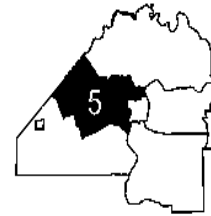


**Northwest District 5
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
John Pittman, Chair
Larry Solomon, Vice Chair**



**MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.
Thursday, May 14, 2015**

Committee Members Present

Members	Staff
Carver International – Leroy Kelly	Planning and Development – Stacey K. Burch
Magnolia Gardens North –Ella Watson	Planning and Development – Lurise Bannister
Moncrief Springs – Carlotta McIntosh	FDOT – Jim Green
Pickettville Civic Association – Robert Ledwick	JSO – Lt. Mahaffay, Michael
Chair – Pickettville Civic Association - John Pittman	Regulatory Compliance – Danny Connell
Moncrief Springs – Yvonne Ward	Parks & Recreation – David Benedict
Magnolia Gardens North – Gadson Burgess	Mayor's Representative - Taurean Sinclair
Elaine Billups – Better Living	JTA – Andy Rodgers
	JTA – Cherly Riddick
Members Excused	
Marietta Senior Center – Roxsan Currier	
Marietta Senior Center – Tim Rossetter	
	Staff Excused
	none
Members Absent	Elected Officials
Walgreens (Soutel Store) - Russell Jackson	Councilman – Reggie Brown
Timber Oaks - Velma Rounsville	
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Oliver Muldrow	Visitors
Ribault Hills Community Assn – Edward Hall	Roosevelt Williams - Soutel Estates Neighborhood Assoc
North Riverside CDC – Diane Kerr	Orzoca Burgess – Magnolia Gardens
College Gardens - Brenda Ford	Lana Suggs – Carver International Homeowner's Assoc
Washington Heights – Yvonne Smart	Addris Vinson – Koinonia Dynamis Inc.
Riverview – Doretha Tompkins	E. M. Dunbar – Project New Ground
Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	
Cherokee Cove – William Anthony	
Carver Pines – Joe Bailey	
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	
Old Floradale – Lucille Grant	
Robinson's Addition – Erma Cole	
2 nd Mile Ministries – Ruth Arnold	
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	
Better Living – Bertha Richardson	
NCNW Reed Ed Campus – Raye Gary	
Vice Chair - Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates - Larry Solomon	
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 April; all were in favor.

4. **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office:** LT Michael Powers, Year to date crime is down, a lot of burglary is happening because people are leaving their car doors unlocked; do keep your social security card in your wallet or purse.

Carlotta McIntosh asked why JSO is letting the people that do crime out of jail so easy. LT Power stated that is up to the court system to give them a longer sentence, but a lot of time the criminals cut a deal with the attorneys to get out of jail early.

5. **Presentation:** North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (Milton Locklear), the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is focusing on the projects for the next five years (through 2020). The main point of the presentation was to give an overview of the eleven projects to the community that will be occurring throughout 2020. Each project will have a public hearing before the project begins. The programs are updated annually.

Elaine Billups is concerned that Kings Road (SR 15/SR139) from Cleveland Street to Division Street will be reduced to two lane traffic without input from the community. The Northwest CPAC was given a presentation during the April CPAC meeting and a final decision had not been made. Members of the Northwest CPAC were "NOT" in favor of the lane reduction. Jim Green stated a final decision has not been made and the decision will be made by the FDOT District Secretary. Stacey Burch stated the Grand Park Community, City Councilman Warren Jones, Edward Waters College and the Urban Core CPAC approved the lane reduction and the Northwest CPAC and people at the Edward Waters subcommittee meeting disapproved it. Mr. Burch will follow up with the FDOT and see where we stand.

Carlotta McIntosh asked where the money is coming from for this project and will this project create any new jobs. Jim Green stated funding will come from the gas taxes and this project will not create any new jobs.

Yvonne Ward wanted to know if any infrastructure will be done during these projects. Jim Green stated Infrastructure is a JEA issue and not a FDOT issue. If JEA and FDOT can work together then they would, but currently this project is only funded from the gas taxes (FDOT).

John Pittman wants to know how much of this work is going to local contractors. Jim Green did not know.

6. **Elected Officials Reports** – Reggie Brown, the City of Jacksonville C.A.R.E. system is working great for District 10, the water project is out for bid, this is a \$50 million project for sewer that is in the works; a \$20 million project will begin in August at Lonnie Miller Park (lights, tennis court and walking track); an in-ground therapeutic pool for senior services will be placed at the Legend Center to bring in more people to the center; Councilman Brown thinks if membership fees to the Legend Center can be made in payments we will get more members; the council has created an ordinance that you must have your tag visible if your car has a cover over it in your yard, but council did not state whose responsibility it would be with the city to enforce the ordinance (Parking division, JSO or Code Compliance); every year it is the same people who do not cut their lawn, council is working on an ordinance, if you get cited twice in a calendar year for not cutting your lawn then your lawn will be cut for you automatically by the city; Councilman Brown is suggesting an ordinance for business that allows loitering on their property, the businesses will not be granted a certificate of use; please continue to report C.A.R.E. issues you do not have to live in Blight and stay active in the community.

