

Greater Arlington Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

November 14, 2016 Meeting Summary

Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport, 855-1 Craig Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32225

Organizations - Representatives	Staff and Officials
Arlington Business Society - Mike Anania - Chair	City Council District 3 - Aaron Bowman
Queens Harbour POA - Dr. Ramsey Salem - Vice Chair	Duval County Public Schools - Tammie Talley
Beachwood Civic Association - Shelia Litwhiler	FDOT - Jim Green
Bentwater Place - Ed Maxted	JFRD - District Chief David Rounds
Caroline Forest Homeowners Assoc. - Kacy Evans	JPL - Sara Roberts
Charter Point Community Association - Bob Barletta	JSO - Lt. Steven Mullen
Clifton Civic Association - Melody Shacter	JTA - Wendy Morrow
Communities of Eat Arlington - Lad Hawkins	Neighborhoods - Code Compliance - Elaine Lancaster
Council District 1 Appointee - Michele Davis	Neighborhoods - NSO - Rosemary Wesolowski
Covington Creek HOA - Lenore Hanapal	Office of Economic Development - Karen Nasrallah
Hawkins Cove HOA - Karen Hunter-Nowak	Planning & Development Department - Connie Patterson
Kensington Assoc. - Tim Keeley	Public Works - Steve Long
Ibis Point Owners Association - Nina Pougjouklidis	
Lake Lucina Association - Kirk Armstrong	
Monument Oaks HOA - Eddi Parsons	Visitors:
Old Arlington Inc. - Peter Mione	Greg Sharp - JSO
Old Mill Cove Community Organization - Jerry Petoskey	Tamera Branam - JPL
River Woods - St. Johns Landing HOA - Larry Belge	Joan Becker - Covington Creek HOA
Southern Grove Condo Association - Patricia Sanders	Clint Noble
The Valley at Hidden Hills - John Roberts	Orlando Rodriguez
The Woods Community Association - Jim Blanche	
University Park Civic Association - Shirley George	
Excused:	
Hawkins Cove HOA - Amita Agnihotri	
Mayor's Liaison - E. Denise Lee	
Walkers Glen HOA - Sherrie Jarnutowski	

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum-** Chair Anania called the November 14, 2016 GAB CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.
2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary** – Larry Belge made a motion to approve the minutes, Lenore Hanape second the motion, the CPAC members voted and the motion was approved.
3. **Presentation(s): Wendy Morrow, JTA** informed the CPAC about the First Coast Flyer (FCF) system, the Blue Line and provided an overview of the 5 phases associated with the new FCF system. The FCF Blue Line (phase 3) of the JTA Bus Rapid Transit system will become operational on December 5, 2017. The Blue Line will provide service from the Rosa Parks Station (downtown) to the Avenues Mall (Southside Blvd/Philips Hwy); the Blue Line will travel along the Philips Highway corridor. JTA will be building bus stops along all of the FCF corridors a bit differently than other bus stops. Each FCF bus stop will be a stand out stop with covered seating, bike racks and a display kiosk with real time bus arrival information. Ms. Morrow provided an overview of the various changes to existing bus routes/service that will be made with the addition of the First Coast Flyer Bus Rapid

Transit (BRT). Ms. Morrow also discussed the future Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center project and the overall goal to make the center the transportation hub in Jacksonville. How to use dedicated bus lanes and bus queue jumps were also discussed.

4. **Elected Officials Reports –**

Councilman Aaron Bowman, District 3 – informed the CPAC that there is still a lot of Hurricane Matthew related clean-up to be tackled in City Council District 3. Currently, the contractor has started their second pass through of the city for storm debris collections. Everyone that still has hurricane related debris at their home or business was encouraged to call 630-CITY or their City Councilmember to report the debris. City Council has approved and allocated \$7.5 million for dune restoration at the Duval County Beaches and another \$1 million has been ear marked for Jacksonville Beach Pier restoration. Councilman Bowman acknowledged the local vote on the Slot Machine Referendum. The referendum passed locally, but the referendum will need to be approved by the Florida State Supreme Court before it can be enacted locally. It was announced that the Jo Andy Road/Hodges Boulevard intersection will see improvements; an additional right turn lane will be added.

A couple of questions/concerns were brought to Councilman Bowman's attention. Several CPAC members inquired where the funding (\$7.5 million for dune restoration and \$1 million for pier restoration) will come from. Councilman Bowman stated FEMA will be funding a portion of the restoration. At this time an exact number has not been determined by FEMA, but at a minimum FEMA should contribute at least 50% of the funding. The rest of the money will come from a fund that City Council oversees. Several CPAC members identified locations where recently planted trees on both City of Jacksonville and FDOT roads have been blown over by the hurricane, they requested to have the trees erected.

