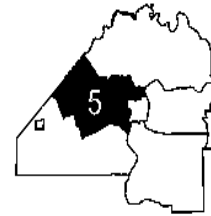


**Northwest District 5
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
Larry Solomon, Chair
John Pittman, Vice Chair**



**MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.
Thursday, January 14, 2016**

Committee Members Present

Members	Staff
Moncrief Springs – Carlotta McIntosh	Planning and Development – Stacey K. Burch
Carver International – Leroy Kelly	Planning and Development – Lurise Bannister
Cherokee Cove – William Anthony	JTA – Cheryl Riddick
Timber Oaks - Velma Rounsville	Housing and Community Development - Dayatra Coles
Vice-Chair -Pickettville Civic Association - John Pittman	Regulatory Compliance – Danny Connell
Chair - Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates - Larry Solomon	Parks & Recreation – David Benedict
Magnolia Gardens North – Gadson Burgess	Council District 10 Aide – Gerrie Ford-Hardin
2 nd Mile Ministries – Jonathan Blackburn	JFRD – Adrian Johnson
Pickettville Civic Association – Robert Ledwick	Public Works – Nelson Caparas
Ribault Manor – Linda Kittles	Duval County Schools – Deidra Johnson
Blue Flame Pub - Tyrona Clark-Murray	FDOT – Jim Green
Blue Flame Pub - Kelly Patterson	JSO – Lt. Shell
Sherwood Forest Community Network Inc. - Mildred Jennings	Military Affairs – Ken Johnson
Sherwood Forest Community Network Inc – Lillian Smith	
Members Excused	
Moncrief Springs – Yvonne Ward	
Better Living - Elaine Billups	
Marietta Senior Center – Roxsan Currier	
Better Living - Bertha Richardson	Staff Excused
	None
Members Absent	
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Oliver Muldrow	
Charter Member – Barney Roberts	Elected Officials
Marietta Senior Center – Tim Rossetter	None
NCNW Reed Ed Campus – Raye Gary	
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Edward Hall	Visitors
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Dr. Radha Pyati - UNF
North Riverside CDC – Diane Kerr	Shoshanna Alamina - UNF
College Gardens - Brenda Ford	Nancy Murray-Settle - P.R.O.U.D.
Washington Heights – Yvonne Smart	Orzoca Burgess – Magnolia Gardens
Riverview – Doretha Tompkins	Roosevelt Williams Sr – Pickett Cove
Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	Kevin Pettway - P.R.O.U.D.
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	Jenna Emmons - Resident
Carver Pines – Joe Bailey	John Kolczynski – COJ
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	Hank Rogers – Community Member
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	Margretta Haywood - COJ
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Sandra Hodges – Sherwood Forest Community Network Inc
Old Floradale – Lucille Grant	Marva Nicholas – Sherwood Forest Community Network Inc

Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	Greg Huntington – Advanced Disposal
	Roxanne Henkle – P.R.O.U.D.
	Eric Burns – Citizen

- 1. Call to Order:** Chair Solomon called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Chair Solomon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked everyone for attending.
- 2. Verify Quorum:** Neighborhood Coordinator Stacey K. Burch verified the quorum.

David Benedict apologized for the room being cold; maintenance is still trying to bring heat back into the room.

- 3. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** A motion was made on the previous meeting summary from November; all were in favor.
- 4. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office:** LT. Mike Shell, do not leave your car unattended when warming up your car. Auto thieves are out in the winter time. Please lock your car at all times.

Mr. Leroy Kelly asked why we have a lot of people riding with no headlights on at night. LT. Shell stated this has not been a pattern but JSO will stop them if they see it.

LT. Mike Schell can be contacted at mschell@coj.net or 384-8028.

- 5. Presentation:** Dr. Radha Pyati, stated of the River Report for the Lower St. Johns River Basin, is funded by COJ Environmental Protection Board; its purpose is to inform the public about the LSJRB health and provide independent assessments of status and trends. The main topics were Background, Water Quality, Fisheries, Aquatic Life and Contaminants.

A concerned citizen asked if it was safe to consume the fish caught in the local rivers. Check with your State's Health Department advisory at www.fish4health.net and get information on locally caught fish in order to avoid eating unsafe fish.

Ms. Carlotta McIntosh asked how do septic tanks affect our river. A healthy septic tank will absorb all the waste and release the water back into the ground or a tributary river. A cracked or bad septic tank will let the waste absorb into the ground or tributary river.

John Pittman asked is it possible that the water levels and flow of the tributaries decreased because of the oyster bar at the mouth of the Trout River. Dr. Pyati said she will get back with the CPAC on the answer.

Chemical spills and water pollution please call 630-2489.

