

SOUTHEAST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

May 22, 2006

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

Charles McBurney, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Speaker

Mike Goldman, Public Information Officer, Jacksonville FDOT: presented updates on various SE District road construction projects: SR 9A between Beach Blvd. and the UNF entrance, SR 9A interchange at Butler Blvd., SR 9A landscaping project, I-95/I-295 landscaping, SR 9B (Duval County Portion), various projects & widening on Beach Blvd., expansion of Philips Hwy (to 6 lanes) from Butler Blvd. to 9A and the resurfacing of Southside Boulevard. Mr. Goldman also addressed many questions on these projects. For a complete list of projects and status, visit the following websites: www.sr9a.info, www.sjrbridge.com; and www.thebigi.info.

Staff Reports:

- **Ed Hall, Mayor Liaison, Public Works:** informed CPAC members that the city is actively working on the fiscal 2007 budget and would be available for questions.
- **Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhoods Services:** informed the group that Neighborhood Services will be moving to a new department, the Housing and Neighborhoods Department. Extended an invitation to the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit and shared a schedule of upcoming Communiversity courses.
- **Scott Morgan, Property Safety Division:** introduced new employee, Bruce Chancy.
- **Guy Parola, Planning Department:** no report
- **Lt. G.W. Grant, JSO:** Reported that in crime overall zone 3 was down 9%, traffic stops increased 43% for the city and 36% for zone 3, and murder rates were down 12.5% from 2004 to 2005. Lt. Grant also answered a number of questions in regard to the murder rate, traffic and cameras at intersections.

Subcommittee Breakout Sessions

The subcommittees met from 7:15 to 7:45 p.m.

Chair's Report:

- Verified quorum.
- Motion to approve the March CPAC meeting summary – voted and approved.

Vice Chair's Report:

- Extended a thank you to all that attended and made presentations at the April 21, 2006 Annual Southeast CPAC Bus Tour.

Subcommittee Reports:

Beautification and Environment – Chairpersons: Vickie Breedlove / Mark Roesser. The subcommittee continued the discussion on water quality issues and the limitation of fertilizers to prevent future algae blooms in the St. Johns River. Requested to have a speaker from St. Johns River Keepers at a future CPAC meeting and encouraged associations to ask the group for participation at their meetings as well.

Economic Development and Transportation – Chairperson: Bill Kintz / Mark Roesser. Ralph Saffy presented meeting summary. The subcommittee informed the group that the city appointed a consultant to conduct a 12 month transportation study in an effort to relieve congestion and seek alternatives to current routes. Public meetings on the project will begin in June 2006. In regard to economic development, this subcommittee updated the group on the Freedom Commerce Center. The Army Corps of Engineers gave approval for 37 acres of land on the north end of Freedom Commerce to be developed. This is a significant reduction from the 605 acres that were originally proposed. There will be a minimum of 2 public hearings on this project; dates to be announced. Lastly, this committee would like to send a letter from the SE CPAC to the FDOT to request a traffic study for the I-95 (southbound) / University Boulevard exit ramp. A letter is to be drafted.

Education – Chairman: Paul Riel. This subcommittee discussed the current school bus stop locations. This committee would like discuss bus stop location with Donna Hulseley at a future CPAC meeting.

Land Use & Zoning – Chairman: Jim Hill. Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee stated that the March letter submitted to LUZ Committee Chair Shad was not addressed as the subcommittee had requested. The SE CPAC LUZ subcommittee stated that they would like to draft another letter in regard to R2006-146, then submit it to the city council LUZ committee. A letter will be drafted and submitted to CPAC Chair, Charles McBurney for his review.

Membership Recruitment – Chairman: Jim McKenney. The Membership/ Recruitment subcommittee inform the group that Jim McKenney attended the Mayor's CPAC Information Session at the Main Library on April 8, 2006. Jim spoke on the behalf of CPAC involvement and represented the Southeast CPAC. On April 18, 2006, Jim McKenney and Gloria Stephens attended the Homeowners Association Education class sponsored by Neighborhood Services Division to increase their overall knowledge in various areas of working with homeowner associations.

Safety – Chairman: Ray Aleksic. Advised the CPAC to be aware to crime concerns in their neighborhoods as well as while they are out in all areas of the city. At a recent

ShAdCo meeting, the issue of basketball hoops/goals was discussed. It was determined that it is the homeowners responsibility to ensure safety and that they are liable for all play associated with their personal basketball hoop/goal. In neighborhoods that are governed deed restriction, those neighborhoods would have to defer to their by-laws when addressing various concerns that may arise from the basketball hoops/goals.

The floor was opened to all in attendance:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

***NEXT MEETING: 6:30 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2006
LOCATION: St. Luke's Hospital, 4201 Belfort Road,
Main Hospital – Auditorium C***