

**Greater Arlington / Beaches ~ Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

**Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Boulevard  
6:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2009**

**Meeting Summary**

**Members and Alternates**

Michael Anania  
Al Cherry  
David Evans  
Kacy Evans  
Bill Figueroa  
Anne Hancock  
Lad Hawkins  
Sandi Hibbard

Florence Holcomb  
Carroll Huffiness  
Dewey Marshall  
Tami Moe  
Eddi Parsons  
Jerry Petoskey  
Mary Anne Saadeh  
Patricia Schorr

H. Roger Sharp  
Lamar Swanner  
Erica Trent  
Richard Witzel

**Members Excused**

James Blanche  
Michele Davis  
Johnny Holden  
Marcella Lowe  
Helen Ludwig  
Jay Olchak  
Chester Spellman

**Guests**

Robert Sanders

**Staff/Resources**

Lt. Amy, JSO  
Ed Lukavovic, Planning and Development  
Rosemary Wesolowski, Community Development  
George Tawes, Code Compliance  
Jim Green, FDOT  
Selinda Keyes, Duval County School Board

**Call to Order**

Dewey Marshall called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m., established that a quorum was present, the meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**Chairs Report**

Dewey informed the group that he LUZ Subcommittee met at 5:30 p.m. today. During the meeting today the subcommittee decided to change the subcommittee meeting start time back to 5:00 p.m. (prior to the main CPAC meeting).

## Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the April 13, 2009 meeting summary was made. The motion was properly seconded and approved by the group.

## Speakers

### **Bert Watson, USS Charles F. Adams, Restoration Effort, Navy's Inactive Ships Program**

Our goal is to save the USS Charles F. Adams DDG-2, the first Guided Missile Destroyer and the US Navy's first Guided Missile Ship, as a museum ship. We have representatives from almost all 23 "Adams Class DDG" ships and several from the German Adams Class DDG's who have joined our group. ACVA is focusing their efforts on preserving the USS CHARLES F. ADAMS (DDG-2), as she is the only ship left of the class.

On June 16, 1958, the keel was laid for the USS Charles F. Adams. She was the first destroyer planned and built as a guided missile ship. The Charles F. Adams was designed to meet the new challenges of the Cold War. Bristling with more antenna and guidance systems than guns, the Adams used technology as well as conventional weapons to fight her battles. She was armed with two rapid firing, single barreled 5" 54 caliber guns, one twin Tartar surface-to-air missile launcher, one ASROC 8-tube launcher and two triple torpedo tubes

The first active duty stop for the Adams was the Bay of Pigs and the Cuban Blockade. She served as flagship for Cold War surveillance of Soviet submarines in the North Atlantic, and patrolled the turbulent waters of Lebanon, Libya and the Persian Gulf when troubles brought the Navy to those regions in the late 1970's and all of the 1980's. The USS CHARLES F. ADAMS revolutionized naval warfare from two aspects, anti-air warfare and anti-submarine warfare.

The USS Charles F. Adams was decommissioned in 1990 and retired to the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard to await final disposition. In January, 1997, the Saginaw Valley Naval Ship Museum Committee was founded and began efforts to bring the "Charlie Deuce" to Bay City, Michigan, to serve as a living museum. The Saginaw group quit this effort in October 2003 and the Adams Class (DDG) Veterans Association (ACVA) formed in early 2004 to begin work to have the Adams become a naval ship museum.

The Application explained the concept for the operation of the Naval Ship Museum, and specifically *"The museum's mission is to collect and exhibit information, memorabilia and artifacts of the 23 ships in the class, of which CHARLES F. ADAMS is the sole surviving U.S. Navy ship"*. Not only will historical information including the history of these 23 ships in photos, videos, and personal artifacts be displayed, but exhibits will be developed that show the daily life of the sailors at sea: conducting replenishment operations, firing the ship's weapons systems, and recounting typical real life incidents in the history of these ships as they operated in the Cold War, Vietnam, and the tension filled times of the 1980s. Bob Branco developed the Curatorial Plan with detailed research and discussions with another successful ship museum's curator, benefiting from that ship museums' experience. The museum will bring to life not only a Navy ship with its modern weapons systems, but will also reveal the daily lives and challenges of the Navy veterans who served their country, spending months deployed away from their families, with long hours on watch under difficult stressful conditions in war and peace, in countries around the world.

