

# District #1 - Urban Core

## Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Meeting Location: Ed Ball Building – Training Room 110 – 214 N. Hogan St.

**Chair:** Gloria De Vall 449-4340 [gloria.cpac@gmail.com](mailto:gloria.cpac@gmail.com)

**Vice Chair:** Greg Radlinski 354-8080 [giradlinski@bellsouth.net](mailto:giradlinski@bellsouth.net)

**Mayor's Liaison:** Michelle Barth 630-2456 [mbarth@coj.net](mailto:mbarth@coj.net)

**Neighborhood Coordinator:** Stacey K. Burch 255-8236 [sburch@coj.net](mailto:sburch@coj.net)



## Meeting Summary Monday, November 3, 2014

### Members

DeVall, Gloria – Preservation SOS

Harris, Darcel – Mother Midway AME

Holzendorf Jr., Mike – City Council District 7

Vanderlaan, Doug – SPAR Council

Radlinski, Greg – Parks at the Cathedral HOA

Demopoulos, Dimitri – Churchwell Lofts at East Bay condo Assn. Inc

Redden, Shereline- Stand Your Ground INC

Swain, Johnny - Grand Boulevard Crime Watch

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### Excused –

Hamilton, William C. - St. John's Lutheran Church

Arnold, Ruth – 02<sup>nd</sup> Mile Ministries

Parrish, Christina – SAMBA

Merrick, Dorothy – Plaza Condominiums

### Guests

Good, Allison

Holzendorf, Honey

Jones, Frederick

Franques, Robert

Brosche, Anna

Farhat, Jay

Lewis, Richard

Foster, Jeff

Holman, Bill

Tappauni, Michelle

Rogers, Hank

Dare, Stephen

Senterfitt, Heather

Morrow, Wendy

Whisler, Terry

### Staff/Resource

Chauncey, Bruce – Code Compliance

Ransom, Lisa – Planning and Development Dept.

Hartley, Mark – Park and Recreation

Barth, Michelle – Mayor's Office

### Call to Order

Chair DeVall called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm; it was established that a quorum was present and everyone was welcomed.

### Approval of the Minutes

*A motion to accept the October meeting summary was made by Doug Vanderlaan and seconded by Shereline Redden. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed. A motion to accept the August meeting summary was made by Greg Radlinski and seconded by Darcel Harris. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.*

### Guest Speakers:

**Stephen Dare, Chair of the SPARK District Subcommittee for the Cultural Council,** The SPARK District Subcommittee for the Cultural Council is based on the idea that the Urban Core should

be the center of the arts and culture sense in Jacksonville. The idea is to create a sense of culture where the landscape is decorated and there is a lot of entertainment created by the artist for everyone to enjoy.

The City of Jacksonville mandate states that the SPARK District will work with the local CPAC (Urban Core) to address the art and culture needs of the community. An open invitation was extended to the CPAC to attend the SPARK District meetings on the second and last Friday of the month from 11 am to 1 pm at the Times Union Center for the Performing Arts. The Cultural Council has had twenty years of silence and would like to change that silence.

Greg Radlinski asked if it was the Culture Council that established the SPARK District in the Urban Core area and what is the tie in between the SPARK District and the Downtown Investment Authority (DIA)? The district was established by the City Council five years ago. The DIA and Culture Council share board members, plans and ordinances. Gloria Devall welcomed Mr. Dare back to the CPAC when he has specific projects that the Culture Council would like the CPAC to support.

<http://www.culturalcouncil.org/>

**Wendy Morrow, Robert Franques and Frederick Jones, Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)**

The JTA Mobility Works Program will support the Better Jacksonville Plan (BJP) Project from years ago and the Mobility Corridors Improvement Project. The Mobility Corridor Improvement Project targeted thirteen corridors with pedestrian movement, bicycles and transit as the focus.

The City of Jacksonville is the third most dangerous metropolitan area for pedestrians. City Council identified which corridors will be targeted for change. Currently JTA is looking for citizens input to meet the needs of the community while gathering information for the Mobility Works Program. JTA will hold separate meetings for each corridor.

