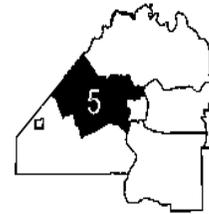


**Northwest District 5
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
John Pittman, Chair
Larry Solomon, Vice Chair**



**MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.
Thursday, April 9, 2015

Committee Members Present

Members	Staff
Timber Oaks - Velma Rounsville	Planning and Development – Denise Chaplick
Vice Chair - Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates - Larry Solomon	Planning and Development – Lurise Bannister
Moncrief Springs – Carlotta McIntosh	FDOT – Jim Green
NCNW Reed Ed Campus – Raye Gary	JSO – Lt. Mahaffay, Michael
Chair – Pickettville Civic Association - John Pittman	Regulatory Compliance – Danny Connell
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Edward Hall	Parks & Recreation – David Benedict
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Oliver Muldrow	Planning and Development – Stacey K. Burch
Marietta Senior Center – Tim Rossetter	Public Library – Marshelle Berry
Magnolia Gardens North – Gadson Burgess	JTA – Wendy Morrow
Carver International – Leroy Kelly	
	Staff Excused
Members Excused	Mayor's Representative - Taurean Sinclair
Cherokee Cove – William Anthony	
Walgreens (Soutel Store) - Russell Jackson	
	Elected Officials
	none
Members Absent	
Magnolia Gardens North –Ella Watson	Visitors
Moncrief Springs – Yvonne Ward	Lillian Smith - Sherwood Forest Community Inc
North Riverside CDC – Diane Kerr	Orzoca Burgess – Magnolia Gardens
College Gardens - Brenda Ford	Mildred Jennings – Sherwood Forest Community Inc
Washington Heights – Yvonne Smart	Evelyn Eaves – Lake Park
Riverview – Doretha Tompkins	Lillian Haywood – Sherwood Forest Community Inc
Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	Lloyd Washington – COPOCA
Marietta Senior Center – Roxsan Currier	Kim Perry -
Carver Pines – Joe Bailey	Glendora McCargo - NFCAA
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	Christina Raysor - NFCAA
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	Annie Tucker
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Charles Dabney - LISC
Old Floradale – Lucille Grant	Juanita Williams – Soutel Estates Neighborhood Assoc
Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	Roosevelt Williams - Soutel Estates Neighborhood Assoc
2 nd Mile Ministries – Ruth Arnold	Mario Dipola – FDOT
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	Larry Britton – Britton's Lawn Service
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	Elaine Billups – Better Living
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Brenda Boydston – North Shore Neighborhood
Better Living – Bertha Richardson	
Pickettville Civic Association – Robert Ledwick	
Loss of membership automatically occurs with 3 consecutive unexcused absences	

1. **Call to Order** :

- Chair Pittman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Chair Pittman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked everyone for attending.

2. **Verify Quorum:**

- Neighborhood Coordinator Stacey K. Burch verified the quorum.

3. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:**

- A motion was made on the previous meeting summary from March; all were in favor.

4. **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office:** LT Michael Mahaffay, Year to date we are down 16% in violent crime, 17% in property crime and overall crime down 17% in Zone 5.

The issue was raised again concerning the guys hanging out in the field across from the store in Sherwood Forest and Lt. Mahaffay stated he would look into it.

5. **Presentation:** Jeffery Scott and Jeffery Daugharty, Florida Department of Transportation, the Kings Road Lane Reduction Project, is reducing Kings Road from four lanes to two lanes with a bike lane on each side and a dual left turn center lane in the middle of the road, starting from Tyler Street and ending at Martha Street. The FDOT wanted to come out and get community feedback concerning the project. The project would start the summer of 2016. This is a state and federal funded project.

Elaine Billups stated reducing the lanes does not benefit the area. Plans are in place now to renew the community. Reducing the lanes would not help bring more people or business to the community in the future. Ms. Billups totally disagreed with the lane reduction project.

Lloyd Washington (President of Grand Park HOA) stated that his HOA is aware of the lane reduction project and supports the project.

Larry Solomon does not believe that with traffic coming from I-295 and I-95 flowing on to Kings Road would be a good idea to reduce the lanes.

Edward Hall stated JTA buses stopping along Kings Road would further back up traffic if the lanes were reduced. Citizens using Kings Road in the community that do not wish to drive on the highway would no longer use Kings Road as an alternative.

Leroy Kelly asked what made the FDOT want to do this project on Kings Road. Jeffery Scott said it was based on the traffic volume and the crush history of the past few years. Nobody from the community asked for this project. Denise Chaplick (City of Jacksonville, Bike and Pedestrian Coordinator) added this is part of the city Mobility Plan to help with bike and pedestrian safety.

Wendy Morrow (Jacksonville Transportation Authority) stated that they would have to speak with other agencies from the transit side of JTA before they will sign off on the project.

