

District # 3

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Chair: Jim Hill

Vice Chair: Danny Becton

MEETING SUMMARY

Location: St. Vincent's Southside
Main Hospital, Auditorium C
4201 Belfort Road
Jacksonville, FL 32216
Date: Monday, August 26, 2013

Attendance:

Organizations/Representatives

Members:

Banks, George – Secret Cove Civic Association
Becton, Daniel - Deercreek Homeowners Association
Bollinger, George – City Council Appointment – District 4
Cardell, Richard – The Lakewood Community
Corrado, Patrick – Mandarin Community Club
Dee, Dave – Lake Mandarin HOA
D'Onofrio, Carol – Deercreek Owners Association
Heesch-Gilman, Karen - Briarwood Neighborhood Association
Hill, James - Greater Hood Road Community Association
Inman, Roger – Windy Hills Civic Association
Johnson, Kirby – Wyndam Forest Homeowners
Lyons, Gamal - Tall Cypress Cove Homeowner Association
Nichols, Theo – Greater Sans Souci Neighborhood Association
Peek, Luther – Los Prados Condominium No. 1, Inc.
Rogers, Henry – Rose Creek Condo Association
Shoaei, Taghie – Greater Englewood Neighborhood Association
Stephens, Gloria – Saddlebrook Homeowner Association
Waddell, John – East Hampton Homeowners Association
Weise, Gary – Secret Cove Civic Association
Wolfe, Elizabeth – Pickwick Park Civic Association

Excused:

Akers, Jim – Royal Lakes Civic Association
Cuff, Coree – East Hampton Homeowner's Association
Hodges, Ralph – Englewood Full Service School
Perera, Kathleen – Alumni Civic Association
Rothstein, Marj – Villa San Jose Civic

Elected Officials:

Boyer, Lori, City Council, District 5
Crescimbeni, John, City Council-at-Large
Gulliford, Bill, City Council District 13

Staff:

Adams, Allison – Council Aide, District 5
Crawford, Robert – Code Compliance, COJ
Dingler, Eric - JSO

Glick, Aaron – Planning & Development Department
Green, James – FDOT
Haberman, Adam – JSO
Kitchens, Larry – JSO, Zone 2 Lt.
Shellhorn, John – Mayor’s Liaison
Wesolowski, Rosemary - Neighborhoods, Housing & Community Development Division
Wilson, Scott, Council Aide, District 4

Guests:

Clapp, Ann – G.E.N.A.	Park, Charles – Aladdin Road
Ramaglia, Robert – Sweetwater	Peppers, Donald – Aladdin Road
Rodriguez, Ivan – JTA	Grant, Patricia – Scenic Advocates
Williams, Cheryl – City Beautiful Jax	Gassett, Bill – Scenic Advocates
Spradley, Jessie – Representative Charles McBurney Aide	
Pra, Richard – Representative Charles McBurney Aide	
Winham, Stephen	Williams, Cheryl – Scenic Advocates
Hardon, Paul	Lisska, Emily – Scenic Advocates

1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum

- Chair Hill called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary

- Chair Hill inquired if everyone had the opportunity to read the meeting summary and if there were any corrections, deletions or additions; there were none. George Banks made a motion to approve the meeting summary and Gloria Stephens seconded the motion. The July 2013 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Staff Reports

