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**Until approved at the next CPAC MEETING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Murray Hill Library**  
**September 12, 2002**

**Committee Members Present**

Diane Kerr, Chairperson  
George Leverett, Vice Chair  
Thomas May, Thomas Jefferson  
Norman Study, Cisco Gardens  
Joseph Anderson, Pickettville  
Teresa Mary, Murray Hill  
Laura Lee, Kinnard  
Erma Cole, Robinson's Addition  
Ernest Clayton, Kinlock  
Bertha Richardson, Better Living  
Henry Cue, Better Living  
Larry Solomon, Carver Manor  
Linda Moore, North Riverside  
Rev. Anthony Wyche, Ribault HOA  
Pastor Eugene Johnson, Norwood Assn.  
Alton Yates  
James Clark, Whitehouse  
Katie Swan, Royal Terrace  
Mattie Hickey, Royal Terrace  
Colleen Hayes, Royal Terrace  
\*Cassandra Person, Washington Heights  
\*Lance Hunt, Victoria Landing  
\*Tola & Henry McMickens, Minosa Circle

**City/Staff/Public/Media**

Mario Taylor, Director RESD  
Bob Baughman, Parks & Recreation  
Jennifer Kohn, Building Inspector  
Jack Shad, Planning Department  
Milton Locklear, FDOT  
Leila Mousa, Duval County Schools  
Peggy Williams, Duval County Schools  
Jimson Lee Johnson, FCMPO  
Marilyn Fenton-Harmer, Neighborhood Services  
Sgt. Warren, JSO Zone 5  
Mattie Jarrell, Minosa Circle  
Timothy Butts, Better Living  
Linda Kittles, Ribault HOA  
Michelle Frericks, Murray Hill  
John Bryant, North Riverside  
Randy Mallory, Murray Hill  
James Constande, Paxon Resource Center  
Jesse Wiles, APD  
Laura Reid, APD  
H.M. Clark, North Riverside  
Rosa Smith, Lazarus Project  
Len Burroughs, Murray Hill

Excused: Brad Straley, Faye Richardson

**Call to Order**

Chairperson Kerr called the meeting to order at 6:03PM at Murray Hill Library, 918 Edgewood Avenue South and welcomed everyone. Chairman Kerr asked members and guests to please sign in.

Invocation: Rev. Anthony Wyche

**Approval of the Meeting Summary**

When a quorum was established the meeting summary from the July 11, 2002 and August 8, 2002 meeting were reviewed. *A Motion to Approve was made by Thomas May and a second from Larry Solomon. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.*

**Guest Speaker**

**Duval County Schools** – Leila Mousa – Regional Superintendent Region II & Peggy Williams, Regional Director Region II introduced themselves as the New School Board Representative taking Ken Manuel's place. The District has 167 schools and are divided up into 5 areas. They supervise 31 schools with 19 elementary, 5 middle, 4 high schools and 3 special schools. It is like a mini school district. The office for Region II is located behind Paxon High School. They can be contacted at 693-7938. School problems need to go through the school Principal first. At this time there does not look as if there will be summer school. They are identifying students who are having trouble now and getting remediation before they get too far behind. A question on uniforms and the dress code were asked. The School Board has gone with the current Code for Dress and will wait until next year to be discussed.

**Northwest Vision and Master Plan** -Jesse Wiles, President Asset Property Disposition – introduced Laura Reid and explained how he was a consultant for EDAW with 2 plans – SW& NW Plans – Jack Shad is the contact for the Planning Department's NW Plan. If you can please fill out the survey and return it before the end of this meeting that info will be included in the plan. In order to have more input from the neighborhoods on the "big picture" of what you would like the neighborhood to look like in the 2010 Plan they will be contacting groups to have meetings in a geographical area. The plan is being done to develop a community profile for the NW Planning District, have community values that are important to the neighborhoods and look for trends to correct problems.

**Parks & Recreation** - Bob Baughman, Deputy Director – There are 3 divisions and 327 parks, 58,000 acres under the Parks Department. The following parks will have work done to them: Murray Hill, Nips Sam Memorial Park, Willowbranch Park, Charles Reese Boat Ramp, and Westside Park just to mention a few. There were lots of questions on specific parks especially Lonnie Miller. Member Joseph Anderson explained that he hunted for Quail on the Ellis farm. The previous owner had a Septic Company and dumped the sewage where the land is fenced off as well as ash was used as land fill. The area of the park that is open was where the Ellis homestead was. It has been tested and re-tested and is not contaminated. If you have questions on Park Maintenance please call Lorenzo Williams at 630-5431. There is a process if you know of an area that would be a good place for a park.

## Staff Reports

**Mayor's Liaison** – Mario Taylor – This past month he was to have a representative from the Parks Department and Mr. Baughman answered questions about the NW Parks. He has been working closely with the Chair, Diane Kerr on issues that need his assistance.

