

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

April 22, 2019 Meeting Summary

NEFAR Temporary Training Room, 10300 Southside Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32256

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members:

Deercreek Owners Association – Carol D'Onofrio Chair
Oak View Corner Oaks Owner Association – Jon Malmind
Alumni Civic Association – Kathleen Perera
City Council District 11 – Donna Herrin
East Hampton HOA – Eric Laner
Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA – Abby Howard Murphy
Highland Glen HOA – Kathy Soares
Pickwick Park Civic Association – James Daniel
Rose Creek Condominium Association – Henry Rogers
Secret Cove Civic Association – Gary Weise
Shiloh Creek Neighborhood Association – Will Herron
St. Nicholas Area Preservation – Walter Bryant
The Gables HOA – Debbie Johnson
The Lakewood Community – Dick Cardell
Villa San Jose Civic Association – Marj Rothstein
Villa San Jose Civic Association – Joanne Parker Griffin

Excused –

Deercreek Owners Association – Peter Gentry
Englewood Full Service School – Ralph Hodges
Greater Hood Road Community Association – Jim Hill

Staff and Elected Officials:

City Council District 3 ECA – Carol Brock
Duval County School Board – Lori Hershey
Duval County Public Schools – Jim Culbert
JEA – Renee Goode
JPL – Carisia Rooney
JSO – Lt. Worthington
JTA – Cheryl Riddick
Neighborhoods Code Compliance – Charles Sanders
Neighborhood Services Office – Rosemary Wesolowski
Planning and Development – Arimus Wells
Public Works – Robin Smith

Guests:

Carmen Mazzeo
Betty Wolfe – Mandarin Community Club
Anne Michael
Paul Soares – Highland Glen
Ann Clapp - GENA
Richard Skule - GENA
Steve Guter

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair D'Onofrio called the meeting to order. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** A motion was made by Kathleen Perera to approve the March 2019 meeting summary and Will Herron made a second; the summary was approved.
- 3. Presentation(s):** Jeff Sheffield, Executive Director, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida or NFTPO) introduced himself and provided background on NFTPO.

NFTPO is an independent regional transportation planning agency for Duval, Clay, Nassau and St. Johns counties. This area encompasses over 3,000 square miles and a population of nearly 1.4 million. The federal government requires areas developed around cities with 50,000 or more people to have a “metropolitan planning organization” like the TPO to coordinate planning and funding for their roadways. NFTPO is responsible for developing three key documents:

1. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) detailing the TPO's annual budget and planning activities;
2. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) listing the funding and staging of improvements for roadways, transit, air and seaports, bicyclists, pedestrians and the transportation disadvantaged over a five-year period; and
3. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) with a 20+ year time horizon based on current needs and forecasted future growth which lists the multi-modal transportation projects that are needed and can be funded in that timeframe.

The BayJax Innovation Corridor (Bay Street downtown) will serve as the test bed for many of the emerging technologies from the TPO's North Florida Smart Region Plan. The TPO's partners in this effort include the JAX Chamber, City of Jacksonville, Downtown

Investment Authority, JTA, JEA, Jacksonville Jaguars and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office. Mr. Sheffield stated Northeast Florida recently took part in an international challenge to become what transportation planners call a smart city.

The term smart city includes everything from digital innovation to big advances in transit and changing vehicles/modes of transportation are part of what will make our area a smarter region. North Florida was recently a finalist in the International Smart City Readiness Challenge. The "Bay Jax Innovation Corridor" would feature:

- 15 autonomous shuttles
- Smart infrastructure that could detect roadway changes like flooding streets, high volume traffic and pedestrians approaching crosswalks
- Solar-panel lined sidewalks and roadways
- Enhanced communication services that will include interconnectivity between police, fire, rescue, FDOT and area drivers.

To learn more about the corridor, please use this web address to watch a video on the BayJax Innovation Corridor: <https://vimeo.com/304203596> or visit the NFTPPO website at <http://northfloridatpo.com/>.

Mr. Sheffield can be reached at: 904-306-7512 or jsheffield@northfloridatpo.com

Elected Officials Reports:

Carol Brock, City Council President ECA, City Council District 3 – reminded the CPAC members the next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019; the meeting starts at 5:00 pm.

If you have any questions you can reach Ms. Brock at 630-1031 or csbrock@coj.net.

Lori Hershey, Duval County School Board, District 7 – Chairwoman Hershey shared an update on the Duval County Facilities Master Plan. To address the facility needs, consultants are recommending a plan with the projected cost of \$1.95 billion, including \$1.03 billion in new construction expenditures and \$922 million of expenditures in improvements, renovations, and additions. The plan removes more than \$1 billion in current backlogged repairs and the recommendations calls for:

- Construction of 30 new schools as either replacement on-site or on new sites.
- Seventeen school consolidations, impacting 42 schools, with children from those schools attending new or renovated school buildings. (Any buildings no longer in use as a result of the consolidations would be demolished and the land sold.)
- Security upgrades at all schools and removal of the majority of portable classrooms from schools across the district.

