# Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

# Regency Square Mall – Community Room ~ 9501 Arlington Expressway 6:30 p.m. Monday, February 11, 2008

## Meeting Summary

## **Members and Alternates**

Michael Anania Anne Hancock Lynn Murray James Blache Lad Hawkins Eddi Parsons Florence Holcomb H. Roger Sharp Larry Belge Albert Cherry Carroll Huffines John Slough Michele Davis Joe Lek Benjamin Tucker Sandra Tuttle Gary Dickinson Marcella Lowe Richard Witzel David Evans Helen Ludwig Kacy Evans Dewey Marshall

#### **Members Excused**

Dorothy Fant Michelle Jerkins Roberta Thomas Sandi Hibbard Jay Olchak

#### <u>Guests</u>

Michelle Baldwin
Tamera Branam
Joyce Wesley
Tammy Burrard
Brandon Cottrell
Donna Edwards
John Fox
Tim Macioleil

#### Staff/Resources

Lake Ray

Ed Lukacovic, P&DD Community Services, George Tawes, Code
Rosemary Wesolowski, Mayors Liaison Enforcement

NSD Lt. R.J. Amy, JSO

Kelley Boree, Jim Green, FDOT

Recreation &

### Call to Order

Helen Ludwig called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and established that a quorum was present. An inspirational moment was led by Councilmember Clay Yarborough and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

Motion to approve the January 14, 2008 meeting summary was properly seconded and approved by the group.

## **Speakers**

Gary Crumley, Mayport Village Advocate, Landscape Architect informed the group of the concerns of the Mayport Village and Mayport area residents have in regard to development in the Mayport area. Most recently there has been much concern about the proposed development of a cruise terminal. Numerous meetings have occurred between Jacksonville Port Authority (JPA), City Council, Rick Ferrin and various community leaders. The Mayport Village Community Association would like it to be known that as a community they are opposed to the possible development of a cruise terminal in the Mayport area. Some of the reasons for the opposition are: the projects scale is too large for the area, the infrastructure could not support the additional burden; roadways can not meet the future traffic demands, this would be a major environmental concern and the project would eliminate the rich history, shrimp industry and boat ramps in the area. The citizens feel that the City of Jacksonville has the obligation to support the community at Mayport and leave the legacy that respects the past and honors the people that built the community. Over the years the residents of Mayport have been active in the Mayport Waterfront Partnership, Mayport Village Historical Society and the State of Florida Waterfront Partnership program in effort to enhance and preserve Mayport Village. For more information on the history and developments in the Mayport area please visit www.savemayportvillage.net.

# Subcommittee Reports

PARKS & RECREATION – Dewey Marshall reviewed activities at district 2 parks and compiled a summary: Archie Dickinson Park- will contain Two multi-purpose fields, two basketball courts, two tennis courts, playground equipment, skateboarding area, two parking lots, rest room building, two pavilions, infrastructure and landscaping.

Arlington Lions Club – work on the restrooms has been put on hold. Blue Cypress Park – security cameras are needed and the city is currently getting quotes. Castaway Island Park – dredging for a canoe channel to the inter-coastal is underway; project to be completed soon.

Dutton Island and Preserve - major expansion project near completion; this included picnic facilities, trail signage, open play areas, restrooms and landscaping.

Hanna Park – water playground project on hold.

Ivey Road Park - this park will include multi-use fields, walking trails, a dog park, skate park and a large assortment of playground equipment; project nearly complete.

Lake Lucina Park - ADA parking and upgrade to concessions almost completed.

Leonard Abess Park – the restrooms will be demolished and rebuilt. The city is actively taking bids on the project.

BEAUTIFICATION – no report.

LAND USE & ZONING – Joe Lek announced his resignation from the Greater Arlington Beaches CPAC; Mr. Lek is moving and his new home is located in a different district. Mr. Lek also presented several motions:

Opposition to the Zoning Exception E-08-01 to allow retail sales not to exceed 50% of gross floor area in a CRO zoning district at 2508 St. Johns Bluff Road South between Fraser and Alden Roads

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The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

Opposition to the Zoning Exception E-08-04, Waiver of License Distance WLD-08-03, the Administrative Deviation AD-08-10 to allow the retail sale and service of alcohol for both on and off premise consumption, the reduction of requires of minimum distance from church and schools from 1,500 feet to 1,180 feet, and to allow the reduction of required off street parking spaces from 40 to 33 at 2593 Mayport Road between A1A and America's Cup Drive.

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America's Cup Drive for the following reasons: Selling of alcohol is not appropriate to the close proximately of the middle school. There is not enough parking for the proposed use. Off premise selling of alcohol will generate nuisance. The essential character of the neighborhood will be negatively impacted. Upgrade to sell all alcohol is detrimental to the neighborhood.

The motion was discussed, the CPAC voted 13 to 3 in favor of the opposition motion, the motion was passed.

MEMBERSHIP – recognized the following new members:

Hawkins Cove HOA, primary member Florence Holcomb and alternate Jill Nelms.

Mayport Village Civic Association alternate Sandra Tuttle.

Brookwood Forest HOA primary member Joyce Wesley.

TRANSPORTATION – no report.

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

ENVIRONMENT – no report

# Staff Reports

MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE – Kelley Boree informed the group that the Jacksonville Journey is making a lot of strides. This is a citywide project that will officially submit a report by the end of April. The budget process is underway.

JSO – Lt. R.J. Amy informed the group that overall crime is down 17% in District 2. Operation Safe Street (OSS) has made a big impact on crime already. OSS started on February 8, 2008 and will last until the money (\$3 million dollars) is depleted. JSO assisted Woodlawn Acres in a clean up project and JSO cleaned up too; there were 39 arrests made due to outstanding warrants. If you see any transient camps around your home or in any wooded areas, please call JSO so they can investigate and move the campers.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT – Ed Lukacovic reported that on March 5, 2008 the Planning Department will host the Greater Arlington Beaches Community Forum for 2030 Visioning Plan at the Pablo Creek Regional Library, 13295 Beach Blvd. on March 5, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

FDOT – Public meeting will be held on February 21st for the University/Beach Boulevard interchange project. The meeting will be held at Love Grove Elementary.

WONDERWOOD 3 PROJECT – no report

DCSB - no report

DCHD - no report

LANDSCAPE/BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT – no report

PROPERTY SAFETY – George Tawes introduced himself as the new Senior Officer working with Code Enforcement.

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES - Rosemary Wesolowski encouraged the CPAC members to become involved in the 2030 Visioning Plan to ensure that their concerns and desires are worked into the plan.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR – Helen announced that AI Cherry will assume the role of LUZ subcommittee chair. Also confirmed how the members preferred having the room set-up for the meetings.

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS & ISSUES – The citizens from Mayport Village thanked the CPAC for helping them save the Mayport Ferry and are now asking that they help them save their homes and community.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next meeting will take place on Monday, *March 10*, 2007, 6:30 pm at the Regency Square Mall Community Meeting Room – 9501 Arlington Expressway.

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