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

- ◆ Mayor's Town Hall Meeting – Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at Henry Kite Elementary at 9430 Lem Turner Road at 6 PM
- ◆ CPAC Picnic last year was GREAT and it is said it will be even better this year with lots of door prizes
- ◆ Mayor's Neighborhood Summit Friday, Oct. 25 at the Prime Osborn Convention Center from 8 am to 5 pm and it's FREE
- ◆ Champs – a program from the Duval County School Board will be walking the community to go to homes of Truants on Sat. meeting at Raines at 9:45 am
- ◆ FREE Safety Fair Day on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm at Gateway Shopping Center at 5184 Norwood Avenue
- ◆ Mayor's Matching Grants are out for a total 60 grants in the amount of \$244, 850 The NW received 9 of those grants:

Bethel Affordable Homes	\$3000
Bethel Community and Economic Dev.	5000
Carver Lincoln Assoc. for Youth Program	5000
Julius Guinyard Tennis Assoc.	2000
Murray Hill Preservation –Landscaping	5000
RAP - Entranceway irrigation and landscaping	5000
Riverside Avondale Preservation Park Restoration	5000
Riverview – Sign and Landscaping	4000
Second Chance Help Center – Landscaping	4250
Washington Heights – Landscaping	5000
Total	\$43250

The other planning districts were broken down this way: Urban Core 3 Arlington 23 SE 19 SW 2 N 4

**Building Inspector** – Jennifer Kohn – Please be sure to get permits if you are building on your property.

**FDOT** – Milton Locklear – New Kings & I -295 will start in 2003 – Forest Street construction is 3 years out- Lem Turner & 6 mile Creek is 2 years away – The need for an overpass at US 1 & 20<sup>th</sup> Street is needed. It is projected for 2025

**JSO - Sgt. Warren** – Is new to Zone 5 – Neighborhoods like North Riverside would like to have an Officer assigned to a neighborhood to get to know the residents – back to community policing – More patrols on 45<sup>th</sup> and Avenue B are needed. Can police ever get out of their cars instead of just driving by was also a concern. The Zone 5 cleanup will be on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> and the Sheriff's Walk will be on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at Butler Middle School at 4:30pm

**Planning & Development** – Jack Shad -Was glad to have Jessie and Laura at the meeting on the NW Visioning Master Plan. He went over current exceptions, rezoning and land use changes that were coming up. If you have any questions call 630-2584

*A Motion to have the Chair write a letter of denial for a gas station on Mayflower in the Murray Hill Neighborhood was made by Joseph Anderson and a second by Teresa Mary. The Vote: All were in Favor. None opposed..*

*Chairperson Kerr asked for nominations from the floor for the Mayor's Individual Award that will be presented at the Mayor's Neighborhood Summit on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. They are due to the Neighborhood Services Office by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>*

*Diane Kerr was nominated by Teresa Mary and a second by Norman Study.*

*George Leverett was nominated by Erma Cole and a second by Diane Kerr*

*Joseph Anderson was nominated by Norman Study and a second by George Leverett*

*Anthony Wyche closed the nominations with a second from Norman Study. The vote:*

*Diane Kerr - 9 George Leverett – 3 Joseph Anderson – 2*

***Diane Kerr is the Individual Winner from the Northwest 2002.***

*A Motion from the floor for Neighborhood Associations were:*

*Murray Hill – received the winning nomination from the SW CPAC – withdrawn*

*Ribault HOA was nominated by Anthony Wyche and a second by Teresa Mary*

*Robinson's Addition was nominated by Erma Cole and a second by Anthony Wyche*

*North Riverside was nominated by Linda Moore and a second by Diane Kerr*

*Royal Terrace was nominated by Katie Swan and a second by Colleen Hayes*

*Better Living was nominated by Tim Butts and a second by George Leverett*

*Cisco Gardens was nominated by Norman Study and a second by George Leverett*

*The Vote: Ribault – 3 Robinson's Addition – 2 North Riverside – 4 Royal Terrace – 3 Better Living – 2 Cisco Gardens – 2*

***North Riverside is the Neighborhood Winner for the NW CPAC***

## **Announcements/Concerns:**

- ◆ CPAC picnic tickets are available for \$5 and it will be at Mandarin Park on Sat. Sep. 28<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am – 2pm
- ◆ Thomas Jefferson will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm at the Center on Nevada Street
- ◆ Recommend to Mayor – delay Pritchard Road with trouble acquiring land
- ◆ Major concerns on Businesses not cleaning up their front is a constant battle for neighborhoods. We need some help on this.
- ◆ Fire Station 26 needs to be renovated.
- ◆ Bus service is needed all over town with time limits not so far apart

## **A Motion to Adjourn**

*A Motion to adjourn was made by Norman Study and a second by George Leverett. The Vote: All were in favor, none opposed.*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM

**The next meeting will be on Thursday, October 10, 2002  
at 6PM Westside Industrial Park – 4601 Bulls Bay Highway**