



North District 6
Citizens Planning Advisory Committee
Bobby Taylor – Chairman
Mike Getchell – Vice Chairman

MEETING SUMMARY

NORTH CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 FCCJ North Campus
 Building "C" Conference room C-136
 4501 Capper Rd.
 May 12, 2010 4 – 6 p.m.

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

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 4:02 p.m. by Chair Bobby Taylor.
2. **A quorum was verified** by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.
3. **Guest Speaker** – City Council Member Ray Holt discussed updates in District 11, the City’s settlement with Waste Management, the budget, increased city fees and ordinance 2010-327, which will require registration of foreclosed properties
4. **Presentation** - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), presented by Wanda Forrest. Projects planned for the North District include: Heckscher Drive resurfacing Heckscher Drive Shad creek Bridge replacement, Heckscher Drive Brown/Clapboard Creek bridge Rehab/Repair, Dames Point Bridge Rehabilitation, Main Street resurfacing, Main Street/Trout River Bridge resurfacing and fender work, SR 9A from I-95 to Dames Point Bridge – add lane and reconstruct, SR 9A from Atlantic Blvd. to I-95 North and others. For more information, contact Ms. Forrest at 306-7514 or wforrest@northfloridatpo.com.
5. **Summary** of the previous meeting was approved.
6. **Old Business** – None.
7. **Chair’s Report** : Chair Taylor inquired if members want a presentation to learn more about the pros and cons of Hometown Democracy. After a brief discussion, members voted to invite speakers from both sides of the issue. The Chair inquired if a presentation is wanted to learn more about the Cecil Commerce Center and Hillwood as a master developer. Members voted to invite speakers from both sides of the issue.
8. **Staff Reports**
 - A. **JSO** – Assistant Chief Michael Rutledge announced:
 - The main problem is burglaries occurring from 7 a.m. and lasting until midnight. Many of the burglaries are to apartments while the owners are at work. Suspects have been arrested in a burglary to a business/pizza place.
 - The JSO Zone 6 Safety Fair will be held at the River City Market Place on Saturday, May 15 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
 - Sheriff’s Neighborhood Crime Prevention Zone 6 Walk will be held on Monday, May 25 at 5:30 p.m.. The walk will begin at the intersection of Ross Boulevard and Frances Avenue. He asked all CPAC, ShAdCo Members and guests participate.
 - Please report suspicious activity by calling 630-0500.
 - Chair Taylor thanked Chief Rutledge for his report.
 - **Mayor’s Representative** – Mike Sweat was present and available for questions. Mr. Sweat may be contacted at 387-8850.
 - C. **City Council Member’s Reports** –
 - Council Member Ray Holt discussed Ordinance 2010-326 regarding internet cafes. He said his business office is located near the internet café on 1403 Dunn Avenue. Council Member Holt said he has personally observed a number of criminal activities, for example, drug deals, prostitutes offering for business, and other criminal activities. Council Member Holt said the internet café is close to the Dairy Queen. The Dairy Queen manager asserts that the internet café runs off his business on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Council Member Holt cosponsored ordinance 2010-326.
 - D. **Duval County School Board** – Vicki Drake announced the School Board is working on the budget.

E. **FDOT** - Milton Locklear was excused from the meeting. 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 Buchwalter reported:

- Municipal Code Enforcement Officers conducted a systematic inspection Lake Forest and Panama Park areas.
- During summer months, officers will focus on overgrown grass/weeds.
- Council Member Holt added that the Pink Palace is about to be demolished.
- Please report suspected code violations to 630-CITY (630-2489).

