

**Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

**Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Boulevard  
6:30 p.m. Monday, February 13, 2012**

**Meeting Summary**

**Members and Alternates**

Michael Anania	Marcella Lowe
Larry Belge	Helen Ludwig
James Blanche	Ed Maxted
Al Cherry	Eddi Parsons
Michele Davis	David Peck
Gary Dickinson	Jerry Petoskey
Dave Evans	Patricia Schorr
Kacy Evans	Chip Seymour
Johnny Holden	Ben Tucker
Sherrie Jarnutowski	Kathy Walker

**Members Excused**

Lad Hawkins  
Sandi Hibbard

**Guest**

Bobby Cherry  
Jack Hicks  
Tina Hicks  
Sherry Kinnebrew  
Annrian Lee  
Bobbi Maciazek  
Steve Matchett  
Eric Nguyen  
Joey VanDuzee

**Staff/Resources**

Lt. Amy, JSO  
Kelley Boree, Mayor's Liaison  
Paul Davis, Planning and Development  
Jim Green, FDOT  
Elaine Lancaster, Code Compliance  
Rosemary Wesolowski, Community Development

**Call to Order**

Patricia Schorr called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., the meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. It was established that a quorum was present.

**Chairs Report**

## Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the January 2012 meeting summary with changes (a few typos) was made. The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

## Speakers

**Mike McHugh, Outreach Volunteer, RealSense Prosperity Campaign:** introduced himself to the group and provided some background information on RealSense Prosperity Campaign. RealSense Prosperity goal is to improve the financial stability of each of the Jacksonville residents. RealSense services include income tax preparation, financial education and matched savings program; all provided free of charge. Since the inception eight years ago, RealSense has brought \$98 million in tax refunds, saved \$17.2 million in preparer fees and returned \$30 million in Earned Income Tax Credit dollars to our community.

The RealSense Education programs include:

Money Smart ~ a 10 hour series covering spending plans, saving, credit, consumer protection issues, financial institutions and accounts.

Fresh Start ~ a 6 hour class for managing check accounts. Completion of this course qualifies you to open an account at a participating financial institution if you have been denied opening an account, want to learn how to avoid fees on current accounts, or have never had an account before and want to do it right. Also covers budgeting to reach your goals.

Home Buyer Education ~ before a home purchase, learn about the process, avoid predatory lending and learn to make wise choices. This class cost \$50.00

Pre-Filing Bankruptcy Class ~ receive information on how to make informed decisions in regard to bankruptcy.

The RealSense tax preparation is offered at 32 sites throughout the city. There are VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) and AARP Tax aide sites. The VITA Sites offer free tax preparation for those that make \$50,000 or less and the AARP sites offer free tax preparation for any income bracket and age. To find a VITA or AARP Tax Aide Site Locator call the United Way at 2-1-1 or the main number 632-0600.

Matched Saving Accounts (IDA ~ Individual Development Accounts) matches every \$1 you save by \$2. The money saved can only be used for 3 things: to buy a home, college education or to start a business. Once you start saving regularly, in as little as six months, the money can be used for first time home ownership, to start up or grow your own business or pay for college or technical school tuition costs for you or your children.

**Curtis Kincaid, IRS, Stakeholder Relationship Tax Consultant:** informed the group that he represents a portion of the IRS that provides education / information to the community. The IRS works very closely with RealSense and trains their tax preparers. Each tax preparer that is representing RealSense must take the national IRS exam to be certified to do tax preparation. Many times an IRS employee is the preparer or an IRS employee is available at the tax preparation site to assist with questions.

Due to the increase of identity theft nationwide, the IRS has established the Identity Protection Specialization Unit (IPSU) in October 2008 to serve as a point of contact for taxpayers who are or may become victims of identity theft. The IPSU provides a

dedicated toll-free number (800-908-4490) that is staffed by IRS employees that are knowledgeable in identity theft issues, trained to review taxpayer's information, account history, and provide guidance on how to report/resolve the identity theft issue. A copy that contains a detailed summary of this special unit is attached at the end of the meeting summary.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

**PARKS & RECREATION** – Chair – Pat Schorr informed the group that Larry Belge has agreed to chair the Parks & Recreation Subcommittee too.

