

SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Florida State College at Jacksonville, Kent Campus

3939 Roosevelt Blvd. Jacksonville, FL

Monday, Mar. 8, 2010

MEETING SUMMARY

Members and Representatives

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Chair Bruce Tyson	SMG Equestrian Center – Jean Ellen DeSpain
Vice Chair Rosanne Vernon	Springtree Village HOA - Dewey Walker
Charter Member – Don Ingram	Timuquana Manor North – Alice Turknett
Charter Member – Chuck Mann	Watermill Master Association – Thomas Martin
Cedar Hills Estates – Johnny Carter	Westside Area Residents – Charles Kelley
Crystal Springs HOA - Marilyn Lehman	
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
Duval County School Board – Vicki Drake	Confederate Point – James Nolting
Florida Dep't. Transportation – Milton Locklear	Family Investment - Robert Smith
Housing & Neighborhoods – Mary Beth Ridderman	FL State College at Jax, Cecil North – Paul McNamara
JSO – Lt. Charles Wall	N. E. FL Equestrian Society – Olwen Busch
JSO – Sgt. Bill Nelson	RAP – Jean Grimsley
Municipal Code Compliance – Pete Sutherland	Recreation & Community – John Kelly
Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel	Westside Business Leaders – Opal Burgstiner
Planning and Development – Susan Cohn	Westwood – Jim Ross
Recreation and Community – Shorty Robbins	Absent
Guests	Duval County Health Dep't. – Jocelyn Turner
Greg Hollea Rachal, Westside Business Leaders	
Tracy Encarnagon, UNF Nursing	
Primrose Savella, UNF Nursing	
Terrence Lawson	
Russell Carlson, Tree Top Estates	
Lara Tanier, Hipps Group	
John Allmand, President, Murray Hill Preservation	

Call to Order/Verify Quorum

Chair Bruce Tyson called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 February summary. A motion was made and seconded to accept the summary. The vote: all in favor.

JSO Report: Lt. Charles Wall and Sgt. Bill Nelson provided the JSO report. They reported crime is down in Zone 4 but auto burglaries are up and several burglaries to homes and vehicles were reported in the area of Glendale and Park Street. He asked residents to lock cars and keep valuables out of sight. He suggested residents install security lights with motion sensors to protect their cars and homes. JSO and ShAdCo had a neighborhood walk in Sector J on Saturday, March 6 with a good turn-out. He cautioned residents to wear their seat belts because not wearing seat belts is now a primary offense

– drivers can be stopped for no seat belts /no other violation is needed to stop the car – the fine is \$100. The seat belt campaign is called Click It or Ticket. Please call 630-0500 if you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood and be prepared to provide detailed descriptions of the persons and vehicles – include the color of hair, color of clothes, color of cars, bumper stickers on the cars and tag number or partial tag number. A brief question and answer session followed. Alice Turknett thanked JSO for the traffic patrol on Roosevelt Boulevard last week and said more frequent patrols are needed on Roosevelt near Timuquana. Lt. Wall invited residents to contact the Zone 4 Substation at 573-3165 and arrange to ride a few hours with a JSO officer. Chair Tyson thanked Lt. Wall and Sgt. Nelson for their report and said JSO is doing a good job in Zone 4.

Introductions and Acknowledgments: Chair Tyson thanked everyone for being present and introduced the following guests: Greg Hollea Rachal, Tracy Encarnagon, Primrose Savella, Terrence Lawson, Russell Carlson, Lara Tanier, and John Allmand.

Presentation: Chair Tyson introduced Rusty Chandler, Cecil Field Airport Manager, and Bob Simpson, Senior Director, Cecil Field. Mr. Chandler and Mr. Simpson presented an update on Cecil Field. It has been ten years since the COJ received the property from the Navy. JAA owns and operates 6081 acres and does not receive any revenue from the COJ – JAA generates its own revenues from tenants and services at Cecil Field. New hangers, an airfield electrical system and an air traffic control tower are recent upgrades. New hangars include Flightstar, Army National Guard, Aircraft Educational Services Hangar and another large hangar that is in the process of being leased. Current tenants include Flightstar, the Navy Fleet Readiness Center, Boeing, Logistic Services International, Coast Guard, Woods Group, Pratt Whitney, L3/Titan, Jacksonville Fire and Rescue, Customs/Border Patrol and the Army National Guard. Recent operations include a Navy training detachment of T-45s. Operations increase each year; in 2009 Operations generated a record amount of fuel sales. Cecil Field is in the process of runway rehabilitation, since the runways were last overhauled 30 years ago. Cecil Field has more runway surface than all of the other COJ airports combined, so rehabilitation is an on-going process. Cecil Field achieved FAA Certification for a Spaceport; they may operate a launch site, store/upload fuel and maintain a site safety plan. Certification is the first step in a lengthy process – at this time JAA is hoping to attract an operator for a Spaceport. Mr. Chandler invited residents to visit Cecil Field. Tours may be arranged for groups to visit Cecil Field or speakers may be arranged to visit your association. Mr. Chandler may be contacted at 573-1613 or rchandler@jaa.aero.