5. **Staff Reports**

- **JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office)** – Lt. Steve Mullen provided crime statistics for Zone 2. In the last 30 days property crime is down 3.45% and property crime is up 7% YTD. Business robbery in the past 30 days has stayed the same and business robbery is down 16% YTD. JSO will increase staff during the holiday shopping season. The extra staff will be working the commercial areas within Zone 2.
- **JFRD (Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department)** – District Chief David Rounds reminded the CPAC to change the batteries in their smoke detectors and reminded them about space heater safety. The CPAC was encouraged to get their chimneys professionally cleaned and keep the live Christmas trees watered.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – not present
- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS)** – Tammie Talley, District Athletic Director, informed the CPAC that she oversees the athletic programs at 42 Middle and Senior High Schools. In addition, Ms. Talley assists the FACE Department, Drivers Ed program and Extended Day programs.
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Jim Green stated no new projects have started, all ongoing projects are on schedule and several should be completed soon. The work on the Arlington Expressway/Atlantic Blvd. (near Regency Square Mall) should be completed by spring of 2017. The first phase of the I-295 Express Lanes project (JTB to the Dames Point Bridge) in Zone 2 should begin in Spring 2017.
- **Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport** – Tiffany Gillem – not present
- **Jacksonville Public Library** – Sara Roberts, Regional Manager for Pablo Creek Region announced that all students within the Duval County Public Schools have been issued a library card.
- **JaxParks** – Megan Williamson- not present
- **JEA** – Suzanne Goss or Judi Spann – not present
- **JTA** – Wendy Morrow - guest speaker for the night.
- **Military Affairs and Veterans Department** – not present
- **Neighborhoods Department (Municipal Code Compliance)** – Elaine Lancaster announced in the GAB District there are 982 active code compliance cases. Ms. Lancaster stated that she is getting a lot of complaints about commercial vehicles parking in residential areas. The CPAC was reminded to call 630- CITY to report these concerns and everyone was encouraged to provide very detailed information to better enable the Code Compliance Officers.
- **Planning & Development Department** – Connie Patterson (on behalf of Christian Popoli) – no report, but available for questions.
- **Public Works** – Steve Long updated the CPAC on Hurricane Matthew clean-up efforts. The first debris collection pass has been completed and 700,000 cubic yards of vegetative debris was collected. The second pass collecting vegetative debris has begun. To help illustrate the size associated with debris collection, Mr. Long stated one cubic yard of vegetative debris is approximately the size of a washing machine. On a typical yard waste collection day, the collector will pick up to 5 cubic yards of vegetative material per house. One of the CPAC members informed Mr. Long that San Pablo Road was closed during rush hour traffic today causing quite a traffic backup. There was an inquiry if the road closure was scheduled or if the construction company illegally closed the road? Mr. Long stated that he would research the project. Mr. Long answered questions in regard to a homeowner installing a paver driveway. If the homeowner wants to have pavers all the way to the street then they need to get a Right of Way Permit from the City of Jacksonville. The homeowner will also have to sign a revocable permit for maintenance.
- **Renew Arlington** – Karen Nasrallah stated the Arlington Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) is still in phase 1. The Arlington CRA has established a board and they are currently meeting. There has been some discussion

with FDOT and JTA in regard to the types of roadway projects that are needed, obtaining estimates, identifying expenses and finding funding sources. Currently discussions are ongoing to create a Zoning Overlay for the CRA area; currently old Neighborhood Actions Plans (NAPs) and Vision Plans are being reviewed for information that can be applied to a Zoning Overlay. The CRA is also working to develop a Business Façade Improvement Grant; this is expected to be a matching grant in nature. The grant may offer up to \$5000 in matching funds and the business must maintain the façade for 5 years.

6. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit)**
 - **LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs – Mike Anania**

The LUZ Subcommittee reviewed 4 applications and made one motion:
Disapproved Ordinance 2016-0432 – This is an ordinance to approve a PUD to a CCG-1 for a WaWa gas station on Monument Road. There is a companion application 2016-0431. The LUZ Subcommittee expressed concern about traffic intensity in the area and they felt the gas station may compound traffic congestion due to tight traffic ingress/egress in the area. The CPAC voted unanimously to oppose the application.
 - **Beautification/Parks – Larry Belge** reminded the CPAC that mosquitos are still active and encouraged everyone to be diligent in emptying standing water around their homes.
 - **Environment – Lad Hawkins – no report**
 - **Membership – Karen Hunter-Nowak – no report**
 - **Nomination – Lad Hawkins, Mike Anania and Nina Pouggiouklidis** conducted the election for the 2017 CPAC Chair and Vice Chair. The subcommittee presented a slate of officer and a nomination was made and accepted from the floor. The results are Dr. Ramsey Salem will serve as Chair and Melody Shacter will serve as Vice Chair.
 - **Transportation – Ben Tucker – Not present**

Ad-Hoc:

- **TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission - vacant**
 - **North Florida TPO – vacant**
7. **Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski** inquired how the CPAC would like to handle the December 2016 meeting. The CPAC voted to hold the LUZ Subcommittee meeting to review any/all the LUZ applications and to hold a brief meeting if the subcommittee decided to make a motion. After the brief meeting, the GAB CPAC will hold a pot-luck dinner. A sign-up sheet for the pot-luck dinner was distributed. Rosemary informed the CPAC that speaker request cards are now available for guests that would like to speak during the Public Comment portion of the CPAC meeting. Rosemary provided FEMA Disaster Relief information to the CPAC.
 8. **Chairs Report – Michael Anania – Chair Anania** thanked the CPAC for their support and participation for the past three years.
 9. **Unfinished Business - none**
 10. **New Business**
 11. **Public Comments, Concerns or Announcements (3-minute time limit)-**

Member Melody Shacter informed the CPAC about the upcoming Arlington Aglow community event that will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at the Norman Studios, 6337 Arlington Road, 32211 from 3-7 pm.
 12. **Motion to Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be Monday, December 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm
at the Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport, 855-1 Craig Drive, Jacksonville FL, 32225**