

SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus

3939 Roosevelt Blvd. Jacksonville, FL

Monday, Feb. 8, 2010

MEETING SUMMARY

Members and Representatives

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Chair Bruce Tyson	N. E. FL Equestrian Society – Gary Shook
Charter Member – Don Ingram	SMG Equestrian Center – Jean Ellen DeSpain
Charter Member – Chuck Mann	Springtree Village HOA - Dewey Walker
Cedar Hills Estates – Johnny Carter	Timuquana Manor North – Alice Turknett
Confederate Point – James Nolting	Watermill Master Association – Thomas Martin
Crystal Springs HOA - Marilyn Lehman	Westside Business Leaders – Opal Burgstiner
FL State College at Jax, Cecil North – Paul McNamara	
Gleaners Dispatch – Jim Kelly	ALTERNATES ALSO IN ATTENDANCE
Murray Hill Preservation – Len Burroughs	Timuquana Manor North - Polly Walker

Media/Staff/Officials	Excused
Mayor's Liaison – Kelly Boree for Wight Greger	Charter Member Jerry Spinks
Florida Dep't. Transportation – Milton Locklear	Duval County Health Dep't. – Jocelyn Turner
Housing & Neighborhoods – Mary Beth Ridderman	Duval County School Board – Vicki Drake
JSO – Officer Claude Ayoub	Family Investment - Robert Smith
Municipal Code Compliance – Pete Sutherland	N. E. FL Equestrian Society – Olwen Busch
Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel	RAP – Jean Grimsley
Harlan Stallings - Blueprint for Prosperity	Recreation & Community – John Kelly
Roslyn Mixon-Phillips – Mayor's Office	Vice Chair Rosanne Vernon
Stanford Lugg – U. S. Census Bureau	Westwood – Jim Ross
Matt Shirk - Public Defender	Westside Area Residents – Charles Kelley
Guests	
Robert E. Kloug	
Janelle Robinson, FCCJ Nursing	
Ambrae Raulerson FCCJ Nursing	
Greg Hollea Rachal, Westside Business Leaders	
Tracy Encarnagon, UNF Nursing	

Call to Order/Verify Quorum

Chair Bruce Tyson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.. A quorum was verified by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Community Development, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.

Approval of the Meeting Summary:

Chair Tyson asked for approval of the January summary. A motion was made and seconded to accept the summary. The vote: all in favor.

JSO Report: Officer Claude Ayoub reported overall, crime is down by 10 percent in Zone 4. Arson, murder is up from none to one and burglaries to vehicles are also up. He asked residents to lock their parked cars and keep valuables out of sight. He reminded everyone to keep a record of property identification numbers because the burglary unit utilizes a database of reported stolen property when they check pawn shops. With proper identification, stolen items are more likely to be returned. Chair Tyson thanked Officer Ayoub for his report and expressed appreciation for JSO's work in Zone 4.

Introductions and Acknowledgments: Chair Tyson thanked members and guests for attending the meeting and introduced the following guests: Alberta Hipps, Robert Kloug, Janelle Robinson, Ambrae Raulerson, Greg Hollea Rachal and Tracy Encarnagon.

Guest Speaker: Chair Tyson introduced Public Defender (PD) Matt Shirk, who presented information about the Public Defender's Office. The office was created in 1963 with Ed Austin appointed as the first Public Defender, followed by Lou Frost and Bill White. The first election was in 2008 with Mr. Shirk the first elected official and the first Republican to hold office. The PD represents indigent persons accused of committing crimes. Last year approximately 72 attorneys served on about 60,000 cases. The average case load is 200 cases or less. Mr. Shirk thanked the CPAC for inviting him and thanked Ms. Ridderman for arranging his visit. He invited residents to tour the Public Defender's Office. Mr. Shirk may be reached at mshirk@PD4.coj.net or 630-1501. Chair Tyson thanked Mr. Shirk for being present and for providing an informative presentation.

