a JTA design. On Edison Ave. there will be landscaping. Some members said to forget the Skyway and fix our roads. Milton Locklear can be reached at 360-5686 or Milton.Locklear@dot.state.fl.us

Planning & Development - Terry Murphy gave information on 4 zoning s that were approved and a PUD on Crystal Springs Road. She proceeded to pass out the monthly report. There were numerous questions on a possible shopping center for Lonnie Miller Park but no answers on what zoning changes are planned. Members were very concerned with this especially with the ash contamination. Terry Murphy can be reached at 630-2138 or Tmurphy@coj.net

Property Safety – Terri Lindermann did not have a report but would take issues from members. She had numerous questions on code violations. They do not do sweeps any more. Members were still very concerned with properties that were condemned and how long they can stay boarded up as well as other eye sores for the neighborhood including junk vehicles. They can be reached at 391-3600 or 1801 Art Museum Dr., Bldg 3500, Suite 200 or psaafety@coj.net

Neighborhood Services – Marilyn Fenton-Harmer reported on the following:

- There will be a Grants workshop on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at the Jacksonville Children's Commission Multi-Purpose Rm. from 5:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. This will be very informative.
- This year we will need a representative to be on the Awards Committee for the Mayor's Award for an individual and neighborhood however; nominations can be submitted up to Monday, May 15, 2006.
- Blueprint for Prosperity Partners are needed. Applications are available and we hope you will sign up.
- The Senior Expo will be on May 17-18 at the Prime Osborn Convention Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- The Mayor's Neighborhood Summit will be on Friday, June 23rd at the Prime Osborn Convention Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be \$5 but the exhibit area and workshops are free.
- The Neighborhood Services Division is still in transition but we will continue to do what we have been doing. Kerri Stewart is the Director for our new department – Housing and Neighborhoods.

Marilyn Fenton-Harmer can be reached at 630-7024 or Mfharmer@coj.net

Motion to Adjourn

A Motion to adjourn was made by Member Thomas May and a second by Member Doretha Tompkins. The Vote; All were in favor, none opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, June 8, 2006**
6 p.m. at Leroy Clemons Community Center, 55 North Jackson Street