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

8. **Staff Reports**:

- **Mayor's Representative**: Taurean Sinclair, please get out and vote; the Mayor is not ok with the crime in the community, he sent Taurean Sinclair and former Senator Tony Hill to Washington DC for a summit to come up with a safer community; National League of Cities is another group that is working with the City of Jacksonville to make this a better place to live; the Mayor is encouraging the young people to get out to the parks because the parks will be open late during the summer; Anheuser Busch will be expanding almost 100 positions; please go to Career Source and apply for jobs; summer jobs for the kids were sent out to the high schools and in the community; the City of Jacksonville has assisted Ribault Senior High School with the new aviation program that will start in the fall.

Yvonne Ward wanted to know how the City of Jacksonville recruits employer for summer jobs. The Mayor asked employers at the MLK Breakfast to sign up for youth summer employment both small and large companies. ADT, Greyhound, Pepsi, Bank of America, Winn-Dixie are some of the companies that are involved. Kids are working at least 20 hours a week at \$8.05 an hour for at least six weeks.

- **Duval County Public Schools**: no representative.
- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Jim Green had nothing to report.
- **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – no representative. To report a JEA problem, call 630-6500.
- **Parks and Recreation** – David Benedict (255-7921) reported:
 - Still registering for summer camp. You can put your name on the last for a free voucher.
 - Just kicked off the Rec and Roll for the summer.
 - Guides are available in the back of the room for summer camp.
 - The Mitchell Center will be open before the kids return to school after summer break.
- **Planning & Development** – Lurise Bannister (Planner) –
 - E-14-60 an exception to policy for 1463 Beaver Street. Application for zoning exception to allow for truck parking on approximately 1.1 acres. The property is currently zoned for commercial use (CCG-2) which allows for the proposed use. Full access via Beaver Street; the applicant resubmitted and amended application for additional acreage.
- **Project New Ground**, Marvin Dunbar – 110 properties are in the fifth phase of being cleaned up in the 5th and Cleveland Street area.
- **Regulatory Compliance (Consumer Affairs)** – Valerie Williams, not present.
valeriew@coj.net 255-7198
- **Public Works** – Terry Sandeen (Traffic Engineering) – not present.
- **Regulatory Compliance** – Municipal Code Compliance, Danny Connell following up with the Urban Blight Systematic Inspections in Lincoln Hills/Villa and 375 properties were cited. The last week in April they completed Edgewood Manor and 149 properties were cited. Next week they will start a systematic inspection in the Woodstock area. Robinson Addition and Lackawanna are next on the list. Mr. Connell reiterated that vacant houses needed to be boarded up to prevent students from skipping school and using drugs in those houses.

Roosevelt Williams asked if Code Compliance would be coming to Soutel Estates. Mr. Connell stated that Soutel Estates was part of the Harbor View inspections.

Elaine Billups asked if they were coming to New Town and Mr. Connell stated that was the first neighborhood they inspected a couple of months ago.

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)** – Cheryl Riddick and Andy Rogers – JTA is more than a bus company; JTA also creates roads and makes bridges. JTA will create a bus depot in the Shops of Sherwood (Soutel Transit) which is part of the Mobility Works project, Linda Lane will extend across Soutel in front of Bobbie Clark Park and come out in front of Tunis Wings & Subs. Andy Rogers will bring pictures to the next meeting.

Cheryl Riddick will be making her rounds throughout the CPAC. She will be bringing the subject matter expert with her to answer any questions you may have.

Pearl Sydnor asked if restrooms and water fountains will be at the Soutel Transit. No.
criddick@jtafla.com

9. **Chair's Report:** Nothing to report.

10. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ)** – Robert Ledwick, MM-15-04, 1281 Lydia Court, application for minor modification to a PUD seeks to revise the site plan to allow for single-family development.
- **Membership-** Larry Solomon- not present.
- **Transportation** – Larry Solomon – not present. ,
- **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.

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.

Leroy Kelly has stated to the Chair that he would like to step down from the TRUE Commission as soon as possible. He stated he will attend the next meeting in June.

11. **Unfinished Business** – none

12. **New Business** – none

13. **Public Comments/Announcements** – none

14. **Motion to Adjourn**

- Gadson Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. Chair Pittman adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, June 11, 2015**
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
The LUZ Subcommittee will meet on Thursday, June 11, 2015
5:30 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
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