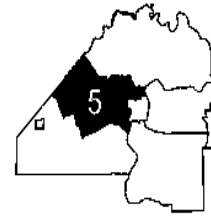


**Northwest District 5  
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee  
John Pittman, Chair  
Larry Solomon, Vice Chair**



**MEETING SUMMARY  
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Dr.  
Thursday, June 12, 2014**

**Committee Members Present**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Chair - Pickettville Civic Association - John Pittman	Mayor's Representative - Taurean Sinclair
2nd Mile Ministries - Ruth Arnold	FDOT - Jim Green
Better Living - Bertha Richardson	Jacksonville Public Library - Marshelle Berry
Magnolia Gardens North - Gadson Burgess	JSO - Lt. Michael Powers
Magnolia Gardens North -	Parks & Recreation - David Benedict
Marietta Senior Center - Roxsan Currier	Planning and Development - Mary Beth Ridderman
Marietta Senior Center - Tim Rossetter	Planning and Development - Lurise Bannister
Moncrief Springs - Carlotta McIntosh	Regulatory Compliance - Ron Taylor
Pickettville Civic - Robert Ledwick	
Ribault Hills - Edward Hall	<b>Staff Excused</b>
Timber Oaks - Velma Rounsville	
	<b>Elected Officials</b>
<b>Members Excused</b>	
Vice Chair - Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates - Larry Solomon	<b>Visitors</b>
Carver International - Leroy Kelly	Orzola Burgess - Magnolia Gardens
Cherokee Cove - William Anthony	Elaine Billups - Better Living
North Riverside CDC - Diane Kerr	Eunice Barnum - Sherwood Forest/Paradise Park
NCNW Reed Ed Campus - Raye Gary	Russell Jackson - Walgreens (Soutel Store)
Ribault Hills - Oliver Muldrow	C.E. English - North Shore HOA
Riverview - Doretha Tompkins	Pat Gross
	Mark Kerrin
<b>Members Absent</b>	Bill Holman
Carver Pines - Joe Bailey	Joyce Danford - TPO
Kinlock Civic - James Gloster	Denise Bunnewith - TPO
Lake Forest - Paulette Turner	Teresa Crowder Locke- ShAdCo O
Lynton Street - Magnolia Earlie	Fred Atwill - Atwill LLC/Renwood Dev. Corp.
Old Floradale - Lucille Grant	Terry Sandeen - COJ Traffic Engineering
Robinson's Addition - Erma Cole	Jake Kahn - 2nd Mile Ministries
Washington Heights - Yvonne Smart	Britany Kellen- 2nd Mile Ministries
	William Ahrens - UNF School of Nursing
<b>Members Pending Removal</b>	Carolyn Myers - UNF School of Nursing
Carver Pines - Joe Bailey	Courtney Coyle - UNF School of Nursing
Kinlock Civic - James Gloster	Rachel Fagg - UNF School of Nursing
Lake Forest - Paulette Turner	Erica Hopkins - UNF School of Nursing
Lynton Street - Magnolia Earlie	Yalda Ranimi - UNF School of Nursing
Old Floradale - Lucille Grant	Jaimi Culbertson - UNF School of Nursing
Robinson's Addition - Erma Cole	Lindsay Claassen - UNF School of Nursing
Washington Heights - Yvonne Smart	Agla Hurem - UNF School of Nursing
	Briana Cunningham - UNF School of Nursing
	Adam Sullivan - UNF School of Nursing
	Timothy Mikulas - UNF School of Nursing
<b>Loss of membership automatically occurs with 3 consecutive unexcused absences</b>	

1. **Call to Order** :
  - Chair Pittman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Chair Pittman opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
2. **Verify Quorum:**
  - Neighborhood Coordinator Mary Beth Ridderman verified a quorum.
3. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:**
  - Roxsan Currier made a motion to approve the May summary. Gadson Burgess seconded the motion. All were in favor.
4. **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office:**

Lt. Michael Powers reported:

