



Greater Arlington Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee February 13, 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
Arlington Business Society - Michael Anania
Beachwood Civic Association - Shelia Litwhiler
Caroline Forest Homeowners Assoc. - Kacy Evans
Charter Point Community Association - Bob Barletta
Clifton Civic Association - Melody Shacter
Communities of East Arlington - Lad Hawkins
Hawkins Cove Owners Association - Amita Agnihotri
Hawkins Cove HOA - Karen Hunter-Nowak
Ibis Point Owners Association - Nina Pougiouklidis
Kensington Association – David Henry
Lake Lucina Association – Kirk Armstrong
Monument Oaks HOA - Eddi Parsons
Old Arlington Inc. - Peter Mione
Old Mill Cove Community Organization - Jerry Petowsky
River Woods - St. Johns Landing HOA - Larry Belge
Southern Grove Condo Association - Patricia Sanders
The Valley at Hidden Hills – Barbara Roberts
The Woods Community Association - Jim Blanche
University Park Neighborhood Association – Shirley George

Staff and Elected Officials:

Duval County Public Schools – Tammie Talley
FDOT – James Green
JFRD – Clayton
JSO – Lt. Nader
JTA – Aleizha Batson
Neighborhoods – Code Compliance – Elaine Lancaster
Neighborhood Services Office – Rosemary Wesolowski
Public Works – Steve Long

Visitors:

Tom Lyszkowski
Jason Lyszkowski
Stephen Lyszkowski
Jeff Backfisch
Harley Herndon

Excused:

Bentwater Place - Ed Maxted
Covington Creek HOA - Lenore Hanapel
Cypress Cove Good Neighbor Group - Ben Tucker

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum-** Chair Salem called the February 2017 GAB CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary –** The CPAC members made a motion to approve the January 2017 meeting summary; the motion was approved unanimously.

Presentation(s): Dan Durbec, Environmental Programs Coordinator provided an overview of the various programs that he is responsible for. The programs are:

- Clean it Up, Green it Up – the program assist community groups interested in participating in volunteer cleanup events or organizing and planning volunteer neighborhood cleanup projects. Organized volunteer groups can qualify for free support materials such as trash bags, gloves. Arrangements can also be made to borrow safety vests and litter collection pickup tools.
- Adopt a Road – this program encourages business, industry, civic, youth and nonprofit organizations to adopt an area of roadway for monthly litter control. Ideally, the selected roadway is about a mile in length, and has a mix of both residential and commercial property. Roadways with all residential property are usually not suitable for adoption.
- St. Johns River Celebration – hundreds of volunteers around Jacksonville come together to help keep Jacksonville beautiful by removing litter and debris from parks, boat ramps and neighborhoods in all areas of Jacksonville. This year the celebration will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2017, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Pre-registration is not required. Must be 18 years old or accompanied by an adult.
- America Recycles Day – The City of Jacksonville partners with Keep Jacksonville Beautiful, Republic Services/Southland Waste Systems, Teacher Supply Depot and other organizations during this paper shred/recycling event. This event is typically held in the fall.

To learn more about these programs or to schedule a cleanup day in your community, please contact Dan Durbec at 255-8276 or DDurbec@coj.net.

4. **Elected Officials Reports –**

Councilmember Morgan sent the following report:

- There is a City Council Meeting is tomorrow Tuesday, February 14th at 5 pm.
- Councilmember Morgan introduced resolution mourning the passing and honoring the life of Glen Mitchell.
- Another round of congratulations to JU for their brand new partnership with Oearch which is a world-renowned shark research nonprofit organization.
- Councilmember Morgan is meeting with school principals who were on lockdown because of the recent shootings to see how we can better assist them from a city perspective not a school board perspective.
- Councilmember Morgan is continuing to engage organizations, neighborhood associations, and businesses on adopting a road to help with a first level of cleanup of the community.
- The CRA-Community Redevelopment Area meeting was cancelled for February, but will be held on Wednesday, March 8th at 3:30 pm, 2nd Floor conference room – City Hall.
- Councilmember Morgan will not have a February town hall meeting. The March meeting is March 27th at the Arlington Lions Club at 6pm.

5. **Staff Reports**

- JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office) – Lt. Nader announced that crime is up 12.4 % all over Jacksonville. Lt. Nader reminded the CPAC to remain vigilant in securing their property and locking their cars and homes.
JSO Zone 2 substation – 9501 Arlington Expressway – 904-726-5100
- **JFRD (Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department)** – Chief Owens did not have a report, but confirmed that it is illegal to burn in your backyard without a permit. It is legal to have a small fire pit and to use a bar-b-q grill in your back yard.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – not present
- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS)** – Tammie Talley, District Athletic Director, provided a brief overview of the athletic programs offered in DCPS. The students are currently participating in the winter sports programs: soccer, basketball and wrestling.
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Jim Green provided the following updates:
 - Landscaping on Beach Boulevard from San Pablo Road to 12th Street (at Jacksonville Beach) should be completed this week.
 - The safety project on Atlantic Boulevard entrance/exit ramps for the Hart Bridge will be completed this spring.
 - The Arlington Expressway intersection realignment (in from of Regency Square Mall) should be completed this summer.
 - A traffic light will be installed in front of Mayport Middle School and will be completed this summer.
 - The Dames Point Bridge project should be completed this fall.
 - The Beach Boulevard/University Boulevard intersection project should be completed this fall.
 - Mr. Green announced that FDOT is funding approximately \$1 billion in roadway projects in Duval County right now. \$23.3 million of those funds are being spent in the Greater Arlington Beaches District.

