

North District Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Chair: Bobby Taylor

Vice Chair: Rex Neidlinger

MEETING SUMMARY

Florida State College at Jacksonville North Campus

4501 Capper Rd. Building A- 171

November 14, 2013

Attendance:

Members:

Vice Chair – Rex Neidlinger
Charter Member – Richard Berry
Charter Member – Dot Mathias
Charter Member - David Spruill
Ashford Wood - Evelyn "Kathy" Myers
Copper Hill – Joseph Tate
Edwards Creek – Danny Ferreira
Heckscher Drive Community Club – Gerie Leigh
Heckscher Drive Community Club – Fran Beach
Northlake Homeowners Association – Josephine Fiveash Porter
San Mateo – Roland Biederer
Tasti D'Lite – Nancy Burnett
The Cape Association – Delores Spruill
White Shell Bay – Sandra Kessler

Excused:

Chair – Bobby Taylor
Amelia View – Gay Septon
Betz Realty, Inc. - William Baker
Black Hammock Island Civic Association - Mary Thompson
Blue Grass Northwood – Pastor Mark Bivins
Blue Grass Northwood – Sharon Bivins
Copper Hill - Bessie Williams
Council Appointee District 11 – Tommy Ruffin
Duval County PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake
Eagle Bend – Mike Getchell
Highlands- Jack Stuart
Johnson Community Civic Association – James Shronce
National Park Service – Shauna Allen
Northside Lions – Harry Wagner
Northside Business Leaders – Patrick Bennett
ShAdCo Q – Jenny Bray

Elected Officials: none

Staff:

Mayor's Representative – David DeCamp
Neighborhoods, Housing & Community Development - Mary Beth Ridderman
Neighborhoods, Municipal Code Compliance – Bruce Chauncey
Parks & Recreation – Shaniqua Simmons
Planning & Development – Lisa Ransom

Staff Excused:

Mayor's Liaison – Mike Sweat

Guests:

Robert Phillips, Candidate
Wyman Duggan, Rogers Towers

Ann Fridl, Highlands Library
Unable to read name, Northlake

1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum

Vice Chair Rex Neidlinger called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. A quorum was verified by Mary Beth Ridderman, Neighborhood Coordinator.

2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary

A motion to approve the October summary was made by Ms. Beach and seconded by Ms. Allen. The

vote: All in favor.

3. Staff Reports

- Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO). No representative/no report
- To report suspicious activity, call 630-0500.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – Agriculture Extension Office Director, Mike Sweat's absence was excused.
 - For information about Extension Office classes, please call the Extension Office at 255-7450.
- **Mayor's Representative** – David De Camp reported:
 - City Council worked as a committee and passed the stadium scoreboard issue. The next step is a bond issue and will be in separate legislation. \$43 million is about 4.7% of the City's debt. The scoreboard is potentially a business investment that will attract visitors. A brief discussion was held. The following concerns were expressed: The amount of the City's debt and that certain items are expedited through the City Council's process and this prevents residents' voices from being heard. The question was called. The CPAC voted to take no action (see Governmental Affairs).
 - At the last CPAC meeting, a request was made for information about pension reform. The first task force recommendations will be made in January. Residents are invited to submit their ideas via retirementreform@coj.net. Mr. DeCamp was asked to provide monthly updates.
- **Duval County Public Schools** – No representation. No report.
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – no representative. No report.
 - Accident and related Florida Highway Patrol information: www.fhp.state.fl.us
 - Regional traffic information: www.northfloridaroads.com
 - 511 websites: www.jax511.com and www.fl511.com
- **Neighborhoods**
 - **Housing and Community Development Division** – Mary Beth Ridderman reported:
 - January 7, 2014, 4 p.m. - Training for CPAC Chairs and Vice Chairs, 214 N. Hogan Street, Room 851.
 - March 18, 1 p.m. - training for Condo owners. 213 N. Hogan St., Ed Ball Bldg. Room 110, 214 N. Hogan St., Ed Ball Bldg. Pre-registration required. Contact marybeth@coj.net or 255-8260.
 - March 18, 5:30 p.m., training for Homeowner and Townhome Associations, 213 N. Hogan St., Ed Ball Bldg. Room 110. Pre-registration required. Contact marybeth@coj.net or 255-8260.
 - **Municipal Code Compliance Division** – Bruce Chauncey reported:
 - Four new officers were hired citywide. Zone 6 will receive one officer.
 - Officers citywide are working hard on Operation Urban Blight. The areas, Council District 7 and 8 are in his zones.
 - Officers are conducting 2 – 4 systematic inspections a week. Officers are temporarily assigned from other zones to assist with systematic inspections.
 - Appreciation was expressed to Municipal Code Compliance for their hard work, despite being understaffed.
 - Appreciation was expressed to Municipal Code Compliance for work completed at Suzanne and Baisden – the house, yard and neighborhood look much better.
 - Please call 630-CITY (2489) to register and track CARE concerns.
- **Planning & Development** – Lisa Ransom was present to assist Governmental Affairs.
 - Please call 255-7800 regarding posted signs/notices or contact Ms. Ransom at 255-7834/lransom@coj.net.
- **Parks & Recreation** – Shaniqua Simmons, Parks District Manager, reported:
 - Ray Green Park - lights and football field are being upgraded.
 - First Coast Pool study results were submitted to City of Jacksonville.
 - Sheffield Park – a new farm scene playground, more parking, a storage facility, soccer field and football field are planned. The request for proposals was submitted to Procurement.
 - Parks & Recreation is seeking programming for community centers. Please contact her if your group is interested.
 - A concern was expressed that the Clapboard Creek fish camp and restaurant are not finished or open to the public. Ms. Simmons said she will check on the status.