Public Comments:

- Jim Kelly announced the Westside Business Leaders meets the second Thursday of each month at the Holiday Inn on Commonwealth near I-295. He invited everyone is welcome to attend.
- 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.
- Alice Turknett announced she would like to commend Pete Sutherland and the Municipal Code Enforcement Officers who conducted a systematic inspection in Timuquana Manor North. She said it was needed and appreciated. She said she especially appreciated the efforts of Municipal Code Officer Cecil Laraque.

Staff Reports and Announcements:

- Mayor's Liaison: Wight Greger invited residents to register for and attend one of the budget workshops. The workshop held at the Cecil Community Center was a great location and several interested and engaged citizens participated. To register or to

learn more, please visit myjaxbudget.com or call 630-2747.

- More information will be forthcoming about the budget. The COJ is looking at additional cuts to staff and salaries due to a \$60 million shortage. Pension discussions are not going well. Mayor John Peyton is interested in your comments regarding your priorities and what services are most important to you. Please visit myjaxbudget.com to register your comments.
 - Fees may be increased. For example, the cost of garbage pick up is \$14.47 and currently each household pays \$6, with the balance subsidized by the General Revenue fund. A raise to \$12 per month is expected.
 - The Housing and Neighborhoods Department has (federal) money available for first time home buyers and can refinance residents who are in predatory loan situations. For more information, please call 255-8200.
- Council Members' Reports: No reports.
 - Duval County School Board – Vicki Drake announced the FCAT began today. The Charter Review Commission recommended having appointed School Board members although Article 9 of the State Constitution mandates an elected board. She suggested residents write, call or send e-mail to their City Council Members and keep their right to vote.
 - Planning and Development – Andy Hetzel provided a printed report. Mr. Hetzel may be contacted at 904-255-8721 or AHetzel@coj.net.
 - Susan Cohn provided information on 2010-37, the Future Land Used Element Update. The update was approved by City Council and will next go to the State level. In June, a second round of local legislation will be introduced and will be available in Mr. Hetzel's report and at www.coj.net.
 - Ms. Cohn is available to speak to your association. Ms. Cohn may be reached at 255-7844 or SCohn@coj.net
 - Municipal Code Compliance –Pete Sutherland reported 26 mobile homes at 5353 110th Street were processed for demolition but the owner now has two units inspected and in compliance. Only twelve of ninety one lots at 7040 103rd St. have electricity. On March 6, twenty Municipal Code Enforcement officers worked eight hours each citywide. The officers issued 155 citations at \$255 each, for a total of \$39,955. Zone 4 officers issued one -fourth of the entire number. The two major problem areas were Argyle Forest Boulevard from Blanding to Branan Field – Chaffee with roadside vendors and illegal signs; also Youngerman Circle with illegal signs. In addition, several builders were issued citations for illegal signs. Officers will be working nights, weekends and holidays to address similar issues. Mr. Sutherland said Zone 4 is the worst in the COJ for illegal signage. He reminded residents that no selling is allowed on the right-of-way. He asked residents to report roadside vendors or illegal signs, such as stick signs, banners and signs tacked to light poles to 630-CITY (2489). An address or the names of cross streets will be needed. To report concerns or possible code violations, please call 630-CITY (630-2489).
 - Recreation and Community Services –Shorty Robbins reported for John Kelly. Ms. Robbins reported hiring has begun for lifeguards and summer day camp staff members. Day camp voucher registration begins on April 27. John Kelly may be contacted at 904- 630-3570 or jkelly@coj.net.
 - Duval County Health Dep't. – Jocelyn Turner was absent. Ms. Turner may be contacted at 253-2037.

- Florida State College at Jacksonville, Cecil North – Paul McNamara’s absence was excused. Mr. McNamara may be reached at 779-4030
- Jacksonville Aviation Authority – Rusty Chandler and Bob Simpson presented an update on Cecil Field (see Presentation).
- Florida Dep’t. of Transportation – Milton Locklear provided a correction to the February CPAC summary. The Outer Beltway is not planned for completion within five years. No funding is available and no plans are in place. Mr. Locklear may be reached at 360-5686.
- Community Development – Mary Beth Ridderman provided a printed report. She asked that residents notice the dates for the budget workshops. Ms. Ridderman may be reached at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.

