



MEETING SUMMARY

NORTH CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 FCCJ North Campus
 Building "C" Conference room C-136
 4501 Capper Rd.
 August 8, 2010 4 – 6 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONS – REPRESENTATIVES	EXCUSED
in Attendance	
Chair – Bobby Taylor, FL Open Beaches	Charter Member - Dot Mathias
Vice Chair – Mike Getchell, Eagle Bend	Captiva Bluff – Rex Neidlinger
Charter Member – Dick Berry	Creeside Bend – Marlon Perry
Charter Member – David Spruill	Garden City – James Breland
Ashford Wood – Kathy Myers	Johnson Comm. Civic – James Shronce
Betz Realty – William Baker	New Berlin Enclave – Madeline Reed
Black Hammock Island – Mary Thompson	Northside Business Leaders – Nancy Burnett
BRC Florida Holdings – Hiron Peck	Woodmont – Esther Sumpter
Council Appointee 11- Tommy Ruffin	
Duval PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake	
Eagles Hammock – Nancy Landau	ABSENT
Heckscher Dr. Comm. Club – Eric Smith	Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
Highlands – Jack Stuart	VISITORS
Lydia Estates – Robert Lee	Paula D. Wright, candidate
Marshwinds – Vonda Miller	Joseph Tate – CHIV HOA
Northlake – Mattie Nunn	Sam Garrison, candidate
Northside Lions – Harry Wagner	Shawna Allen, National Park Service
San Mateo – Roland Biederer	STAFF and OFFICIALS
ShAdCo Q – Jennelle Bray	Housing and Neighborhoods - Mary Beth Ridderman
The Cape – Dolores Spruill	Florida Dept. Transportation – Milton Locklear
Turtle Creek Village – Arthur Sullivan	Mayor's Liaison/Duval Extension Office – Mike Sweat
Alternates Also In Attendance	Municipal Code Enforcement - Maria Buchwalter
Heckscher Dr. Comm. Club – Gerie Leigh	Planning & Development – Amy Hays Holliman
	Recreation and Community – Nathan Rezeau
Removed From List	
Jocelyn Turner, Duval Health Department	

- The meeting was called to order** at 4:02 p.m. by Chair Bobby Taylor.
- A quorum was verified** by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.
- Presentation** – No presentation was scheduled.
- Summary** of the previous meeting was approved.
- Old Business** – None.
- Chair's Report** : Chair Taylor reported:
 - He and other CPAC Chairs met with Mayor John Peyton on July 22. The Urban Core expressed a concern about the tags on real estate parcels not in the ash

site. The COJ is working with the federal government in an attempt to resolve the issue. Greater Arlington Beaches discussed the possible split of CPAC districts. The issue was resolved with a status quo. The North CPAC has concerns about access to Huguenot Park. The traffic blocks access to residents' homes on Heckscher Drive and that is a safety issue.

- Nathan Rezeau is leaving the COJ to advance his career with the federal park service. The Chair said he respected Nathan as a public servant who served the COJ well. Residents thanked him for his work, especially in areas of San Mateo and Huguenot Park. A round of applause was given and a card passed and signed. Mr. Rezeau said he appreciated the North CPAC residents' warmth and had enjoyed working with everyone.
- Twenty one sea turtles hatched and were released at Huguenot Park. Channel 4 took live video and the event was on the news.
- Early voting is August 24.
- Everyone was reminded to sign in.
- The protocol for candidates or candidate representatives is to give your name and state the name of the office sought. It is acceptable to leave literature on the CPAC table.

7. Staff Reports

A. **JSO** – no representative. No report.

B. **Mayor's Representative** – Mike Sweat announced:

- On Oct. 8 and 9, the canning center will celebrate its 75th year.
- A Northside teen, Joel Weaver, was elected 4-H State Treasurer.
- Master Gardener classes have begun.
- Master Naturalist classes have begun.
- Mr. Sweat may be reached at 387-8850.

C. **City Council Member's Reports** – no representatives present, no reports.

D. **Duval County School Board** – Vicki Drake announced:

- Schools are preparing for opening on August 23. The teachers return on August 16.
- The Duval County School Board declared a state of Financial Urgency for the purpose of not paying teachers' step raises. No other school employees have received raises in the past two years and the DCSB did not think it was fair for teachers to continue to receive raises.
- Counties throughout Florida feel there was a mistake with the State's FCAT grading this year. The State admitted they made a mistake in 2006.
- Members engaged Ms. Drake in a lengthy discussion regarding step raises and teachers' pay.
- Concerns were expressed regarding the numbers of students in art classes and other classes.

E. **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** - Milton Locklear announced:

- Changes have been made to the I-10/I-95 interchange. From the Westside, stay in the middle lanes to go North.
- The time of lights at Heckscher Drive/9-A are scheduled to be adjusted in October or November.
- The lights at I-295/9-A will be lighted when the flyover has been completed.
- To contact Mr. Locklear, please call 360-5686.