Chairwoman Hershey stated in the SE CPAC district, it was recommended to rebuild Loretto Elementary, Atlantic Coast High School and Mandarin High School would be expanded. This was based on enrollment projections for the next ten years. The Facilities Master Plan will be voted on at the August 2019 School Board meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can reach Chairwoman Hershey at: 904-390-2375 or hersheyl@duvalschools.org

4. Staff Reports (3 minute time limit)

JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office) – Lt. Worbington stated in the SE District (Zone 3) violent crime is down 20% YTD and property crime is down 22% YTD. Lt. Worbington stated the Sheriffs Watch Española has been credited with decreasing violent crime significantly. Robbery to individuals is a violent crime. In 2018, Zone 3 had 107 robberies to individuals; 90 of those individuals were Hispanic. Lt. Worbington informed the CPAC members that traffic fatalities are a major concern; especially in the SE district. Everyone was encouraged to slow down, stay focused, put their cell phones away and drive safely

while on the roads. JSO is actively looking for impaired drivers; currently Beach Boulevard, Atlantic Boulevard and J. Turner Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202) are hot spots that JSO is actively working. Lt. Worbington reminded everyone to participate in the 9pm Routine; remove your valuables/guns from your car and make sure your vehicle is always locked.

Contact JSO at Zone 3 Substation-828-5463

JFRD (Jacksonville Fire Rescue Department) – not in attendance

Duval County Public Schools – Jim Culbert – no report, available for questions

JPL (Jacksonville Public Library) – Carisia Rooney informed the CPAC that JPL has a large amount of e-books in their catalog. JPL e-books can be read on a variety of readers, tablets and phones; this includes Kindle devices. If you are having problems accessing/downloading e-books or e-magazines, please visit your local library and staff will be available to assist you. Ms. Rooney stated JPL offers an array of computer classes. Classes offered range from basic beginner classes to advanced classes. Please visit the JPL website (<https://www.jaxpubliclibrary.org/>) to learn about all the services the library offers. JPL Comic Con is back at three locations on three different days. The Beaches Branch Library already hosted their 7th annual Comic Con this year on April 13, 2019; the event was well attended. The Main Library Comic Con will be held on May 4, 2019, 10am - 3pm. The South Mandarin Branch Library will host their Comic Con on May 11, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For complete details for all upcoming events and activities offered by JPL, please visit: <https://www.jaxpubliclibrary.org/>

JEA- Renee Goode provided flyers that addressed a current scam based on utility service that has occurred locally. Ms. Goode clarified JEA will never threaten to cut off service unless you provide them with your social security number, bank account number and/or bank routing number. Additionally, JEA will never knock on your door threatening to cut service unless you give personal information or money right away. If you have any questions or concerns about utility scams or to confirm if the person at your door is a JEA staff member or not, please call 904-665-6000. Ms. Goode reviewed the three phases JEA will implement to restore power after a major storm; a handout was provided. Additional handouts were provided and reviewed that addressed water conservation and waste water treatment facilities (what is acceptable to flush into the wastewater system). Ms. Goode encouraged everyone to watch the *Invasion of the Fatberg* video. The video can be found: <https://www.fatberginvasion.com/>

JTA – Cheryl Riddick announced JTA will offer free rides for those in Duval County for *National Get On Board Day*, Thursday, April 25, 2019. All fixed bus routes, First Coast Flyer routes, Connexion and Connexion Plus services, the St. Johns River Ferry, ReadIRide, and Skyway services will have complementary rides.

Neighborhoods Code Compliance – On behalf of Robert Crawford, Charles Sanders informed the CPAC Code Compliance completed a systematic inspection in the Greenfield community and part of the Sans Souci neighborhood.

Contact Robert Crawford at 255-7042 or robertc@coj.net

Planning and Development Department – Arimus Wells did not have a report, but was available for questions.

Contact Arimus Wells at arimusw@coj.net

Public Works – Robin Smith introduced himself as the Acting City Engineer in the Public Works Department. Mr. Smith joined the City of Jacksonville two weeks ago. Members

shared their concern about drainage on Aladdin Road and how development of additional homes in the area will further impact drainage/flooding they currently experience. The CPAC members expressed the need to fix pot-holes on both City of Jacksonville and FDOT roads.

6. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit) –

LUZ (Land Use and Zoning) – On behalf of the LUZ Subcommittee Chair Pete Gentry, Chair D’Onofrio conducted the LUZ Subcommittee prior to the full CPAC meeting. The LUZ Subcommittee reviewed nine applications and two motions were made to the full CPAC. The motions were:

2019-227 (Conventional Rezoning) - It was determined that the CPAC needs additional information from the applicant in order to determine whether the proposed rezoning furthers the goals, objectives and policies of the Comprehensive Plan and/or if it conflicts with any portion of the City’s land use regulations. Such as:

- Goal 1 of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE)
- Goal 3 of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE)
- Objective 3.1 of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE)
- Policy 3.1.11 of the Future Land Use Element (FLUE)

This is based on concerns from members where stormwater runoff is currently a land use regulation issue along Julington Creek Road. In addition, the application does not reflect egress and ingress plans for the project.

