

# **Greater Arlington Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

## **March 12, 2018 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 – Mike Anania  
Beachwood Civic Association – Sheila Litwhiler  
Bentwater Place – Ed Maxted  
Caroline Forest Homeowners Assoc. - Kacy Evans  
Charter Point Community Association – Bob Bartletta  
Communities of East Arlington - Lad Hawkins  
Covington Creek HOA – Joan Becker  
Cypress Cove Good Neighbors – Ben Tucker  
Cypress Cove Good Neighbors – Harley Herndon  
Grove Park – Gary Dickinson  
Hickory Creek HOA – Lennette Hauver  
Ibis Point Owners Association – Nina Pougiouklidis  
Indian Springs Community Association – Pete Miller  
Kensington Association – Tim Keeley  
Lake Lucina Association – Kirk Armstrong  
Monument Oaks HOA - Eddi Parsons  
Old Arlington Inc. – Peter Mione  
Old Mill Cove Community Organization – Jerry Petoskey  
Queens Harbour POA – Will Messer  
River Woods – St. Johns Landing HOA – Larry Belge  
The Valley at Hidden Hills – John Roberts  
University Park Civic Association – Shirley George

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

Joyce Morgan, City Council District 1  
Aaron Bowman, City Council District 3  
Elaine Lancaster, Code Compliance  
Robert Bautochka, Code Compliance  
David Rounds, JFRD  
Jackie Spiritas, JPL  
Michael Sullivan, JPL  
Larry Gayle, JSO  
Aleizha Batson, JTA  
Stephanie Burch, Neighborhoods Department Director  
Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office  
Connie Patterson, Planning & Development

#### **Guests:**

Vida McCullough, Waterleaf  
Justine Wadyko, Waterleaf  
Richard Becker, Covington Creek  
Marjorie Beggs  
Karen Morento  
David Taylor  
Paul Rios, Fairways Forest Civic Association  
Uncertain – Rive St. Johns  
H.B. McClinnis – Rive St. Johns

#### **Excused:**

Council Appointee – District 1 – Michele Davis  
Covington Creek HOA – Lenny Hanapel  
Hawkins Cove HOA - Amita Agnihotri  
Osprey Point HOA – Pamela Brown

**Call to Order/Verify Quorum-** Chair Salem called the March 2018 GAB CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

**Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary** – The February 2018 meeting summary was unanimously approved by the CPAC membership.

**Presentation(s):** Mike Fleming, Senior Vice President University Relations and Development, Jacksonville University provided an overview of the Renew Arlington Initiative, the Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) and Redevelopment Plan for three major commercial corridors (University Boulevard, Merrill Road and Arlington Road) within the Arlington community. Additionally, Mr. Fleming reviewed the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District and touched on the TIF as a funding source for many of the projects listed in the Master Redevelopment Plan. The Renew Arlington CRA Zoning Overlay, Complete Streets program, and the University Boulevard/ Merrill Road Roundabout were also discussed. Mr. Fleming closed with a brief update on future growth on the JU campus, JU economic partners and the JU commitment to open a Downtown campus.

#### **Elected Officials Report:**

**Joyce Morgan, City Council District 1** provided the following updates:

- Arlington is focused on community clean-ups. Council Member Morgan is joining in and supporting the first Saturday of the Month Neighborhood Clean-ups. If you would like to organize a clean-up and receive supplies, please contact Clean it Up – Green it Up at 255-8250.
- On March 23, 2018 there will be a clean project on Century Street in Woodland Acres organized by Kona Skate Park and the Boys and Girls Club of Woodland Acres. The clean-up starts at 9:00 am at Kona Skate Park.

- The next Council District 1 Town Hall Meeting will be held on March 26, 2018, 6:00 pm at Fort Caroline Middle School.
- The next City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in City Hall at 5:00 pm
- The next Arlington CRA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 in City Hall at 3:30 pm
- Ordinance E-18-04 has been denied

Joyce Morgan can be reached at [Joycemorgan@coj.net](mailto:Joycemorgan@coj.net) or 630-1389.

**Aaron Bowman, City Council District 3** provided the following updates:

- The splash pad at Abyss Park should be completed by the weekend
- Work to connect Alden Road to Kernan Road continues
- FDOT has permits for drainage improvement project at the intersection of JoAndy Road and Atlantic Boulevard; the job has gone out for bid
- The San Pablo Roadway project is underway; the project is currently in the design phase. Council Member Bowman will have a community meeting to discuss the project on April 26, 2018; the Council Member will finalize the meeting location and announce the location at the April CPAC meeting
- Announced the Snipe Sign and Tire Buy Back will be held on Saturday, March 24, 2018 – 8am to 2pm in the parking lot of Everbank Field

Aaron Bowman can be reached at [ABowman@coj.net](mailto:ABowman@coj.net) or 630-1386

