

District #1 - Urban Core

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Urban Core ~ District 1
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
Main Library – Room G4 - 303 N. Laura St.
Meeting Summary
Monday, Sept. 11, 2006

Members and Alternates

Janetta Norman, Chair
Eugene Johnson, Vice-Chair
Johnny Swain
Michael Hartman

Deloris Swain
Tony Nelson
Betty J. Chance
Rosa L. Walker

Eula Canty
Luellen B. Logan
Michael Bryant

Guests

Mack Bissette

Staff/Resource

Carolyn Shehee Williams
Bill Killingsworth
Kenny Logsdon

Joyce Hellmann Bizot
Robert Crawford

Kenneth Avery
Del Miley

Call to Order

Janetta Norman called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Remarks – Chair / Vice Chair

Janetta Norman greeted and welcomed those in attendance. She reminded everyone about Saturday's annual CPAC picnic and urged them to attend.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the June and August meetings were approved.

Speakers

Bill Killingsworth, Planning and Development - Addressing and Duplicate Street Names

PRESENTATION: Bill covered these points:

- What is an address?
- How do you get an address?
- How do addresses relate to 911 emergency calls?
- What's the city's process to eliminate and correct duplicate street names?

Discussion followed. Bill invited members to call staff member Ellen Fales, 630-1071, for any issues they have regarding duplicate street names.

Tony Nelson, Urban Core Enterprises - Myrtle Place Townhouse Development

PRESENTATION: Tony showed the plans and renderings for a new development to be located at the corner of Myrtle Avenue and Martin Luther King Parkway, the first project in Phase II of the Moncrief Road/Myrtle Avenue Revitalization Initiative. He outlined the positive impact of the townhomes on the area and requested CPAC's support. The members voted to adopt the resolution he proposed [Motion by Luellen Logan, second by Eula Canty].

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Staff Reports

Code Enforcement – Inspector Bob Crawford reported that inspections are still underway regarding two recent fires in the Urban Core. Bob responded to questions about specific locations and he reminded members that the quickest way to get a response is to get a complete and accurate address for the location of the issue and to call it in to 630-CITY. He also noted that the special master process is getting cases through the system in a timelier manner.

Department of Transportation – No representative present

Duval County Public Schools– No representative present
The superintendent will be invited to speak at a future meeting. He has already spoken to some, but not all, of the other CPACs.

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office - No representative present

Mayor's Representative - Carolyn Shehee Williams said that the library is involved in a strategic planning process. She said that for the library summit on September 13, they are expecting about 200 people.

Neighborhood Services Division - Joyce Bizot announced that the division has temporarily moved to 1 W. Adams Street, 3rd floor, until facilities for the new Housing and Neighborhoods Department are readied at the Ed Ball Building. She also said that the division will host a Toolkit Training on Thursday, September 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Cuba Hunter Community Center off Emerson Street. The training is for people trying to start a new organization in their neighborhood.

Planning and Development - Ken Avery presented information on a zoning variance for a new home to be built on Swift Street. The request, to reduce the lot width at the building restriction line from 50' to 44', will be heard on September 28 by the Planning Commission.

Subcommittee Reports

Environmental – Michael Hartman gave further information on the grant he is seeking for the clean up of Hogans Creek. He has involved a multi-agency coalition and FRESHMinistries will serve as the non-profit agency through which the application will be submitted to the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) by the September 28 deadline.

The Urban Core CPAC voted to send a letter of support for the application [Motion by Michael Bryant, second by Eula Canty].

Hospitality–The committee provided refreshments for members and guests.

Membership – No report

Old Business - None

New Business – None

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Guests/Visitor Comments

Agenda Considerations

School Board Superintendent Joseph Wise and Jacksonville Housing Authority head Ronnie Ferguson (on the McNair Park development) will be invited as speakers/presenters for future meetings.

Announcements

It was announced that on Saturday, September 16, Willie Gary was sponsoring an event regarding scholarships at the Prime Osborn Convention Center for children in the 7th to 12th grades.

The East Jacksonville Housing Alliance was presenting a housing and community fair at the corner of Union Street and A. Philip Randolph on the same day.

Adjournment

The chair announced that there was good food to eat and the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

*The next CPAC meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m.
Oct. 2, 2006, Main Library, Room G-4, 303 N. Laura St.*