

Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Regency Square Branch Library
February 12, 2007 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Summary

Members and Alternates

Al Cherry
Gene Crabtree
Eddie Daniel
David Evans
Kacy Evans
Dorothy Fant
Anne Hancock

Lad Hawkins
Florence Holcomb
Joseph Lek
Helen Ludwig
Dewey Marshall
Jay Olchak
Eddi Parsons

Tom Shoumlin
John Slough
Roberta Thomas
Richard Witzel
Clay Yarborough

Members Excused

Yvonne Creswell
Armando Grundy-
Gomes

Johnny Holden
Marcella Lowe
Carol Schirado

Guests

Honorable Lake Ray,
City Council – Dist 1
Prentis Clayton, FCMPO
Irvin “Pedro” Cohen
Carolyn Anderson

Gary Hollis
Jay Jabour
Kellie Bushong, UNF
Rachel Lawlona, UNF
Bill Bishop

Barbara Cherry
John Fox
Cheryl Grymes

Staff/Resources

Shorty Robbins, PREC
James Green, FDOT

Selinda Keyes, DCSB
James Richardson, NSD

Bill Abbott, Prop. Saf.

Call to Order

Joe Lek called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. After establishing that a quorum was present, an inspirational moment was led by Clay Yarborough and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Speakers

Joe Lek allowed candidates present to identify themselves and say a brief few words. He then introduced the Honorable Lake Ray, City Council, District 1 who encouraged those present to meet their respective council candidates and make sure they are aware of any issues important to them. He reported that he would be bringing forth

some legislation which would take bold steps to moving the city forward in a positive manner. He advised that he would bring more information to future meetings once it had been introduced.

Joe then introduced Prentis Clayton with the First Coast MPO who provided information on the First Coast Commuter Program. This is a new car pool and van program being introduced to the community which encourages pooling together to go to work. Additional information on the program can be found at www.firstcoastmpo.com.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion to approve the January 8, 2007 meeting summary was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Subcommittee Reports

PARKS & RECREATION – no report. Joe indicated that this was a critical committee and encouraged members to considering volunteering to chair it. ***(After the meeting, Dewey Marshall and Eddie Daniel agreed to co-chair the committee)***

BEAUTIFICATION – no report.

(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. Joe asked Dorothy Fant to represent the CPAC on the Mayor's Awards Selection Committee. She agreed.

LAND USE & ZONING – After turning the meeting over to Eddie to preside, Joe presented the following motions:

Opposition to Rezoning 2007-135 at 7801 Lone Star Road between Carlotta and Lillian Road to rezone 6.8 acres from PUD to PUD to allow a day care and low intensity commercial uses. It was properly seconded. After discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Councilman Ray asked the CPAC to send a letter asking that he ask for deferral in the Council's LUZ committee until further citizen input is received.

Support for Rezoning 2007-137 to change the zoning of 2.8 acres from PUD and CCG-1 to PUD to allow the construction of a 72 room hotel on 2040 Mayport Road.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in support of the above proposal for Rezoning 2007-137 to change the zoning of 2.8 acres from PUD and CCG-1 to PUD to allow the construction of a 72 room hotel on 2040 Mayport Road because it is felt that this project will enhance the corridor with new development and is a down zoning of the existing PUD.

The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Opposition to the Waiver 2007-138 to waive the road frontage requirement from 180 feet to 80.185 feet to allow the construction of a single-family home at 1125 Girvin Road.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposal for Waiver 2007-138 to waive the road frontage requirement from 180 feet to 80.185 feet to allow the construction of a single-family home at 1125 Girvin Road because it is felt that the applicant already has a viable use of the property with one single family dwelling. The grant of this waiver would allow for multiple dwellings on the property without meeting the minimum performance standards of the Zoning Code. The grant of this waiver may also set a precedence for future waivers on similar properties in proximity.

The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Opposition to the Land Use Change LU 2007C-016 and Rezoning 2007-XXX to change 9.97 acres land use category from RPI to NC and zoning from CRO to CN zoning district to allow for commercial development at the northeast corner of Monument Road and St. Johns Bluff Road.

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposal for Land Use Change LU 2007C-016 and Rezoning 2007-XXX to change 9.97 acres land use category from RPI to NC and zoning from CRO to CN zoning district to allow for commercial development at the northeast corner of Monument Road and St. Johns Bluff Road because it is felt that this property was intended to provide a buffer between the airport and surrounding residential neighborhood.

