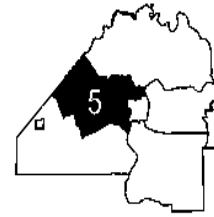


Northwest District 5
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
Solomon, Larry J., Chair
Carlotta McIntosh, Vice Chair



MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.
Thursday, September 12, 2013

Committee Members Present

Larry Solomon, Chair
Tim Butts, Better Living
James Gloster, Kinlock Civic
Ella Watson, Magnolia Gardens N.
Raye Gary, NWNW – Reed Campus
Oliver Muldrow, Ribault Hills
Edward Hall, Ribault Hills
Linda Kittles, Ribault Manor
B.J. Scott, Ribault Manor
Doretha Tompkins, Riverview

Carlotta McIntosh, Vice Chair
William Anthony, Cherokee Cove
Gadson Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N.
Roxsan Currier, Marietta Senior Center
John Pittman, Pickettville
Robert Ledwick, Pickettville
Yvonne Ward, Moncrief Springs
Rhonda Boyd, Timber Oaks HOA
Velma Rounsville, Timber Oaks HOA

Excused: Chief Spencer, Ruth Arnold, Erma Cole, Bertha Richardson, Lurise Bannister, Danny Connell

Guests

Orzola Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N.
Diane Tucker, Ivena
Lataibeana Chieves, Leadership Academy
Robert Flornay, Leadership Academy
Torah Reune, Leadership Academy
Sharray Turner, Leadership Academy
Laquinta Williams, Leadership Academy
Marcia Ellison, Leadership Academy
Rodney Williams, Leadership Academy
Gwen Gamble, Leadership Academy
Juarlyn Smith, Leadership Academy
Benjamin Franklin Wells, West Side Seniors
Michael Gifford

Sandee Choat, UNF Nursing
Shannan Munz, UNF Nursing
Melissa Nelson, UNF Nursing
Jordan Clark, UNF Nursing
Kathryn Reyes, UNF Nursing
Kaitlyn Read, UNF Nursing
Jane Miller, UNF Nursing
Frances Gaudier, UNF Nursing
James Sanders, UNF Nursing
Blake Ehler, UNF Nursing
Eric Williams, UNF Nursing
William Ahrens, UNF Nursing
Juanita Wilson

City/Staff/Resource

JSO - Zone 5 Lt. Powers
FDOT - Thomas Hill
Parks - Shaniqua Simmons

Parks - Daryl Joseph
HCDD - Mary Beth Ridderman
JFRD - Inspector Berlinda Tookes

1. Call to Order - Chair Solomon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., established that a quorum was present, welcomed everyone, introduced himself and Vice Chair McIntosh and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive, Jacksonville, FL, 32208.

2. Approval of the Meeting Summary

A Motion to accept the meeting summaries from August meeting was made by Member Burgess and a second by Member Watson. The Vote: All in favor; none opposed.

3. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Report

Lt. Powers reported he was recently assigned to Zone 6.

- Crime is down across the board but auto burglaries remain a problem, primarily due to residents failing to lock their cars or valuable items are left in plain sight inside locked cars. He asked residents to lock vehicles and remove valuable items.
- Only take what cards and identification cards you will actually need when you leave home – leave Medicare, Medicaid or Social Security cards locked in a safe place unless they will be needed for that trip.
- Thieves are taking air conditioning units to get \$50 worth of copper from a \$5000 unit. Jacksonville is changing laws to require identification of copper and aluminum sellers.
- A concern was expressed about loitering at the store on the corner of Van Gundy and Winton, near Sally B. Mathis School. JSO said they will talk with the store owner.
- JSO received applause from attendees. Chair Solomon thanked Lt. Powers for his report.

For more information:

- Assistant Chief Tony Davis - 384-8028 or Tony.Davis@jaxsheriff.org
- Zone 5 Sub Station - 384-8028 at Superior Street
- Zone 1 Sub Station - 924-5361 at Gateway Shopping Mall
- Zone 4 - 573-3165 at Cedar Hills Shopping Center
- Neighborhood Watch – 630-2160
- First Coast Crime Stoppers – 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
- Police Non-Emergency 630-0500
- Crime stats: <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Sheriffs-Office/Crime-Statistics-Information-Acceptance.aspx>
- Offender Watch: <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Sheriffs-Office/Offender-Watch.aspx>

4. Presentations - Fire Prevention by Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Inspector Berlinda Tookes.

Inspector Tookes provided handouts about home fire extinguishers and instructed meeting attendees in using the fire extinguisher. Remember "PASS" = **p**ull the pin, **a**im low, **s**queeze the lever and **s**weep the nozzle from side to side. She provided statistics for Stations 24 and 36 in District 5. The major cause of fires is appliances: driers, washer, stove, refrigerators. To prevent appliance fires, keep appliances clean. A multipurpose of "ABC" home fire extinguisher would take care of most appliance fires. Other common fires are vehicle fires – check/repair vehicle oil or gas leaks to prevent fires. Check batteries in smoke detectors. If a resident is unable to reach the smoke detector, call 630-CITY (2489) to have it checked or the battery changed. To obtain installation of a free smoke detector, call 630-CITY (2489).