H. **Planning and Development** – Amy Hays Holliman announced the Planning and Development Department is considering privatizing building inspections. Ms. Holliman may be contacted at 255-7853 or ahays@coj.net

I. **Recreation and Community** – Nathan Rezeau reported:

- Summer camp registration is available on line at [www. Jaxparks.com](http://www.Jaxparks.com).
- A brief discussion was held regarding the possibility of keeping 12 boat ramps open 24 hours daily. Chair Taylor said he is in favor of keeping the boat ramps open. In the North District, the boat ramps are Sisters Creek, Palms Fish Camp, Bert Maxwell and Joe Carlucci. Please call 255-7912 for more information.
- A concern was expressed regarding the proposed restaurant at the Palms Fish Camp. Mr. Rezeau reported the city issued a default letter and asked for a construction completion date which was not met. A termination letter will be sent on May 10.
- A concern was expressed regarding a safety issue related to traffic congestion caused by cars in line to pay fees for entrance into Huguenot Park. Mr. Rezeau said they are looking at options.
- 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 Housing and Neighborhoods Director, Wight Greger, has been working with City Council Members on proposed ordinance 2010-327, to require mortgage holders to register with the COJ when LisPendens (notice of foreclosure) is filed.
- A free seminar, Strategies for Safe and Sustainable Communities, will be offered on June 4 from 9:30 – 3:30 p.m. The keynote speaker is Attorney General Bill McCollum.
- A printed report was provided.
- Ms. Ridderman may be contacted at 255-8260 or marybeth@coj.net.

9. **Subcommittee Reports:**

A. **Governmental Affairs:** The following items were discussed and/or voted upon:

2010-294	Oppose	Apv. Proposed Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2010A-005 - 5654 Dunn Ave (26.8 Acres) - BP & LDR to RPI
Ambridge Cove	Oppose	Reduce lot size 60 ft- 50ft.
2010-311	Oppose	Rezoning 12400 Yellow Bluff Rd/3055 Burkit Ln (3.84± Acres) - PUD & RLD-100A to PUD (Yellow Bluff Square: Commercial Uses)

2010-313	Support	Rezoning Propty on Garden St bet Paxton & Old Kings Rds (11± Acres) - RR Acre to RLD-60
2009-895	Discussed	Public comment segment of City Council meetings
2010-207	Discussed	School Board
2010-216	Discussed	City Fees increase
2010-273	Announced	Blasius Road Recycling (waste from U.S. and foreign vessels)
2010-282	Announced	Abandoned Vehicles, New Definition
2010 -326	Opposed	Internet Cafes. Former Mayor Jake Godbold, lobbyist for Allied Veterans, lobbied for internet cafes/against the ordinance. Wyman Duggan, lobbyist for Greyhound Racing, lobbied for the ordinance.
2010 - 327	Discussed	Registration of foreclosed properties
	Voted to invite speakers - both sides.	Cecil Commerce Center Master Developer
	Voted to invite speakers - both sides	Hometown Democracy

- Chair Taylor suggested and members gave a round of applause for Governmental Affairs Chair Mike Getchell for a job well-done.
- The next meeting of the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee is scheduled for June 3, at 4 p.m., Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, 4501 Capper Rd. Room 136 C.

B. Membership: Mr. Wagner was available for questions.

C. Transportation: Subcommittee Chair Dick Berry reported:

- A new tax is being evaluated nationwide. People may be taxed on the actual miles they travel.
- The city is doing away with fair share assessments. Instead, impact fees will be imposed.-
<http://www.coj.net/Departments/Planning+and+Development/Community+Planning/Mobility+Plan.htm> or you may contact Dick Berry at 751-3723 or Amy Holliman at 255-7853.

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

- The TRUE Commission found that COJ operating departments do not have specific contacts. For example, no one was supervising indigent care.
- He had questions about city services because he his call to 630-CITY did not get a good response. Dr. Peck obtained a form that may be used to report and track reports to 630CITY (2489). He asked members to fax in the report form and keep a copy for follow up at the next CPAC meeting. The form was distributed and Chair Taylor asked Ms. Ridderman to distribute the form electronically.

10. New Business:

- Nancy Landau asked the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee to follow the proposed ordinance 2010-327. She strongly encouraged

residents to check into their homeowners' associations and how many have received notices of foreclosures. She expressed concern about the number of abandoned homes in neighborhoods. She said 2010-327 is an opportunity for more notice to the homeowners associations when a property is in foreclosure.

11. Public Comments:

- Charter Member Dick Berry announced the new flood maps will be on display at the Highlands Library on May 13 between the hours of 6 – 8 p.m.

12. Adjourn: A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

The next North CPAC meeting is 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, C-136. The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting is 4 p.m., Thursday, June 3, 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.