All information on Lower St. Johns River Basin (LSJRB) can be reviewed online at www.sjrreport.com

- 6. Elected Officials Reports** – none.
- 7. Chair's Report:** Thanked everyone who did and did not vote for him as Chair; he will have to follow Robert's Rules of Order; the Chair warned everyone to be aware of people wanting to do house repairs for free.
- 8. Neighborhood Coordinator** – Stacey Burch reported:
 - o Morris Manor Senior Living Center is looking for a volunteer to be the instructor for their ceramic class. They have the equipment.
 - o Real Men Read at Biscayne Elementary School January 27, 2016, 9-11am.
 - o The Jacksonville Suns will have their open house for fans Sunday, January 17, 2016, 1-4 pm. Free.
 - o Johnson YMCA will have a 5K Run/Walk on March 5, 2016. Everyone is welcomed.

- o Clean up the community on MLK Day is looking for volunteers. They will be meeting at Edward Waters College at 8 a.m. on January 18, 2016.

Stacey Burch can be contacted at sburch@coj.net or 255-8236.

9. **Staff Reports:**

- **Mayor's Representative:** E. Denise Lee, not present.

For the fight Blight app, go to:<http://www.coj.net/mobile-apps/mobile-apps-list/fight-blight.aspx>
E. Denise Lee can be contacted at edenisel@coj.net or 630-1874.

- **Duval County Public Schools:** Deidra Johnson, Executive Director, Duval Transformation Office (DTO), representing Iranetta Wright, Regional Superintendent – on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at Southside Baptist Church there will be a Chat with the Supe! 6-7 pm; last Saturday was the Schools Expo at the Prime Osborn, applications are due next month for school changes; the Discover Duval Tour will be at Highlands Middle School on February 4th at 10 a.m. This will be about a ninety minute session.

Larry Solomon asked that the students from Raines and Ribault could return to the CPAC, the Northwest CPAC is where the student government started. Stacey Burch also asked that students from Paxon, Jackson, Stanton and Darrell Cookman High Schools attend as well.

Deidra Johnson can be contacted at johnsond2@duvalschools.org or (904) 390-2973 or Iranetta Wright, Regional Superintendent, wrighti@duvalschools.org, (904) 390-2675

- **Regulatory Compliance – Municipal Code Compliance**, Danny Connell, just completed the systematic inspection in the following areas during December 2015;

1. Magnolia Gardens-----163 Properties cited.
2. Grand Park-----237 Properties cited.
3. Mid Westside-----342 properties cited.

Please call 630-CITY for updated status to your issues.

The next targeted area will be Magnolia Gardens in preparations for the YMCA 5K in March.

Danny Connell can be contacted at dconnell@coj.net or 255-7008.

- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)**– Jim Green, I-10 at US 301 getting ready to start a major interchange project; resurfacing projects on Golfair Ave from I-95 to Main Street and on Norwood Ave from I-95 to Golfair Ave; ongoing projects that should be completed by the middle of the year are: the I-10 Marietta interchange, the First Coast Expressway, the Trout River Bridge on Main Street and the I-10 and I-295 project that runs to Cassat Ave.

The lane switch on the I-95 Overland Bridge Replacement Project did not go well on the first day but since then everything has been running smooth.

Mr. Larry Solomon asked if there would be landscaping on New Kings Road? The answer was no.

State Road 23 should be completed by the middle of the year.

Jim Green can be contacted at James.green@dot.state.fl.us or 360-5684.

- **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – No representative
To report a JEA problem, call 630-6500.
- **Parks and Recreation** – David Benedict, starting the fall/winter season, basketball season for senior level teenagers will be on Saturdays, Mondays and Tuesdays @ the following Centers: Emmitt Reed, Kennedy, Mary Lena Gibbs and Cuba Hunting.

The Lonnie Miller playground equipment should be in place by mid-spring.

David Benedict can be contacted at benedict@coj.net or 255-7921.

- **Planning & Development** – Lurise Bannister (255-7839) nothing to report.
Ms. Linda Kittles asked for an update on the list of streets that needed sidewalks. The list was turned into Public Works.

Lurise Bannister can be contacted at lurise@coj.net or 255-7839.

- **Housing and Community Development** – Dayatra Coles reported:

The Owner Occupied Rehabilitated Program for the City of Jacksonville will be opening soon. There is no longer a waiting list. Currently we are reviewing the marketing plan to launch the new program. We are recommending four community meetings (Northwest, Southwest, Southeast and Northeast) in Jacksonville to put out this information. There will also be a public notice sent out. No dates have been confirmed yet. We will be communicating this information throughout the CPACs.

Hank Rogers asked if everyone on the old waiting list has been contacted. Ms. Coles stated everyone has been serviced, contacted or decided not to participate in the old program.

- **Regulatory Compliance (Consumer Affairs)** – Valerie Williams, not present.

