# MEETING SUMMARY NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE NW Bradham Brooks Library – 1755 Edgewood Avenue West Thursday, July 13, 2006

#### Committee Members Present

Joseph Anderson, Chairman Gloriden Norris, Lake Park Joan Davenport, NWJ CDC Erma Cole, Robinson's Addition Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson Diana Richardson, Harborview \*Gail Blackshear, NPPC \*Vickie Anderson, Palmdale Gadson Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N Joann Flood, Lynton Street Danny Thomas, Paxon/Biltmore Roberta Wilson, Robinson's Addition Yvonne Smart, Washington Heights Est. \*Yvonne Ward, Moncrief Springs \*Paulette Turner, Lake Forest

\*Awaiting papers

# City/Staff/Public/Media

Devin Reed, Mayor's Liaison/Director of Procurement Milton Locklear, FDOT

N. T. Inyang, Property Safety/Code
Joan Barney, Moncrief Community
Libby Senterfitt, State Attorney's Office
Nancy May, Thomas Jefferson
Dick Berry, North CPAC
Delilah Jackson, AARP
Alton & Versie Campbell, Lake Forest
Sharolyn & Timothy Watts

Sgt. Selzer JSO Zone 5
Pete Sutherland, Property Safety/Code
Jessica Bell, Planning & Development
Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Services
Orzola Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N
Linda Kittles, Ribault Manor
Josephine Royals, Palmdale
Juanita Murrell
Sandra Hancox, Lake Forest
Ava Smith

## **UNF Nursing**

Prof. William Ahrens, UNF Nursing Program, Jessica Flota, Fran Jackson, Jenny Oakley, Molly Cook, Casi Brent, Meghan Penny, Sylvia Perry, Octavia Gonzalez, Jessica Doron, Jessica Byrd, Christine Montgomery, Kelly Godwin, Sarah Wienda, Melissa Cargiolos, Jillian Herringdine, Tara Jacks, Amanda Davis, Brittany Steele, and Patrick Purcell

Excused: Tod Johnson, Susannah Carter, Diane Kerr, Ernest Clayton, Doretha Tompkins, Edward Ceconnello, Bertha Richardson, Elaine Burnett, Ella Watson

#### Call to Order

Chairman Joseph Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the NW Bradham Brooks Library, 1755 Edgewood Avenue West and welcomed everyone.

*Inv*ocation: Gadson Burgess

## Approval of the Meeting Summary

A motion to approve the June 8, 2006 meeting summary as written with a correction from Thomas May that stated Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Coordinator/Planner, provided everything else but the food at our June meeting. A Motion by Member Thomas May and a second by Gloriden Norris were made. The Vote: All were in favor. None opposed

## Chairman Anderson's Report

- Chairman Anderson reminded members that we had to keep to a very tight time limit due to meeting at the library with a closing time of 8 p.m...
- Chairman Anderson asked if anyone, in this upcoming political season, was running for office would stand, state their name and position they are running for. The NW CPAC will not endorse any candidate but will hold a candidate's forum on March 6, 2007 for educational information.
  - o Libby Senterfitt, Group 33 Circuit Court Judge
  - o Richard "Dick" Berry, District 11 City Council mentioned that there was legislation pending to change the Primary election date to March 20 instead of April 10 for the primary.

## **Guest Speaker**

Libby Senterfitt, Director of the Special Assault Unit with the State Attorney's Office gave a presentation on behalf of State Attorney Harry Shorstein. She has worked in the State Attorney's office for the past 18 years. Ms. Senterfitt went into detail on how the office is organized. Members and guests had numerous questions. They wanted information on how the process of injunctions worked. She talked about crime statistics and the murder rate. Ms. Senterfitt can be reached at 630-2502 along with misdemeanor court at 630-2490 and felony court at 630-2484.

#### Staff Reports

<u>JSO Zone 5</u> - *Crime* is down 2.8% with murders up year-to-date in Zone 5. Members had questions and concerns on the following:

- How calls for service were prioritized.
- Problems with a neighbor trespassing and vandalizing a home and needed more information on the injunction process.
- Members continue to hear gun shots being shot at all hours of the night/day and wanted to know why it took so long for JSO to respond.
- Cars speeding at all hours of the day and night in the neighborhoods.
- Members were concerned with block parties that had loud music.
- Members continue to be concerned with the selling of drugs in the neighborhoods.
- Members were very concerned with new laws that come out and no-one hears about them or know about them until they get a ticket i.e. the move over law for emergency vehicles and the wearing of helmets for children under 16 while skateboarding.

Call the Zone Sub Station at: Zone 5 – 384-8028, Zone 4 – 573-3165 or Zone 1 – 924-5361.

<u>Mayor's Liaison Devin Reed</u> – passed out copies of the Mayor's 2007 budget speech to City Council at a meeting on 7-12-06. It gave details on hiring 200 new police officers and 29 new fire fighters along with 2 new fire stations. He also talked about how they would not dip into "savings" for a re-occurring expense. Members also discussed:

- Communication from the city with new/changes to programs need more direct contact with neighborhoods, organizations and CPACs i.e. JCC on changes for summer camper ships.
- Questions on the Growing Great Neighborhood job program came up. We do need more businesses
  to partner for next year to have more jobs for our youth. The Mayor would like to have 1000 teen jobs
  next summer.
- Tractor trailers continue to park in residential neighborhoods.

