

# Greater Arlington/Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

Regency Square Branch Library  
6:00 P.M. October 11, 2004

## Minutes

### Members and Alternates

Albert Cherry  
Sandra Curran  
Gary Dickinson  
Dorothy Fant  
Kevin Feldt  
Mark Foss  
Ingrid Freeman-Claxton  
Lad Hawkins  
Johnny Holden

Joseph Lek  
Marcella Lowe  
Helen Ludwig  
Barbara Mazer  
Gail Melton  
Jay Olchak  
Thomas Olney  
Eddi Parsons  
Bradley Richards

Ray Salman  
Carol Schirado  
Tom Shouvin  
Roberta Thomas  
Ben Tucker  
Clay Yarborough  
Janet Ostler (Alt.)  
Ramsey Salem (Alt.)

### Members Excused

Terry Akins  
Gerry Atkinson

Larry Belge  
Sherrie Jarnutowski

Sandra Spencer-Shabla

### Guests

UNF Nursing Students  
Dale Parsons

Elizabeth Lussiere  
David Jones

Dr. Aaron Hilliard  
Joy Dryden

### Staff/Resource

Jim Green, FDOT  
Selinda Keyes, DCSB  
Steve Lawing, Bldg Insp  
Lt. Lamb, JSO

Lynn Westbrook, Admin  
Edward Lukacovic, PDD  
James Richardson, NSD  
Lorrie DeFrank, NSD

Robert Prado, Code Enf.

### Call to Order

Marcella Lowe called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and followed with a prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

### Speakers

Presentation by Dr. Aaron Hilliard of the Duval County Health Department (DCHD) who spoke on the subject of West Nile Virus. He mentioned the causes and outlined concerns that the DCHD had for the area due to standing water from recent storms. He distributed insect repellent with concentrated DEET to those present. A question and

answer period followed.

Presentation by David Jones of the Duval County Health Department encouraging those present to consider participating in the "CHEER Study" being conducted by the DCHD (informational materials attached). He provided the details and answered questions. He also mentioned that October is Children's Health month.

Presentation by Joy Dryden of the American Cancer Society on Arlington participation in the upcoming Relay for Life. She shared a video explaining the event and discussed that Arlington had not participated the past few years. She encouraged the CPAC to get involved and join in support of the event to be held in April 2005. Clay Yarborough and Tom Shouvin agreed to serve as Co-Chairs of the event. They will be soliciting volunteers to assist on the Planning Committee.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes from the September 13, 2004 meeting were unanimously approved with corrections.

### **Sub-Committee Reports**

PARKS AND RECREATION – Gary Dickinson presented recently completed plans for Archie Dickinson Park. The 10 acre park plans reflect the interests and concerns of the area residents. He indicated that the property had been purchased, the design had been paid for, however, funding for the park had not come through yet. He also shared some insight into security at the upcoming Super Bowl and also talked briefly on the partnership with the DCSB in relation to parks located on school property. Marcella reported forwarding correspondence she receives from the Mayor's Task Force to Gary.

BEAUTIFICATION – Gail Melton indicated there were 2 Communi-Tree applications received by September 30<sup>th</sup>. The committee met on October 4<sup>th</sup>, approved the applications and forwarded them to JEA. She announced the deadline of December 30<sup>th</sup> for the next round of applications.

GRANTS AND AWARDS – no report.

LAND USE AND ZONING – Joe Lek reported that the subcommittee met and after reviewing the Planning Department project list, had four motions:

### **Opposition to the Rezoning 2004-965, to change the zoning from RPI/CO to PUD on Atlantic Blvd. between Withrow Drive and Kernan Blvd. South to allow a maximum of 300 multifamily and single family housing units**

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposal for a rezoning of 38 acres on Atlantic Blvd. Between Withrow Drive and Kernan Blvd. South from RPI/CO to PUD to allow a maximum of 300 multifamily and single family housing units together with commercial, because it is felt that there is a too high intensity of uses, density and there will be too much impact on Atlantic Boulevard.

Motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

**Opposition to the Administrative Deviation AD-04-190 on 3504 Jacona Drive, to allow for a reduced side yard from 6 feet to 3 feet.**

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposed Administrative Deviation on 3504 Jacona Drive to allow for a reduce side yard from 6 feet to 3 feet because it is felt that we do not want to sanction outstanding violations for illegal structures thereby setting a precedent for future violations.

Motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

**Opposition to the Administrative Deviation AD-04-199 and Exception E-04-82 on 9755 North Juniper Court to allow for a reduced minimum lot size from 2 acres to 1.42 acres and allow a church on a lot of less than 4 acres in a RDL-G Zone.**

The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) are in opposition to the above proposed Administrative Deviation AD-04-199 and Exception E-04-82 on 9755 North Juniper Court to allow for a reduced minimum lot size from two acres to 1.42 acres and allow a church on a lot of less than 4 acres in a RDL-G Zone because it is felt that the property is too small, not enough parking and there are outstanding violations existing.

Motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Marcella mentioned that she attended a public hearing held on 2004-801 & 802. She indicated that the rezoning was changed to a PUD at the urging of Councilwoman Pat Lockett-Felder and that everyone seemed to be pleased. Additional public hearings are to be held.

**The Land Use and Zoning subcommittee will next meet at 4:30 pm November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Regency Square Branch Library.**

MEMBERSHIP – Clay Yarborough introduced Eddi Parsons representing Monument Oaks Homeowners Association (present) and Julie Pierce representing the Kernan Coalition (not present). He indicated that he had no other applications at this time.

SCHOOLS – Tom mentioned that we had now had two full weeks of school since the recent storms and deferred further comments to Selinda’s report later in the meeting.

TRANSPORTATION – Mark Foss reported that the Transportation subcommittee last met on September 20<sup>th</sup> at the Regency Square Library. Representatives from JTA and Public Works were there (minutes attached). The October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will focus on Kernan Boulevard completely. He indicated that the committee was presenting two motions:

**Letter be sent to Alberto Izquierdo of JTA with several requests and presenting several concerns and suggestions all around the Wonderwood Connector, both the newly opened portion and proposed future plans.**

Motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

**Letter to Honorable Aage Schroeder, District 2 Secretary, Florida Dept. of Transportation supporting the findings of the “Mayport Traffic Analysis Report” proposing to close 2 lanes on the South end of Mayport Road.**

Motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

**The Transportation subcommittee will next meet at 6:00 pm October 19th at the Regency Branch library.**

ENVIRONMENT – Lad Hawkins indicated that he had no report, but the Waterways Commission would be meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm.

NAP – Gail and Marcella indicated that the steering committee had received a draft of the plan and that October 22<sup>nd</sup> was the deadline for comments. They would have a better report at the next meeting. Roberta Thomas shared some concerns that she had with the draft with the concurrence of Gail and Marcella.

### **Staff Reports**

MAYOR’S REPRESENTATIVE – Lynn Westbrook, Director of Public Works, provided an update on storm debris removal. He indicated they tried working within the existing routes but that did not work. Over 120,000 tons had been picked up to date, and Jacksonville was holding their own with the rest of the state. To try and expedite removal, they have corralled the contractors into grids throughout the city. He indicated that Arlington, Mandarin and Ortega were the hardest hit in the county. He felt that the city had turned the corner on debris removal and things were picking up. He fielded several debris related questions. Several compliments were paid to Lynn by the CPAC.

JACKSONVILLE SHERIFF’S OFFICE – Lt. Lamb reported that he was new to Zone 2. He indicated an increase in Robbery to Individuals in the zone. A group in a red SUV was operating mainly in Sector D, and they were making efforts to address the situation. He also indicated there had been 2 murders and 2 arsons (both to the same property), and a 40% decrease in auto theft.

DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD – Selinda indicated today had been a makeup day for the hurricanes with another to follow on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Other days are to be announced at a later date.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT – Ed Lukacovic had no report.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – Jim Green indicated that interim repairs on the Mathews Bridge were beginning that evening and a long term solution

was still being looked into. He mentioned the upcoming MPO meeting to be held October 14<sup>th</sup> seeking public input to their 2030 plan. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of workshops.

BUILDING INSPECTION/LANDSCAPING – Steve Lawing had no report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Doug Bilenko indicated that Fire Station 58 was still scheduled for April. He also mentioned that the hurricanes had kept them very busy.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – No report.

NEIGHBORHOODS DEPARTMENT – PROPERTY SAFETY – Bob Prado had no report.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES – James acknowledged Lorrie DeFrank, Chief of Neighborhood Services. He thanked everyone for his or her efforts during the Florida Neighborhoods Conference and reported that it had been a huge success. He thanked everyone for their help in announcing the Mayor's Town Hall meeting held on October 4<sup>th</sup> and indicated that approximately 65 residents were in attendance. It was an overall good meeting with nothing to follow up on. He also received indication from the group to continue meeting at the Regency Library in the future.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS – No report.

### **Other Business**

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – Marcella mentioned the nominating committee had been formed and encouraged nominations be sent to them. She recently met with Drew Freck regarding Kendall Town Center and he had offered to come and discuss plans with the group. She and James will work to have him at a future meeting. She indicated that she had discussed the University Park Library meeting room and the Mathews Bridge with Mayor Peyton during a recent meeting of CPAC chairs and was confident that he would secure funding to complete the room. She brought his thanks to the group for support of the Wonderwood opening and a reliance that he felt the Town Center concept was important and deserved funding

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ISSUES – none.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None.

GUEST COMMENTS – None

### **Motion to Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

### **Next Meeting**

**The next meeting will take place on Monday, November 8, 2004 at the Regency**

**Branch library at 6:00 pm.**

**Seeking Volunteers!**

**We are still seeking volunteers to chair a subcommittee focusing on the Traffic Impact of Large Retail Developments. We need members to serve and someone to chair the committee.**

**Clay and Tom also need volunteers to assist with the Planning Committee for the Arlington Relay for Life.**

**Please contact Marcella or James prior to, or during our next meeting.**