Presentation: Chair Tyson introduced Roslyn Mixon-Philips, Mayor's Office and Director of Recreation and Community Services. Ms. Philips introduced Harlan Stallings from the Mayor's Office and Stanford Lugg from the U.S. Census Bureau. Ms. Philips presented information about the 2010 Census. She said the COJ and Census Bureau are working together to have an accurate census. Federal allocations, such as funding for transportation, housing, veteran services and education, are based on census data. The census will be mailed out in February and March – by March 15 every household will have a copy. The census has been simplified, with only 10 questions, mostly on demographics, but it is very important that every person in the home on April 1 is counted. It is most important that residents return the census. If residents fail to return the form, a census worker will visit each home as many as 15 times each, costing approximately \$90 million nationwide for those forms not mailed in. Residents were encouraged to take census posters and literature to share with their neighbors. Ms. Philips thanked the CPAC for the opportunity to speak. If you have questions, please contact Bruce Tyson at 255-8928. Mr. Tyson serves on the COJ 2010 Census Committee. Chair Tyson thanked Ms. Philips for the presentation and said the CPAC members are always happy to see her. He thanked Ms. Philips, Mr. Stallings and Mr. Lugg for visiting the CPAC and encouraged CPAC members to fill out and return their census forms.

Public Comments:

- Alberta Hipps announced that James Wood, CEO of Memorial Hospital, expressed his appreciation for the CPAC's letter of support for a new hospital on the Westside. Mr. Wood is available to speak to neighborhood and community groups. To arrange a presentation, please contact Alberta Hipps at 781-2654.

Staff Reports and Announcements:

- Mayor's Liaison: Kelly Boree attended for Wight Greger. Ms. Boree announced:
 - The budget process has begun and six community workshops are scheduled. The first workshop is Feb. 11, from 6-8 p.m. at Blue Cypress Community Center, 4012 University Blvd. Seating is limited. To register or to learn more, please visit myjaxbudget.com or call 630-2747.
 - The Winter-Spring 2010 Parks Guide, It Starts In Jax Parks, is available at the table.
 - Hiring will begin next week for summer camp counselors.
- Council Members' Reports: No reports.
- Duval County School Board – Vicki Drake was not present.

- Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel announced his department has moved to the Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street. He provided a printed report. Mr. Hetzel may be contacted at 904-255-8721 or AHetzel@coj.net.
- Municipal Code Compliance –Pete Sutherland reported officers have been working at 5353 110th Street – the owners received orders to abate 26 mobile homes by demolition. Officers worked at 7040 103rd St and wrote 18 nuisance inspections, 32 residential condemnations, 35 homes were condemned as unsafe, and 4 zoning residential violations. Friday the electricity will be cut off for the entire mobile home park. Officers have recently been working weekends to cite zoning violations. To report concerns or possible code violations, please call 630-CITY (630-2489).
- Recreation and Community Services – Kelly Boree attended for John Kelly. See her report listed under Mayor’s Liaison. John Kelly may be contacted at 904- 630-3570 or jkelly@coj.net.
- Duval County Health Dep’t. – Jocelyn Turner’s absence was excused. Ms. Turner may be contacted at 253-2037.
- Florida State College at Jacksonville, Cecil North – Paul McNamara reported:
 - FSCJ is kicking off their annual United Way Fund campaign.
 - FSCJ is recruiting faculty members for environmental science.
 - Mr. McNamara may be reached at 779-4030
- Jacksonville Aviation Authority – Alberta Hipps reported SW CPAC members attended the Feb. 1 JAA Cecil Field Advisory Committee meeting. Chuck Mann suggested the SW CPAC invite JAA to provide an update on Cecil Field and the space port.
- Florida Dep’t. of Transportation – Milton Locklear provided a printed project report on the outer beltway. No funding and no plans are in place at this time. Public hearings are scheduled regarding the River Crossing. All meetings are 4:30 – 7 p.m. Feb 22 at World Golf Village, Feb. 25 at St. Johns Community College, March 2 at Clay County Fair Grounds and March 4 at the Cecil Conference Center. For more information about the public meetings, please contact Brandi Vittur, P.E., Project Manager at 961-7468 or (800) 749-2967or brandi.vittur@dot.state.fl.us or visit the website: <http://www.sjrbridge.com>. Mr. Locklear may be reached at 360-5686.
- Community Development – Mary Beth Ridderman announced:
 - The Community Development Division is providing technical assistance for 2010 CDBG applications. Assistance is available on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. – noon. Please call 255-8200 for more information.
 - A written report was provided with dates, times and locations for the COJ Budget Workshops.
 - The Housing and Neighborhoods Department met the 2010 United Way Campaign fund goal with employee contributions, community contributions, raffles and a bake sale. Ms. Ridderman served on the United Way planning committee and obtained donations. Work has begun on the 2011 campaign.
 - Ms. Ridderman may be reached at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.

