NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE NW CPAC **MINUTES**

S.P. Livingston Elementary Thursday, March 10, 2005 5p.m. Reading 6p.m. Meeting

Committee Members Present

Diane Kerr, Chairperson – North Riverside Faye Richardson, Cisco Gardens

Gadson & Orzola Burgess, Magnolia Gardens N Thomas & Alma Hudson, Magnolia Gardens N

Oliver Muldrow, Ribault Hills Erma Cole, Robinson's Addition

*Yvonne Ward, Moncrief Improvement

*pending paperwork

Randy Mallory, Vice Chair, Murray Hill Patrick Hayle, City Rescue Mission Joann Flood, Lynton Street Robert Lawrence, Minosa Circle Edward Hall, Ribault Hills Roberta Wilson, Robinson's Addition

*Leroy Kelly, Carver International

Barney Roberts, Charter Member Ernest Clayton, Kinlock Jim Green, Northshore Danny Thomas, Paxon/Biltmore Doretha Tompkins, Riverview Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson

City/Staff/Public/Media

Roslyn Phillips, Director of Neighborhoods Lara Diettrich, Planning & Development David Flagler, Animal Care & Control Chief Property Safety Zone 5 Supervisor Del Miley Darrell Perry, Principal S.P. Livingston Elementary Pastor Ruth Taylor Vada Davis, Cisco Gardens

Debra Poczatek, Metro Kids Konnection

JSO – Zone 5 Assistant Chief Jimmy Holderfield, Lt. Tyree and Lt. Walden

Joe Bailey and Nettie Cook, Human Rights Commission Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Services

Property Safety Officers Marvin Smith, Ray Cobb and Calvin Lee

Lillie M. Vereen, Butler Middle School John M. Castillo, Brandon Chase HOA Ruth Arnold, 2nd Mile Ministries

Nava Carter

UNF Nurses - Alicia Behrens, Allison Brooks, Melissa Brown, Kathryn Brunton, Rebecca Dickey

Excused: Milton Locklear, Jan Kelley, Tod Johnson, Sonya Ross, Devin Reed, Deborah Merritt, Bertha Richardson, Mr. & Mrs. McMickens, Linda Moore

Call to Order

Chairperson Diane Kerr called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. in the Media Center at S.P. Livingston Elementary School and welcomed everyone. Thank you to Principal Darrell Perry for hosting our meeting and your students are great and well behaved. The child that Chairperson Kerr read to ended up reading to her. I applaud you and your staff at S.P. Livingston for starting your students off so well with reading. *During the reading time there were 18 first grade students that were read to by members and guests.

Approval of the Meeting Summary

A motion to approve the February 10, 2005 summary as written was made by Gadson Burgess and a second by Thomas Hudson. The Vote: All were in favor. None opposed.

Guest Speakers

David Flagler – Animal Care and Control Division Chief has been in his position for the past 8 months. They have numerous problems and need our help.

Currently the office can only find homes for 30% of the animals that come in. There are programs available to help get your animals spay and

There is also a magazine First Coast Pets that is very informative. There are only 16 officers that work 7 days a week in the field. If you call for service please be patient with us we will get to your concern. The need for more officers to patrol is great. As of July 9th there is a new City Ordinance that will cost you \$100 more to bail your animal out of Animal Care if they are picked up. Numerous questions were asked by members and here are some responses:

- Jacksonville does have a leash law for dogs and cats. 0
- If someone complains about a barking dog, 2 neighbors have to sign an Affidavit a copy will be attached to the minutes. 0
- Fighting dogs are illegal. Ω
- Jacksonville does not currently have an Ordinance that says how many animals a citizen can have.
- They do have traps for animals but they are usually checked out. If you are able to get a abandoned animal fenced then Animal Care will come to pick it up just call 630-CITY (630-2489) or you can call the police Non-Emergency 630-0500 if there is a threat with an animal.
- There is a City Animal Control Ordinance on chains, neglect and abandoning animals, noise, animals at-large and license tags. a copy of this will be attached to the minutes.
- The new Animal Care and Control building will be built on Forest/Edison Street with a community center in about 3 years. It will be 45, 000sq ft. and will be very nice.
- Animal Care does handle the rat poison for the city that sends it to community centers to pass out to citizens with a rodent problem.

Staff Reports

Mayor's Liaison – Devin Reed was excused since he was on the program for the Small Business Education Summit with the Mayor and Director of Neighborhoods Roslyn Phillips filled in for him. She reminded members that the New Ways Grant opportunity is available. There are many great events coming up City of Jacksonville:

- Jazz Festival April 7 10 with 3 venues Metro Park, The Ritz and
- The 13th Annual World of Nations will be at Metro Park April 28-May 1st tickets are available for one day at \$3 and two days \$5
- The Blessing of the Fleet will be Sunday, March 20th at the Northbank Riverfront Park at 2 p.m.

Devin Reed can be reached at 630-1184 Dreed@coj.net

JSO – Zone 5 - Assistant Chief Jimmy Holderfield introduced Lt. Tyree and Lt. Walden. Zone 5 is down in crime 19% in year-to-date crime with 1370 calls for service and 1697 last year (327 lower than last year) for this same period. They can't take all the credit – thanks to citizens like you calling in and being the eyes and ears of the community is what works. They have been working very hard at Washington Heights Estates, Cleveland Arms and Sherwood Forest.