Subcommittee Reports:

- Education, Youth and Recreation – Chuck Mann reported that he agreed with Ms. Drake – School Board Members should be elected. Mr. Mann may be reached at 387-0636.
- Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission – Tom Martin reported the TRUE Commission:
 - At the March 4 meeting, the Performance Committee:
 - Discussed the development of performance management and benchmark indicators.
 - Reviewed Shands funding. Counties are supposed to pay 35 percent and the State is supposed to pay 65 percent. The committee found that the State has never paid anything although the COJ paid \$24 million to Shands last year.
 - Reviewed 2010-153 regarding the amount of lost COJ tangible property.
 - Reviewed 2010-171 regarding a floating dock for the Riverside Arts Market. The dock seems an unnecessary expense in this economy and the subcommittee is concerned about where the money will come from to pay for it.
 - The next meeting is April 4 at 4 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
 - Mr. Martin may be reached at 904-778-2265.
- Economic Development – Jim Kelly provided a four page printed report with information about what is going on in the Westside. He asked everyone to become a member of the economic development subcommittee and report to him when they see something to research and include in future reports.
- Beautification, Community Facilities and Services – Johnny Carter had no report. Mr. Carter may be reached at 786-2535.
- ShAdCo - Alice Turknett reported:
 - On March 24, all ShAdCo Chairs will meet with Sheriff Rutherford.
 - JSO determines where the Lieutenant Walks will be held based on the number of calls to that area or residents may request a Lieutenant Walk in their own neighborhoods.
 - Sheriff Rutherford keeps the ShAdCo chairs and vice chairs well-informed. Overall, crime is down.
 - A joint ShAdCo meeting is scheduled for July 12, details will be announced at a future CPAC meeting.
 - ShAdCo Sector J meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ortega United Methodist Church.

- o ShAdCo Sector K meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lane Wiley Center.
- o 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 had no report. All subcommittees will be discussed during New Business.
- Membership - Rosanne Vernon invited guests to become members.
- Safety – Chair Tyson had no report. All subcommittees will be discussed during New Business .
- Chair's Report –Chair Tyson reported:
 - o The 2010 Census is being mailed this week. He asked members to talk with neighbors and ask them to fill out and mail back the form. The form has ten questions and should take about 10 minutes to complete. Completing and sending back the form will save the federal government millions of dollars. It is very important that every person is counted. If your form is lost or destroyed, please visit the website: I Count Census 2010. For Census questions, call 1-866-872-6868.
 - o The Mayor's Meeting with the CPAC Chairs is scheduled for March 11 at 4 p.m. Chairs were asked to list items for the agenda by Friday, March 5. One of Chair Tyson's issues was the illegal signage and sales people on the right of way and the blight it is causing on the Westside. He said he was very pleased that Code Enforcement has begun work on the issue. He will provide a report from the Mayor's Meeting with the CPAC Chairs at the April CPAC meeting.

New Business/Old Business –

- Chair Tyson and Vice Chair Vernon announced that subcommittees need to consist of more than one person. They said they realize everyone is busy and it is difficult to schedule more time for meetings. They led a group discussion about having a 10-15 minute subcommittee break-out session during the regular CPAC meeting. This would occur four times each year and the time would be strictly monitored by the Parliamentarian and enforced by the Chair. The CPAC meeting will not be lengthened because subcommittee reports will be waived until the following month. Each member will be asked to participate in one subcommittee. Guests will be encouraged to join one subcommittee's discussion but will not be allowed to vote in the subcommittee. A motion was made and properly seconded to try the break out session as part of the regular meeting. The vote: all in favor. None were opposed. The Chair announced next month the agenda will change.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Len Burroughs. A second was made by Tom Martin. Chair Tyson adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

The next SW CPAC meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 12 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, April 12 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
March 8, 2010

MyJaxBudget Workshops: If you would like to request a seat at an upcoming Budget Workshop, please fill out the following request form and submit online or call MyJaxBudget at 630-2747. Seats are limited and each workshop will be on a different subject matter.

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

Housing and Neighborhoods: Stay Home Program - If you or someone you know is having trouble with your mortgage and are worried about losing your home, DO NOT PANIC as there are options out there to help! Call 255-8200 or 630-2489 and ask to register for a free foreclosure prevention program. To learn more, please visit <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Housing+and+Neighborhoods/Stay+Home/Tools/default.htm>.
Community Development Block Grants – applications are being reviewed. For more information, call 630-8200.

Census 2010 – Your census form is on its way to you in the mail. It is a short form - please fill out the mail it back.

