

**SOUTHEAST
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
March 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

- **Doug Ayars, Chief Operating Officer, Duval County Public Schools** presented an update on the future school development in the southeast district. Currently the school district has purchased 90 acres of land at 9A/Philips Highway/Baymeadows Road and they are in negotiation for 34 acres of land at Greenland Road/Philips Highway. The 9A/Philips Highway/Baymeadows Road site is designated for a new high school and the school board is also looking at building a K-8 school on the same property. The Greenland Road/Philips Highway location is designated to be a high school site too. The school board is also looking at property along Race Track Road to build a K-5 to accommodate the growth of the Bartram Springs area.

Staff Reports

- **Ed Hall, Mayor Liaison:** announced 2 road projects that will begin soon. The first project to get underway will begin in late summer 2007 at the 295 / St. Augustine Road exchange. The second project will be in the Greenland Road/Coastal Lane/Philips Highway area. This project is scheduled to begin in late summer early fall 2007. For a complete update on all Better Jacksonville Plan projects, visit www.betterjax.com
- **Jim Green, FDOT:** informed the group that JTA has artistic renditions available of the proposed Atlantic Blvd./University Blvd. intersection. To view the proposed intersection visit www.JTAFLA.com. FDOT has completed resurfacing the state portion of Baymeadows Road; the rest of Baymeadows Road will be resurfaced by the city. The Mathews Bridge resurfacing project has started and is on schedule. This summer FDOT will start a road widening project on J. Turner Butler Blvd. from Kernan Road to San Pablo Road. The cables on the Dames Point Bridge will be painted this year; this project may cause intermitted lane closures.
- **Lt. George Grant, JSO:** stated that overall crime in district 3 is down 2% and arrests are up 3% over the past year. There has been a recent spike in armed robberies in the southern part of the district. The drag racing problem remains about the same. The racing locations are known and officers are trying to take a proactive approach to catching the racers.

- **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/rewrite and this process should be completed within the next couple of weeks. After the update/rewrite is completed there will be community meetings to discuss the changes. To view a draft version, go to www.coj.net – select the Planning and Development Department.

Subcommittee Breakout Sessions

The subcommittees met from 7:25 to 7:45 p.m.

Vice Chair's Report

Announced that the SE CPAC submitted their nominations for annual Mayor's Awards for the following SE CPAC members:

- Pine Forest Community Action Corp. for the group award
- Frank Morgan for the individual award

The awards will be presented by the Mayor at the April 3, 2007 Housing and Neighborhood Summit.

Chair's Report

- Acknowledged the loss of long time CPAC member Mark Roesser
- Informed the group that he would attend the CPAC Chair meeting with the Mayor on March 21, 07
- Announced that the CPAC would have an April meeting on April 23, 2007, a bus tour on May 4, 2007 and CPAC meeting on May 21, 2007
- Encouraged each CPAC member to become involved in a subcommittee
- Verified quorum
- Voted and approved February 2007 meeting summary

Subcommittee Reports:

Beautification and Environment – Chairperson: Dick Cardell. Another update on calling 630-CITY to have various road signs (political, garage sale, buy houses...) removed. One member stated that the individual calling must provide the address for concerned property/area that you are calling about. This individual states that complainants are unable to access actual information on the status of the complaint; the confirmation number will only inform you as to which department or division will handled the complaint as well as, if the issue has be closed or not.

Economic Development and Transportation – Chairperson: Bill Kintz. Ralph Hodges substituted; this subcommittee discussed the growth of commercial office condominiums.

Education – Chairman: Cal Walton. Discussed the concept for K-8 schools that Doug Ayars, Duval County Schools mentioned earlier in his presentation. Announced that the University of North Florida has a new parking services building under construction and that an additional 1800 parking spaces in the north campus area are to be added, thus doubling the parking. Subcommittee chair provided information on the UNF enrollment, services, student profile, college of arts and science strategic plan 2007-2012 and discussed the division of continuing education life long learning institute.

Growth Management – Chairman: Frank Morgan. Announced that the RFP's for the growth management visioning consultant were received on 2/27/07 and are under review. Once the consultant is chosen, our committee will serve as a conduit for public concerns to the vision plan citizen advisory committee. Also, the subcommittee reviewed a proposed property redevelopment at Baymeadows Road and I-95.

Land Use & Zoning – Chairman: Jim Hill. LUZ subcommittee met at 5:30 p.m.; prior to the meeting. At this meeting they discussed 2007-265.

Membership Recruitment – Chairman: Gloria Stephens. CPAC member Susan Griffis stated that she will assist in identifying new association to introduce to CPAC.

Safety – Chairman: Ray Aleksic: Reminded the group to keep their garage doors closed. Also it has been identified that the "repair gypsies" are in town. Do not pay attention to unsolicited property repair offers. With any repair work you are having done to your home, do not pay up front. This committee will research where the flood plan zones are for the district and check on the traffic lights at the St. Johns Town Center.

The floor was opened to all in attendance:

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

NEXT MEETING: 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 23, 2007

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