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Until approved at the next CPAC MEETING

MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
The Ritz Theatre – 829 N Davis Street
July 8, 2004

Committee Members Present

Diane Kerr, Chairperson
Randy Mallory, Vice Chair
Judy Taylor, District 12 Rep
Deborah Merritt, Pickettville
Bishop Johnson, Grace & Truth/Norwood
Gina Middleton, Grace & Truth/Norwood
Ernest Clayton, Kinlock
Linda Carson, Lincoln Villas
Rev. Anthony Wyche, Ribault
B.J. Scott, Ribault
Erma Cole, Robinson's Addition
Roberta Wilson, Robinson's Addition
Rosalie Proudme, Sherwood Forest
Art Williams, Sherwood Forest
Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson
Barney Roberts
Todd Johnson, Willowbranch Park
Janice Kelley, Willowbranch Park
Councilwoman Glorious Johnson

City/Staff/Public/Media

Jack Shad, Planning & Development
Lt. Smith, JSO Zone 5
Nicole Cover, Emergency Preparedness
Sally Robson, RSVP
Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Services
UNF Nursing – Professor Ahrens
Christine Ignacio
Melissa Winters
Alicia Behrens
Kathryn Brunton
Allison Brooks
Jayne Sarfo

Excused: Roslyn Phillips. Faye Richardson, Stanley Clay, Gadson and Orzola Burgess, Thomas Hudson, Doretha Tompkins, Bertha Richardson, Milton Locklear

Call to Order

Diane Kerr, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m. at The Ritz Theatre – 829 N Davis Street and welcomed everyone to such a beautiful location.

Invocation: Rev. Anthony Wyche

Chairperson Kerr asked Lydia Stewart, Museum Administrator of the Ritz Theatre, to tell us about the theatre. It has 400 seats; on the first Friday of each month they have the popular open mic. It is available for rentals for meetings or artistic endeavors. There are 2 museums – Permanent with the Johnson Brothers “Lift Every Voice and Sing” and the ever-changing exhibit. There are many items that have been donated by community members for the exhibit. Please pickup a brochure as you leave and visit the Ritz Theatre.

Chairperson Kerr introduced Councilwoman-at-Large Glorious Johnson. She was very happy to be with us. She complimented Diane Kerr on being a good friend who is always there for citizens in her neighborhood, District 5 and the entire City. She always does her homework on issues. Councilwoman Johnson will be on 7 committees. If you need her assistance please call her at 630-1387

UNF Professor William Ahrens and his new nurses were introduced as well.

Chairperson Kerr gave a great big welcome back to member Ernest Clayton who has been ill.

Approval of the Meeting Summary

When a quorum was established the meeting summary from the June 10, 2004 meeting was reviewed. *A Motion to approve as written was made by Todd Johnson and a second from Rosalie Proudme. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.*

Guest Speakers

- Nicole Cover, Duval Prepares Coordinator “Jacksonville Community Emergency Response Team” gave an overview of the CERT Program that will begin again in the fall. It is a 9-week training course on how to prepare for disasters if your neighborhood is cut off from services. Diane Kerr went through the training and recommended it highly. If you need more information please call 630-0601
- Sally Steinauer Robson, RSVP Program Manager “RSVP Tale Teller Program” gave an overview of the program. If you are willing to commit one hour per week to read to Pre-K and Kindergarten children please call 630-0998 to sign up.

Staff Reports

JSO – Lt. Christian Smith – 384-8028 Zone 5 Sub Station talked about things they were doing to be proactive. Please be sure to fill out the “Incident” forms that are in the CPAC handout. You will be notified of what is happening with your issue. He suggests that you meet the officers in your neighborhood so that you will know him/her personally. Chairperson Kerr thanked and appreciated what JSO – especially Zone 5 Officers were doing. If you receive great service please take the time to write a letter and let the Officer and Sheriff know. It is always nice to hear positive feedback. National Night out is August 3rd.