Jaguars: A new way to pay for 2010 season tickets! Forget about charging to your credit card and racking up unnecessary interest fees. Opt instead for eLayawaySPORTS! Similar to traditional layaway, eLayawaySPORTS offers the luxury of paying over time with only a low, 1.9% flat transaction fee and ZERO interest. Receive your tickets shortly after your last payment in July 2010. Existing season ticket holders may register an account with eLayawaySPORTS to help them begin paying for the 2010 season. This option provides existing ticket holders up to 12 months (or 52 weeks) to pay for their season tickets versus the Jaguars existing 5-month payment plan. For more information call 630-2000.

Planning and Development Department - The Jesse B. Smith Memorial Scholarships available for qualified persons residing in Duval County. Scholarships of \$1,000.00 are intended for the 2010-2011 academic year and must be used for tuition expenses at any higher education institution located in Duval County offering an undergraduate or graduate degree in urban studies, planning, public administration or a related field. For more information/application, contact Planning and Development Dep't., 214 N. Hogan St., Ste. 300, 32202; or visit <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Planning+and+Development/Jesse+B.+Smith+Memorial+Scholarship.htm>. The deadline for applications is Friday, May 14, 2010.

Duval County Health Dep't. - Learn how to properly install child's car seat and car seat safety.

- Child must be at least one year old **and** 20 pounds
- Please allow 30 minutes for each car seat installation and education
- Child should be present, if possible, to ensure proper fit
- Please bring car to be used for car seat installation
- Locations will be determined based on registrations

To schedule an appointment, please call Charisse or Katelyn at 723-5422 x 143 or email cfox@nefhsc.org.

Libraries: Beginning Mar. 1, 2010, bring your library card or purchase a guest pass to use the library's computers. Bring your fines and fees in good standing by July 1, 2010.

Jacksonville Journey: Oversight Committee Meeting, Mar.18, 4 p.m., Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St., Room 851. Contact: Tina Rehmel (904) 630-1273

Recreation and Community Services:

- Winn Dixie presents Movies in the Park
Friday, March 19, 2010 6 p.m. movie starts @ dusk
Beachwood Park 11758 Marina Dr.
Come and enjoy a free family friendly movie on us at Beachwood Park. Refreshments will be available. Contact: For more information call 630-4100
- **Mayor's Older Buddies** – Quarterly meeting and luncheon, Mar. 23, 10 a.m. Metropolitan Park. Join Mayor John Peyton to discuss issues pertinent to seniors. MOB members, be sure to wear your MOB t-shirts and buttons! Make your lunch reservations by calling 630-3690
- **ARTS ON THE GO @ Balis Community Center**
Friday, March 26, 2010 6 - 8 p.m.
1513 LaSalle St.
Release your artistic talent and come draw, paint, and make take home crafts. Art instructors will be on hand to assist. Refreshments will be served. This is a free community event. For more information call 630-4100.
- **Mayor's Walk for Senior Wellness** –Mar. 27, check in 9 a.m. check-in, location TBD. Join the City of Jacksonville for a 2-mile walk around the Sports Complex area to socialize while improving your health. Seniors ages 60 and over will receive a complimentary lunch and chances to win a variety of prizes. For more information and to register for free lunch and tee shirt, call (904) 630-3690.
Blessing of the Fleet – Mar. 28, Hogan Street Gazebo. Boaters, pull up your anchors and register your boat for the 2010 Blessing of the Fleet! For free registration information, call (904) 630-3690 or email events@coj.net
- **Easter Eggstravaganza @ the Jax. Arboretum**
Friday, April 02, 2010 6 pm -egg hunt starts at 6:30 p.m.
Jax. Arboretum 1445 Millcoke Rd.
Getting you ready for the holiday. Bring the little ones to our egg hunt along the trails and ravines of the Arboretum. For more information call 630-4100
- **Mayor's Fish-a-Thon** , Spring 2010, Hanna Park. Please join us for this fun, annual outing at Hanna Park for live music, games, fried fish lunch and a fishing tournament. Awards will be given for the largest, the most, the smallest, prettiest and ugliest fish. Games and activities include cards, bingo, dancing, horseshoes and miniature golf. For more information, call 630-3690.

Central Operations:

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

Riverside Arts Market – Saturdays, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. - Under the Fuller Warren Bridge, Riverside Avenue.. Free admission. Free Parking is available at the following locations: Fidelity National, First Guaranty Bank, Drs. Wood, Lanier & Bowman, EverBank, The Haskell Company, The Florida Times-Union

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.ifos.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.

If you have questions please contact Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260 or Marybeth@coj.net