  - JSO is addressing the shootings by flooding the area with Operation Cease Fire officers. Officers made direct contact and provided pamphlets. JSO found the program successful and it will continue through June.
  - More officers will be assigned to the area in July.
  - School is out and crimes generally increase. Please remove valuables from vehicles and be sure to lock the vehicles. 80% of vehicle burglaries occur to unlocked vehicles. When vehicles are burglarized, criminals take personal information and also commit identity theft, causing other problems with banking and credit.
  - A question was raised followed by a brief discussion about cameras that Sheriff Rutherford announced would be installed in neighborhoods for Operation Cease Fire. Officer Powers said he was unaware of any installations at this time.
  - Chair Pittman thanked Lt. Powers for his report.
  - For more information:
    - Assistant Chief Tony Davis - 384-8028 or [Tony.Davis@jaxsheriff.org](mailto:Tony.Davis@jaxsheriff.org)
    - Zone 5 Sub Station - 384-8028 at Superior Street
    - Neighborhood Watch – 630-2160
    - First Coast Crime Stoppers – 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
    - Police Non-Emergency 630-0500
    - Crime stats: <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Sheriffs-Office/Crime-Statistics-Information-Acceptance.aspx>
    - Offender Watch: <http://www.coj.net/Departments/Sheriffs-Office/Offender-Watch.aspx>
5. **Presentation:** 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan by Denise Bunnewith and Joyce Danford, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization
  - North Florida TPO's (NFTPO) vision is to promote the regional optimization of mobility consistent with the community's values. The region consists of Duval, Clay, St. Johns, Nassau and Putnam Counties.
  - The goals and objectives are to enhance:
    - Economic Competitiveness: Improve travel time and reliability on major freight routes and enhance access to jobs.
    - Livability
    - Safety
    - Mobility and Accessibility
    - Equity in Decision Making
    - System Preservation
  - The FDOT's work program is a subset of the NFTPO' long range transportation plan.
  - The public's input into the process is essential. The plan is updated every five years.
  - A question and answer session was held.
  - A concern was expressed about lack of mass transportation, such as commuter rail, light rail and bus rapid transit.
  - A concern was expressed that waterways are under-utilized for transportation. Manatee safety is also a concern. A brief discussion was held.
  - For additional information please visit <http://pathforward2040.com/>

6. **Raines and Ribault High School: No representatives. No report.**

7. **Elected Officials:** No representative

8. **Staff Reports:**

- **Mayor's Representative:** Taurean Sinclair reported
  - Mayor Brown's Youth Initiative is in progress.
  - Learn to Earn starts this weekend. Students visit colleges.
  - Summer Jobs for Youth starts on Monday. In Health Zone One, 152 jobs were filled. Approximately 600 youth will be placed in jobs with COJ departments and COJ partners. The goal is to employ 800 youth in summer jobs.
  - Mayor Brown's Job Fair is Monday, June 16. Congresswoman Corrine Brown is also hosting the event. Employers must be prepared to hire on the spot. Participants should be prepared with copies of their resumes.
  - Market research is being conducted to see what businesses the area (09) will support and sustain for a democracy collaborative or coop business. Businesses must be organic in the neighborhood.
  - Second Annual Save Our Sons Summit: Equipping Our Sons for Success – Saturday, June 14, 10 a.m. – 2p.m. at Jean Ribault High School, 3701 Winton Dr. Jacksonville, FL 32208.
  - Sunday, June 15, a sunrise service for sons and fathers will be held at St. Paul's at 7 a.m.
  - Sunday, June 15, a cookout will be held for fathers and sons from 2 p.m. – 7p.m. at Lonnie Miller Park. The event is primarily for Black males, others are welcome.
  - Part of his work involves reframing existing data to more positively track the progress of Black males. For example, instead of quoting a number of students that dropped out of school, quote the number of Black male students who graduated.
  
- **Duval County Public Schools:** no representative
  
- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Jim Green reported on the following projects:
  - The following projects are underway or planned:
    - Edgewood Avenue overpass – repairs and lighting. The project has been temporarily halted to resolve the issue of debris affecting the railway. The lighting has been installed and one pedestrian path has a pedestrian wall installed.
    - All other projects are on schedule.
  
- **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – no representative. No report.
  - To report a JEA problem, call 630-6500.
  
- **Parks and Recreation** – David Benedict reported:
  - Summer is their busy season
  - Summer camps will begin on June 23 at 11 locations
  - Parks offers:
    - Swimming pool programs
    - Summer Night Lights
    - Rec & Roll for activities in area parks
  - He provided copies of the Emergency Preparation Guide.
  - A question was raised about back-up contact for staff to open centers for pre-arranged events.
  
