



## **Greater Arlington Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee August 14, 2017 Meeting Summary**

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

### **Meeting Attendance**

#### **CPAC Members:**

Queens Harbour POA - Dr. Ramsey Salem – Chair  
Clifton Civic Association - Melody Shacter - Vice Chair  
Bentwater Place – Ed Maxted  
Caroline Forest Homeowners Assoc. - Kacy Evans  
Communities of East Arlington - Lad Hawkins  
Council Appointee – District 1 – Michele Davis  
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Covington Creek HOA – Lenny Hanapel  
Covington Creek HOA – Joan Becker  
Cypress Cove Good Neighbors – Ben Tucker  
Hawkins Cove HOA - Amita Agnihotri  
Ibis Point Owners Association – Nina Pougiouklidis  
Old Arlington Inc. – Peter Mione  
Old Mill Cove Community Organization – Jerry Petoskey  
River Woods – St. Johns Landing HOA – Larry Belge  
Southern Grove Condo Association – Patti Sanders  
The Valley at Hidden Hills – John Roberts  
The Woods Community Association – James Blanche  
University Park Civic Association – Shirley George

#### **Excused:**

Hawkins Cove HOA – Karen Hunter-Nowak  
Lake Lucina Association – Kirk Armstrong  
Monument Oaks HOA - Eddi Parsons

#### **Staff and Elected Officials:**

FDOT – Jim Green  
JaxParks – Robert Hall  
Jacksonville Public Library – Jackie Spiritas  
Neighborhoods-Code Compliance – Elaine Lancaster  
Neighborhoods- Code Compliance – Robert Bautocha  
Neighborhoods Services Office – Rosemary Wesolowski  
Public Works – Steve Long  
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Sgt. David Oliver  
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Pflm. Greg Sharp  
Jacksonville Fire Rescue – Chief David Rounds  
Guests:  
Alberta Hipps – JAA Lobbyist  
Pamela Brown – Osprey Pointe  
Clayton Levins – Jacksonville University  
Peter Harding – District 2  
Jose Carrillo – District 2 / TNG  
Donna Poucher – Fort Caroline Lakes  
Karen Surran – Fort Caroline Lakes  
Roland Cole – Fort Caroline Lakes  
Will Messer

**Call to Order/Verify Quorum-** Chair Salem called the August 2017 GAB CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

**Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary** – The July meeting summary was unanimously approved by the CPAC membership.

**Presentation(s): Dr. Regina Young, CEO, United Congregations for Communities and Youth**, provided her professional background to the CPAC and informed the CPAC about the United Congregations for Communities and Youth (UCCY) organization. In June 2016, Dr. Young and her team won the bid to deliver the community programming for JaxParks at the Blue Cypress Community Center (on University Boulevard North). UCCY offers several different programs, their largest program is their A3 Program (Arts, Academics and Athletics). The A3 2017 fall after-school program started on August 14, 2017. To participate in the A3 program there is a fee of \$25.00 per student each semester. Services that are provided by A3 Program are: homework assistance, reading club, spoken word poetry, recreational games and tournaments, low impact sports, life skills and nutrition, field trips, theater and arts and crafts. The center is open Monday through Friday, 2:30 – 6:00 p.m. for students 5 years old to 17 years old. UCCY also offers a Special Activities Program for students; the fee is \$50.00 per student each semester to participate. The Special Activities Program provides instruction on dance, visual arts, job training, music, leadership development and after school meals. The UCCY utilizes a lot of volunteers and donations from the community. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact Dr. Young at 904-745-5466.