Stacey Burch asked if we could do reversible lanes on Kings Road? Jeffery Daugharty and Lurise Bannister (Planning and Development) stated NO.

The FDOT understands that there are other key players (JEA, JTA, EWC, LISC etc.) in the community that will need to see this presentation.

6. **Elected Officials Reports** – none

7. **Raines and Ribault High School:** no representative.

8. **Staff Reports:**

- **Mayor's Representative:** Taurean Sinclair not present.

- **Duval County Public Schools:** no representative.
- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Jim Green had nothing report.
- **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – no representative. To report a JEA problem, call 630-6500.
- **Parks and Recreation** – David Benedict (255-7921) reported:
 - Lonnie Miller project repairing the walking track should be completed this fall.
 - Carvill Park business partner has their insurance and is currently making plans for the summer.
 - The Mitchell Center will have a partnership at the center before the kids return to school after summer break.
- **Planning & Development** – Lurise Bannister (Planner) – Nothing new to report.
 - Larry Solomon asked about project E-15-05 with the LUZ and Lurise Bannister stated that the property is deferred at this time.
 - Magnolia Gardens will have their reunion on April 18.
 - Call Stacey Burch with any questions you may have.
- **Project New Ground,** Marvin Dunbar – not present.
- **Regulatory Compliance (Consumer Affairs)** – Valerie Williams, not present.
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- **Public Works** – Terry Sandeen (Traffic Engineering) – not present.
- **Regulatory Compliance** – Municipal Code Compliance, Danny Connell started the Urban Blight Inspections and have cited over 18,000 properties; Magnolia Garden - 211, College Garden – 167, Osceola Forest - 146, New Town - 154, Sherwood Forest -163, Harbor View -118 and Lincoln Hills/Villa – over 300 and still inspecting with seven officers and two in training. Citizens were saving tires for the tire buy back sponsored by the City of Jacksonville and cited during the inspection were given a two week window to remove the tires.

Elaine Billups wanted a copy of the houses in her neighborhood that were cited so she can help the senior citizens in her neighborhood get up to standards.

Danny Connell thanked the citizens in the community for their support.

9. **Chair's Report:** The CPAC Chairs met last week and are looking at ways to make the CPACs more authoritative within the city. One way is to ask for a voting seat on the Planning Commission Board. Please be sure the CPAC has your contact information to ensure we have a better organization.

10. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ)** – Robert Ledwick not present.
- **Membership-** Larry Solomon- asked everyone to encourage their neighbor to come to the CPAC meetings.
- **Transportation** – Larry Solomon, the future budget is being amended to add more money. The on-ramp from Stockton Street to I-95 South and I-10 will be modified to make it easier to gain access on to the highway. Resurfacing will be done on I-295 from Trout River to I-95.
- **Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE)** – Leroy Kelly – the TRUE Commission meets the first Thursday of every month at 4 p.m. @ the City Council Chambers. City Council appoints five members, the Mayor appoints four and the CPACs currently have six members.

Sheriff Rutherford was asked to attend the TRUE Commission Meeting to explain the budget lapses in the Sheriff Department. The Sheriff explained at the end of the fiscal year, money not spent does not go back to the Sheriff Department. Example: If the Department is budgeted for 100 Officers and only 90 Officers are on staff for most of the year, then the funding for the other 10 Officers DO NOT carry over into the next fiscal year.

The Legislative Tracking Committee reviews every bill that is introduced by City Council. All bills are reviewed and analyzed for pros and cons. A recommendation to support or not to support the bill will be sent to City Council.

The Audit Review Committee reviews the City of Jacksonville audits of all projects. The audits report results are online and serve as a second set of eyes for the City of Jacksonville.

11. Unfinished Business – none.

12. New Business – Larry Solomon stated that JEA has a meeting with vendors the third Thursday of the month. JEA is trying to get new vendors at the meetings which are held at 3 p.m. @ JEA.

13. Public Comments/Announcements – Lloyd Washington, President of Coalition of Presidents of Community Associations (C.O.P.O.C.A), announced The 33rd Annual Convention of the Mental Health in the Black Community will be held at Edward Waters College in the substation building, Thursday, May 14 through Saturday May 16, 2015, 6-8 p.m. Thursday, they are looking for small businesses to attend their small business seminar. Friday Night is designed for the community leaders to meet and greet. Saturday night, Dr. David Abramowitz, Northeast Regional Director, Department of Children and Family and Dr. John Assi, Pediatrician, Children Health Association will be on hand to speak about the new clinic that will be coming to the Edward Waters College Campus. Point of Excellence is a fund raising night with Mia Jones (State Representative) and she will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$40 each. Proceeds go to mental health.

14. Motion to Adjourn

- Gadson Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. Chair Pittman adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, May 14, 2015**
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
The LUZ Subcommittee will meet on Thursday, May 14, 2015
5:30 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive

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