The total price for the project will be \$100 million (\$85 million to finish the BJP and \$15 million for Mobility Corridors Improvement Project). If the Mobility Works Program do not meet budget than JTA will have to figure out how to meet budget.

JTA has reviewed all the previous plans from the City of Jacksonville to include the Neighborhood Planning Commission Plan from 2010.

Doug Vanderlaan suggested the S-Line Urban Greenway to the Jax-Baldwin trail be connected. Also look carefully at the area from the zoo to Little Talbot Island for bicycle riders. JTA stated they will look into it.

Wendy Morrow can be reach at [wmorrow@jtafla.com](mailto:wmorrow@jtafla.com)

**Elected Officials Reports** – Not present

**Staff Reports:**

**JSO Zone 1 LT Ricks** – had to leave before he could present.

For assistance and information call the JSO Zone 1 Sub Station at 924-5361 or [JSOzone1@jaxsheriff.org](mailto:JSOzone1@jaxsheriff.org)

**Mayor's Liaison** – Michelle Barth passed out the Mayor's newsletter and stated that the Veterans Day Parade will be on November 11<sup>th</sup>. This is the largest parade in the state.

The Jacksonville Fair will be November 5-11. A concerned citizen asked if the fair was moving and Ms. Barth stated she was not sure of the final resolution she would have to research it and report back to the CPAC.

The vessel Galeon Andalucia will be at the downtown shipyard, Northbank near the Hyatt Regency on Coastline Drive November 5-8 and it is open for paid tours.

**Duval County Public Schools** – Not present

**Regulatory and Compliance Department (Code Compliance)** – Zone 1 Supervisor Bruce Chancy – the department is down two officers that transferred to another department.

Mrs. Swain stated she report the property at 1508 West Street through the C.A.R.E. system and other lawn issues in her neighborhood. Mr. Chancy stated he will follow up on the matter and get the phone number to the CPAC for the Mowing and Landscaping Division.

**Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Jim Green, not present he emailed his information to Stacey Burch.

There are a couple projects in the Urban Core just getting underway:

- I-95, from the Myrtle Avenue overpass to the Pedestrian Overpass near Golfair Blvd. – resurfacing; expected completion Spring 2015
- I-10 and I-95 Interchange – adding some “mile marker” signs on the mainline and ramps at partial mile-points, for example 364.2, to allow better identification of where an incident might be; will also upgrade a few of the overhead signs along I-95 to meet current standards. All the other projects within the Urban Core are continuing as before.

The barrels should have been removed from the vicinity of the Newnan Street / Hubbard Street Bridge a couple weeks ago.

**Mr. Green can be reached at 360-5684 or [James.green@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:James.green@dot.state.fl.us)**

**Planning and Development** – Lisa Ransom, the Chair and Committee requested a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) for the Seminole Building at 400 Hogan Street (Sweet Pete's). This is a landmark building.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Missionary Baptist Church at 945 Kings Road wants to be designated as a landmark designation. There will be more information to follow. Ms. Ransom will inform the CPAC when landmarks are trying to be designated.

Ms. Ransom will go back and look at old plans to see if there are any maps or information that the CPAC can use to help improve The Mobility Corridor Improvement Project. The CPAC does not want to waste tax payer's dollars reinventing the wheel.

**Ms. Ransom can be reached at 255-7834 or [lransom@coj.net](mailto:lransom@coj.net)**

**Housing and Community Development Division** – Nothing to report

**Community Planning** – Stacey Burch, reminded everyone about Porchfest in the Springfield area this weekend.

**Stacey Burch can be reached at 255-8236 or [sburch@coj.net](mailto:sburch@coj.net)**

**Parks & Recreation** – Mark Hartley – Betty Burney has a couple of non-profit organizations for kids that will be at the Metropolitan Park this weekend. Activities will include team building, life skills and it is free to the public.

Art in the Park will be held November 8<sup>th</sup> on the Northbank side of the Riverwalk from 10 am to 2 pm.

During the winter break the City of Jacksonville has teamed up with the Jacksonville Giants. They will do a free basketball clinic at the Emmitt Reed Center the first week the kids are out of school for winter break.

