

Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

**Police Athletic League Building – 3450 Monument Road
May 14, 2007 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting Summary

Members and Alternates

Kathy Borck (Alt.)	Anne Hancock	Johnny Holden
David Evans	Lad Hawkins	Joe Lek
Kacy Evans	Sandi Hibbard	Marcella Lowe
Eddi Parsons	Lewis Palmer (Alt.)	Richard Witzel
Rick Smith	Ben Tucker	Clay Yarborough

Members Excused

Larry Belge	Armando Grundy- Gomes	Maxine Terrell
Eddie Daniel	Helen Ludwig	Roberta Thomas
Yvonne Creswell	Tom Shoumlin	

Guests

Several UNF Students	Others
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Staff/Resources

John Culbreth, PREC	James Richardson, NSD	Lt. Bob Amy, JSO
James Green, FDOT	Bob Winter, Prop. Saf.	
Ed Lukacovic, P&DD	Tamera Branan, JPL	

Call to Order

Joe Lek called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. After establishing that a quorum was present, an inspirational moment was led by Clay Yarborough

Approval of the Minutes

A motion to approve the April 9, 2007 meeting summary was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Speakers

Joe introduced Martha Prado with Jacksonville Legal Aid who spoke to the issue of Medicaid Reform. She reported that Duval County was in the 2nd year of a pilot program to reform Medicaid to operate more like an HMO. She explained the basics of

the program and who was required to sign up. She then fielded a few questions from the group.

For additional information or for questions, Martha can be contacted at (904) 394-0042.

Joe then introduced Lynn Drysdale who was also with Jacksonville Legal Aid who spoke to the issue of Predatory Lending. She fielded several questions from the group and encouraged individuals with specific concerns or questions to contact her at (904) 394-0042.

Subcommittee Reports

Prior to hearing subcommittee reports, Joe shared with the group that Eddie Daniel, Vice-Chair of the CPAC, had taken a position which requires him to relocate. He has submitted his resignation to the CPAC. After discussing the situation with OGC and NSD staff, Joe polled the group on their desire to fill the unexpired term or to proceed without a Vice-Chair. The group indicated their preference to fill the position. Joe then appointed a Nominating Subcommittee, Chaired by Al Cherry, to bring back recommendations to the next meeting. All interested in serving in the position should contact Al Cherry prior to the June meeting. Joe also reported that Clay Yarborough had submitted his resignation effective June 30th. He asked for volunteers to serve as the Membership Chair. Those interested should contact Joe or James Richardson.

PARKS & RECREATION – no report. Joe once again indicated the importance of this committee and expressed support that Dewey Marshall would do a good job.

BEAUTIFICATION – Marcella encouraged those present to consider submitting applications for the Communitree program and that several groups had successfully taken advantage of it. She spoke of the success Alderman Park Civic Association was having with its efforts to improve the physical condition of their neighborhood and encouraged other organizations to do the same.

(Those interested in the Communitree program with JEA which provides free trees to an organization can secure additional information at www.jea.com). Marcella can be contacted at 725-2882.

GRANTS & AWARDS – no report.

LAND USE & ZONING – Joe Lek presented the following motions:

Opposition to the Rezoning 2007-510 to change the zoning of 1.21 acres from CCG-1 to PUD to allow a RPM Automotive repair facility on the north side of Atlantic Boulevard and east of San Pablo Road.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) opposes the above proposal for Rezoning 2007-510 to change the zoning of 1.21 acres from CCG-1 to PUD to allow a RPM Automotive repair facility on the north side of Atlantic Boulevard and east of San Pablo Road for the following reasons:

- *There are too many broad uses in the PUD.*
- *Arlington CPAC needs more information on the type of developments.*
- *Arlington CPAC has concerns on traffic patterns for the uses.*

The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Opposition to the Land Use Change LU 2007A-003 and Rezoning 2007-566 to change 4.00 acres land use category from MDR to CGC and zoning from RLD-G to PUD zoning district to allow a Racetrac gas station convenience store at 8300 Merrill Road between Woolery Drive and Sunrise Ridge Lane.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) opposes the above proposal for Land Use Change LU 2007A-003 and Rezoning 2007-565 to change 4.00 acres land use category from MDR to CGC and zoning from RLD-G to PUD zoning district to allow a Racetrac gas station convenience store at 8300 Merrill Road between Woolery Drive and Sunrise Ridge Lane for the following reasons:

- *The environmental impact to the wetlands.*
- *It is across the street from an elementary school.*
- *The visual and aesthetic impacts the Racetrac billboard would be incompatible with the neighborhood.*

The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

The next meeting of the LUZ Subcommittee will be held Monday, June 11, 2007, 4:30 pm in the Regency Branch Library.

MEMBERSHIP – Clay Yarborough reported that applications had been processed and approved for the Southern Grove Condominium Association. He also reported that an application had been received that evening for the Mayport Village Association.

SCHOOLS – no report.

TRANSPORTATION – no report.

