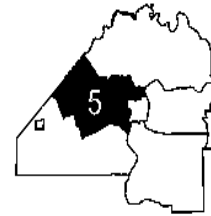


**Northwest District 5
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
John Pittman, Chair
Larry Solomon, Vice Chair**



**MEETING SUMMARY
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.
Thursday, June 11, 2015**

Committee Members Present

Members	Staff
Vice Chair - Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates - Larry Solomon	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. Gay, J
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
Timber Oaks - Velma Rounsville	JTA – Shanda Suggs
Cherokee Cove – William Anthony	JTA – Cherty Riddick
	JTA – Omari Kay
Members Excused	
Elaine Billups – Better Living	
Better Living – Bertha Richardson	
	Staff Excused
	none
Members Absent	Elected Officials
Walgreens (Soutel Store) - Russell Jackson	Councilman – Reggie Brown
Marietta Senior Center – Roxsan Currier	
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	Roosevelt Williams Sr.
Washington Heights – Yvonne Smart	Kim Perry
Riverview – Doretha Tompkins	Eunice Barnam – Sherwood Forest
Robinson’s Addition – Erma Cole	Willie Baldwin – Neighborhood Watch
Marietta Senior Center – Tim Rossetter	Alison Good – Urban Core CPAC Member
Carver Pines – Joe Bailey	Tyrone Murray
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	Genora Crain-Orth – River City Chicks, Inc
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	William Ahrens – UNF Nursing
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Kenneth Worth - UNF Nursing
Old Floradale – Lucille Grant	Brooke Moore - UNF Nursing
Robinson’s Addition – Erma Cole	Alison Pruettt - UNF Nursing
2 nd Mile Ministries – Ruth Arnold	Lindsey Jennings - UNF Nursing
Kinlock Civic – James Gloster	Birgit Flori - UNF Nursing
Lake Forest – Paulette Turner	Catherine Langford - UNF Nursing
Lynton Street – Magnolia Earlie	Cat Anderson - UNF Nursing
Carver International – Leroy Kelly	Leana Laureh - UNF Nursing
NCNW Reed Ed Campus – Raye Gary	Kristin Brown - UNF Nursing
Loss of membership automatically occurs with 3 consecutive unexcused absences	

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Pittman called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 May; all were in favor.
4. **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office:** LT Gay, John, Assist Chief T.K. Waters will be the new Zone 5 Commander, Chief Tony Davis is being promoted to director; Operation Cease Fire is back up and working;
5. **Presentation:** Genora Crain-Orth, River City Chicks, Inc. (Ordinance 2015-337): presented the common misconceptions about backyard hens. There were 300 permits issued for the pilot program in 2013 and it was very successful. If the ordinance is approved everyone will be allowed to have chickens in their backyard. The Planning Commission and the Urban Core CPAC voted to support this ordinance.

A question was asked if anyone in the Northwest area was part of the 300 permits issued. Ms. Crain-Orth stated the Planning Department did not have the permits by CPAC Districts.

Larry Solomon asked if the backyard bird flu would be a concern. No, Ms. Crain-Orth stated chickens will not be pumped with antibiotics and stressed. Also during the time the bird flu hit it was not enough sun or heat for all the birds.

A motion was made and majority approved to support the River City Chicks and Ordinance 2015-337. A letter from the Northwest CPAC will be written to support this ordinance.

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, current FDOT projects, I-10 from State Road 23 to Chaffee Road, I-10 from I-295 West Beltway to west of Cassat Avenue and I-95 from Myrtle Avenue to Golfair Boulevard.

We will be expanding Beaver Street on/off ramp to I-10; services on Commonwealth should be completed within the next couple of days; the work at the I-295 and Prichard Road will be completed this summer; the interchange at I-10 and Marietta will be completed next summer;
 - **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – no representative.
To report a JEA problem, call 630-6500.
 - **Parks and Recreation** – David Benedict (255-7921) reported:
 - Summer Night Lights and the Rec and Roll will start next week for the summer.
 - All gyms will be open until 10 p.m.
 - The Mitchell Center will be open in Mid-July.
 - Lonnie Miller Park will get the walking track paved and Councilman Reggie Brown is trying to get funding to put exercise equipment in the park.
 - Free lunches have started for any kid under 18 years of age in the parks.