Subcommittee Reports:

- Education, Youth and Recreation – Chuck Mann reported:
 - The Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) plans 5 free open enrollment campuses in the Jacksonville area to help raise the 64.5 percent graduation rate in Duval County. School days are longer, students are expected to attend college and 85-90 percent of KIPP students have attended college.
 - Bus shelter advertising remains in controversy. He expressed his concern that JTA has funding for additional bus stops without utilizing paid advertisement which will blight the community. He added his concern about JTA's lack of transparency and its overall management.
 - Mr. Mann may be reached at 387-0636.
- Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission – Tom Martin reported the TRUE Commission:
 - At the February meeting, Adam Hollingsworth announced dates for the Mayor's and City Council's budget discussions/public meetings.
 - The commission does not agree that Metro Park funding should come from the banking fund because it is a loan with no provisions for repayment.
 - The next meeting is March 4 at 4 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
 - Mr. Martin may be reached at 904-778-2265.
- Economic Development – Jim Kelly announced he is very pleased to serve on this subcommittee and invited other members to join the subcommittee because a lot is going on the Westside. He reported that a new Dollar General is being opened on 103rd St. Chair Tyson thanked Mr. Kelly for stepping up to serve on this subcommittee.
- Beautification, Community Facilities and Services – Johnny Carter reported the Keep Jacksonville Beautiful project work day was rained out and has not been rescheduled.
 - Mr. Carter may be reached at 786-2535.
- ShAdCo - Alice Turknett reported:
 - ShAdCo Sector J meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ortega United Methodist Church. No guest speaker was scheduled. JSO reported an increase in reported auto burglaries. A JSO Lieutenants' Walk is scheduled for Feb. 13, 9:30 a.m., leaving from Lake Shore Baptist Church Parking area.
 - ShAdCo Sector K meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lane Wiley Center.
 - ShAdCo Sector L meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Maxville Community Center.
- Land Use, Zoning and Transportation – Rosanne Vernon's absence was excused.
- Membership - Rosanne Vernon's absence was excused.
- Safety – Chair Tyson announced the availability of Code Red, a new weather warning service. Sign up at www.coj.net or call 630-CITY (2489).
- Chair's Report –Chair Tyson reported:
 - Based on the CPAC vote at the January 11 meeting, a letter of support was prepared and mailed to support a Westside hospital. Mr. Wood, CEO of Memorial Hospital, had conveyed his appreciation to the CPAC for the opportunity to present information about the need for a Westside hospital and he had offered to speak at meetings for other organizations.
 - Thomas Martin is appointed to represent the CPAC at the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO). The CPAC has not had official representation at the TPO for several years. Mr. Martin has already attended one TPO meeting. Mr. Martin reported that a lot of discussion had occurred regarding the St. Johns River Crossing (Outer Beltway) at the January TPO meeting. A nomination letter will be

prepared and mailed to the TPO. Chair Tyson thanked Mr. Martin for his willingness to serve on the TPO and the TRUE Commission.

