

MEETING SUMMARY
SOUTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ Kent Campus – 3939 Roosevelt Blvd. – Jacksonville, FL
Monday May 14, 2007, 7 p.m.

SW CPAC Committee Members:

Ralph J. Malphurs, Sr., Charter Member, Chair
Charles Mann, Charter Member, Vice Chair
Don Ingram, Charter Member
Len Burroughs, Murray Hill Preservation
Johnny Carter, Cedar Hills Estates
Jean Grimsley, RAP
Charles Kelly, WARA

James Ross, Westwood
Robert Smith, The Family Investment
Alice Turknnett, Timuquana Manor N.
Bruce Tyson, Trinity Mministries
Roseanne Vernon, Oak Hills Estates
Polly Walker, Timuquana Manor N.

Excused: James Nolting, Jerry Spinks, Kathy Budd, Opal Burgsitiner, Lee Martin, Steve Shaffer.

Guests:

Media

City Staff/City Officials/ Other Officials

Marcus Smith
Cynthia Mayette
Rita Humphries
Karen Nuland
Sonja Williams

Jim Kelly, Clay/Argyle Today

Lt. T.C. Davis, JSO
Sgt. Ed Howard, JSO
Eric Engmann, Planning & Dev.
Vicki Drake, Duval School Board
George Baker, Building Inspection
Randy Farwell, Edwards & Kelsey
Milton Locklear, Florida Dep't. Transportation
Robert Prado, Property Safety
Jocelyn Turner, Duval Co. Health Dep't.
Victoria Pennington
Bruce Chauncey, Property Safety
Devron Cody, Code Enforcement
Mary Beth Ridderman, Neighborhood Services

Call to Order/Quorum:

Chair Ralph Malphurs called the meeting to order. At 7:05 p.m.. A quorum was verified by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator Neighborhood Services Division.

Approval of the Meeting Summary:

Chair Malphurs asked for approval of the April SW CPAC Summary. *A motion to accept the summary was made and seconded . The vote: all in favor. None opposed.*

Introductions/Acknowledgements:

Chair Malphurs acknowledged JSO Lt. T.C. Davis and thanked him for being present. He welcomed guests, Marcus Smith and Sonja Williams and announced two new members, Jim Ross and Kathy Budd.

JSO Report: Lt. T. C. Davis reported the number of robberies are up and he cautioned residents to be careful, particularly in parking lots. He reminded everyone that it is fire season and electricity or other services may not be working. He reminded everyone to get prepared with food and water, the same as for a hurricane. He reported on an apartment complex initiative, which 2 officers to calls at the top five violent apartments – they have made 80 arrests of violent criminals. Chair Malphurs thanked Lt. Davis for his report and for JSO's on-going work in the community. The number for the Zone 4 Substation is 573-3165.

Presentation: Victoria Pennington, with JTA Rapid Transit Authority, presented information about 511, a new, free, national number for traffic information. An interactive website, Jax511.com, shows locations, road problems, lists advisories and has links to other transportation sites. Ms. Pennington may be reached at 630-3100

Randy Farwell, Project Manager for Edwards & Kelsey, presented information about the JTA Rapid Transit Environmental Impact Study. One public meeting has been completed and more will be scheduled during the summer. Randy Farwell may be reached at 636-5432.

Public Comments:

Johnny Carter announced that the Wiley Senior Center recently earned accreditation, one center of 30 center in the state and one of two in the city to earn accreditation. The facility serves 70-80 people each day.

Jean Grimsley reported RAP is planning a conference October 12 – 14. The conference will provide lectures and workshops on historical homes. More information is available at RestoreJacksonville.com.

Reports & Announcements:

