SUMMARY OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTHWEST CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 1999

Committee Members Present	**City Staff/public/media**
Brad Straley, Chairman	John Fleming
Elaine Burnett	Elaine Lancaster
Norman Study	Lt. Jim Fuller
Rosa Stephens	Terri Lindemann
Erma Cole	Mary A. Study
Linda Moore	Terri Lindermann
Thomas May	Ada Mae Green
Mary Jones	Chic Holliday
Christina Campbell	Terry Holliday
	Ken Avery
	Joe Brown
	Judy Truett
	Noah Henderson

Chairman Straley called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M. Mrs. Rosa Stephens gave the invocation.

Staff Comments

John Fleming, Chief-Neighborhood Services Division, made the following announcements. The Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grant applications are available and workshops will be held in May to assist in filling out the applications. The visual blight "Junk" committee has met once for the purpose of getting ideas to define what is junk so that an ordinance can be drafted, which will include what is considered junk as recommended by this committee. The next visual blight meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 25 at 5:00 PM in the Renaissance room at City Hall-St. James Bldg. The World of Nations event will take place this year on April 30th thru May 2nd at Metropolitan Park.

Terri Lindemann, Code Enforcement Inspector, announced and encouraged participation in the up coming St. Johns River Celebration, which is the clean up of the St. Johns on Saturday, March 20th from 8:00 AM to 12 noon.

Ken Avery, Sr. Planner-Planning and Development Department, distributed copies of and explained applications for a land use change to the 2010 plan (99C-011, a land use change to permit commercial infill between CGC and NC parcels for property located between Normandy Blvd. and Memorial Park Road), a zoning variance (V-99-0012, a request for a set back at 318 Linwood Ave.) and two zoning exceptions (E-99-0010, a request to operate a Day Care at 318 Linwood Ave- and E-99-0013, a request to place a mobile home at 7868 Siskin Ave.)

Lt. Fuller reported on the crime statistics for the zone 5 area. He also mentioned that he would be on the television program "Signal 24" on Thursday, February 25th at 8:30 PM and he encouraged the CPAC members to call-in and ask questions.

Judy Truett distributed a report "The Human Side of City Government". She highlighted some of the services rendered to the citizens of Jacksonville by each of the divisions of the Community Services Department and stated that the report is a small sample of the services they delivered for the year of 1998. She announced that the Senior Showcase is scheduled for May 20th and she encouraged participation.

Business:

Chairman Straley announced that the scheduled presentation on CYCLE JACKSONVILLE will not be presented.

Old Business:

The Northwest CPAC members discussed their recent effort to obtain the name of an alternate member of their organization to ensure that if the primary member could not attend they would see that the alternate member would attend. Committee member Norm Study of Cisco Garden brought and introduced his alternate member, Faye Richardson. Linda Moore of North Riverside Community Development Corporation announced that John McPherson was their alternate member. Chairman Straley encouraged the other members that did not have an alternate to try to bring the name of their alternate to the next meeting.

Subcommittees:

There were no subcommittee reports given.

The CPAC committee discussed and decided on the following regarding the subcommittees. The Membership subcommittee was combined with the Communications subcommittee , which will be chaired by Elaine Burnett. The Land Use & Zoning subcommittee was combined with the Code Enforcement Subcommittee, which will be chaired by Mary Jones. Thomas May agreed to chair the Emergency Preparedness subcommittee and Linda Moore agreed to chair the Economic Development subcommittee.

Other Business:

Chic Holliday introduced herself, gave a brief summary of her involvement in the community and asked for the vote and support for her for City Council At Large Group 2.

Lad Daniels introduced himself, gave a brief summary of his involvement in the community and asked for the vote and support for him for City Council At Large Group 3.

Terry Holliday of the Jacksonville Property Association stated that he would be assigning members of his group to each of the CPACs.

Christine Andrews, center manager of the Charlie Joseph Center, stated that they were having problems with prostitution and drugs in the area and specifically at the bus stop in front of the center.

New Business:

Noah Henderson announced that Jocelyn Turner, recently elected Vice-Chairman, resigned due to her new job. Chairman Straley appointed committee members Thomas May and Erma Cole to the nominating committee and asked them to bring back nominations at the March meeting for the purpose of electing a Vice- Chairperson.

Committee member May requested that he and Mrs. Cole are sent a copy of the membership list.

Announcements

Committee member Study mentioned that they had problems with the dumps on their side of town on Jones Road. He mentioned that several attempts were made to contact Councilman Holzendorf but they were unsuccessful in reaching him. It was suggested that a letter be composed and brought to CPAC for their review and support.

Committee member Rosa Stephens stated that they were still having problems with prostitution and drugs in the area, specifically at 45th to Benedict Rd., 5640 Paris Avenue and the vacant lot on Paris Ave. that is owned by Bethune Cookman College. She also mentioned that they needed a substation in the area and better lighting on Paris Street.

Committee member Mary Jones stated that after contacting the City of Jacksonville about litter and trash in her neighborhood, she was very please with the response of the city in cleaning up the area.

Committee member Elaine Burnett stated that she wanted to go on record that she has made several efforts in her conversations with the Florida Department of Transportation to have College and Post streets turned into two way streets.

Committee member Erma Cole stated that her organization, Robinson's Addition, had completed and will be submitting an application for the JEA-Communi Tree program. She also complimented that City of Jacksonville for providing more lights in their neighborhood and Code Enforcement for their efforts on demolishing unsafe structures in the neighborhood. She mentioned that their area will soon be getting a police stop station. She also mentioned that on Tuesday February 23 at the Boys and Girls Club located on Line Street, an awards ceremony will be held to recognize those individuals who participated in their house painting project that was funded by the City of Jacksonville through the Building Neighborhoods Initiative Grant program.

Committee member Thomas May of the Thomas Jefferson Civic Association announced that they will hold a Meet the Candidates forum on either March 4th or April 1st.

Chairman Straley announced that the Supervisor of Elections Office will be invited to speak at

the March 11th meeting, a grant workshop will be provided at the April 8th meeting and Ted Hiers of the Justice Coalition will be invited to make a presentation at the May 13th meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8 PM.