

**SOUTHEAST
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
February 26, 2007**

6:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Rd., Main Hospital, Auditorium C, Jacksonville, FL.
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Call to Order

Gamal Lyons, SE CPAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Speakers

- **Evelyn "Evie" Pankok, Program Assistant Florida Yards and Neighborhoods, Duval County Extension Service** presented a program on Water Runoff. This presentation covered storm water runoff, impervious surfaces, water quality degradation and compared point vs. non-point surface pollution. After the presentation, Ms. Pankok held a Q&A session on the topic. For copy of handouts, additional information and presentations contact Evie at 387-8850 or epankok@coj.net.

Staff Reports

- **Ed Hall, Mayor Liaison**: no report, available for questions.
- **Kris Barnes, Duval County School Board**: shared that the school district currently going through concurrency and they will try to have representation at CPAC meetings.
- **Jim Green, FDOT**: informed the group that in conjunction with JTA there will be a number of community meetings in March and April. Also, resurfacing will start soon on Southside Blvd. (in the Avenues Mall area) and construction continues on the interchange of 9A and Butler Blvd.
- **Lt. George Grant, JSO**: stated that overall crime in district 3 is down 2% and arrests are up 4% over the past year. Fatal car crashes are also up 2% from this time last year.
- **Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhoods Services**: informed the group of the upcoming Mayors Summit to be held on April 3, 2007 from 1 to 8:30 p.m. at the Prime Osborn Convention Center.
- **Mike Koerner, Planning and Development**: announced that there has been a zoning code update; currently in review. To view a draft version, go to www.coj.net – select the Planning and Development Department.
- **Buddy Tawes, Property Safety Division**: no report, available for questions

Subcommittee Breakout Sessions

The subcommittees met from 7:55 to 8:15 p.m.

Chair's Report

- Announced that the Neighborhood Matching Grants paperwork has been mailed out; let Gamal or Rosemary know if you did not get your paperwork or need additional copies.
- Recognized new CPAC members
- Verified quorum
- Voted and approved January 2007 meeting summary

Subcommittee Reports:

Beautification and Environment – Chairperson: Dick Cardell. Followed up on several topics from the January 2007 meeting: 1. reconfirmed that subcommittee needs to follow up with Jim Green regarding the formal entry to the Fox Chase and Woodland Station subdivisions. 2. Update on calling 630-CITY to have various road signs (political, garage sale, buy houses...) removed. One member stated that he experienced much difficulty in registering his complaint with the C.A.R.E. (630-CITY) system. He also learned that currently the city does not have a contract with a vendor to remove the signs.

Economic Development and Transportation – Chairperson: Bill Kintz. Discussed the need to clarify the location of turn lanes and turn signals that exit the St. Johns Town Center onto Gate Parkway. A consensus was formed that this subcommittee needs to be come more involved with the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) Rapid Transit visioning and planning processes.

Education – Chairman: Cal Walton. Announced the re vamped plans for the new high school that will be located at 9A and Southside Blvd., and the future infrastructure needs that are necessary to make the school expansion possible.

Growth Management – Chairman: Frank Morgan. Announced that the RFP for Growth Management visioning consultant was due on 2/27/06; hopefully at the next meeting plans for the visioning process can be announced. Also, FEMA has changed the designated flood zones, please double check with FEMA to determine if your home is in one of the “new” flood zones.

Land Use & Zoning – Chairman: Jim Hill. LUZ subcommittee met at 5:30 p.m.; prior to the meeting. At this meeting they review several notices discussed the need to send opposition letters to 2007-38 (2 parcels of land on Hogan Road near Parental Home Road) and 2006-146 (Losco Road and Hood Road S). CPAC voted – the vote passed with one opposition to the letters. Letters will be drafted though the subcommittee and sent by the chair.

Membership Recruitment – Chairman: Gloria Stephens. Announced that this subcommittee is currently developing an orientation program for new CPAC members.

Safety – Chairman: Ray Aleksic: Reminded the group that a security system is an important weapon in fighting crime. Many homes rely on a security system to not only provide security, but also support their smoke detectors; please remember to check the system and the back-up system every 6 months. If you are currently using battery operated smoke detectors, remember to change your batteries in March with daylight savings time.

The floor was opened to all in attendance:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: 6:30 p.m., Monday, March 26, 2007

***LOCATION: St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Road,
Main Hospital – Auditorium C***