The Transportation subcommittee is scheduled to meet the 3rd Thursday of the month. Please call Bill Figueroa at 482-0300 to confirm time and location

NAP – Marcella reported that legislation for the NAP had been introduced to City Council and was making it's way through the committee cycle. It is anticipated to pass.

ENVIRONMENT – no report. .

Staff Reports

MAYOR’S REPRESENTATIVE – John Culbreth reported that all city departments were busy putting together their budgets. All departments have been requested to reduce their budget requests by 10% and the structure of city government is also under review. Nothing has been decided and details will be forthcoming at a later date. He also reported that previous requests made to him concerning Blue Cypress have been addressed. He then fielded a few questions from the group.

JSO – Lt. Amy reported that overall crime in Zone 2 was down 14.5% in the past 14 days. They continue to get the word out on areas that will continue to add to the decrease and ask that the community be vigilant in assisting them in their efforts. He reported that another initiative would be starting across the city in the next 90 days. They will be increasing traffic patrols after 7 pm, along with DUI units as well. This is being done because traffic fatalities across the city are up. He then fielded several questions from the group.

DCSB – no report.

PUBLIC WORKS – no report.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT – Ed Lukacovic reported that he had contacted the zoning applicant at St. Johns and Monument and advised them to repost the appropriate signs.

FDOT – Jim Green reported that traffic seemed to flowing better with the reversal process put into place on the Mathews Bridge. He also reported that traffic signals will be reinstalled at Merrill Road and 9A.

WONDERWOOD 3 PROJECT – no report.

DCHD – no report.

LANDSCAPE/BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT – no report.

NEIGHBORHOODS - PROPERTY SAFETY – Bob Winter reported that there was a new brochure recently published which outlined very well exactly what Property Safety does. He also reported that they had recently eliminated the property safety issues that have long been a problem in the St. Isabel neighborhood in North Arlington. He also discussed that neighbors helping each other is the best thing that can be done to move an area forward.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES – James Richardson mentioned the upcoming state conference and encouraged those present to consider attending. He also mentioned the upcoming Seeds of Change Youth Job Fair and encouraged those present to take a flyer and spread the word. Lastly, James mentioned the upcoming Bus Rapid Transit

Workshops to be held on June 4th and 5th and strongly encouraged those present to attend as they are very important.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – no report.

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS & ISSUES – John Culbreth announced that PREC received a National Recreation Award from NIKE and 2,900 football, basketball and track shoes would be donated to children in the community. He also announced that 400 telescopes had been received and were being distributed to youth groups across the city. Lt. Amy also reminded everyone that the Regency substation is open 8 am to 6 pm Monday through Friday and that units are not dispatched from there. For emergencies, call 911. If there is a non emergency, the number to call JSO is 630-0500.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, June 11, 2007, 6:00 pm at the Regency Square Branch Library.

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Chair: Joseph Lek

Vice-Chair: Eddie Bantel



April 9, 2007

To: Gray Edwards, Chair, Planning Commission
Hon. Sharon Copeland, Chair, City Council Land, Use, & Zoning Committee

Re: Opposition to the Rezoning 2007-269 to change the zoning of 0.332 acres from CO to CN to allow a convenience retail store at 1807 Rogero Road.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposal for Rezoning 2007-269 to change the zoning of 0.332 acres from CO to CN to allow a retail convenience store at 1807 Rogero Road. It is felt the request is too intense for the property.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph Lek".

Joseph Lek, Chair

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cc: Hon. John Peyton, Mayor
Brad Thoburn, Director, Planning Department
Sandy Simmons, Planning Department

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To: Gray Edwards, Chair, Planning Commission
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Re: Opposition to the Rezoning 2007-302 to change the zoning of 22.8 acres from PUD to PUD to allow the maximization of 400 multi-family dwelling units at the southeast corner of Cypress Drive and San Pablo Road South.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposal for Rezoning 2007-302 to change the zoning of 22.8 acres from PUD to PUD to allow the maximization of 400 multi-family dwelling units at the southeast corner of Cypress Drive and San Pablo Road South. The reasons for the opposition are as follows:

- The proposed development is dense with too many units for the property.
- The proposed use is eliminating of wetlands.
- The proposed maximum height is too high next to the established one story single-family developments adjacent to it.

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**Re: Opposition to the passage of Ordinance 2007-321; the Old Arlington
Neighborhood Action Plan (NAP).**

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) respectfully ask the Planning Commission to deny Ordinance 2007-321 which proposes to adopt the December 2006 version of the Old Arlington Neighborhood Action Plan (NAP) and to give sole authority to interpret it to the Jacksonville Planning Department Director.

The December 2006 NAP does not reflect the language and desires of the residents and business owners inside the Old Arlington NAP study area. There have not been any public meetings with the residents and businesses after 2003 by the Jacksonville Planning and Development Department. The community also opposes granting sole authority to interpret the Old Arlington NAP to any one individual.

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