- **Planning & Development** –
  - Lurise Bannister provided a written report and announced the following items were discussed by the LUZ subcommittee:
    - 2014 C-009
    - E-14-20

- E 14-031
  - E-14-034
  - 2014-0350
- A concern was expressed that the when government ignores the Neighborhood Bill of Rights and Neighborhood Action Plans, there is no retribution.
- Mary Beth Ridderman reported:
  - She sends updates via e-mail several times each week.
  - The neighborhood coordinator's position remains open. Only seven people responded to the first advertisement. The position will be re-advertised.
  - Marilyn Fenton-Harmer called. She is out for her first summer break from school but she is enrolled in classes for certification. When she was told the neighborhood coordinator's position is open, she said she intends to remain teaching. She is very happy, teaching second-graders. The only negative part of her new job is that she misses seeing you all. She sends her love.
- **Project New Ground** – Marvin Dunbar's absence was excused. A report was made for Mr. Dunbar:
  - Approximately 99 houses have been remediated and 31 are in progress.
- **Public Works** – Terry Sandeen reported:
  - He is the traffic signal engineer for Duval County.
  - The proposed regional transportation center will house FDOT, FHP, JSO, JFRD, JTA and Traffic Engineering – all in one location.
  - A concern was expressed that few, if any, FDOT/JSO cameras are installed in the Northwest District. NFTP0 discussed funding and responsibilities for camera installation and maintenance, as well as current investments in other counties.
  - Please report non-working signals to 630CITY (2489).
- **Regulatory Compliance** – Municipal Code Compliance, Ron Taylor reported:
  - Four officers have performed 2523 inspections since May 9.
  - The division is in the hiring process. One officer was recently hired and another is in training.
  - Operation Urban Blight, zip code 32204, in Mixon Town and part of Riverside, is scheduled to be completed by June 20, 2014. They are going to Lackawanna and Murray Hill on June 18. Overgrown properties, cars with no tags, junk vehicles and un-boarded abandoned homes will be cited.
  - A concern was expressed about a commercial dump truck parking in a residential area. Officer Taylor took the information and reported he will check on the situation during the specific hours mentioned.
  - No flat-bed trucks, no dump trucks, no box trucks and no semi- trucks are allowed to park in residential areas.
  - Municipal Code Compliance officers are working on weekends.
  - To report problems, contact 630-CITY (2489).
  - Chair Pittman thanked Officer Taylor for his report. The CPAC applauded.
- 9. **Chair's Report** Chair Pittman reported:
  - A brief discussion was held regarding the TRUE Commission. Chair Pittman expressed his appreciation that Leroy Kelly is willing to serve another term – it is a huge commitment of time. The Northwest CPAC is proud that Mr. Kelly was elected Secretary of the TRUE Commission – it is an honor to serve on the Commission and more of an honor to be elected an officer.
    - Ruth Arnold made a motion to nominate Leroy Kelly to serve as the Northwest CPAC's liaison to the TRUE Commission. Roxsan Currier seconded the motion. The vote: all were in favor. A nomination letter, along with the June Summary as supporting documentation, will be sent to the TRUE Commission.
  - Chair Pittman gave a special welcome to Mr. Ahrens and the UNF Nursing students.

#### 10. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ)** – Roxsan Currier reported:
  - The subcommittee voted in favor of 2014-0350, rezoning 1.43 acres on Imeson Road from AGR to LI. The CPAC did not vote on this item.
- **Membership**- Larry Solomon's absence was excused.
- **Transportation** – Larry Solomon's absence was excused.
- **Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE)** – Leroy Kelly's absence was excused.

#### 11. Unfinished Business – none.

#### 12. New Business

- Ruth Arnold discussed Operation Urban Blight and the term Human Blight. She said the Urban Core CPAC wrote a letter to recommend respect for the dignity of all human beings. She made a motion that the Northwest CPAC prepare a letter to recommend that the dignity of all human beings be respected and that the city drop the terminology "human blight". Velma Rounsville seconded the motion. The vote: all were in favor.

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

#### 14. Motion to Adjourn

Mr. Burgess made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. McIntosh seconded the motion. All were in favor. Chair Pittman adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Members and guests were invited to stay and play a transportation game with NFTPO representatives.

#### **There is no July meeting.**

The next NW CPAC meeting will be **Thursday, August 14, 2014**  
6 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive  
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5:30 p.m. at the Legends Center, 5130 Soutel Drive