

Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

**Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Boulevard
6:30 p.m. Monday, January 10, 2011**

Meeting Summary

Members and Alternates

Michael Anania	Dewey Marshall
Larry Belge	Tami Moe
Al Cherry	Eddi Parsons
Michele Davis	David Peck
Kacy Evans	Jerry Petoskey
Lad Hawkins	Patricia Schorr
Florence Holcomb	Roger Sharp
Johnny Holden	Ben Tucker
Carroll Huffines	

Members Excused

Jim Blache
David Evans
Marcella Lowe
Edward Maxted
Patty McPeek

Guests

Tamera Branam
Councilman Bill Bishop

Staff/Resources

Kelly Boree, Mayor's Liaison
Jim Green, FDOT
Amy Lingren, Duval County Public Schools
Elaine Lancaster, COJ, Code Compliance
Paul Davis, Planning and Development
Rosemary Wesolowski, Community Development
Sgt. Williams, JSO

Call to Order

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

Chairs Report

Roger informed the group that he was honored to be the chair and that he hoped his service as chair met or exceeded the expectation of the group. As chair, Roger intends to have lively discussions / presentations and to ask the various government agencies controversial questions. Roger also posed a question to the group in regard to the summer months; would the group like to skip the July monthly meeting. After some

discussion, the group decided they wanted to continue meeting in the month of July. Roger also presented the remaining 2010 appreciation certificates.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the November 2010 meeting summary was made. The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Speakers

No speaker s

Subcommittee Reports

PARKS & RECREATION – Co-Chairs Dewey Marshall & Tami Moe – no report

BEAUTIFICATION – Chair Larry Belge – no report

LAND USE & ZONING – Chair Mike Anania – the subcommittee reviewed 5 applications and made 3 motions. The motions are:

Support for Ordinance 2010-0893 (SW-10-07) sign waiver which would allow internal illumination of church sign at 10900 McCormick Road (Highlands Presbyterian Church).

Support for Ordinance 2011-0015 conventional rezoning from CO to RLD60 for single family use.

Opposition to Ordinance 2010-0900 pertaining to sign regulations. The opposition is in regard the frequency (every 8 seconds) that a message would change on the Multi Message Signs. The CPAC feels that the currently enforced message change intervals of 3 minutes should be maintained.

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

MEMBERSHIP – Chair Pat Schorr – no report

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

ENVIRONMENT – Chair Lad Hawkins – no report

T.R.U.E Commission – Marcella Lowe – not present

Craig Airport Advisory Committee – Dave Evans – not present

Growth Management Visioning Plan – Mike Anania – announced that this would be the final report in regard to the Growth Management Vision Plan. The final version was passed by City Council and the vision plan is official. Visit the COJ website, Planning & Development Department to read the finalized vision plan also, hard copies of the Vision Plan can be found at the regional libraries. (The group thanked Mike for his dedication and hard work as the chair of the GAB Vision Plan.

Staff Reports:

Mayor's Liaison – Kelly Boree, Deputy Director of Recreation & Community Services – informed the group that the budget process is already under way. There will be

community budget meetings again this year, but they are restructuring them from last year. The feedback from last years community meetings have been evaluated and a number of suggestions will be incorporated into the 2011 meetings. The Mayor's team is still finalizing the details, but in addition to the community meetings (with the Mayor and department directors) the team plans on webcasting the meetings to reach as many citizens as possible. Also, the Mayor's team is actively working on transition documents in effort to make the administration changes as seamless as possible.

JSO- Sgt. Williams - stated that crime continues to go down; for the year violent crime is down 29% in zone 2. Sgt. Williams answered a couple of questions in regard to gangs and homicide. He confirmed that Jacksonville has a very minor gang problem, but JSO has a special unit that focuses only on gangs and gang related activity. The Gang Unit remains active in the community and "stays on top" all those suspected of being involved with gangs. In regard to homicides, it is very difficult to predict when and where a homicide will be committed, but most homicides are committed by someone they know.

DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS – Amy Lingren – recounted that the schools are faced with another year of budget shortfalls. As with most school districts, Duval County Schools are waiting to see what happens with the new Governor and what changes will be made. Last year Federal money was responsible for keeping music and physical education (P.E.) in the elementary schools. Now the federal money is gone and no one is sure how P.E. and music will work into the budget. Career Academy Programs and Vocational schools have basically been cut, but there are a few schools that still offer one or two programs. There has been a new Teacher Evaluation introduced, the Teacher Performance Pay, at there this time there is no opposition from the teachers or the union. All of the teachers are in need of mentors. There are a lot of children that are in need of a positive roll model and help with their school work. Please consider mentoring. Another new K-8 school will be added to the Greater Arlington Beaches District. The new school is under construction at 450 Kernan Blvd. N (between Atlantic Blvd and Wonderwood Expressway) and will relieve the over crowding of Alimacani Elementary. The school is expected to be open by Fall 2012.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT – Paul Davis – provided an update on the Planning and Development Departments link on the COJ website. The Planning and development Department is responding to new technology and all Zoning and Land Use applications must be completed on line. Starting in February the website will be open to the public; anyone will be able to review the applications that were submitted for Zoning and land Use.

MUNICIPAL CODE – Elaine Lancaster – has been working proactively with systematic inspection in Southside Estates, St. Nicholas, Arlington Highlands and Arlington Manor. There are currently 235 various open cases and team plans to focus on Pine Ridge and Beachwood next. Currently, District 2 has 5 officers assigned and they are working hard to cover the entire district. If you have a concern or want to talk about a special problem, contact Elaine at 255-7007 or elainel@coj.net.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT –Neighborhood Coordinator Rosemary Wesolowski – announced that the Housing and Neighborhoods Department would like to host another free training class for Condo Associations. There is a new statue that will affect

condo board members; the statues suggests Board members take a certification Course and submit a certificate of satisfactory completion within 90 days after being elected or appointed to the board. We need to have enough participation of the area condos to offer the class. Please inform anyone that you know that lives in a condo. Complete details will be provided in the near future.

Councilman Bishop – reminded the group of the Town Hall meeting that Council members Bishop, Clark and Yarborough will host in regard to the name change of Craig Airport. The meeting will be held at the Police Athletic League on January 20th at 6:30 p.m.

Announcements

Public Comments

(Comments are limited to 2 minutes)

Adjournment - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7: 45 p.m.

**The next meeting will take place on
Monday, February 14, 2011
6:30 pm at the Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Blvd.**

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January 10, 2011

To: W. Marc Hardesty, Chair, Planning Commission
The Honorable John Crescimbeni, Chair, Land Use and Zoning Committee

Re: Opposition to Ordinance 2010-0900 pertaining to sign regulations.

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) is in opposition to the above ordinance which would allow message signs to change every eight seconds. The Greater Arlington/Beaches CPAC feels that the current enforced message time change at three minute intervals should be maintained.

Sincerely,

Roger Sharp, Chair
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cc: Hon. John Peyton, Mayor
William Killingsworth, Director, Planning and Development Department
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Re: Support for Ordinance 2011-0015 conventional rezoning.

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) supports the above ordinance which would allow rezoning from CO to RLD-60. The request is consistent with the surrounding uses of the neighborhood, will facilitate development for single family use and is a rezoning to a less intense zoning district.

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Re: Support for Ordinance 2010-0893 (SW-10-07) sign waiver.

The District 2 Greater Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) supports the above ordinance which would allow internal illumination as per the application. The request is consistent with the visual character of McCormick Road as a collector roadway, will provide greater visibility for the church, and is a replacement and upgrade above the current sign.

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