Planning & Development – Jack Shad (630-2486) reported that this will be his last CPAC meeting. He is leaving the City to go out on his own. Chairperson Kerr, Vice Chair Randy Mallory and members of the NW CPAC all said how helpful Jack has been. He has been a very valuable resource and they have learned a lot. Jack has been an excellent representative and will be missed. He then reported on the following:

2004-747 Conventional Rezoning – RLD-G to RMD-B 5752 Moncrief Road (City Council 8-10-04 and Planning Commission 8-13-04 LUZ 8-17-04)

2004-687 Waiver of Road Frontage WRF-04-22 reduce required frontage from 80'feet to 0 located at 9266 Commonwealth (City Council 7-27-04 and LUZ 8-3-04) Jones Road – Landlocked parcel

Pine Grove Dairy PUD on Garden Street the Planning Commission hearing will be 7-29-04

St. Vincent's Hospital on King Street with have a Planning Commission hearing on 8-26-04

AD-04-155 Prince Street/Whitner Street – Mt. Vernon Miss. Baptist Church wants to get a deviation for the number of parking spaces and landscaping (7-23-04)

AD-04-147 Granville Lane and Normandy to reduce front yard for carport (8-6-04)

Questions came up on the concrete crushing plant on Baker Street. They need to know what is happening so that they can oppose it. There is dirt and noise coming from the plant. Jack will check on the status of this before he leaves. Other questions on school #4 being a historic landmark but being right on top of I-95 and the interchange. Other questions on zoning came up as well.

Neighborhood Services – Marilyn Fenton-Harmer (630-7024) reported on the following:

- CPAC locations/meetings – Please note changes for the August meeting location and a possibility of the September meeting being cancelled due to the Florida Neighborhoods Conference may take place
- The annual CPAC picnic will be sponsored by the Arlington/Beaches CPAC and will be at the YMCA on Fort Caroline Road on Saturday, August 7, 2004 from 11:30pm to 2:30pm It will be catered by Bono's and the cost is \$8.50 and you can buy tickets from Diane Kerr
- At the Florida Neighborhoods Conference there will be a Neighborhoods table that will include the CPAC and we are looking for volunteers from the CPAC to man the booth for 2 hours at a time. The question of Scholarships has come up – It is for people who will not be able to come if not for a scholarship. Please go to local businesses and ask them to sponsor someone from your organization to attend. You need to send that form in ASAP and you will be notified if you received it and you can then attach that letter to the FNC registration form.
- Award winners – there is a problem – only 1 person and 1 neighborhood can win. We will work on this with the SW CPAC since they will be nominating Randy as well. We need a back up plan.
- The annual City-wide Clean up will be on Saturday, Oct. 23rd. The committee is looking for 2 major sites to direct citizens to come to clean up. They are also asking for areas that need cleaning to direct anyone to these sites. See the form in the CPAC Agenda.
- If you have something wonderful going on in your neighborhood and would like to try to have it placed in the Neighborhoods Magazine please send your information to Marilyn Fenton-Harmer at 630-7024 or Mfharmer@coj.net
- Zoo tickets are available – please see Marilyn Fenton-Harmer after the meeting to sign for them

Nominations for NW Citizen and Neighborhood for 2004

There were problems with 2 nominees for the Individual and 2 for the Neighborhood Award. There can only be 1 winner for each. Randy Mallory was also nominated from the SW CPAC. Chairperson Kerr will see what happens at the SW CPAC to see who will win from the NW CPAC.

Chairperson Kerr

- Chairperson Kerr told members that originally the summer meetings were to be at businesses in the district. For the August 12th meeting we will meet at Williams & Rowe's Model Home in Emily's Walk sub division in the 1100 block on Crystal Springs Road instead of Lincoln Villas Community Center – she apologized for the confusion.
- Brooklyn, RAP and North Riverside have been meeting to discuss the I-95 Interchange and the problems that it will cause for the neighborhoods. The City will challenge FDOT on this since the plans are very old.
- Word received right before the meeting on a possible ordinance in moving the Town Center Program from the Planning Department to the Neighborhood Services Division came up. Diane will check on this and get back to us at the next meeting.
- There will be a meeting on Monday, July 19th at 7:30pm at the Johnson Community Center to discuss the Brooklyn Plans. There is great concern that FDOT will do what they want and not what is best for the neighborhoods.

Announcements

- Murray Hill will be hosting a National Night Out event on August 3rd
- Teresa Mary held an anti crime march last month and lots of children showed up.
- Rev. Wyche reported that billboards with advertising for first time homeowners will be taking place

Motion to Adjourn

A Motion to adjourn was made by Thomas May and a second by B.J. Scott. The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

The **next meeting** will be on **August 12, 2004 at 6pm** at the Williams & Rowe **Model Home in Emily's Walk** in the 1100 block of Crystal Springs Lane