District #1 - Urban Core

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

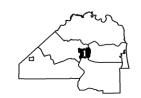
Meeting Location: Ed Ball Building – Training Room 110 – 214 N. Hogan St.

Chair: Gloria De Vall 449-4340 gloria.cpac@gmail.com

Vice Chair: Greg Radlinski 633-2699 giradlinski@bellsouth.net

Mayor's Liaison: Michelle Barth 630-2456 mbarth@coj.net

Neighborhood Coordinator: Stacey K. Burch 255-8236 sburch@coj.net



Meeting Summary Monday, August 3, 2015

Members

DeVall, Gloria – Preservation SOS Vanderlaan, Doug – SPAR Council Radlinski, Greg – Parks at the Cathedral Harris, Darcel – Mother Midway AME Parrish, Christina – SAMBA Holzendorf Jr., Mike – City Council District 7 Foley, Cameron – Plaza Condominiums

Excused -

Hamilton, William C. – St. John's Lutheran Church Demopoulos, Dimitri – Churchwell Lofts at East Bay Condo Assn. Inc Swain, Delores – Grand Boulevard Crime Watch

Guests

Lewis, Richard Emerick, Dawn Irinidad, Joanna Jordan, Stephanie Krizek, Kathleen Dewhirst, Wayne

Staff/Resource

Riddick, Cheryl – JTA
Chauncey, Bruce – Code Compliance
LT Ricks, Jimmy – JSO
Ransom, Lisa – Planning & Development
Hartley, Mark – Parks and Recreation
Moore, Chiquita – At-Large Council Group 05 Aide
Newby, Samuel – At-Large Councilman Group 05

Call to Order

Chair Gloria DeVall called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm; it was established that a quorum was present and everyone was welcomed.

Approval of the Minutes

May and June minutes were approved. All were in agreement.

<u>Presentation:</u> Emerick, Dawn, Groundworks Jacksonville:

Groundworks is a national organization with local roots, engaging local businesses, residents and government officials to revitalize neighborhoods and transform community liabilities into community assets.

Groundworks Jacksonville has six core deliverables:

1. Develop a conceptual plan for the connection of the S-Line and Hogan's Creek Greenway.

- 2. Plan and organize a community planning workshop for reuse for brownfields for greenspace.
- 3. Plan and develop a Groundwork Jacksonville Tree Planting Program.
- 4. Plan & develop a bio-waste project & rain garden demonstration project.
- 5. Research & initiate planning for an urban farm & community garden program (Public Market).
- 6. Expand opportunities for the Groundwork Jacksonville Green Team to assist with environmental improvement projects.

<u>Elected Officials Reports</u> – Newby, Samuel – At-Large Councilman Group 05 – did not have anything to report. His area of responsibility will be Districts 7, 8, 9 & 10 and stated he or his Assistant Chiquita Moore will be attending the CPAC meetings.

Staff Reports:

JSO – LT Ricks, Jimmy – Cottage Avenue update, there was a shooting at apartments. Two people were fatally shot and there is not very much more information JSO can provide at this time. This is still an ongoing investigation.

National Night Out will be on Tuesday, August 4, 2015. Everybody can participate by turning on your porch light from dusk until 10 p.m. You can go on the JSO website for more details.

Within the last twenty days we have had business robberies throughout the city in Zones 1, 4 and 5. The suspect is a black male, forty to fifty years old, short hair with a baseball cap and a yellow bandana.

Be aware that if you see someone go into public establishments, with a big duffle bag, that you can stuff a shot gun in, please call JSO. Someone meeting this description has been robbing fast food restaurants and gas stations.

Chair DeVall asked for an update on the carjackings in Springfield. During two of the carjackings the victims saw the carjacker approaching. One of the cars was recovered. JSO ask that you please be aware of your surroundings when out in public. If you feel uncomfortable in your surroundings please call JSO.

A concerned citizen stated she has called JSO hotline and reported people walking in and out of vacant houses with drug activity with no results. Lt. Ricks stated he will follow up with her after the meeting to collect the information.

For assistance and information call the JSO Zone 1 Sub Station at 924-5361 or JSOzone1@jaxsheriff.org

Jacksonville Fire and Rescue - Not present.

Chief Martin Senterfitt – 630-7873 for emails please contact John Bracey at ibracey@coi.net

Mayor's Liaison - Not present.

Duval County Public Schools – Not present.

Regulatory and Compliance Department (Code Compliance) – Bruce Chauncey, will get the house boarded up on 1410 West 9th street as soon as possible.

Last month Stacey Burch and Ms. Swain had 53 C.A.R.E items reported and they all have been addressed.

Doug Vanderlaan thinks there are squatters at the house on 5th Street between Walnut and Ionia Street. Who should he call JSO or Code Compliance? If a no trespassing sign is on the property then call JSO. If a trespassing sign has not been posted yet then call 630-CITY for Code Compliance.