Devin Reed can be reached at 630-1184 or dreed@coj.net

<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u> - Milton Locklear had no report but members asked about tractor trailers continuing to park in residential neighborhoods. This is a zoning issue call 630-CITY to report them if they are in a yard or if they are on the city right-of-way call JSO. Member Cole wanted to know about a bus cover on the corner of Carrie and Commonwealth. Milton Locklear can be reached at 360-5686 or Milton.Locklear@dot.state.fl.us

Planning & Development – Jessica Bell passed out the NW monthly report and talked about the new fire station for North Riverside. She mentioned that the CRA for Lonnie Miller Land Use Amendment was approved by the City Council and lots of support which will stimulate the economy. They will replace the park lands in the community. If you see a colored sign call and find out what is going on. Members wanted more information on the proposed CRA that Councilwoman Jones is working on. Councilwoman Jones will be our guest speaker at the August meeting. Jessica Bell can be reached at 630-1446 or Jebell@coj.net

<u>Property Safety</u> – Supervisor for Zone 5 Pete Sutherland, talked about the 112 unsafe structures that are being evaluated. They will either be boarded up or be demolished. Code enforcement officers will be in the office for 30 minutes in the morning and out on the street doing there jobs.

The NEAT team with the Growing Great Neighborhoods has also been working very hard in the pilot areas. They can be reached at 391-3600 or 1801 Art Museum Dr., Bldg. 3500, Suite 200 or psafety@coj.net

# **Neighborhood Services**

- The Mayor's Town Hall meeting schedule for 2006 with locations to be determined:
  - o August, 21, 2006 Urban Core Planning District #1
  - o October 16, 2006 North Planning District #6
  - November 27, 2006 Greater Arlington/Beaches Planning District #2
- The next Northwest CPAC (Citizens Planning Advisory Committee) meeting will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, August 10, 2006, Ruth Upson Elementary School, 1090 Dancy Street (Murray Hill)
- With Hurricane Season upon us there are new pet evacuation forms for the shelters along with special medical needs and transportation forms that have to be submitted each year.
- The Neighborhood Services Office will be moving from City Hall at St. James to the Police and Fire Building at 1 W. Adams Street at the end of the month. Phone numbers are expected to remain the same.
- The Mayor's Initiative "Blueprint for Prosperity" is looking for you to become a partner. There will be orientations in the upcoming months on how to develop strategies for key benchmarks. Please consider becoming a Blueprint Partner. For info call Harlan Stallings at 366-6618
- Upcoming election dates and information:
  - o Last Day To Register To Vote for Primary Election (Books Close) Monday, August 07, 2006
  - o Last Day To Request Absentee Ballot for Primary Wednesday, August 30, 2006
  - State and Federal Primary Election

Tuesday, September 05, 2006 7:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. Duval County

Contact: Jerry Holland, Supervisor of Elections, Duval County

105 East Monroe Street Jacksonville, Florida 32202 Phone: (904) 630-1414

- General Election November 7, 2006
- Duval County First Election April 10, 2007
- General Election May 8, 2007
- City Council Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6pm City Council Chambers City Hall at St. James 117 W. Duval St. For information please call 630-1377
- School Board Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesday 6pm School Board Building 1701 Prudential Drive.
   For information please call 390-2000.
- ShAdCo (Sheriff's Advisory Council)

o **Zone 5** call 384-8028 210 S. McDuff Avenue cedar Hills Shopping Center **Zone 1** call 924-5361 Gateway Shopping Center

- Police Non-Emergency 630-0500
- Police Neighborhood Watch 630-2160
- JEA 665-6000 If a street light is out please get the number on the pole to report it
- <u>www.coj.net</u> by the search or site index you can go to different divisions.
  - Property Appraiser Locate your address and "map it" <a href="http://maps.coj.net">http://maps.coj.net</a>
     On the GIS Map page go to "My Neighborhood" lots of information for your address
- City Services 630-CITY (630-2489) Please have the exact address and get a tracking number and estimated date of completion
- SAVE the DATE: Florida Neighborhoods Conference Fort Lauderdale, October 5-7, 2006 <a href="www.floridaneighborhoods.org">www.floridaneighborhoods.org</a> Marilyn Fenton-Harmer can be reached at 630-7024 or <a href="mailto:Mfharmer@coj.net">Mfharmer@coj.net</a>

# <u>Sub Committees / Neighborhood Happenings</u> – No reports.

#### Motion to Adjourn

A Motion to adjourn was made by Member Thomas May and a second by Member Gloriden Norris The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The **next meeting** will be on **Thursday**, **August 10**, **2006** Ruth Upson Elementary School, 1090 Dancy Street at 6 p.m.