

# SOUTHEAST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY November 22, 2010

6:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Rd., Main Hospital, Auditorium C, Jacksonville, FL.  
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## Call to Order

**Jim Hill, SE CPAC Chair**, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

## Speakers

Charles McBurney, State Representative, District 16, provided an informal update on the activities in Tallahassee. In December, they will meet in committee for 2 weeks; committee will also meet in January and February. Session will begin in March and at this time the budget will be the biggest concern and challenge.

## Staff Reports

- **Bill Killingsworth, Mayor Liaison, Planning & Development Department**: no report.
- **Jim Green, FDOT**: – on November 9 there will be a public meeting to focus on the replacement of the Overland Bridge; the meeting will be held at the Duval County School Board Office. There will be an open house starting at 4:30 p.m. and a Question and Answer session at 6:30 p.m. Construction and painting of the Hart Bridge will be completed in early 2011. At this time there will be no additional traffic signal mast arm repair or replacement.
- **Aaron Glick, Planning & Development Department**: no report ~ available for questions.
- **Rosemary Wesolowski, Housing & Neighborhoods Department**: reminded the group that the City will kick off the holiday season with several events this weekend; the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Landing on Friday, November 26 and the Holiday Boat Parade on Saturday, November 27. Please visit the COJ website for complete details.
- **Lt. Larry Kitchens, JSO, Zone 3**: reminded the group that Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> kicked off the holidays with the busiest shopping day of the year. JSO will be increasing patrols in all shopping areas, but it is important for everyone to be mindful of their actions while out shopping. Keep purchases and valuable items out of sight and locked in the trunk. Try not to shop alone. Have your keys in your hands before you head to your car. If you are concerned, please ask someone from the store to escort you to your car. Also, after Christmas, remember to cut up the boxes from gifts, especially large boxes from TV's and computers and put them in your trash can so you don't advertise what new items are in the house.

- **Michael Walde, Code Compliance:** informed the group that he brought pamphlets for trash collections and recyclable items. This month zone 3 had 1077 new cases this month; 47 new cases in the Sans Souci area alone.
- **Quinn Bledsoe, Recreation & Community Services Department:** announced that program guides for the Fall & Winter Season are available; plenty on the table to share. Work is being completed in Mandarin Park; the project will improve the traffic flow, increase general parking and boat launch parking and add an ADA compliant playground.

#### **Chair's Report**

- Verified quorum.
- Voted and approved October 2010 CPAC meeting summary.
- Informed the group that the CPAC voted via email in regard to the Date, Time and location for the December CPAC meeting. The meeting will be held at Seven Bridges Grille on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.; please RSVP with Rosemary.
- Thanked his subcommittee chairs and Rosemary for their support through the past 2 years.
- Informed the group that he would be entering a new phase of medical treatment in January. He will be at Mayo Clinic/Hospital. Through the Mayo system there will be a website where he will post his treatment and progress.

#### **Subcommittee Chair Updates:**

**Beautification and Environment – Chairperson: Dick Cardell:** informed the group that City of Jacksonville no longer provides the Recycling/Blue Bins for free. The recycling program will continue, but if you need to replace your bin you will need to purchase one at a local hardware store.

**Economic Development– Chairperson: No Chair**

**Education – Co-Chairmen: George Banks and John Waddell:** not present, but an update on John's health was provided.

**Growth Management – Chairman: Frank Morgan:** no report

**Land Use & Zoning – Co-Chairmen: Michael Lashbrook and Pat Corrado:** the subcommittee discussed 2 applications; no motions were made.

**Membership Recruitment – Chairman: Kathleen Perera:** no report

**Safety – Chairman: Ray Aleksic:** not present

**Transportation Development – Gloria Stephens:** informed the group that we should not expect any additional gas price hikes for Thanksgiving. JAA is renaming 3 of 4 area airports; the name changes will be:  
Cecil Field to Cecil Airport  
Herlong Airport to Herlong Recreational Airport

Craig Airport to Jacksonville Executive Airport

Jacksonville International Airport (JIA) ~ this name will not change.

JIA has added 2 more direct flights: Delta Airlines has added a nonstop Jacksonville to Miami daily flight and Southwest Airlines has added a nonstop Jacksonville to Denver Colorado daily flight.

CPAC member George Bollinger informed the group of the historic significance of the steam locomotive that is located at the Prime Osborn Convention Center. He also explained to the group the work/preservation project that local volunteers from the North Florida Chapter of the National Railway Historic Society are doing to save the steam locomotive. A motion was made by the Transportation Subcommittee in regard to writing a support letter on behalf of the North Florida Chapter of the National Railway Historic Society. This group is applying for a Historic Preservation Grant to obtain the funds to preserve the Atlantic Coast Line Locomotive #1504. There was some discussion in regard to the historical and national significance of the locomotive. The CPAC voted unanimously in support. A copy of the letter is at the end of this summary.

**T.R.U.E. Commission – Gamal Lyons:** informed the group that the T.R.U.E. Commission (Taxation, Revenue & Utilization of Expenditures) meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, at 4:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, City Hall. In effort to improve the city's long-range financial soundness the commission has been reviewing everything. Lately, the commission is looking at the Banking Fund and working with the City Controller.

**Nomination Subcommittee-** Gamal Lyons: The elections for CPAC Chair and Vice Chair were held. Pat Corrado was elected chair and Gloria Stephens was elected as Vice Chair. After the election, newly elected Chair, Pat Corrado informed the group that there is a serious medical diagnosis in his family and he may miss a couple of meetings; he inquired if anyone would have an issue with his absences. The group supported him and the Vice Chair Gloria stated that she would work with him in regard to his schedule. The official passing of the gavel will take place at the December Holiday Gathering at Seven Bridges Grille & Brewery on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

***The floor was opened to all in attendance:***

Lori Boyer stated that she is running for City Council (Council District 5) and she encouraged every neighborhood to invite all the candidates for their district.

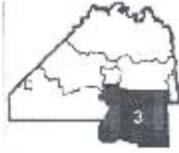
The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

In lieu of a monthly meeting, the Southeast CPAC will host a Holiday gathering on

**Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.**

at

**Seven Bridges Grille & Brewery, 9735 Gate Parkway N., Jacksonville, FL. 32246**



**Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**  
Chair: **Jim Hill** Vice Chair: **Pat Corrado**

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November 30, 2010

Mr. Scott Stroh, Director  
Division of Historical Resources  
Florida Department of State  
R. A. Gray Building  
500 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Reference: Historic Grant for Steam Locomotive A.C.L.-1504

Dear Mr. Stroh:

On behalf of the City of Jacksonville's Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee, I am providing this letter of support for the Historic Preservation Grant Application submitted by the North Florida Chapter of the National Railway Historic Society and patrons to help fund the restoration of A.C.L. Locomotive #1504.

Manufactured in 1919 by the American Locomotive Company in Richmond, Virginia, Atlantic Coast Line Locomotive #1504 has significance as one of the few remaining engines constructed under the direction of the United States Railroad Administration, and has been recognized as the most original of the few examples that remain. Because of its national significance, A.C.L. #1504 has been listed as a National Historic Mechanical and Engineering Landmark (1990) as well as designated a City of Jacksonville Landmark (2009).

Your serious consideration of this grant application is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

**Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

Gloria J. Stephens  
Transportation Committee Chair

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