After much discussion, the CPAC voted 14 to 1 to support the motion.

2019-0275/2019-0276 (Land Use Amendment/Planned Unit Development) - The CPAC made the following observations:

- CPAC find the proposed companion land use and rezoning inconsistent with the following external compatibility criteria and intensity of development criteria outlined in Section 656.341(d)(5-6) of the Zoning Code.
- Therefore, CPAC is requesting for a community meeting in order to determine consistency with the above criteria and ensure a uniform pattern of development is established along the AC Skinner Parkway corridor.

After some discussion, the CPAC voted 14 to 1 to support the motion.

Beautification/Parks/Environment – Dick Cardell announced that today is Earth Day. Mr. Cardell reminded the CPAC members that hurricane season is approaching. In effort to prepare for hurricane season, Mr. Cardell encouraged everyone to check the health of their trees. Trim branches or remove trees that do not appear healthy.

Education – Vacant

Membership - Vacant

Ad-Hoc:

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill – not in attendance

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Jimmy Daniels stated that he was still in the middle of the appointment process.

- 7. Neighborhood Coordinators Report –** Rosemary Wesolowski announced that Charter Member George Banks has resigned from the SE CPAC due to health issues. George’s name placard was distributed for well wishes and signatures by the CPAC members. Rosemary also reminded the CPAC about CPAC meeting attendance policy in the CPAC Executive Order and By-Laws. The CPAC Executive Order and By-laws states: *Any member who fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the CPAC without just cause as determined by the Planning and Development Department, including*

alternate representatives who fail to attend when requested by the primary representatives, shall be automatically removed from the CPAC.

If you are unable to attend a CPAC meeting, please send Rosemary and email to let her know you are unable to attend the meeting; this is considered an excused absence.

In response to this update, one of the CPAC members made a motion that stated the CPAC Executive Order and By-laws should be changed in regard to the nomination process for the alternate. The change recommended would be that a CPAC alternate nominee should only need to attend two consecutive meetings to be nominated instead of three meetings. The motion was seconded. There was a lot of discussion and the motion was amended. After further discussion the motion was withdrawn and it was determined that Chair D'Onofrio would make the recommendation/suggestion at the upcoming CPAC Chair's meeting with the Mayor on May 10, 2019.

Contact Rosemary Wesolowski at 255-8261 or rosemary@coj.net

8. **Chairs Report** – Chair D'Onofrio reminded the CPAC that the SE CPAC recommendation for the City of Jacksonville Capital Improvement Project list is due May 29, 2019. A capital improvement project must have a total cost greater than \$100,000 and a lifespan of more than ten years and must add to, enhance the value of, or extend the life of the City's physical assets. Some examples include improvements to an existing park, the purchase of land for a future park, road improvements, sidewalk and bike lane construction, drainage projects, intersection improvements and library enhancements. Capital improvement projects do not include routine maintenance such as ditch cleaning, mowing, sidewalk repairs, pothole patching, repairing park amenities and other similar maintenance matters.
9. **Unfinished Business -**
10. **New Business** – Gary Weise, Alternate for Secret Cove stated after the CIP Ad-hoc committee meeting (April 9, 2019) he received some additional information. With this new information, there needs to be a change in the summarized information that Rosemary provided in regard to project suggestions. Rosemary stated that the final CIP recommendations submitted would use the projects and exact verbiage submitted by Secret Cove.
Jimmy Daniels, Primary for Pickwick Park stated that he is not familiar with the LUZ Subcommittee or how the process works, but his community is opposed to the proposed development of a new Racetrack Gas Station at the corner of Pall Mall and San Jose Boulevard. Mr. Daniels asked if the CPAC would send a letter to address the concern(s) the neighborhood has about this project and request that the developer meet with the community. It was determined that the application has been submitted, but the Planning and Development has not completed processing the application. Planner Arimus Wells will inform the Pickwick Park community when the application has been processed, an application number has been assigned and when meeting dates are scheduled. It was recommended at Mr. Daniels attend the upcoming LUZ Subcommittee meeting when the CPAC reviews that particular LUZ application; he was encouraged to express the concerns of the community at that meeting.
11. **Public Comment-** Carmen Mazzeo, stated the Northeast Florida Chapter of Community Associations Institute will offer Education Day & Expo on Thursday, April 25, 2019, from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm at the Renaissance World Golf Village Resort, 500 South Legacy Trail, St. Augustine, FL, 32092. The classes are designed to help HOA's.
12. **Motion to Adjourn** – meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm

NEXT MEETING: May 20, 2019 ~ 6:30 p.m.

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