

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

## **May 14, 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  
Beachwood Civic Association – Sheila Litwhiler  
Caroline Forest Homeowners Assoc. - Kacy Evans  
Charter Point Community Association – Bob Barletta  
Communities of East Arlington - Lad Hawkins  
Council Appointee – District 1 – Michele Davis  
Covington Creek HOA – Lenore Hanapel  
Cypress Cove Good Neighbors – Ben Tucker  
Cypress Cove Good Neighbors – Harley Herndon  
Hawkins Cove HOA – Kristopher Edewaard  
Hickory Creek HOA – Nell DeCoursey  
Hickory Creek HOA – Lennette Hauver  
Indian Springs Community Association – Pete Miller  
Kensington Association – Tim Keeley  
Lake Lucina Association – Kirk Armstrong  
Old Mill Cove Community Organization – Jerry Petoskey  
Osprey Pointe HOA – Pam Brown  
Queens Harbour POA – Will Messer  
River Woods – St. Johns Landing HOA – Larry Belge  
The Valley at Hidden Hills – John Roberts

#### **Excused:**

Arlington Business Society – Mike Anania  
Bentwater Place – Ed Maxted  
Caroline Forest HOA – Casey Evans  
Ibis Point Owners Association – Nina Pougouklidis  
Monument Oaks HOA - Eddi Parsons  
University Park Civic Association – Shirley George

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

City Council District 1 – Joyce Morgan  
City Council District 3 Aide – Carol Brock  
Jacksonville University – Mike Fleming  
JFRD – Frank Gillis  
JPL – Jackie Spiritas  
JSO – Lt. Clement  
Neighborhoods Code Compliance – Elaine Lancaster  
Neighborhood Services Office – Rosemary Wesolowski  
Public Works – Steve Long  
FDOT – Derek Dixon

#### **Guests:**

George Joseph – University Park Civic Association  
Terry Wanbaugh – Hickory Creek HOA  
Justine Wadyko – Waterleaf HOA  
Nedra Jones – Southern Grove Condo Association  
Vida McCullough – Waterleaf HOA

**Call to Order/Verify Quorum-** Chair Salem called the April 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 March 2018 meeting summary was unanimously approved by the CPAC membership.

**Presentation(s):** Joseph “Maceo” George, University Park Civic Association President, spoke on litter in the Arlington Community. As part of his presentation, Mr. George shared his personal recommendations on various actions, laws and policies that should be implemented and/or enforced by the City of Jacksonville to reduce/eliminate litter in Arlington and the City of Jacksonville. Mr. George showed many pictures of litter throughout the Arlington area in a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. George encouraged the CPAC members to download the Blight App or the My Jax app as a tool(s) to report littering or blight that they see when out in the community.

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

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

- The next Council District 1 Town Hall Meeting will be held on April 23, 2018, at the Five Star Veterans Center, 40 Acme Street, 32211, 6-7pm. This town hall meeting will focus on small businesses.
- Arlington is focused on community clean-ups. Council Member Morgan is supporting the first Saturday of the Month Neighborhood Clean-ups in the Arlington area. If you would like to organize a clean-up and receive supplies, please contact the Clean it Up – Green it Up Coordinator, Dan Durbec at 255-8250.
- The Woodland Acres Boys and Girls Club / Kona Skate Park clean-up was held on March 23, 2018 and was a tremendous success. The clean-up focused on Century Street in Woodland Acres. After the clean-up Kona Skate Park hosted a fun-filled afternoon for the kids that participated in the clean. The owners of Kona Skate Park offered to host another clean up in the fall.
- The next City Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2018 in City Hall at 5:00 pm

- The next Arlington CRA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 in City Hall at 3:30 pm
- Council Member Morgan participated in the Jacksonville University Faculty/Student Charter Day
- Council Member Morgan walked with JFRD to help provide smoke detectors to homes that did not have one.
- Council Member Morgan briefly joined the CommUniverCity Bus Tour and spoke to the future community leaders that were on the tour.

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

**Carol Brock, City Council District 3 Aide** provided the following updates:

- St. Vincent's Hospital will offer the At-Home Medical Mission again this year at the Prime Osborn Convention Center on Saturday, April 14, 2018. The purpose of the At-Home Medical Mission is to provide a wide range of medical services for those in without insurance that are in need of medical care.
- On Saturday, April 21, 2018 the Neighborhoods Department will host the Neighborhood and Community Summit at the Prime Osborn Convention Center from 8 am to 2 pm.
- JTA will host a couple of public meetings later in April to discuss projects on Kernan Boulevard and San Pablo Road.