- **JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office)** – Officer Dingler informed the group that he is a patrol officer in this section of Zone 3 and he is very familiar with the area. It was noted that in Zone 3 traffic fatalities are still a serious concern for JSO. Year to date citywide, there have been 87 traffic fatalities and 34 of them occurred in Zone 3. The CPAC was reminded to wear their seatbelts, be alert to their surroundings and enjoy their time behind the wheel. There were a couple of questions: *How are the red light cameras doing?* The red light cameras are generating so many tickets, that an additional officer was added to review the violations. *Can you pull someone over if you see them texting?* No, it is illegal to search a phone at this time. There must be a moving violation in order to pull someone over; then you can write the ticket in addition to the moving violation. *Can you provide an update on the incident that occurred at the Best Buy on Southside Blvd. on Friday night?* No, because it is an open investigation. *Are you aware that there have been a number of homes with the front door kicked in on Parental Home Road?* No, not aware of a spike, but crime is up on Baymeadows Road.
- **Mayor’s Liaison** – John Shellhorn
Mr. Shellhorn announced that in conjunction with Duval County Public Schools there is a new program called Green Champion Program. Most of the schools in the programs are elementary school. One elementary school in the district, Twin lakes Elementary did receive honorable mention. Also, Keep Jacksonville Beautiful annually recognizes organizations, businesses and school for the work to help keep Jacksonville Beautiful and the Florida Coastal School of Law did receive an award this year. There is a ceremony on October 11th at City Hall to present the group with their award. There will be an International Coastal Cleanup on Saturday, September 21st in this district the clean-up will begin at 9:00 am at County Dock Boat Ramp, 11964 Mandarin Road (next to Walter

Jones Memorial Park. On September 10th there will be a Community Resource and Career Fair coming to the Main Library from 9:00 am to Noon. Also on September 10th, IFAS will be offering a Fall Gardening Workshop from 10:00 – 1:00 pm at the Mandarin Garden Club for \$5.00 per person. The 27th Annual Flowering Tree sale will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2014 starting at 7:00 am; the location is TBD.

The annual St. Johns River Accord 2013 Annual Status Report has been released last Friday. Talks about what has taken place and what agencies are doing. You can review the report online

- **Duval County Public Schools** – not present

- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Jim Green

Mr. Green informed the group that FDOT has not started any new project and all the current FDOT projects are on schedule.

- **Neighborhoods Department:**

- **Housing and Community Development Division** – Rosemary Wesolowski

Ms. Wesolowski informed the group that the bus trip is on for September 7th and the group will meet and depart from the Kings Avenue Parking Garage at 9:00 am. Also, it was announced that long time co-worker Marilyn Fenton Harmer has resigned from the City of Jacksonville. Marilyn will be missed by her 2 CPAC's, but now her duties will be split up between Mary Beth Ridderman and Rosemary Wesolowski. Currently, Rosemary is assigned to staff District 1, 2 and 3; as well as the JHCDC board.

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division** – Robert Crawford

Mr. Crawford stated that we are in the middle of the growing season and this is keeping Code Compliance very busy. Currently, there are 4 officers and one Supervisor in District 3. Still busy with the growing season, but we are doing our best to keep up with all the concerns. **Planning & Development** – Aaron Glick no report, but available for questions.

- **Parks & Recreation** – Pam Roman

Informed the group that all the District managers are in place and Sherry Wilson has been assigned to work with the SE District; Ms. Wilson will be introduced next month.

4. **Presentations – Councilmember John Crescimbeni and Dave Browning from WastePro,**

informed the group about the new automated collection system that will be implemented in most of the Southeast District.

Currently, there are 3 private trash collector and one area (the inner core of the city) that have their trash collected by the City of Jacksonville. The portion of the SE CPAC that has their trash collected by the City of Jacksonville will not be impacted by this new automated system.

In 2012, Republic Waste System (Southland Waste) started the automated collection system in Jacksonville throughout the Arlington, Beaches and North areas of town.

Councilmember Crescimbeni informed the group that his neighborhood is in the area that started the automated collection system in 2012 and now feels that it is an improved system. From his experience of going through this conversion in 2012 Crescimbeni addressed the concern over the size of the trash cans and to educate the SE CPAC about the expanded recycling programs that accompanies the new automated system.