- Looking at a 6 p.m. start time for the kickball league, Tuesdays at Lewis/Cobb Park and Fridays at Forestview Park.
- Larry Solomon asked if there will be seating around the track and David Benedict said he would ask to see if this is on the list.
- Eunice Barnam stated the field at Lewis/Cobb Park needed some maintenance and the track needs to be resurfaced. David Benedict said he would walk the track and field for maintenance issues.
- **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.
- **Housing and Community Development** – Stacey Burch reported:
 - Romon Morman and LeTiquia Berrian were two students from FSCJ Twenty-First Academy completing their internship program with the City of Jacksonville.
 - Tuesday June 16, 2015 @10 a.m. there will be a ground breaking ceremony for the Avenue B drainage project.
- **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 has completed the Urban Blight Systematic Inspections in Grand Park and over 200 properties were cited, 144 overgrown properties, 52 junk cars. In January we inspected Grand Park and over 300 properties were cited.
 - Robinson Addition will be inspected starting June 21 and the first operation in July will be Lackawanna.
 - Danny Connell stated his first priority in zone 5 is vacant houses near the schools. Also as a reminder Code Enforcement does cite commercial and city properties.
 - A concerned citizen asked if it is the same citizens/properties who keep being cited. Danny Connell stated yes.
 - Eunice Barnam stated contractors leave trash on the right of way and nobody will pick up the trash. Ms. Barnam feels if the City of Jacksonville gave the contracts to the residents in the community then the job would get done. Danny Connell stated this is a Public Works or Mowing Division issue.
 - Junk tires on the right of way, call the Solid Waste Division and they have a truck that will come and pick them up.
 - Public Works (contractor trash companies) will not pick up trash in front of a vacant lot. If a contractor cuts debris then the contractor must pick up that debris and take it away.
 - Stacey Burch asked Danny Connell to check into the houses behind Raines High School on Owen Ave. There are about four houses that need to be boarded up. Mr. Burch also asked who is responsible for the fork in the road in front of Ribault High School. Mr. Connell stated he would ride by Owen Ave and check it out and the fork in the road property he thinks is the church responsibility.
 - Code Compliance has conducted over 93,000 inspections and the guys in this zone have completed 26,000 inspections in zone 5. The closest to compete with zone 5 is zone 1 at 19,000.

- **Jacksonville Transportation Auditory (JTA)** – Cheryl Riddick introduced Shanda Suggs and Omari Kay as new interns with JTA through August.
 - July 6, 2015 JTA will have a few service changes. We have combined Community Shuttle Route 306 with Route 305. We will produce a yellow schedule that will have all the updates. A few handouts of the bus depot in the Shops of Sherwood (Soutel Transit) are in the back of the room. The project has already started.

You can go to www.transportal.net or www.jtafla.com for all your bus scheduling needs. Cheryl Riddick can be contacted at criddick@jtafla.com

9. **Chair's Report:** Acknowledged Bill Ahrens (UNF Nursing instructor) and his students at the CPAC meeting and all the volunteer work they do in the community. The students will be working at the Schell-Sweet Center at EWC and the Sulzbacher Center downtown.
- The Chair opened the floor for nominations to replace Leroy Kelly on the True Commission Board. Robert Ledwick nominated John Pittman to replace Leroy Kelly. A motion was made and all agreed.

10. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ)** – Robert Ledwick
 - E-15-05/WLD-15-04, 7830 Lem Turner Road, exception and wavier of liquor distance. The Planning and Development Department recommend denial.
 - 2015-62 (LUA 2015A-001) Land use Amendment, 6745 Beaver street West, was deferred.
 - 2015-315, Land Use Amendment & PUD, 1463 Beaver Street, was approved for Experienced Mail Transport business.
 - 2015-320, Conventional Zone at 140 Celery Avenue, was approved to allow for parking and storage of commercial trucks onsite.
 - E-15-35, Exception, 2515 1st Street West, the Planning and Development Department recommend approval for the Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) to use the easterly parking lot of the former Jacksonville Kennel Club facility.
- **Membership** - Larry Solomon - invited three people to the meeting today and none of them attended. Chair reiterated that membership is all our business.
- **Transportation** – Larry Solomon – the cost of the Soutel Transit is \$2.8 million.
- **Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE)** – Leroy Kelly – not present.

11. **Unfinished Business** – none

12. **New Business** – none

- **13. Public Comments/Announcements** – Gadson Burgess asked Stacey Burch to make the announcement again concerning the Avenue B drainage project. He said how happy and over joyed his community was that this project was coming to life. Tuesday June 16, 2015 @10 a.m. there will be a ground breaking ceremony for the Avenue B drainage project.
- Alison Good (Urban Core CPAC) stated it was a pleasure to attend the Northwest CPAC meeting.

14. Motion to Adjourn

- Gadson Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. Chair Pittman adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, August 13, 2015**
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive
The LUZ Subcommittee will meet on Thursday, August 13, 2015
5:30 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive

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