F. **Duval County Health Department** - Jocelyn Turner was not present. Ms. Turner may be contacted at 253-2037.

G. Municipal Code Compliance – Officer Maria Buchwalter reported:

- A systematic inspection was completed in Dinsmore, resulting in 50 new cases. Code Enforcement Officers have the ability to enforce litter or snipe signs on public property. Sign owners will be cited and ticketed. The citations are complaint-driven. Please report snipe sign violations to 630-CITY (2489).
- A new booklet on signs was provided. Snipe signs are litter.
- The forms provided by Dr. Peck are excellent and will be very helpful.
- A concern was expressed about the number of and condition of abandoned homes. Call 630-City (2489) to report homes with tall grass/weeds or broken windows/doors that need to be boarded up.
- Please report suspected code violations to 630-CITY (630-2489).

H. Planning and Development – Amy Hays Holliman reported

- The North Planning District has a completed Vision Plan. Her department has been working with the Urban Core, Greater Arlington Beachers and the Southeast Planning Districts to create plans for those areas. The Urban Core and Southeast are going through the legislative process now.
- The department’s website is being updated. If you find problems, please report them to Amy at 255-7853 or ahays@coj.net

I. Recreation and Community – Nathan Rezeau reported:

- The Palms Restaurant’s termination date is August 15 and a letter to the contractor and notice to vacate will be issued. A request for bids will need to be reissued to complete the construction.
- Betz Tiger Point is under construction and may be completed/reopened in October, 2010.
- Mr. Rezeau stated “it was nice serving with you all”.
- For more information about park activities or aquatics programs, visit www.jaxparks.com or call 630-3690.

J. Housing and Neighborhoods – Mary Beth Ridderman announced:

- The CommUniverCity classes began Aug. 10 and will continue through graduation on October 9.
- A printed coordinator’s report was provided.
- Ms. Ridderman may be contacted at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.

9. Subcommittee Reports:

A. Governmental Affairs: The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Chair discussed the following items:

2010-486	Approve	Adopt Small-Scale Amend to FLUM Series, Appl# 2010C-007 - 13201, 13283 & 3285 Perdue Rd, (5.97± Acres) - LDR to RPI Agent Dan Boswell
2010-487	Approve	Rezoning 13201, 13283 & 13285 Perdue Rd (5.97± Acres) - RLD-120 & RLD-100A – Agent Dan Boswell

- Bill Baker congratulated Governmental Affairs Chair Mike Getchell and the subcommittee members for doing excellent research and for their time.
- Nancy Landau thanked Mike Getchell and the subcommittee members for their work and attention to detail. It has been very helpful

to be provided with the details and extra explanations. Well done! Members and guests gave a round of applause for the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee.

- The next meeting of the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee is scheduled for Sept. 2, at 4 p.m., Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, 4501 Capper Rd. Room 136 C.

B. Membership: Harry Wagner announced that Mary Beth Ridderman lets him know when the CPAC has a new member. He suggested members be careful about either attending CPAC meetings or asking the chair for an excused absence. Requests may be made to the chair through Ms. Ridderman at 255-8260 or Marybeth@coj.net. Attendance records are monitored - after three unexcused absences, a member's name will be removed from the membership list.

C. Transportation: Dick Berry announced

- Mary Beth Ridderman sends FDOT and JTA reports electronically. He attended the TPO meeting. T
- The North has 3 in the top 10 of 17 projects on the TPO list.
- The Alta Drive project is under budget and on time.
- Traffic lights will be installed at the on and off 9-A ramps. A light will be installed at Faye Road. Timing issues are of concern.
- A train terminal is being planned. No site has been selected.
- A huge number of containers/trailers are being stored on the Northside in preparation for the port improvements.

D. Taxation Revenue Expenditures (TRUE) Commission Representative: Hiron Peck announced:

- The TRUE Commission did not meet this month due to not enough members for a quorum.
- He obtained a document and made it available to members to report and track concerns that otherwise would be reported to CARE or 630-CITY. Please document your concerns and follow up on them. The form is available from Mary Beth Ridderman at 255-8260 or Marybeth@coj.net.

10. New Business: None

11. Public Comments:

- Roland Biederer said the National Park service should be put on the agenda. The Chair said he will take that under advisement when the National Park Service completes the nomination process.
- Harry Wagner asked homeowners associations to properly display American flags at the entrance to neighborhoods. A brief discussion of flag etiquette was held.
- Kathy Myers commented on the new fence at Ashford Woods and Starratt Road.
- Dick Berry announced the Oceanway Town Center project is 99 percent complete. The ribbon cutting is scheduled for September 9, 2010 at 9 a.m.
- Signs in Oceanway have been defaced. Please call JSO at 630-0500 if you see someone stealing or defacing signs.
- Mike Getchell announced the LUZ subcommittee is chaired by John Crescimbeni. Ray Holt remains on the committee.
- A brief discussion was held about political signs. Political signs in the right of way are litter. Please report to 630-CITY (2489).
- Shawna Allen, National Park Service, announce several projects have been funded by stimulus money: the parking lot at Ft. Caroline, irrigation at Ft. Caroline and new pathways at Kingsley Plantation. A transportation study is being conducted at Ft. George Island. Cedar Point is open.

- Arthur Sullivan announced the road into Kingsley is in bad condition.
- **Adjourn:** A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

The next North CPAC meeting is 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2010 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, C-136. The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting is 4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 2, 2010 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, C-136.

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If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the North Citizens Planning Advisory Committee with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.