New Business/Old Business –

- Chair Tyson announced that a discussion and vote will be held at the March meeting to decide to/not to break out for 15 minutes during the regular CPAC meeting to provide each member the opportunity to serve on a subcommittee and give the subcommittees a set time to meet each month. According to the CPAC Executive Order, guests may participate in subcommittee activities but can not vote.
- Jim Kelly said new members are needed. Chair Tyson reported the 2010 goal is to increase membership. The Membership subcommittee plans to obtain photo i.d. badges through the Housing and Neighborhoods Department, and will visit new neighborhoods who are not currently CPAC members. He encouraged members to get involved. Discussion followed.
- Tom Martin announced the number to call to register for the COJ Budget Workshops- 630-2747.
- Jim Kelly announced the Parrot Head Club will host its 5th annual gumbo cook off at the Jacksonville Landing. The event is a fundraiser for Gleaners Dispatch. Mr. Kelly suggested the SW CPAC participate by putting up a banner and staffing a table with CPAC information.
- Chair Tyson announced speakers are available to present information about the 2010 Census.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Chuck Mann. A second was made by Len Burroughs. Chair Tyson adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

The next SW CPAC meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Mar. 8 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus, 3939 Roosevelt Blvd., Building E-112 F.

The Executive Committee will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Mar. 8 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus, 3939 Roosevelt Blvd., Building E-112 F.

For more information, please contact Bruce Tyson at 771-4924 or Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260. CPAC meetings and subcommittee meetings are open to the public.

The following provision is required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Summary prepared by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Community Development Division, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.



Housing and Neighborhoods Department
Coordinator's Report Submitted by Mary Beth Ridderman
February 8, 2010

My JAX Budget Workshops explain what the City does, how we do it and what it costs taxpayers to provide these services. Your role is to become informed, then challenge us, instruct us, and hopefully, help us understand what is important to you and your family. Seating is limited. To request seating, please visit myjaxbudget.com or call 630-2747.

Thurs., 2/11/10 – 6-8 p.m.

CPAC District 2 Budget Workshop
Blue Cypress Community Center
4012 University Blvd. N.

Sat., 2/27/10 – 9:30-11:30 a.m.

CPAC District 4 Budget Workshop
Cecil Community Center
13531 Lake Newman Drive

Sat., 3/06/10 – 9:30-11:30 a.m.

CPAC District 1 Budget Workshop
Jacksonville Children's Commission
1095 A. Philip Randolph Blvd.

Thurs., 3/25/10 - 6-8 p.m.

CPAC District 5 Budget Workshop
Clanzel T. Brown Community Center
4545 Moncrief Road

Sat., 4/17/10 – 9:30-11:30 a.m.

CPAC District 3 Budget Workshop
Balis Community Center
1513 LaSalle Street

Thurs., 4/29/10 – 6-8 p.m.

CPAC District 6 Budget Workshop
Dinsmore Community Center
7126 Civic Club Drive

The Community Development Division administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. 2010 workshops have concluded. Technical assistance will be available until March 5, on Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – noon. Please call 255-8200 for more information.

The Housing and Neighborhoods Department offers free information about foreclosure prevention at *Stay Home*, www.coj.net or call 255-8200.

The Emergency Preparedness Division has added a CodeRed Weather Warning system to services provided to Duval County residents. This free service will deliver severe weather warnings affecting the area to telephones within seconds after being issued by the National Weather Service. **Subscribe to CodeRed Weather Warning** by visiting <https://login.coderedweb.com/codereddataentry/Default.aspx?groupid=EA7CUhsxLfCqympNrd82g%3d%3d>.

