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SUMMARY OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF
THE NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON JULY 14, 1994

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	OTHER PRESENT
Lou Myers, Chairman	The Honorable C.B. Griffin
Elaine Burnett, Vice Chairman	Joel Mc Eachin, Staff
Frederic Pinkney	Kenneth Avery, Staff
Barney Roberts	Ida Denson, Cleveland Heights
Buddy Spradley	Willie Wills, Cleveland Heights
Renora White	Laura Lee, Kinnard Community Club
Alton Yates	Alice Lake, Kinnard Community Club
	Captain Mark Bowen, Office of the Sheriff
	John Shellhorn, Regulatory and Environmental Services

Chairman Myers called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M. After observing a moment of silence in lieu of prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman stated that we do not have a quorum. Therefore, no official action can be taken by the Committee, although they can have discussions and presentations. Mr. Myers introduced Reverend Frederic Pinkney as a new member to the Northwest CPAC committee representing the area around Blue Street and Steele Street. The Honorable C. B. Griffin, Councilman District 10 was recognized.

Mr. Shellhorn, Mayor's Coordinator for the Clean-Up Campaign was asked to update the Committee on the clean-up campaign. Mr. Shellhorn, passed out copies of the new survey form developed to seek citizen input on specific needs and problems within the neighborhoods and communities. It should be noted that five neighborhoods submitted proposed clean-up response forms to the CPAC committee.

Reverend Pinkney stated to the Committee that in his area (Blue Street and Steele Street) there is a number of vacant and abandoned houses, as well as overgrown yards and lots. Unfortunately, many of the local residents are senior citizens who can not take an active role in addressing these community problems. It was stated that during the Clean-Up Campaign those communities with special populations such as senior citizens will receive additional attention and assistance from the City and Corporate Volunteers.

Mr. Myers thanked Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Shellhorn for their presentation.

Mr. Barney Roberts shared his concern for the widespread violation of special handicapped parking spaces by businesses in the Northwest District. In addition to the lack of enforcement, he believes that some businesses are not providing enough of these spaces. Mr. Yates, informed the Committee that his Department has trained many civilian volunteers, most handicapped, to find violators. Unfortunately, most of the volunteers work on the Southside. However, his Department will direct more attention to those businesses identified by Mr. Roberts.

Mr. Myers thanked Mr. Roberts for his input on this matter.

Councilman Griffin updated the Committee on several projects including the widening of Soutel Drive from U.S. 1 to I-295, and the development of the regional park. He stated that although the park is not developed, the property is still available for public use. He also expressed his concerns about the continue problem of illegal dumping, and the need for reporting violators.

Mr. Myers thanked Councilman Griffin for his remarks.

Ms. Elaine Burnett asked each Committee Member to briefly described what they are planning for a clean-up project in their community.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.