**BEAUTIFICATION** – Chair Larry Belge – no report

**LAND USE & ZONING** – Chair Mike Anania – The Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee met at 5:30 p.m. The subcommittee reviewed 4 applications and made 3 motions:

**Support of MM-12-03 11034 Atlantic Blvd.** the expansion of the parking area is consistent with the PUD and supports business activity in the area.

**Support of SW-11-07 5243 Beach Blvd.** the renewal of the sign provides positive image to the community.

**Denial Waiver of Liquor Distance WLD-12-03** the activity will attract activity that is inconsistent with the peace and tranquility of the adjoining residential neighborhood and is not consistent with the church that is directly across the street.

Copies of the letters are attached at the end of this summary.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Chair Pat Schorr – informed the group that she has met with the 3 other members and they will be kicking off their membership recruitment campaign soon.

**TRANSPORTATION** – Co-Chairs Roger Sharp and Richard Witzel – not present

**ENVIRONMENT** – Chair Lad Hawkins – not present

**T.R.U.E. Commission** – Marcella Lowe – stated that the commission is still actively involved in the audit of JEDC. This week there was 4 meetings; from the audit and subsequent meetings it has been determined that there needs to be stronger rules for handling money, improved contract management and preparation of the contracts needs to improve too. At this time there are 2 other areas of investigations that will begin.

**Craig Airport Advisory Committee** – Dave Evans – not report

### **Staff Reports:**

**Mayor's Liaison** – Kelley Boree, Recreation & Community Services – informed the group that Mayor Brown has met his goal of 500 mentors for the Mayor's Mentors program. The mentoring program is still growing and if you are interested in participating please contact the United Way at 2-1-1 or visit the COJ website. The Mayor's Walk for Wellness will be held at Metropolitan Park on Saturday, March 3, 2012 9:00am to 12:00 pm. On Sunday, April 1, 2012 The Blessing of the Fleet will be held at the Jacksonville Landing.

There will be another Business Builders workshop on May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. The Annual Jazzfest will begin May 25<sup>th</sup> and will be held throughout the Downtown area; the lineup and venues are still being finalized.

**JSO-** Lt. Amy informed the group that the shooting suspect at Regency Square Mall has been arrested yesterday and the victim is doing well. JSO have a permanent Pill Drop Box at the Downtown Police Station. If you would like to dispose of your unused medications, bring your pills in their container (no liquids or gels) to the police station downtown and drop them off. The Narcotics Division will still host their pill drops in the community. The sites will be announced soon. The Zone 2 commander and JSO staff have been working with the Charter School located at 8100 Lone Star Road to improve the schools role in the community. Now the school will have an indoor waiting area for student pick up and anyone found on school property that does not attend the school will be picked up for trespassing.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT** – Paul Davis – no report; but available for questions.