The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Roberta Thomas moved the CPAC to send a letter opposing 2007-35 because it was inconsistent with the Old Arlington NAP and was also to small a parcel of .37 acres, with septic, to support the intense land use of apartments and condos. It was properly seconded and approved by the group.

The next meeting of the LUZ Subcommittee will be held Monday, March 12, 2007, 5:00 pm at the PAL Building – 3450 Monument Road.

MEMBERSHIP – Clay Yarborough reported that there were no new memberships at the time.

SCHOOLS – Tom Shouplin reported that FCAT was upon the students and schools are concentrating on preparing students for the upcoming tests..

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

ENVIRONMENT – Lad Hawkins reported that since the past heavy dose of rains, there were problems with siltation along the WW3 project. He is also working with Councilman Ray on the landscaping and median maintenance issues associated with the project. He asked Councilman Ray to report on the status of purchasing the Whatley property along the corridor. Councilman Ray reported that they were exploring several issues and options including the specific parcels desired, potential landscaping, costs and funding for the purchase.

NAP – no report.

Staff Reports

MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE – Shorty Robbins indicated there was no report, however, she was available for questions.

JSO – no report. Jay Olchak reminded the group of upcoming SHADCO meetings.

DCSB – Selinda Keyes reported that they were busy preparing for the upcoming FCAT testing which would take place 2/26 – 3/9. The land for the new high school was also in the works and the district hoped to bring something to the board in the spring. She then fielded questions from the group.

PUBLIC WORKS – no report.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT – no report.

FDOT – Jim Green provided the status of several projects: work on the Mathews Bridge was occurring at night, painting of the cables on the Dames Point Bridge would begin soon, the JTB 6 to 6 lanes from 9A to San Pablo project would begin in the spring, Beach Blvd from FCCJ South to San Pablo resurfacing was scheduled for the spring. He also reported that JTA was having a series of meetings concerning the proposed Rapid Transit System.

WONDERWOOD 3 PROJECT – no report.

JHRC – no report.

DCHD – no report.

LANDSCAPE/BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT – no report.

NEIGHBORHOODS - PROPERTY SAFETY - no report.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES – James Richardson reported the March and May meetings of the CPAC would need to be held at an alternate facility due to early voting at the library. The March meeting would be held at the PAL building at the District 2 Regional Park – 3450 Monument Road. Due to new security guidelines there, the meeting would need to be pushed back to a 6:30 pm start time. He also reported that the annual Neighborhood Summit would be held April 3rd and that registration information would be coming out soon. James then informed the group that the Mayor's Awards to Individuals and Organizations would take place at the summit as usual. Due to the summit date, the deadline to submit nominations would be March 9th, He encouraged those present to submit nominations. asked that everyone save the date. In an effort to expand it to more people, there would be several changes, including the time. More details would be forthcoming soon.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – Joe thanked the CPAC for the work they do. He said that they did a good job reacting to issues. However, he wanted the CPAC to become proactive and work on the issues important to the members. He asked James to send a letter to CPAC members soliciting their top 10 issues they wanted the CPAC to address. James will compile the information and report back at the March meeting. The issues will be assigned to a committee and will be reviewed periodically to see that the issues are being addressed.

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS & ISSUES – Clay Yarborough reported that Gail Melton, former CPAC member, lost her husband recently and asked for everyone's thoughts and prayers. Al Cherry reported that the Ivey Road park plans were now complete and Councilwoman Self would be soon introducing a resolution for it. He acknowledged her efforts and thanked her. Roberta Thomas reported that the Rogero Road roundabout has been added to the CIP and funding is being sought for the project. The group expressed that at future meetings they would like to hear from JTA and information on the zoning code rewrite which they felt was proceeding to fast.

Under guest comments, John Fox agreed that the zoning code rewrite was moving much too fast. He also reported an increase in odors around the area surrounding the 9A / Monument Road intersection. James was asked to secure information from JEA.

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

Next Meeting - NOTE LOCATION AND TIME CHANGE

The next meeting will take place on Monday, March 12, 2007, 6:30 pm at the PAL Building located at 3450 Monument Road.