The First Amendment Foundation of Tallahassee will hold an open government laws workshop at The Times-Union auditorium at One Riverside Avenue in Jacksonville on **Tuesday, Feb. 9**. The Sunshine Seminar, which begins at 8:30 a.m. with registration and ends at 2:25 p.m., features an overview of Florida's public records and public meetings requirements by First Amendment Foundation President Barbara Petersen and a Florida media law presentation by members of the Florida Bar Media & Communications Committee. The seminar is helpful for anyone who uses public records as well as for state and local agency employees who are required to stay current on open government laws. The workshop is approved for continuing education credit by The Florida Bar, Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers and International Institute of Municipal Clerks and licensed investigators. All attendees receive a Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual, which contains the most current public records and public meetings law information. The cost is \$10 for First Amendment Foundation members, \$25 for non-members, \$15 for government employees and \$10 for students. Register at the door or through the foundation online at www.floridafaf.org. You can also print off a registration form to send in via mail. For more details, contact the foundation at (850) 224-455.

Household Hazardous Waste – Collection sites:

- Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 2675 Commonwealth Ave., Mon. – Sat., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Crystal Springs Park, 9800 Crystal Springs Road, 1.5 miles east of Chaffee Road and Crystal Springs Road intersection, Saturday, March 27, 2010, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information or to arrange for special handling of unusual waste material, call (904) 630-CITY (2489) or visit www.coj.net

Farmers' Riverside Farmers and Arts Market – Saturdays, 9 a.m. – noon. - Under the Fuller Warren Bridge, Riverside Avenue.. Free admission.

Team Teal is a community-wide effort to support the Jacksonville Jaguars and build pride in both our team and our city. It is a program designed to reward those who purchase Jaguars season tickets with a robust rewards system. Team Teal is an initiative of Touchdown Jacksonville: Revive the Pride, an association of civic leaders and citizens who recognize the true value of an NFL franchise to the city and the people of Jacksonville. Individuals or companies can create their own teams by becoming a Team Captain. Friends and associates can become Team Members, and there is no limit to the amount of members a team may have. For more information, please visit <http://www.myteamteal.com/About.aspx>.

The Jacksonville Jazz Hall of Fame serves to recognize those who have made significant contributions to jazz in Jacksonville. The 2010 inductee(s) will join the following Jazz Festival pioneers, city leaders, musicians, educators and patrons of the arts. The City of Jacksonville is accepting nominations for the 2010 Jacksonville Jazz Festival Hall of Fame. The deadline for nominations is February 19. Nomination forms and bios of current hall of fame members are available at www.jaxjazzfest.com

Current Hall of Fame Members:

Joyce Hellman Bizot, 2009
Dr. Bill Prince, 2008
Von Barlow, 2007
Teddy Washington*, 2006
Longineu Parsons, 2006
Cecil Cole*, 2005
Dick Brown, 2004
Vic DiGenti, 2004
The Honorable Elaine Brown, 2003
Marcus Roberts, 2003
Ira Koger*, 2000
Rich Matteson, 2000
Dan Kossoff, 1999
The Honorable Jake Godbold, 1999

Phone Numbers

- Sign up for e-mail notifications from the Mayor's Office at: <http://mayornotification.coj.net/>
- City Link- 630-CITY (630-2489) Please provide the exact address and obtain a tracking number with estimated date of completion.
- City Council meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. City Council Chambers, 117 W. Duval St. 32202. For information call 630-1377.
- Duval County School Board meetings are on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., First Floor Board Room, 1701 Prudential Dr., 32207. For information call 390-2000
- JSO - Police Non-Emergency 630-0500.
- First Coast Crime Stoppers – 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
- JEA – 665-6000 – If a street light is out please get the number on the pole to report it
- Duval Extension Office – 387-8850 or 1010 N. McDuff Ave. www.coj.net (Search word Extension Office)
[Http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu](http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu)
- JOBS - WorkSource Career Center at Gateway, 5000 Norwood Ave., Suite 2 open M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at 924-1710.

For more information, please contact Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260 or Marybeth@coj.net January 2010