**FDOT – Jim Green** – stated that projects are continuing and available for questions.

**MUNICIPAL CODE** – Elaine Lancaster– informed the group that they are actively working at 1537 Mill Creek; the Arlingwood Community Center which currently has 6 citations against it. Currently, there are 735 active cases in Arlington; this includes the Atlantic and Beach Blvd. corridor projects. There will be a systematic inspection of Lake Lucina and Arlington Corridor (all the main streets in old Arlington; Rogero, Merrill, Lone Star...) and to start a systematic project on Justina Road. Stiletto's has a court date on March 6 in the judges' chamber and Brewster's has a court date on March 12, also in the judges' chambers. Commercial vehicles (school buses, 18 wheelers) are not allowed to park in residential neighborhoods. If you spot commercial vehicles in residential area call 630-CITY to report it and provide as much detail as you can. If the commercial vehicle is parked on city right of way, JSO will handle it and if the commercial vehicle is parked on private property Code Compliance will handle it.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** –Neighborhood Coordinator Rosemary Wesolowski – reminded the group that Craig Airport will be hosting training on the noise registry program that they now have online. Training will be held at Craig Executive Airport, JAA Administration Building, 855-1 St. Johns Bluff Road N, 32225 on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. and February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Also, in effort to streamline processes in city government, there will be some changes to how CPAC's will be handled by city staff. A "Scribepen" will be purchased and used to record and take notes at the meeting. The "Scribepen" will be handed to an assigned staff person in the ASD department to transcribe. Also, management is also looking at a way to streamline phone calls too. Calls to the various CPAC coordinators may be sent to 630-CITY to be handled.

### **Announcements**

Larry Belge stated that they are having problems with parking in their neighborhood. Signs are posted and they will continue working on this problem.

Ben Tucker informed the group that a task force has been established to save the Mayport Ferry. Elaine Brown is working on this task force. There will be a meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup> to talk about the ferry. The task force is asking that JPA continue to run the ferry.

David Peck stated that the newly constructed Race Track gas station (near Atlantic and Emerson) has a room built for JSO to use as a quick stop office, but so far JSO has not taken them up on the offer.

Helen Ludwig shared that St. Johns Woods HOA is facing some challenges. The board is considering turning the association over to the city, hiring a management company to run things or just keep things as they are. Only 3 people showed up to the association meeting out of 99 homes.

Al Cherry said that he has a meeting with Councilman Bishop to talk about speed bumps in his neighborhood.

Dave Evans recommended that the Mayport Ferry should be operated by the Federal Government.

### **Public Comments**

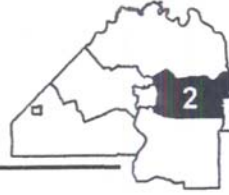
(Comments are limited to 2 minutes)

There is some interest in offering Frisbee Golf at Rondette Park. Members of RCDGA were in attendance to explain Frisbee golf and to answer and questions.

**Adjournment** - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

**The next meeting will take place on  
Monday, March 12, 2011  
6:30 pm at the Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Blvd.**

**GREATER ARLINGTON/BEACHES**  
**Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**  
*Chair: Patricia Schorr Vice Chair: Mike Anania*



February 13, 2012

To: Dow Peters, Chair; Planning Commission

**Re: Support of MM-12-03 11034 Atlantic Boulevard**

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) recommends approval of the request to modify PUD 1999-1212-E at 11034 Atlantic Boulevard for the following reasons:

- o The expansion of the parking area to the south is consistent with the PUD and supports business activity in the Arlington area. The CPAC did not find that the proposed change would inconvenience anyone.
- o The business has been a good neighbor and employer.

The CPAC wishes to support business activity in appropriate locations. It is hoped that the business will find further success in the Arlington area.

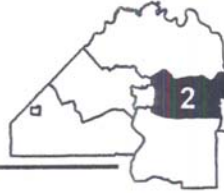
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cc: The Honorable Alvin Brown, Mayor  
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Calvin Burney, Director, Planning and Development Department  
Randi Sanders, Planning and Development Department

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February 13, 2012

To: The Honorable Reginald Brown, Chair; Land Use and Zoning Committee

**Re: Support of SW-11-07 Ord 2012-16 5243 Beach Boulevard**

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) recommends qualified approval of the request to reduce the sign setback at 5143 Beach Boulevard for the following reasons:

- o The renewal of the sign provides a positive image to the community.
- o However, the CPAC has a consistent objection to the visual intrusion and distraction caused by scrolling or flashing display signs. Therefore the CPAC supports the setback and the new sign renovation subject to the following recommended condition:

**That the lower reader board not be a scrolling, flashing or message type device.**

The CPAC wishes to support business activity in appropriate locations. It is hoped that the business will find further success in the Arlington area.