5. Elected Officials - none present

6. Staff Reports

Mayor's Liaison – excused. Chair Solomon reported that Mayor Brown has not signed a new Executive Order for the CPACs. Other CPACs have prepared letters. He would like the NW CPAC to send a letter to Mayor Brown asking for a new Executive Order. Roxsan Currier made a motion to send a letter and Velma Rounsville seconded the motion. The vote: all were in favor. Chief Elaine Spencer may be reached at 255-8203 or Espencer@coj.net .

Duval County Public Schools – no representative.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) - Thomas Hill reported:

- The I-10 Marietta interchange will move further west. Construction begins in October 2013. The project will take about one year and is estimated to cost \$18 million.
- I-295 and Commonwealth – adding lanes, upgrading lighting and widening ramps. The project is on schedule and is expected to be completed in Fall, 2013.
- The asphalt repair project is completed on Jones Bridge over Six Mile Creek.
- Resurfacing project at Cassat Avenue/I-10. Expect lane closures at night.

Parks and Recreation – District Manager Shaniqua Simmons reported:

- Last month, members asked about repaving the Lonnie Miller walking track. The track will be repaved next year.
- Members asked if the Ribault pool will close. She will look into this.
- A concern was expressed about the inconsistency between the City's reports of low use of Carvel Pool and community's perception that the pool is used a lot. A community petition is being passed to keep the pool open.

Planning & Development – Planner Lurise Bannister's absence was excused.

Project New Ground – not present.

Project New Ground can be reached at 630-CITY (2489) or contact the Outreach Center at 357-8077, located at 1605 N. Myrtle Avenue from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Housing and Neighborhoods (HAND) –

- **Municipal Code Compliance**; Zone 5 Supervisor Danny Connell's absence was excused.
 - To report problems contact 630-CITY (2489). Code Compliance can be reached at 255-7000
- **Housing & Community Development Division**: Neighborhood Coordinator, Mary Beth Ridderman, reported:
 - Marilyn Fenton-Harmer left the City to pursue her dream of teaching. She misses NW residents – that was the hardest part of leaving. She is happy in her new job but asks about you and cares about you. Mary Beth asked to be assigned to the NW CPAC because she has staffed this meeting in the past, is familiar with the area and knows several members. Providing a good level of customer service is a concern because she now has three CPACs and their neighborhoods – over half of Jacksonville. Please contact her supervisor, Kenny Logsdon, 255-8237 or logsdon@coj.net if you have concerns.
 - Condo (1 p.m.) and HOA (5:30-p.m.) Training Sept. 17, Ed Ball Bldg. The HOA class is full. Registration is required.
 - The CPAC Coordinators and their supervisor hosted the Egyptian Delegation. Delegates were interested in CPACs and other grassroots organizations. Ice cream and cookies were served – the visitors commented that they liked Southern hospitality. They found Jacksonville has a lot of green space and waterfront that is not developed. They reported JTA's system needed improvement – it is too difficult to get around with public transportation, particularly at night and on weekends. They observed that most people drive one person to one car and thought that was very wasteful of resources. In Egypt, public transportation is used almost exclusively.
 - 2013 NW CPAC Meeting Dates: Oct. 10, 2013; Nov. 14, 2013; no December meeting.

Chair Solomon's Report

- Chair Solomon reported that a suggestion had been made to get more CPAC involvement from the community's young people. Chair Solomon talked with Dr. Vitti, Superintendent of Schools, who liked the idea. Chair Solomon prepared a proposition to mail to Dr. Vitti. A brief discussion was held about youth involvement in CPAC.
- Chair Solomon suggested a separate letter for Duval County Public Schools representation at CPAC. A motion was made by Chair Solomon. A second was made by Ms. Thompkins. All were in favor.
- Chair Solomon warmly welcomed guests and asked those from the UNF Nursing Program and the Leadership Academy to introduce themselves.
- **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**
 - LUZ – the subcommittee met, but had nothing to review, nothing to report.
 - Transportation – The St. Johns River Ferry has been funded for one year.
 - TRUE – no report.

- Nominating Subcommittee - The slate of officers is John Pittman, Chair and Larry Solomon, Vice Chair. Nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to elections.

9. Unfinished Business – none

10. New Business – none

11. Public Comments/Announcements

- A concern was expressed that there are no representatives at CPAC from City Council.
- A comment was made about the canning center. This is an under-utilized resource that can teach skills in food growing, preparation and storage.
- Mr. Pittman proposed an official recognition for Marilyn Fenton Harmer's service. A motion was made by Roxsan Currier and seconded by Velma Rounsville. The vote: all were in favor. Something will be done at the November 14 meeting.

12. Motion to Adjourn

The end of the agenda was reached. Chair Solomon adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, October 10, 2013**
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive

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