Valerie Williams can be contacted at valeriew@coj.net or 255-7198.

- **Public Works** – Nelson Caparas, will get back with the CPAC concerning Moncrief Road from Avenue B to Soutel; we are installing the rapid flashing light right off the corner of Soutel and Norfolk in front of Morris Manor, this light will be activated when a pedestrian presses the button to cross the street; the city is also looking at LED street lighting on Soutel.

No truck parking signs were posted on 45th Street between Cleveland Road and US 1. Now the trucks are starting to park East of Cleveland Road. A request has been submitted to extend the signs to Avenue B. Public Works wants feedback from the community to see if this is necessary. The City of Jacksonville is looking for other parking lots for truckers.

The City of Jacksonville sidewalks fall under the city Engineering Department and Mr. Caparas will follow up on placing sidewalks in the community near elementary schools. Also the City of Jacksonville Bike and Pedestrian Specialist is in the process of being replaced.

Mr. Larry Solomon asked why is heavy duty equipment (dump trucks) being stored in a residential neighborhood causing wear and tear on a local city road (Kinlock Drive) when this equipment can be stored somewhere else. Mr. Caparas and Stacey Burch will follow-up on this matter.

A concerned citizen wants to lower the speed limit in his neighbor because the kids are playing in the street. Mr. Caparas warned the citizens that kids should not be playing in the streets. He advised her to get a petition signed by 75% of the homeowners and get speed bumps installed

in the neighborhood. If your neighborhood is enclosed then your community will have to pay 100% of the cost. Other communities would have to pay 50% of the cost. Nelson Caparas can be contacted at ncaparas@coj.net or 255-7533.

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)** – Cheryl Riddick, today the Charrette end for Myrtle Ave, Moncrief Road and 8th Ave; the Soutel Drive Hub across the street is going very well and JTA will be at the Sherwood Forest Community meeting on January 21, 2016.

You can go to www.transportal.net or www.jtafla.com for all your bus scheduling needs. Cheryl Riddick can be contacted at criddick@jtafla.com or 632-5522.

- **Military Affairs** – Ken Johnson – 1 out of 4 people in the Jacksonville area are Veterans or related to a Veteran. Last year Military Affairs helped Veterans recover over \$7 million. We can also help you get your DD 214 and other military affairs. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We are located in the City Hall Building Suite 175. We are introducing a New Homeless Veterans Program soon.
Ken Johnson can be contacted at KenJohns@coj.net or 630-3680.
- **Fire and Recuse** – Chief Adrian Johnson, did not have anything to report and opened the floor for questions. There were no questions.
Chief Adrian Johnson can be contacted at adjohnso@coj.net or 630-0864.

10. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ)** – Roxsan Currier, excused absence, subcommittee did not meet.
- **Membership** - Larry Solomon, nothing to report.
- **Transportation** – Larry Solomon, nothing to report.
- **Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE)** – John Pittman, the TRUE Commission recommend to the City Council that Resolution Bill # 2016-17 be disapproved. The bill repurposing Jacksonville's Better Jacksonville Plan 1/2 cent sales tax for unfunded liability pension relief. The plan would extend the ½ cent sales tax from 2030 to 2060. The TRUE Commission felt the resolution did not address the underlying cause of the pension deficit. This will affect the City of Jacksonville future bonds plan.

11. Unfinished Business – None

12. New Business – None

13. Public Comments/Announcements – Ms. Linda Kittles suggested if we do not have any heat in the room next month, to cancel the meeting.

P.R.O.U.D. (Positive Riverside Optimized Urban Development) presented a plan to recommend denial of rezoning request 2016-005 from Commercial/Residential/ Office (CRO) zoning to a Planned Unit Development (PUD) for the following reason.

- Not compatible with 2030 Comprehensive Plan
- Not compatible with the zoning overlay (CRO, Residential Character)
- Overlay intense use in a residential neighborhood
- Does not align with intention of a P.U.D.
- Undermines our Traditional Neighborhood Design since it does not honor established commercial clusters.
- Creates nuisances and lowers the quality of life for neighborhood residents due to increased traffic, parking, noise pollution, rat and vector nuisance
- More suitable for current CCG clusters.

Greg Huntington with Advance Garbage Disposal announced starting March 7th your recycle cart will become automated. Everyone will begin using a 95 gallon recycle cart, brown with a yellow top. The City of Jacksonville goal is to have 75% of the residents recycling by 2020. Call 630-CITY for bulk collections.

Margretta Haywood (Regulatory Compliance Department Administrative Manager) – introduced herself and announced she would be attending the Northwest CPAC meetings.

14. Motion to Adjourn

Gadson Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. Chair Solomon adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, February 11, 2016**
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
The LUZ Subcommittee will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2016
5:30 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
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