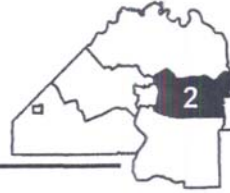
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February 13, 2012

To: Dow Peters, Chair; Planning Commission

**Re: Denial of Waiver of Liquor Distance WLD-12-03**

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) has met personally with the applicant and has reviewed the Planning and Development Department (PDD) staff report. The CPAC recommends denial of the request to reduce the minimum required liquor distance at 198 Century 21 Drive for the following reasons:

- o The activity will attract activity that is inconsistent with the peace and tranquility of the adjoining residential area.
- o The activity is not consistent with the church that is directly across the street and in a clear line of sight.
- o There is already an ample supply of liquor availability in the area that has contributed toward objectionable and unsafe activities (as recorded by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and Municipal Code Compliance reports) in the vicinity during the past year.
- o The CPAC voted to affirm the PDD staff report and support its recommendation and conclusions.

The CPAC wishes to support business activity in appropriate locations. It is hoped that the business will find success through many of the other available and more appropriate options in the Arlington area.

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### **Purpose of the Identity Protection Specialized Unit (IPSU)**

In October 2008, the Identity Protection Specialized Unit was established to serve as a point of contact for taxpayers who are, or may become victims of identity theft.

The IPSU provides a dedicated toll-free number (800-908-4490) staffed by English and Spanish speaking IRS employees, knowledgeable in identity theft issues, trained to review taxpayer's information and account history and provide guidance on how to report/resolve the identity theft issue.

- For taxpayers who **do not** have tax-related identity theft issues, the IPSU processes their substantiation documentation and places an indicator on their accounts.
- For taxpayer who **do** have tax-related identity theft problems, the IPSU researches their account, identifies the IRS business unit assigned the case, refers the case to that unit, and monitors these cases to ensure they are worked in a timely manner.

### **Why Use Identity Theft Tracking Indicators?**

When an identity theft indicator is put on an account, it tells other IRS employees that may also be working on, or involved in the case, that identity theft is an issue with this particular taxpayer.

In future years, accounts with indicators on them are through systemic business rules, designed to prevent bogus tax returns from posting and reduce burden on the taxpayer by allowing the legitimate return to post.

### **Identity Protection (IP) PIN**

The IP PIN will help taxpayers who had their identities verified by IRS avoid delays in getting their returns and refunds processed timely in the future. It was developed for legitimate taxpayers that had previously been identity theft victims.

### **Form 14039 – IRS Identity Theft Affidavit**

Form 14039 is accepted from taxpayers as a form for substantiation of identity theft. This abbreviated form has been developed to collect information necessary for taxpayers to attest to the IRS that they either have experienced, or are at risk of harm from identity theft.

An individual must also provide IRS identity information to substantiate identity theft. Acceptable information includes – a copy of a valid government issued form of

identification (examples include a driver's license, state ID card, social security card, or passport).

Form 14039 details can be found on [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

**Steps a Victim of Identity Theft May Wish to Take**

- Contact the **IRS IPSU @ 800-908-4490**, **FTC @ 877-438-4338** and the **SSA @ 800-772-1213** to file a report.
- Visit the **IRS ([www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov))**, **FTC ([www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov))** and **SSA** websites (key word *Identity Theft*) for additional information.
- Provide the IRS and the FTC with **acceptable documentation** to authenticate identity and provide evidence of identity theft, including a copy of one or more valid U.S. federal or state government-issued forms of identification, and a copy of the police report reflecting the circumstances surrounding the identity theft occurrence (individuals reporting to the IRS can substitute Form 14039, Identity Theft Affidavit in lieu of the Police Report).
- Contact **one of the three major credit bureaus fraud departments** (Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion).

The website **OnGuardOnline.gov** is a joint federal government site maintained by the FTC, IRS, SSA and others to provide additional information to consumers about identity theft.