**Elected Officials Report** – none

#### **Staff Reports**

- **JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office)** – Sgt. Oliver stated that the crime statics for the Greater Arlington Beaches area has remained static. Sgt. Oliver provided an update on the aggressive panhandling that has been reported in old Arlington; forty panhandlers have been arrested. To report panhandling, please call JSO at 630-0500 or email [James.Wright@JaxSheriff.org](mailto:James.Wright@JaxSheriff.org). JSO Zone 2 substation – 9501 Arlington Expressway – 904-726-5100

- **JFRD (Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department)** – Chief Rounds reminded the CPAC that are in the midst of hurricane season and encouraged everyone to put together an emergency kit. Chief Rounds also discussed the opioid crisis in Duval County; city wide JFRD is called to deal with ten to twelve drug overdose calls per day.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – not present
- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS)** – not present
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Jim Green – stated that the Atlantic Boulevard roadway project in front of Regency Square mall is running behind schedule. A completion update was not provided.  
Jim Green, 360-5684 or [James.Green@dot.fl.us](mailto:James.Green@dot.fl.us)
- **Jacksonville Public Library** – Jackie Spiritas informed the CPAC that Sara Roberts has been reassigned and is now managing the Main Library. Ms. Spiritas is acting as the regional manager of the Pablo Creek Regional Library.  
Jackie Spiritas – spiritas@coj.net
- **JaxParks** – Robert Hall – no report, but available for questions
- **JEA** – Judi Spann – not present
- **JTA** – Cheryl Riddick - not present
- **Military Affairs and Veterans Department** – not present
- **Neighborhoods Department (Municipal Code Compliance)** – Elaine Lancaster stated that she and her team completed three systematic inspections: Arlington Manor – 156 new violations; Lake Lucina – 71 new violations and Woodland Acres – 100 new violations. In the Greater Arlington Beaches district there are 1187 active cases.  
Elaine Lancaster, 255-7007 or ElaineL@coj.net
- **Planning & Development Department** – Christian Popoli – not present  
Christian Popoli, 255-7852 or CPopoli@coj.net
- **Public Works** – Steve Long acknowledged all areas of the city have experienced a significant amount of flooding due to the abundance of rain fall this season. Many of the storm drains have been clogged with leaves and branches, thus impeding drainage. Currently, the Public Works Department has received an average of 1000 calls in May or June requesting service for clogged drains. In the month of July, Public Works received approximately 2000 calls requesting service for clogged drains.

#### **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit)**

**LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs** – Chair Salem made the LUZ Subcommittee report for Karen Hunter Nowak. The LUZ Subcommittee reviewed six applications and one motion was made. The motion was:

Denial: E17-72, this ordinance a request for a mixed use residential and commercial project on the northeast corner of University Boulevard and Fort Caroline Road. This is the site of the former Nero's Italian Restaurant. The application was recommended for denial because the request is not consistent with the character and development pattern of the surrounding area; a better site plan is needed; no retention pond is on the site plan and the request does not have adequate flow for large trucks and emergency vehicles.

- **Beautification/Parks** – Larry Belge – No report
- **Environment** – Lad Hawkins – No report
- **Membership** – Jose Cuetos – Not present
- **Transportation** – vacant

#### **Ad-Hoc:**

- **TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** – John Roberts – no report.
- **North Florida TPO** – vacant

**Neighborhood Coordinator Report** – Rosemary Wesolowski thanked the CPAC members, staff and guest that stayed through the entire meeting in the heat. Rosemary reminded the CPAC that the GAB CPAC was in need of forming a temporary Nomination Subcommittee; all CPAC Chair and Vice Chair elections need to be completed by the end of November. The Matching Grant Program is back on track and information has been sent to the community. A Neighborhood Summit is in the planning phase; once details are available they will be provided.

**Chairs Report** – Ramsey Salem – stated there was an article in the Florida Times Union today that covered the widening of San Pablo Road. The article stated that the widening project was in the development pending stage and should be completed by 2019 or 2020. Chair Salem stated he received an email from a City Council Member that informed him that Jacksonville Aviation Authority (JAA) and Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport (JAXEX) have plans to extend the runway at JAXEX. All communities around JAXEX were encouraged to rally against the project.

**Unfinished Business** - none

**New Business** - none

**Public Comments, Concerns or Announcements (3-minute time limit)-**

Melody Shacter, GAB CPAC Vice Chair, made a couple of announcements: the Arlington Chamber of Commerce is looking for donations of underwear for young, school age students and Old Arlington Inc. will hold their monthly meeting on August 15, 2017 at Jacksonville University at 6:30 pm.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be *Monday, September 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm*  
at the Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport, 855-1 Craig Drive, Jacksonville FL, 32225**