Crescimbeni brought an array of products that were formally considered trash, but now can be recycled. With the new system all plastics, Styrofoam, all metal pans and cans, all card board and all metal used in household products can be recycled. A complete list of products and magnetic schedule of days of trash collection and recycling should be

delivered with the trash cans. If you did not receive this magnetic schedule please call 630-CITY to request. It was also requested that every try they system with the 96 gallon cans for 1 month before they request the smaller cans. You can start using your cans when you receive them and the automated trucks will be on the streets starting September 30th.

There were a fair amount of questions:

Can you recycle batteries, mirrors and light bulbs? No

Can you recycle empty motor oil containers? yes

What do we do with the old trash cans? Use them for yard waste or have Waster take them.

What about TV or refrigerator boxes? Yes, break them down and put them in the recycling bin.

Do we still need to call in bulk waste? Yes

What about yard waste? Nothing changes

What if the 64 gallon cans are still too big? WastePro has a list of handicapped individuals and they will be handled specially.

How many days do you have to swap out the cans at no charge? 60 days

Chairs report - Chair Hill informed the group that the SE CPAC will hold a free bus tour on Saturday, September 7th starting at 9:00 am at the Kings Avenue Parking Garage, 1003 Kings Ave, 32207. Complete details will be emailed and please pre-register.

Elected Officials Reports –

Councilmember Boyer ~ reminded the group that the city has many boards that need Volunteers, if you are interested please contact her aide Allison Adams.

Subcommittee/Liaison Reports -

LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs- Jim Hill, Subcommittee Chair
Mr. Hill stated the LUZ subcommittee discussed a lot of applications; and made recommendations to send 3 letters: 1. to oppose a rezoning from RR to PUD 2013 -474 at 12567 Aladdin Road ~ 8.29 acre horse farm to 19 homes. The group voted unanimously to send the letter. 2. 2013-C017 Marina San Pablo to rezone from residential to CCG; the motion was to oppose this application ~ the CPAC voted unanimously to oppose the application. 3. 2013-429 6347 Philips Highway to rezone from Industrial Light to CCG2; after discussion the group voted 13 vs. 1 in favor to oppose this application.

Beautification/Parks/Environment – Dick Cardell, Subcommittee Chair

Mr. Cardell informed the group that the issue with billboards (2013-493) has become a problem again. With help from SE CPAC member and Scenic Jacksonville member Pat Corrado, a resolution in opposition to this application was distributed. The group had a lively discussion on the topic and the CPAC voted 12 -1 with 2 members abstained from voting because they wanted more information on the ordinance and to read the ordinance before they would support the resolution that was presented. The CPAC chair handed over the gavel to the Vice Chair because he abstained from voting.

Economic Development – Gloria Stephens, Subcommittee Chair

Ms. Stephens informed the group that Mayo Clinic was granted \$5 million in grants on Genome mapping and requires that the research must be conducted in Jacksonville. This is groundbreaking and will change cancer treatment. Standard Pacific just bought 109 acres of land on Beach Blvd. between Hodges and Kernan and they are scheduled to build up scale houses.

Education – George Banks

Mr. Banks stated that he spoke again to School Board Member, Ashley Smith Juarez and she stated that things went pretty well for the 1st week of school. If there is a problem with bus transportation in your neighborhood, please call 359-6200.

Membership – Kathleen Perera, Subcommittee Chair

Chair Hill informed the group that Kathleen Perera needs to step down as subcommittee chair and inquired if anyone would be interested in being the subcommittee chair.

Transportation – Growth Management -Danny Becton, Subcommittee Chair

Mr. Becton informed the group that JTA will be presenting the Southside Blvd. Vision Study report at the next CPAC meeting.

Safety – Betty Wolfe and Roger Inman, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

No report

Ad-Hoc:

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Danny Becton

Mr. Becton stated that the T.R.U.E. Commission finalizing their report on the pension study that they have been working on for the last 2 years.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business –

Public Comments/Announcements (3-minute time limit)

George Banks made a motion to adjourn and Gloria Stephens seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: September 23, 2013 ~ 6:30 p.m.

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