**Staff Reports:**

- **JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office)** – Lieutenant Gayle announced crime is down in Zone 2. Year to date violent crime in Zone 2 is down. Lieutenant Gayle did state there is one crime trend in the city; robberies of Hispanic individuals; these crimes are mainly occurring in the Southeast District, but a couple of cases has occurred in the Greater Arlington Beaches District. There was a spike in auto burglaries in the Dames Point Crossing Community.  
Zone 2 substation – 9501 Arlington Expressway – 904-726-5100
- **JFRD (Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department)** – David Rounds reminded the CPAC to change their batteries in their smoke detectors. It was announced that we are entering a dry season; please be mindful to not start a wildfire.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – not in attendance
- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS)** – not in attendance
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Derek Dixon – not in attendance  
Derek Dixon, 360-5653 or [Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us)
- **Jacksonville Public Library** – Jackie Spiritas – welcomed the CPAC to the Pablo Creek Regional Library and offered to set up a tour for anyone interested. Ms. Spiritas informed the CPAC that JPL is actively involved in the Jacksonville Neighborhood Photo Project. The Special Collections Department of the library would like to expand its current photographic collection to further create a historical record of Jacksonville's neighborhoods. Please share any photos that you can; for additional information on the project please call 630-2409.  
Jackie Spiritas – [spiritas@coj.net](mailto:spiritas@coj.net)
- **JaxParks** – not in attendance
- **JEA** – Judi Spann – not in attendance
- **JTA** – Aleizha Batson – announced there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 12, 2018 for the new Greyhound and Mega Bus Stations in the LaVilla Community (across from the Prime F. Osborn Convention Center).
- **Military Affairs and Veterans Department** – not in attendance
- **Neighborhoods Department (Municipal Code Compliance)** – Elaine Lancaster announced on March 3, 2018 she and her team wrote eighteen citations for illegal parked box trucks. A systematic inspection netted 140 new cases in the Sandalwood Community. A systematic inspection will be conducted in April in the Arlingtonwood Community.  
Elaine Lancaster, 255-7007 or [ElaineL@coj.net](mailto:ElaineL@coj.net)
- **Planning & Development Department** – Connie Patterson reminded the CPAC to not collect the Zoning Notification Signs that are along the roads for the Snipe Sign Buy Back.  
Connie Patterson, 255-7822 or [Constancep@coj.net](mailto:Constancep@coj.net)
- **Public Works** – Steve Long – not in  
Steve Long, 255-4283 or [Slong@coj.net](mailto:Slong@coj.net)

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

**LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs** – Mike Anania announced the LUZ Subcommittee reviewed five applications and three motions were made. The motions were:

**Support with conditions rezoning 2018-0130** at 2630 A1A North to rezone from MDR to PUD  
**Denial of AD -18-14 9745 Halsey Road** for the relief from the height restrictions for a second structure  
**Support with conditions rezoning 2018-0128** at 1326 St. Johns Bluff Road to rezone from MDR to RLD50  
 All motions passed unanimously

- **Beautification/Parks** – Larry Belge – reminded the CPAC to look at the Florida Times Union for their annual Spring Gardening Guide; this can serve a tool to get our yards and communities back in shape.

- **Environment** – Lad Hawkins – announced the Tree Commission has \$20 million to spend on planting trees in public places (any land that belongs to the City). If you would like to make a recommendation, please contact Council Member John Crescimbeni at 630-1381 or JRC@coj.net
- **Membership** – vacant – Chair Salem presented a GAB CPAC Appointment letter to Lennette Hauver of Hickory Creek HOA.
- **Transportation** – vacant

**Ad-Hoc:**

- **TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** – John Roberts – stated the TRUE Commission's Internal Operations Committee met on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. in City Council Conference Room B, for the purpose of discussing changes to the commission's Policies and Procedures Manual and potential changes in the commission meeting schedule. Additionally, the City does not produce an annual report; this is something that the TRUE Commission would like to see the City produce.
- **North Florida TPO** – Will Messer stated that he had Rosemary Wesolowski share with the CPAC a copy of a future project at the intersection of J. Turner Butler Boulevard and San Pablo Road. Mr. Messer is aware the project is not in the GAB District, but recognizes many in the GAB District use this interchange.

**Neighborhood Coordinator Report** – Rosemary Wesolowski informed the CPAC and provided flyers for:

- The Snipe Sign and Tire Buy Back on March 24, 2018
- The Neighborhood and Community Summit on April 21, 2018
- The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Johns River Clean up on March 17, 2018

**Chairs Report** – Ramsey Salem – informed the CPAC members that he and staff are still looking at options for future CPAC meeting locations. Chair Salem stated that the CPAC would discuss meeting room space at the next meeting.

**Unfinished Business** - none

**New Business** – Vice Chair Shacter announced the Special Committee on Neighborhoods has met twice so far and stated that group would like to continue to meet. Vice Chair Shacter recommended that the CPAC start a Neighborhoods Subcommittee. The CPAC supported the recommendation and a Neighborhoods Subcommittee will be added to the GAB CPAC. Member Pete Miller informed the CPAC that the Arboretum will host Brush with Nature on March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> this year. The hours of the event are 9 am to 5 pm

**Public Comments, Concerns or Announcements (3-minute time limit)** - David Taylor, Grove Park and two other guests informed the CPAC about Ordinance 2017-25. This ordinance is in the Southeast District, but Mr. Taylor and the other guests wanted the GAB CPAC to be aware of the ordinance and their opposition to the extreme zoning change requested from RLD60 to CCG2.

Rob Hadley, Jacksonville University informed the CPAC about the Jacksonville University Charter Day Celebration on April 18, 2018. Students will be working on volunteer projects in the community on Charter Day.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be Monday, April 9, 2018 at 6:30 pm  
at the Pablo Creek Regional Library, 13295 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville FL, 32246**