They passed out a flyer to invite citizens to a meeting on Saturday, March 12th at Mt. Olive Church 1319 Myrtle Ave. on Operation Showdown that Sheriff Rutherford initiated. It puts a unit of 12 to 14 officers in a particular neighborhood working on guns, drugs and prostitution. They choose the neighborhood by the statistics on a map. The next neighborhood will be surrounding Edward Waters College. They will be working to cleanup that area but we need help from citizens. They have been working with Code Enforcement on violations across from the school on Junior Street. MAD DADS has been walking and working on this neighborhood. Chairperson Kerr asked if they could come to North Riverside since they have lots of the same crime issues. Again they asked for citizens help and ideas. Remember you can attend ShAdCo (Sheriff Advisory Council) meetings for Sector N on the 1st Monday of the month and Sector M and O on the 2nd Monday of the month. Please call the **Zone 5 Sub Station 384-8028** – 210 S McDuff Avenue for more information.

(Zone 4 Sub Station 573-3165 Cedar Hills Shopping Center - Zone 1 Sub Station 924-5361 Gateway Shopping Center) Assistant Chief Holderfield can be reached at his direct number 384-8662.

Planning & Development Lara Diettrich passed out the NW Spreadsheet and Hearing schedule for 2005. She talked about working on an issue of how a community can become gated. They would have to have 100% participation from all owners. There was a lot of discussion on the ash sites and the difference between that and a Brownsfield. Since the City is in litigation answers were not available. Chairperson Kerr said that they hope to have a public meeting from the EPA soon. She also stated that this is a very important issue and deserves its own meeting. There will be a Brownsfield Conference this year at the Adam's Mark on Oct. 9th to 12th. There will be scholarships available for citizens to attend. If you have any questions Lara can be reached at 630-4999 or Larad@coj.net

Human Rights Commission - Chairperson Kerr welcomed Nettie Cook and Joe Bailey staff members from the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission. He explained that the Commission investigates EEOC complaints/discrimination, housing complaints from HUD. The Office also puts on the Study Circle Program, which is an initiative which seeks to bring various people from the community to sit and discuss racial issues. It last for 5 weeks for 2 hours sessions. The Mayor has gone through the program and is having his staff do the same. If you would like more information on this please call Bill David at 630-4911.

Property Safety - The new Supervisor for Zone 5 will now be Del Miley. He introduced himself and his Officers Marvin Smith, Ray Cobb and Calvin Lee. This is his first NW CPAC meeting and he is taking Elaine Lancaster's place. He hopes he can fill her shoes. They are working very closely with JSO on Junior Street along with DART. They have 10 structures that will be demolished and are taking property owners to our Code Board/Special Masters to make sure they cleanup their property or contractors will come out and do it with a lien against the property. They are in the process of moving from City Hall to 1801 Art Museum. Members asked questions and gave issues to follow up on. New phone numbers will be forthcoming.

Neighborhood Services - Marilyn Fenton-Harmer made the following announcements:

- Moncrief Road and Soutel Open House and presentation Thursday, March 24 6pm and 7 pm meeting Lincoln Villa Community Center
- Property Safety Moving to 1801 Art Museum Drive Bldg 3500 Suite 200 2nd floor.
- The Sheriff will be holding meetings on the Tasers but the Times Union did not say what type of meeting it was. The SW CPAC will have the Sheriff on Monday night at FCCJ Kent Campus 7p.m.
- The Keep Jax Beautiful Commission needs Commissioners if you are interested please let Marilyn know.
- Superintendent Fryer will end his tenure at the end of this school year.
- Representative Jennifer Carroll has sponsored a bill for individuals with disabilities to have full and equal access of
 public accommodations. Info was available for members.
- Flyers on the JSO Community Meeting, Health Fair and Hazardous Waste Collections were passed out.
- SAVE the DATE:
 - Monday, April 4, 2004 Mayor's Town Hall Meeting Northwestern Middle School 6 p.m. Friday, June 24, 2005 Mayor's Neighborhood Summit July 12, 2005 to September 1st the Neighborhood Leadership Training and Oct 20-22 the State Neighborhood Conference in Lakeland, Florida.

If you need to contact Marilyn please call 630-7024 or Mfharmer@coj.net

<u>Sub Committee Reports</u> – None to report but the New Ways Grant Committee may meet before the next CPAC meeting if the grants are available from the Jacksonville Children's Commission.

Chair Announcements

- We would like to have some volunteers to call members each month to remind them of the NW CPAC meeting. Linda Moore, Roberta Wilson and Alma Hudson volunteered.
- Chairperson Kerr thanked the UNF Nurses for attending the meeting and reading to the students.
- JEA and Greenscape would like to do a special workshop on the "Right Tree/Right Place". Members decided to have it as the April CPAC meeting. Staff will not have to come to the meeting but if they have a report to please send it to Marilyn to have for the April Minutes.
- Welcome to Debra Poczatek who is now with Metro Kids Konnection at Cleveland Arms formally with the City Rescue Mission.

Motion to Adjourn

A Motion to adjourn was made by Thomas Hudson and a second by Randy Mallory. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, April 14, 2005** at 5 p.m. for READING and 6 p.m. for the MEETING at Paxon Middle School – 3276 Norman Thagard Blvd.