

SOUTHEAST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY November 24, 2003

Members and Alternates

Angie Vannatter, Chair
Victoria Pennington, Vice-Chair
Ray Aleksic
Carole Adams
Marian Beaman
Joyce Brown
Richard Cardell
Robert Chadwick
Ken Charron
Patrick Corrado

Art Costa
Joni Cusic
Lanny Felder
Christine Fuchs
Lowell Griffith
Jack Hale
Jim Hill
David Jaffee
Darline Jones
Mike Lawson

Gamal Lyons
Charles Magee
Charles McBurney
Jim McKenney
Henry Rogers
Ralph Saffy
Richard Tuten
Kimberly Whigham
Rose Zurawski

City Staff/Ex-Officio/Guests

Bob Baughman, Mayor's Liaison
Holly Brown, UNF
Kristin Byers, UNF
Kevin Feldt, JTA
James Garrow, Boy Scouts, Pack 484
Penny Hendrick, UNF
The Honorable Art Graham, City Council, Dist. 13
Deno Hicks
Vickie Kutscher, Greater Englewood

Magee Rives, Boy Scouts, Pack 484
Doug McDowell, Planning & Development
Andrea Milholic, UNF
Brandon Newell, Boy Scouts, Pack 484
Jeri Ricks, Building Inspection Division
John Waddell
Kathy Watrel, San Marco Preservation
Dawn Wood, Neighborhood Services

Excused

Holly Kartsonis
Mike Kennedy

Mark Roesser
Elizabeth Wolfe

Vickie Breedlove

Call to Order

Angie Vannatter, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. She announced Art Costa's birthday. Angie recognized the attendance of Art Graham and thanked him for coming.

Subcommittee Breakout Sessions

The subcommittees met from 6:35-7:00 p.m.

Speakers

Kevin Feldt, JTA, gave an update on the Rapid Transit Corridor studies both for the E/SW and N/SE corridors. Both corridor studies will affect the Southeast Planning district. The E/SW corridor study began at a later date than the N/SE study. Therefore, this study is at the point of narrowing down alternatives to two. The N/SE Corridor Study Advisory Group meets the 3rd Thursday of the month. A question and answer period followed. Ken Charron stated that he is involved with the MPO so if there are issues and concerns about transportation to let him or Angie know.

Sheri Lowe, Hospice of Jacksonville, gave an overview of their program. Within Jacksonville there are two Hospice groups: Community Hospice and Hospice of Northeast Florida. A question and answer period followed.

Angie thanked Kevin and Sheri for making presentations.

Approval of the Minutes

The meeting summary for the October 27, 2003 meeting was unanimously approved. James McKenney requested his statement that he had received a couple of calls concerning overgrown grass along Baymeadows and Phillips Highway be added to the minutes.

Chair's Report

- Requested all in attendance to sign in and to use name cards.
- Passed around a CPAC member renewal list. Terms for everyone on the list expire 12/21/03. Renewal forms are in the back of the room. Each form must be signed by the member AND someone other than the member who is an officer or leader in the association.
- Informed members of the Senior Christmas Party on December 6.

Elections

Nomination subcommittee Chair, Christine Fuchs, presented the names of Angie Vannatter for Chair and Charles McBurney for Vice-Chair. Nominations from the floor were requested and none given.

A motion was made and seconded to close the ballot and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Jim Hill and seconded by Richard Cardell to approve the nominations from the subcommittee of Angie Vannatter as Chair and Charles McBurney as Vice-Chair of the CPAC. Votes were taken separately. Angie Vannatter as Chair received 24 votes in support and 0 in opposition. Charles McBurney as Vice-Chair received 27 votes in support and 0 in opposition.

Angie and Charles thanked the members for their support.

Chair's Report (cont.)

- Announced that Sharon Copeland is taking the lead on the water issue. Everyone should be vigilant in following through on this matter.
- Discussed changing the date of the CPAC Christmas party. Members decided to keep the time of December 22. A food item sign-up sheet was passed around.

