NORTH DISTRICT CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FCCJ North Campus – 4501 Capper Road January 14, 2004

Meeting Summary

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum

Chair Robert Lee called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. There was verification of a quorum.

Agenda Item 2. Presentation – Jennifer R. Hewett-Apperson, Planner Topic: Town Center Program

Agenda Item 3. Summary of Previous Meeting for Approval

A motion was made to approve the meeting summary from the previous meeting (December 10, 2003). The motion passed and the meeting summary was approved.

Agenda Item 4. Old Business

Chair Lee covered items discussed at the mayor's quarterly meeting with CPAC chairs on December 15, 2003.

Agenda Item 5. Chair's Report

Chair Lee would like to meet with subcommittee chairs. He reviewed what he would like to do this year.

Discussion took place regarding the formation of a membership subcommittee. A motion was made to form such a subcommittee. The motion was seconded and passed without opposition. Members of the new subcommittee are: Harry Wagner, Chair; Members: Ed Andrews, Crystal Riner, Tommy L. Ruffin, and Jessie Sammons.

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Lieutenant Ron Norse provided crime statistics for Zone 6. Arson decreased in 2003. Auto burglaries decreased in 2003 while residential burglaries increased. There was no change in the homicide rate in 2003. In 2003, robberies to businesses were down but up against individuals. Sexual battery was up in 2003. Information was also provided regarding "Operation Show Down."

Agenda Item 6. Subcommittee Reports

Governmental Affairs report was given by Richard Berry

- 2003-1501 CPAC recommended approval
 2003-1513 CPAC recommended approval
 2003-1534 CPAC recommended approval
- 2003-1552 CPAC recommended denial
- 2004-49 CPAC recommended deferral until next CPAC meeting

2003 Governmental Affairs members would like to continue to serve in 2004. If others are interested in serving, please call and let it be known.

Education – no report

Children's Commission – Dot Mathias reported that Matt Thompson is no longer handling grants. The grant proposal is not yet in hand. Last year, funds were distributed late. Hopefully, there will be more information to report at the meeting next month.

Beautification – Chair Lee reported for Jack Stuart. Some of the dead trees along Heckscher Drive have been replaced. Approximately 30 to 40 additional trees are expected.

Jack would like to do the city-wide clean up in January with the city. A preference from CPAC members was requested. Options were November and January. A motion was made to suggest that the clean up take place in January 2005. The motion passed with no opposition.

Transportation subcommittee chair, Richard Berry provided handouts of The Better Jacksonville Plan - City of Jacksonville - Project Status Report, January 9, 2004. He reviewed various North District projects. The Brannan Field/Chaffee Road project passed through the city council last night. Help with transportation would be appreciated this year.

Mayor's Representative – Randy White announced the Dinsmore Fire Station grand opening. It will take place on January 24, 2004 at 12:00 noon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Councilman Warren Alvarez - no report.

Building Inspection Division – no report.

Property Safety Division – no report.

Duval County School Board – Vicky Drake reported that proposed boundaries are in for the new Oceanway Middle School. They're looking at putting a Visual Arts magnet at Highlands Middle.

Planning and Development Department – Doug McDowell reported that the North Jax Visioning Plan is available for review.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – Milton Locklear provided project updates. There will be a presentation on I-95 reconstruction next month.

Duval County Health Department – Jocelyn Turner reported that the State of Florida is promoting physical activity in order to reduce obesity. There will be a massive statewide walking campaign.

Consumer Affairs Division – Ty Burke provided statistics regarding predatory lending.

Neighborhood Services Division – Cami Cooper reminded members to sign in so that meeting attendance can be recorded and to call her or the CPAC Chair when unable to attend meetings.

Agenda Item 7. Public Comments

Richard Berry announced that the Veteran's Administration would be holding a public meeting on January 22, 2004 to discuss where the cemetery will be located.

Bill David, Jacksonville Human Rights Commission, provided information regarding study circles.

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

Chair Lee, adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.