Regulatory and Compliance Department (Consumer Affairs) - Valerie Williams not present.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – Jim Green not present.

Mr. Green can be reached at 360-5684 or <u>James.green@dot.state.fl.us</u>

Community Planning Division – Lisa Ransom; the Urban Core CPAC boundaries were emailed out, if you need a copy please contact Stacey Burch. Lisa Ransom sent out six letters to properties that may have landmark potential within the Urban Core. Downtown FSCJ was the only letter returned. There were no LUZ applications in the Urban Core.

On June 17th, Parks and Recreation and Culture Affairs have partnered to create a new park at the intersection of Lee and Houston Street. The park was named after the Negro National Anthem "Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing" and dedicated to James Weldon Johnson and his brother John Rosamond Johnson with historic markers.

Ms. Ransom can be reached at 255-7834 or lransom@coj.net

Housing and Community Development Division – Stacey Burch, August 27, 2015 from 4:30-6:30 there will be a public meeting for the Kings Road Lane Reduction @ EWC Sports & Music Complex; a back to school drive will be held @ the Emmitt Reed Center, Saturday, August 8^{th} ; The Blight Meetings have been renamed the N.I.C.E. (Neighborhood Improvement and Community Enhancement) Meeting and are now held every other Monday at 4 p.m. in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of City Hall.

Greg Radlinski asked that someone from the N.I.C.E. Committee or Manager Denise Lee come to the CPAC meeting and explain the demolition process for historic properties.

Stacey Burch can be reached at 255-8236 or sburch@coj.net

Parks & Recreation – Mark Hartley, Rec and Roll had about 1,350 kids a month this summer and the program will continue throughout the school year on the weekends. We had 1,240 kids in The Learn to Swim program; the city's largest outdoor pool Julius Guinyard, is scheduled to open up the first weekend in August. Safe Gym was a new program, the City of Jacksonville partnered with the middle schools which opened after summer school hours was a success. Some of the summer camps were able to partner with local businesses to take great field trips (bowling, fishing, laser tag, etc.); August 8th is the last night for Summer Night Lights, the Cathedral Park sign is ready to be posted by the community.

Mark Hartley can be reached at 255-7918 or mhartley@coj.net

Project New Ground – William Holman not present.

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

Jacksonville Public Library – Not present.

Public Works – Not present. **JEA –** Bud Para, not present.

JTA – Cheryl Riddick, The Jacksonville Transportation Authority is holding a series of public meetings as well as a public hearing to seek input regarding proposed changes to the bus

system including routes that will be affected as JTA establishes the North Corridor of the First Coast Flyer Bus Rapid Transit System. Discussions will include the elimination of Route 2, changes to Route 12, and the reduction in services for Routes 203 and 301. She handed out posters with important dates for public meetings. Former Councilwoman Denise Lee asked JTA to assist the CPACs with getting the information out to the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, August 18, 2015 10 a.m. – Noon and 4:30-6:30 p.m FSCJ Downtown Campus

101 W. State Street, Room 1058 Jacksonville, FL 32202 Presentations at 10:15 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.

Margaret Gregory asked why bus stops were taken away on Myrtle Ave between 8th and 10th street. Ms. Riddick stated she would pass this information on to the bus stop manager and follow up with her.

Darcel Harris asked who is responsible for emptying the trash cans at the bus stop. Ms. Riddick stated JTA. If you have a trash can that needs to be emptied at the bus stop contact JTA. **Jacksonville Transportation Authority @ www.jtafla.com**

Chair's Report

The Southwest CPAC invited all the CPAC Chairs to their July meeting. Greg Radlinski the
Vice-Chair represented the Urban Core. He presented the Urban Core boundaries, what
some of the priorities are and the challenges of the Urban Core CPAC. Each CPAC has
different challenges and priorities. The common factors within all the CPAC's was more
funding, training, staffing, feedback from city officials and having a voice on city issues.

Unfinished Business: None

Not Ilike to be nominated for another term as Chair of the Urban Core CPAC. Greg Radlinski, Darcel Harris and Christina Parrish were placed on the nomination subcommittee. The subcommittee will hold a meeting at 5:00 p.m. before the next CPAC meeting. Darcel Harris asked that candidates provide a brief background summary for the subcommittee.

<u>Public Comments/Announcements</u>: Wayne Dewhirst, Architect and Planner, has family in the Springfield area and created a design he named Hubnut. Hubnut addresses the vacant houses, traffic and trash in the community. He is willing to work with anybody to help solve the problem. The Chair and Mr. Dewhirst both agreed that demolition of houses is not the answer. Mr. Dewhirst can be emailed at lwdewhirst@gmail.com.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn and all agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

The next Urban Core CPAC meeting is on **Thursday, September 3, 2015** at 5:30 p.m. at the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street, 1st floor Training Room