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

**Staff Reports:**

- **JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office)** – Lieutenant Clement announced violent crime is down 9.55% in Zone 2. Property Crime is down 19% and robbery to business is up 2% YTD. At this time auto theft is the only major increase in crime throughout the district. Lt. Clement informed the CPAC that he participated in a Lieutenant's Walk today in the Crane Road area; no major incidents to report. The CPAC was reminded again to participate in the 9:00 pm JSO Routine; the 9:00 pm Routine is to make sure your car is locked with all valuables and weapons removed from the vehicles.  
Zone 2 substation – 9501 Arlington Expressway – 904-726-5100
- **JFRD (Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department)** – Frank Gillis stated that JFRD still has smoke detectors available to give away to those that do not have a working smoke detector. It was recommended to have a smoke detector in each bedroom, in or near the kitchen, in the living areas and in the garage. It was noted that there has been a sharp increase of residential fires due to faulty batteries in phones, tablets, laptops and golf carts.
- **Mayor's Liaison** – not in attendance
- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS)** – not in attendance
- **FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)** – Derek Dixon – no report, but it was requested that he research if the traffic light(s) at Kernan Boulevard and Atlantic Boulevard can be re-synced.  
Derek Dixon, 360-5653 or [Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us)
- **Jacksonville Public Library** – Jackie Spiritas – the Jacksonville Public Library will host the Find Your Future: College and Career Fair at the Main Library on Saturday, 28, 2018 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The library has expanded their annual young adult job fair this year to include colleges and trade schools. JPL has also partnered with the Mayor's Youth at Work (formerly the Mayor's Summer Jobs Program). This event is geared for 16 to 21 year olds. JPL has started their High Five for Reading fund raising campaign. 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** – TBD – not in attendance
- **JTA** – Aleizha Batson – not in attendance
- **Military Affairs and Veterans Department** – not in attendance
- **Neighborhoods Department (Municipal Code Compliance)** – Elaine Lancaster stated that she is aware of the multiple violations at Eagle Point Apartments. There are currently over 100 violations in the Eagle Point Complex. Ms. Lancaster announced that there are currently 766 active cases in the GAB District; this is the lowest amount of violations in the GAB District since 2010. It was confirmed that code compliance is actively looking for illegally parked semi-trucks.  
Elaine Lancaster, 255-7007 or [Elainel@coj.net](mailto:Elainel@coj.net)
- **Planning & Development Department** – Connie Patterson – not in attendance  
Connie Patterson, 255-7822 or [Constancep@coj.net](mailto:Constancep@coj.net)
- **Public Works** – Steve Long – stated that the Public Works Department is actively working to finish repairs on storm drains that occurred due to Hurricane Irma. If you are having problems with a storm drain, please call 630-CITY to report the problem. There will also be a number of streets resurfaced: all of Fort Caroline Road and Merrill Road (University Blvd to Townsend Boulevard) resurfacing projects should be some of the first to be started. If you have a segment of missing sidewalk in your community or see one in the area, please call 630-CITY to report the missing sidewalk segments.  
Steve Long, 255-4283 or [slong@coj.net](mailto:slong@coj.net)
- **Jacksonville University** – Mike Fleming – reported that JU students and staff completed their annual Charter

Week; over 1000 students and staff worked in the Arlington community on a wide variety of projects. Two former Congressmen, Republican David Jolly and Democrat Patrick Murphy will be speak at the JU campus in the Davis Business School tomorrow (April 10, 2018) at 7:00 p.m. to discuss "Why Gridlock Rules Washington and How We Can Solve the Crisis."

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

**LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs** – Mike Anania announced the LUZ Subcommittee reviewed one application and no motions were made.

- **Beautification/Parks** – Larry Belge – informed the CPAC that a planting guide can be found in the Florida Times Union. This guide can be used for beautification projects around your home or in your community.
- **Environment** – Lad Hawkins – announced the Tree Commission has \$20 million to spend on planting trees in public places (on 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 Kristopher Edewaard representing Hawkins Cove HOA.
- **Neighborhoods** – Melody Shacter and Pete Miller acknowledged that they have formed a new subcommittee called Neighborhoods. The goal of this subcommittee is to reach out to all areas of the GAB District to identify organizations, communities, associations to help get their voice heard and to get them active. Additionally, if an association needs to be formed, the subcommittee can assist with that. At this time, the subcommittee has a survey that they plan to send out to the community. It was also mentioned that through the Neighborhoods Subcommittee they are promoting that the First Saturday of the month to be a community clean-up day through-out the district. A community can obtain clean-up supplies through the Clean it Up Green it Up Office; call 904-255-8276 and speak to Dan Durbec.
- **Transportation** – vacant

**Ad-Hoc:**

- **TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** – John Roberts – stated the TRUE Commission is currently working on developing an opinion on the sale of JEA. Additionally, the Commission is looking at the development of creating a central depository for all City of Jacksonville contracts.
- **North Florida TPO** – Will Messer – no updates to report.

**Neighborhood Coordinator Report** – Rosemary Wesolowski informed the CPAC that:

- The Neighborhood and Community Summit on April 21, 2018
- Announced CommUniverCity Leadership Training is underway; three of the attendees reside in the Greater Arlington Beaches district.
- Inquired if the CPAC would like to stay at the Pablo Creek Regional Library? The CPAC members voted unanimously to stay at the Pablo Creek Regional Library.

**Chairs Report** – Ramsey Salem – informed the CPAC members that he received a letter requesting the input from the GAB CPAC on future Capital Improvement Project within the GAB District. The projects need to occur on city owned property, cost at least \$100,000 and are expected to last at least five years. All recommendations should be submitted to Rosemary. The CPAC Chairs meet with Sam Moussa, Chief Administrative Officer on Friday, May 11, 2018. The plan is to meet with Mr. Moussa on a quarterly basis. If you have an issue, please share it with the CPAC at the next CPAC meeting.

**Unfinished Business** - none

**New Business** – Vice Chair Shacter announced Keep Jacksonville Beautiful will hold a clean-up downtown in honor of Earth Day, April 21, 2018 from 8 to 10 am at the Jacksonville Landing. Everyone was encouraged to participate. Last year the Earth Day event had 97 volunteered and 1800 pounds of debris was collected downtown.

Member Pete Miller showed a video that featured the Jacksonville Arboritum.

**Motion to Adjourn**

**The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Pablo Creek Regional Library, 13295 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville FL, 32246**