Our supporting documentation (cost data, letters of support, marketing survey results, and various documents required by NAVSEA) filled one entire Volume of our 3 Volume Application. Also included is an appendix that details the condition of the ship and its deficiencies with priority safety issues documented by ACVA members in two visits to the CHARLES F. ADAMS in the Inactive Ship Facility in Philadelphia. Additional information on the planned organization of the Jacksonville Historic Naval Ships Association is in this section with additional DDG-2 ship class history from many of the 23 ships.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

**PARKS & RECREATION** – Chair Dewey Marshall – no report

**BEAUTIFICATION** – Chair Marcella Lowe – not present

**LAND USE & ZONING** – Chair Mike Anania –

**Re: Opposition to the Land Use Amendment LU-2009C-006 and rezoning 2009-XXX to change the land use category on 0.63 acres from LDR to CGC and zoning district on 1.73 acres from CCG-1 and RLD-60 to PUD to allow for an expansion of a RaceTrac filling station and convenience store at 4544 Atlantic Boulevard; 1624 Valencia Drive and 1631 and 1639 Shadowood Lane.** The District 2 Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) is in of opposition to the above land use amendment and rezoning for the following reasons:

- The application is intrusion in the adjacent residential neighborhood.
- The expansion would allow permitted for increased signage.
- The added pump stations will add traffic hazards on Atlantic Boulevard since no turn lane is proposed on Atlantic Boulevard to turn into the site.

The subcommittee did discuss other application, but decided that they would not take any action on the other applications.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Co-Chairs: Jay Olchak and Eddi Parsons – Eddi Parsons introduced new members Patricia Schorr and Lamar Swanner representing Covington Creek HOA; also Gerald and Christina Petoskey representing Old Mill Cove Community Organization.

**TRANSPORTATION** – Co-Chairs Roger Sharp and Richard Witzel – no report

**ENVIRONMENT** – Chair Lad Hawkins – informed the group that the Wonderwood Landscape project has been broken into 5 components and all interested parties have been working closely together. The proposed landscaping will be quite nice when finished. Last month Lad attended a public meeting in Palatka in regard to the withdraw of water from the St. Johns River. This was just the beginning of the application to withdraw from the river. There will be another public hearing in regard to the St. Johns River on May 28<sup>th</sup> at UNF.

**T.R.U.E Commission** – Marcella Lowe – not present

**Craig Airport Advisory Committee** – Dave Evans – stated that JAA has an interim CEO. JAA has also discussed filling in 60 acres of wetland. At this time we need to stay vigilant and defend our land.

**Growth Management Visioning Plan** – Mike Anania – informed the group that the Growth Management Steering Committee will be meeting every Thursday in the month of May to complete the draft version of the vision. The next meeting will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> at Blue Cypress Park in the community room. Contact Mike for further details.

### **Staff Reports**

**MAYOR’S REPRESENTATIVE** – CPAC Chair, Dewey Marshall, announced that Kelley Boree, Mayor’s Representative was unable to attend the meeting because she is working on the budget. If anyone has any questions or concerns for Kelley, please send them to Rosemary and she will forward them to Kelley.

**JSO** – Lt. R. N. Amy – informed the group that everything seems to be operating smoothly. Questions were asked in regard to the Arlington Rapist. Lt. Amy informed the group that JSO had more information on the rapist, but that information is not to be disclosed to the public. If anyone would like to share any information or come forward to share their experience please contact the Sex Crimes Unit at 630-2186.

**DCSB** – Selinda Keyes – informed the group that the school budget may turn out a bit better than they originally planned. Through the legislature and stimulus money the school board will be able to restore the guidance programs, art and physical education. As time permits the superintendent has also been busy visiting schools.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT** – Ed Lukacovic – announced that the Comp Plan is in the 1<sup>st</sup> round and the community still has time to make comment. Future FLUM meetings and minutes will be announced soon. Wetlands are currently under examination. The way wetlands are addressed by local, state and federal government will effect how Jacksonville is developed in the future.

**FDOT** – Jim Green – informed the group that FDOT has been impacted again due to budgetary restrictions. More funds have been swept from transportation and all employees are required to take a 2% pay cut. NFTPO is currently in the middle of their long range plans. Visit the NFTPO website for complete details. The Hart Bridge painting project is still in the maintenance phase; many bolts have been replaced. Painting on the southbound lane of the Dames Point Bridge will be completed over the next couple of weeks; the northbound lanes should be completed within months. At this time the Mathews is schedule to be painted next. At this time FDOT does not have the money to replace the Mathews Bridge; maintenance and painting of the bridge will remain on the current schedule.

**MUNICIPAL CODE** – George Tawes – not present.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – Neighborhood Coordinator Rosemary Wesolowski reminded the group about the upcoming Florida Neighborhoods Conference in St. Petersburg Florida. If anyone is planning to go, please let Rosemary know so she can put them in contact with other citizens from the area that plan to attend in case they would like to car pool or room together.

**Announcements**

(Announcements and comments are limited to 2 minutes)

Carroll Huffiness informed the group that FDOT has started resurfacing Mayport Road. In many spots the road is down to one travel lane and the traffic pattern can be a bit confusing. Be careful if you are driving in the area.

**Adjournment** - There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**The next meeting will take place on Monday, June 8, 2009, 6:30 pm at the Regency Branch Library – 9900 Regency Square Blvd.**

May 11, 2009

To: James F. Register, Chair, Planning Commission  
Hon. Arthur Graham, Chair, City Council Land, Use, & Zoning Committee

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Sincerely,

*Dewey D. Marshall*

Dewey Marshall, Chair  
Greater/Arlington/Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

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