- **National Park Service** – Shauna Allen was present.
 - For information about National Parks, visit <http://www.nps.gov/state/fl/index.htm?program=all>

4. **Presentation:** none scheduled.

5. **Chair’s Report** – Chair Bobby Taylor’s absence was excused.

6. **Elected Officials Reports** – No representative.

7. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**

- **Governmental Affairs** – Subcommittee Chair Rex Neidlinger reported:
 - Revised minutes of the November 7 meeting were submitted.
 - Mr. Neidlinger introduced Wyman Duggan, who presented information about 2013-0702.
 - The following items were discussed or voted upon during this portion of the meeting:

2013-0676	Discussion only. No action	The bill amends Ordinance Code Chapter 368 – Noise Control – to establish temporary noise standards for special events at Metropolitan Park effective through September 30, 2014 for events with an anticipated attendance of 500 or more at which amplified sound will be utilized.
2013-0694	Discussion only. No action	ORD Auth. Amend #12 to Lease with the Jacksonville Jaguars, LLC, Providing for the North End Zone (NEZ)& Video Board Improvements;
2013-0702	Approve	Ordinance rezoning approximately 175± acres located in council district 8 at 14158 Lem Turner road between Gerald Road and Angel Lake Drive (a portion of R.E. NO(s). 019273-0000), as described herein, owned by Lem Turner Road Developers, LLC, from PUD (planned unit development) district to PUD (planned unit development) district, as defined and classified under the zoning code, to permit light manufacturing uses, as described in the approved written description and site plan for the Thomas Creek PUD; providing an effective date

- **Membership** – Reverend and Mrs. Bivins’ absences were excused.
- **Transportation** – Richard Berry reported:
 - I-95 resurfacing from the Nassau County line to the Georgia state line. Northbound lanes will be closed nightly between 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. from Sunday, November 10 through Thursday, November 14. This project should be completed in early 2014.
 - I-95 resurfacing from Airport Road to the Nassau County line. Northbound and southbound lanes will be closed nightly in both directions between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. from Monday, November 11 through Friday, November 15. This project should be finished in the summer of 2014.
 - I-295 on the Dames Point Bridge. Various lanes will be closed in both directions between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. from Saturday, November 9 through Friday, November 15 for a routine bridge inspection.
 - North Main Street (U.S. 17) at 54th Street railroad crossing will be totally closed to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic from 7 a.m. on Sunday, November 17 until approximately 5 p.m. on Friday, November 22. Detour signs will be posted. The railroad crossing will be rebuilt.
 - Heckscher Drive at the bridges on Myrtle and Simpson creeks
 - Single lanes will be closed on Wednesday, November 13 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. for routine bridge inspections. Two-way traffic will be controlled with flaggers.
 - Dunn Avenue and Lem Turner Road intersection improvements
 - Single lanes on Dunn Avenue will be closed between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. and on Lem Turner Road between 6:30 p.m. and 3 p.m., weekdays and weekends. This project should be finished this fall.
- **Nomination** – Subcommittee Chair Richard Berry provided a written report. He thanked subcommittee members Fran Beach and Danny Ferriera for their work. The Slate of Officers is: Bobby Taylor, Chair and Rex Neidlinger, Vice Chair. No nominations were received from the floor. A voice vote was held. The 2014 officers are: Bobby Taylor, Chair and Rex Neidlinger, Vice Chair.

8. **Unfinished Business:** A discussion was held about Governmental Affairs. Government in the Sunshine notice requirements are met by posting public notice for the meetings in the City Hall Atrium, on the COJ website and on the CPAC summary. Any member may search for bills or ordinances to bring to the

subcommittee's attention. The Governmental Affairs Chair must be the Vice Chair, per the North CPAC By-Laws.

9. New Business: none

10. Public Comments:

- Robert Philips announced he is a candidate for City Council District 2. He said it is discouraging that the CPAC gets no participation from elected officials.
- Robert Philips announced the Flamingo Lakes was already voted on by City Council.
- Gerie Leigh announced the FDOT seeded the Heckscher Drive right-of-way with tall grass which has invaded nearby lawns, costing residents frustration and expense.
- Richard Berry asked the Mayor's Representative, David DeCamp, to provide a list of all city-owned properties.
- Ann Fridl, Jacksonville Public Libraries, announced Mr. Al Poindexter is going to be presenting a musical program at Highlands November 19th at 6PM. It is part of the Viva Florida 500 celebration held throughout the state commemorating Ponce De Leon's landing in Florida.

11. Motion to Adjourn – Fran Beach made a motion to adjourn. Tommy Ruffin seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: December 11, 2013 at 4 p.m.

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4501 Capper Rd. **Building A – Room 171**

The next Governmental Affairs Meeting is Dec. 5, 2013, 4 p.m.
FSCJ North Campus, 4501 Capper Rd., Building C-136 Conference Room

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