- Acknowledged the Boy Scouts present and thanked them for coming.
- Discussed the need to possibly find another meeting location for CPAC meetings in 2004. Lanny Felder and Ken Charron offered assistance with this.

Subcommittee Reports

Economic Development & Transportation – Ken Charron read a list of areas in the Southeast Planning district that will have JEA work done in the near future. Public works is looking into the synchronization of lights along San Jose. Ken is on the MPO Advisory Committee and stated that nothing yet affects the southeast area. The Transportation Alternatives Study has decided on locations for stations for the North-Southeast line already and throughout the next year will look at ridership in residential and shopping areas. Ken also passed out a list of all Southeast district FDOT projects approved and funded through 2007.

Environmental – Charles McBurney announced that Marian Beaman has become a grandmother two times over. Braywick Owners Association has applied for the JEA Communi-Tree trees. The discussion also covered the tree in the detention pond, the Council of 100 recommendation, the pumping into Rose Creek, odors and trees being cut down in the Bayard/St. Augustine Road area.

Land Use & Zoning – Jim Hill reported that discussion centered around a restaurant on Hendricks, a sign on Baymeadows and a zoning request to change from RR to IBP2 on Shad Road. Angie informed Doug McDowell, Planner with the Planning and Development Department, that she has been receiving her LUZ notifications by certified mail. Doug stated that he would look into it.

Neighborhood Outreach/Membership – Jim McKenney reported that he had received calls concerning people blowing leaves into the street and 18-wheelers parking in a lot at Baker/Skinner Park and the Winn-Dixie on Old Kings Road and Baymeadows.

Staff Reports

- Bob Baughman, Chief of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Entertainment and Mayor's Liaison, provided the following updates and information:
 - Art Graham will hold a town meeting at Twin Lakes Elementary School on December 4. At it he will discuss the master plan for the 9A/Baymeadows Park, Council 100 water issue, Intelligent Transportation System and intersection improvements
 - 9A/Baymeadows - 90% design, estimated construction completion for design only: November 2003
 - Burnett Park ball diamonds – 94% completed
 - Chuck Rogers Park is a “go” again
 - Cuba Hunter Park gymnasium - 3620 Bedford Road: 14% complete
 - Fletcher Morgan/Wurn Park – 88% completed
 - Goodby's Lake – a new bid will go out in January with construction starting in the summer
 - Losco Regional Park - estimated construction completion: February 2004, 42% complete. There is a pending grant for soccer fields and bathroom facilities
 - Greenland Park – this park will have reduced acreage because of concerns by SJRWM. Another public meeting will be held after 60%
 - Walter Jones Historical Park/Mandarin Museum – opening soon

- Bob was confirmed as the new Director of Parks, Recreation and Entertainment
- Jeri Ricks, Building Inspection Division, had no report and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.
- Doug McDowell, Planning & Development, reported that Peter King has been named the lead for the Avenues Walk project. He may be reached at 630-1900. The Department is reorganizing. The MPO is a separate group now and moving to a new location. Community Development is also moving. Comprehensive Planning will be divided into two areas.

Angie thanked Doug McDowell, Bob Baughman and Jeri Ricks for their faithfulness in attending the CPAC meetings. She expressed disappointment concerning the regular absence of various “staff” representatives and will follow-up to encourage their attendance.

Christine Fuchs reported that Mike Kennedy, Betty Wolfe and she have all completed the CERT training.

Art Costa suggested that individual associations send their newsletters to Dawn to keep her informed and for consideration in the Neighborhoods Magazine.

Henry Rogers announced that he will be dancing in the Nutcracker December 12-14.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: CHRISTMAS PARTY - 6:30 p.m., Monday, December 22, 2003 at the Southeast Branch Library, 10599 Deerwood Park Boulevard. JANUARY MEETING: January 26, 2004.