Several members expressed their concern about the volume of traffic and the daily back-ups that occurs daily at the I-295/Merrill Road entrance and exit ramps. The members stated that they felt that the traffic lights at the intersection were causing the problem.

Jim Green, 360-5684 or James.Green@dot.st.fl.us

- **Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport** – Tiffany Gillem – not present
Tiffany Gillem, 641-7666 or TGillem@JAA.aero
- **Jacksonville Public Library** – Sara Roberts, Regional Manager for Pablo Creek Region distributed a flyer for the 2017 JAX Reads/NEA Big Read Program and the event calendars for the four libraries in the GAB district.
Sara Roberts, sarar@coj.net
- **JaxParks** – not present
- **JEA** – not present
- **JTA** – Aleizha Batson introduced herself to the CPAC. Ms. Batson distributed flyers for the 2017 Diversity Celebration campaign and route changes. Ms. Batson reminded the CPAC about the MYJTA app that can be used to assist with routing
- **Military Affairs and Veterans Department** – not present

- **Neighborhoods Department (Municipal Code Compliance)** – Elaine Lancaster shared the statistic for active cases and informed the CPAC that a systematic inspection will be completed in the Park Ridge community. Ms. Lancaster answered a number of questions about specific concerns in several communities. If anyone has any questions, please contact Ms. Lancaster.
Elaine Lancaster, 255-7007 or ElaineL@coj.net
- **Planning & Development Department** – Christian Popoli – not present
- **Public Works** – Steve Long – announced that the City of Jacksonville needs the help of the citizens to make sure our storm drains remain open and clear of debris. Mr. Long informed the CPAC that Public Works can come out and clear the drain if an item does cause a blockage in a storm drain. To request this service, please call 630-CITY. Members of the CPAC shared some of their concerns about Public Works maintenance issues. The concerns included:
 - The decorative bricks popping out of the road at the intersection of Cesery Road and Arlington Road.
 - Screws are sticking up out of the ADA compliant ramps that were recently installed in the Hawkins Cove Community and causing a trip hazard.
 - The decorative pavers in the Rogero Road Town Center have faded.
 Steve Long, 472-2853 or slong@coj.net
- 6. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit)**
- **LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs** – Karen Hunter-Nowak - The LUZ Subcommittee reviewed 6 applications and made 3 motions to the CPAC. All of the motions passed unanimously. The motions were:
 - Deny: PUD-17-0045** – This ordinance would rezone 3695 Hartsfield Road from a PUD to a PUD to incorporate an outdoor rock climbing wall and miniature golf course.
 - Support: E-17-44** – This ordinance is a request for a restaurant with outside sales and service at the vacant Pier One store located at 9395 Atlantic Blvd.
 - Support: MM-17-008** – This ordinance is a request to increase the number of access points from 1 to 2, and reduce required parking from 30 spaces to 14 at 658 Century 21 Drive.
- **Beautification/Parks** – Larry Belge – No report
- **Environment** – Lad Hawkins – No report
- **Membership** – vacant
- **Transportation** – vacant

Ad-Hoc:

- **TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** –Mike Ananias' appointment is under review.
 - **North Florida TPO** – vacant
7. **Neighborhood Coordinator Report** – Rosemary Wesolowski **provided the following updates:**
 - Informed the members that a stack of yellow 630-CITY cards will be placed at the sign-in table at each meeting. If anyone needs assistance with submitting an issue or concern to 630-CITY, please complete the card and Rosemary will submit the concern for you.
 - Reminded the CPAC that a CPAC Member Sunshine Law and Ethics Training class will be held in City Hall on February 23, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Pre-registration is requested.
 - Encouraged the CPAC to complete their Neighborhood Directory Forms.
 - Informed the CPAC that the Matching Grants Program will return in 2017. Details for the program will be forth coming.
 - Announced the CommUniverCity Leadership Training Program will also return. Details will be forth coming.
 - Neighborhood calendars were provided for all in attendance.
 8. **Chairs Report** – Ramsey Salem encouraged the CPAC to attend the Sunshine and Ethics Training class. Chair Salem inquired if any of the members had any requests for future speakers.
 9. **Unfinished Business** - none
 10. **New Business** - none
 11. **Public Comments, Concerns or Announcements (3-minute time limit)-**
 12. **Motion to Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm
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