- **Chairman's Report:** Mr. Malphurs reported:
 - Seeds of change – the mayor's office is working in partnership with postal employees to call in code violations.
 - Roslyn Phillips, from the mayor's office, called him regarding the proposed state tax reform and its impact on city services. She may ask to schedule a meeting in this area.
 - He read a Times Union article, *Chop With Care*, that discussed which services may be affected.
 - He suggested residents attend the CommUnverCity classes.
 - The meeting was held in room G-125 and G-126, with a new conference room style configuration suggested by Robert Smith. The chair asked for a motion to remain in the larger room, E-112, this room or D-120, where the 2006 holiday party was held. There was discussion about remaining in room G-125 and G-126, but no motion to remain in E-112 or G-125/126. A motion was made to move to room D-120 permanently. All were in favor, none opposed. Mary Beth Ridderman said she will check on the availability of room D-120.
- **Council Member's Announcements:** No report.
- **Duval County School Board:** The Hon. Vicki Drake reported on Teach for America, which recruits top students from across the U.S.. She discussed the Renaissance Program, Tax Relief and the proposed name change of Forrest High School.
 - **Jacksonville Aviation Authority:** Rusty Chandler was not present. He had sent an announcement: The Air-Fest is scheduled for May 19, 2007, from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. This is an outreach program for Cecil Field, the day will offer poker runs for cars, planes and bikes, along with static displays to benefit the NE Chapter of Multiple Sclerosis.
- **Grants Subcommittee:** No report. Volunteers are needed.
- **Education/Youth and Recreation Subcommittee:** Chuck Mann reported the Renaissance Academy offers classes to children in grades 4 -12 who have failed twice. The program works to get kids back into the system. He asked that people get involved through mentoring.
- **Economic Subcommittee:** No report. Volunteers are needed.
- **Beautification Subcommittee:** No report. Johnny Carter was appointed chair of this subcommittee. Volunteers are needed to serve with him..
- **Land Use, Zoning, and Transportation Subcommittee:** No report.
- **Community Safety Subcommittee:** Bruce Tyson asked residents to be prepared for fires and hurricanes. On June 11, he will present information about the city's plan to clean up after a disaster.
- **ShAdCo Subcommittee:** Alice Turknett reported that Sector J is about to outgrow its meeting space. Last month JSO presented information about mounted units. Roseanne Vernon reported that Sector K already outgrew their meeting space. They also had the mounted units. Next month both ShAdCos

will have presentations about Code Enforcement. Contact Alice Turknett (778-2686) or JSO Zone 4 Substation (573-3165) for information about a ShAdCo in your area.

Florida Dep't. of Transportation: No report.

Ad Hoc Subcommittees (By-laws, Bus Tour, Annual Social):

- Membership: Robert Smith reported the committee had their first planning meeting with a goal of increasing membership. Greeters will begin to meet members and guests at the door. Jean Grimsley suggested a user friendly form of the minutes be available for organizations to use in their newsletters.
 - **Mayor's Liaison:** No report.
 - **Planning & Development:** Eric Engmann reported school concurrency will be needed by January, 2008, per Senate Bill 360. he provided handouts about school concurrency and a monthly report of applications for exceptions, variances and rezoning. If you have any questions, please call 630-2199.
 - **Zoning Enforcement:** No report.
 - **Health Department:** No report. If you have any questions, call 630-3373 .
 - **Building Inspection Division:** George Baker announced that his office monitors unauthorized signs, unlicensed contractors and non-permitted building activity. If you have a question about what is required for your building project, call before you build. The division has moved to a new location- 214 N. Hogan St., the Ed Ball Building. Mr. Baker is available to answer any questions (630-1575).
 - **Housing and Neighborhoods Department:**
 - Property Safety: Bruce Chauncey was present and introduced himself and Devron Cody, Code Enforcement.
 - Neighborhood Services: Mary Beth Ridderman provided a written report:
 - CommUniverCity Classes being offered by Neighborhood Services:
 - Homeowners/Condo/Neighborhood Associations, June 2 (Saturday,) 9 a.m. to noon - Main Library Conference Center
 - Training Neighborhood Leaders 101, TENTATIVE: July 10 to Aug. 21 - Tuesday evenings Facilitator and location to be determined
 - Neighborhood Organization Toolkit, Sept. 11 (Tuesday,) 6 to 8 p.m. – Housing and Neighborhoods Department, 214 N. Hogan St., 8th Floor
 - 11th Annual Florida Neighborhoods Conference, June 14 - 16, 2007, Sarasota, Florida
 - Doing Business on www.coj.net, The city's Web site offers countless time- and money-saving opportunities to conduct business with the city online, 24 hours a day, seven days a week with popular e-government link.
 - Mayor John Peyton along with Council President Michael Corrigan, Sheriff John Rutherford and Superintendent Joseph Wise announced the launching of Mentor Jax. information available to be trained as a mentor by Kesler. *If you are already mentoring through your church or other organization, please let us know so the CPAC's support may be reported to the mayor.*
 - Applications are available to become a Blueprint Partner.
- **Old Business:** None
- **New Business:** None.
- **Adjournment:** *A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The vote - all in favor, none opposed. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m. and apologized for the meeting lasting so long. He said he and the vice chair are working to reduce the meeting to one hour.*

The next meeting will be on Monday, June 11, 2007, at FCCJ Kent Campus, 3939 Roosevelt Blvd., G-125 and G-126, at 7 p.m. Please call Ralph Malphurs (786-3137) or Mary Beth Ridderman (255-8260) for more information.

Please note the room change for June 11 : G-125 and G-126.

The Executive Committee will meet at 6 p.m. at the same location.