Basketball season will start soon and all the information is online.

Tony Lopez is the new Parks and Recreation Director. He has been on board for about a week.

Ms. Shereline Redden asked about J.S. Johnson Park and Mr. Hartley stated they resurfaced the baseball field did some additional painting and plan to have T-ball and baseball games for kids up to 14 years old.

Ms. Swain asked if they could create a parking lot at Joe James Park because the city was not cutting the grass outside the park. Mr. Hartley stated no because he would have to create a retention pond too and there is not enough room.

There was some concern that people were sleeping in Confederate Park at night. Mr. Hartley stated staff locks the gates after dark and Officers check the park randomly after hours.

An update on the Kennedy Center, the city is looking to get some equipment from the Cecil Field area for the weight room and are looking to get LED lights for the gym.

Mr. Hartley stated he will provide a report on where the money is being spent on parks at the next meeting. The CPAC has a concern that the funds are not being spent evenly throughout the City of Jacksonville.

**Mr. Hartley can be reached at 472-2865 or [mhartley@coj.net](mailto:mhartley@coj.net)**

**Project New Ground** – Bill Holmon, is still going door to door to address the citizens' concerns. Nothing else has changed they are looking to move on to phase 5 soon. We are looking for construction to pick back up in January 2015.

**Project New Ground can be contacted at 630-CITY (2489) or the Outreach Center at 357-8077.**

**Jacksonville Public Library** – Not present

**Public Works** – Jeff Foster, the EPA conducted a five year review and had questions about how The City of Jacksonville has done things in the past. A draft will be out by the first of the year to show where The City of Jacksonville standards meet the EPA standards.

All ash work is being conducted by Public Works. All Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding was pushed to next year. All CIP ash projects from last year are being reviewed.

Public works is currently preparing a plan for Confederate Park remediation it should be completed within the next two weeks. The park still has to go through the remediation action plan.

For the City of Jacksonville downtown resident garbage system, you have to put your garbage in the garbage can or it will not get pick up. A 95 or 65 quart cart will be issued for recycles in the future. Gray and brown are the only colors remaining. The City of Jacksonville has until 2020 to have 75% of the city on recycle. All of the plot areas have increase recycling by at least about 65%.

The District Attorney Offices is still on schedule to be moved into the old Federal Courthouse. The move is scheduled for December.

Lonnie Miller Park should start turning over dirty around March or April for remediation.

Mr. Foster did not have a timeline for the stucco on the Main Library.

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### **Chair's Report**

- All the CPAC Chairs were on hand for the revealing of the City of Jacksonville new web site. The site will be more user friendly. The site will have an application to track your location to report an issue. The application will have a flight/blight button on the application also.
- Mrs. Darcel Harris asked about the questions that were presented to the Mayors' office a couple of months ago. Stacey Burch will follow up with Michelle Barth to ensure the questions get answered.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

- **LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs** – Mike Holzendorf – visited the North CPAC meeting and received a lot of great ideals to bring back to the Urban Core CPAC.
- **Preservation** – No report
- **Membership** – No report
- **Downtown Investment Authority** – No report
- **Transportation** – No report
- **Environmental** – Darcel Harris attend a meeting on Operation Ground Work and she is on the committee board. They will have a meeting November 19 to launch their project.
- **Parks** – Greg Radlinski - No report
- **TRUE Commission** – Greg Radlinski – No report
- **Urban Agriculture/Community Gardens** – No report
- **Nominations** – Doug Vanderlaan – conducted the voting nominations and the Chair (Gloria DeVall) and the Vice Chair (Greg Radlinski) were unanimously voted for another term. No other candidates were nominated.

**Unfinished Business:** none

**New Business:** none

**Public Comments/Announcements:** Anna Brosche is running for City Council At Large Group 1.

### **Adjournment**

*Member Greg Radlinski made a motion to adjourn and Mike Holzendorf seconded the motion. All agreed.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.*

The next Urban Core CPAC meeting is on  
**Monday, December 1, 2014** at 5:30 p.m.,  
at the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Training Room