

**NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ North Campus – 4501 Capper Road
May 12, 2004**

Meeting Summary

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum

Chair Robert Lee called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. There was verification of a quorum.

Agenda Item 2. Presentation – Wanda Forrest, First Coast MPO

Topic: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Agenda Item 3. Summary of Previous Meeting for Approval

A motion was made to approve the summary from the April 14, 2004 meeting. After being seconded, the motion passed and the summary was approved.

Agenda Item 4. Old Business

None

Agenda Item 5. Chair's Report

Chair Lee requested that members contact Cami Cooper regarding CPAC membership renewals. Members were advised to sign their own name when signing in and to refrain from making notations on the sign-in sheet.

Discussion took place regarding how CPAC meetings are going. Concerns expressed were: 1) Shorten meetings and save questions until the end if they're not beneficial to everyone; 2) Members should come with ideas about what they want; 3) Is the current format suitable; 4) Continue with current format; 5) There's too much discussion regarding Governmental Affairs; 6) Governmental Affairs can't make all decisions for the CPAC. The entire group needs to be informed before voting on recommendations; and 7) Meetings have been running well and the format should continue.

Agenda Item 6. Subcommittee Reports

Governmental Affairs – report given by Richard Berry

- 2004-350 CPAC recommended approval, 3 opposed
- 2004-355 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-358 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-363/364 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-372 CPAC recommended approval, 3 opposed
- 2004-416 CPAC recommended denial
- 2004-419 CPAC recommended approval with conditions
- 2004-446 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-498 CPAC recommended deferral due to lack of information
- 2004-499 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-500 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-502 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-503 CPAC recommended approval
- 2004-505 CPAC recommended deferral due to lack of information

Education – Dr. Darby requested that Dr. Levi McIntosh give the report. Dr. McIntosh provided information affecting the district. Duval county schools will close on May 21. Students and teachers worked hard this past year. An update was provided regarding the progress of various north district schools. A new elementary school is proposed southeast of Sheffield. So far no school closures are planned in the district. A group of new teachers have been selected. Only certified teachers are being sought. Senator Jim King is responsible for the district getting their fair share of funding. As a result, Dr. Darby made a motion that the North CPAC sends a letter to Senator King for his efforts. After being seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Dr. Darby will write the letter.

Children’s Commission – Dot Mathias made a motion, by direction of the grant committee, that the following grants be adopted:

- 1) First Timothy Baptist Church Summer Enrichment Program - \$8,500
- 2) FCCJ Performing Arts Summer Institute - \$10,000
- 3) Highlands Middle School Beautification Project - \$1,500
- 4) “Arts Alive” Highlands Middle School Community Spring Arts Festival 2004 - \$5,000

The motion was seconded and passed with no opposition. The grants were adopted.

Beautification – The Lydia Estates community sustained damages to their irrigation system due to heavy trucks parking along Wingate Road. According to Chair Lee, the city has installed several “no parking” signs to eradicate the problem. The Shadco will take a look at the situation and try to provide assistance. According to JSO, parking in the area is not considered criminal mischief.

Membership – Chair Lee reported that a letter has been drafted and will go out to presidents of various north district neighborhood and homeowner associations.

Transportation subcommittee chair, Richard Berry distributed flyers announcing that The Eden Group and North Council are sponsoring a bus tour. The tour is scheduled on Thursday, June 17, 2004. Tour participants should meet at the Holiday Inn-Airport at 8 a.m. Coffee and danish will be served. The bus will leave at 9 a.m. RSVP by 5/11/04 at 751-1796 or edengroup@juno.com

Mayor’s Representative – The north district is first when it comes to the number of fire stations available. A new station is proposed at Lem Turner Road and Soutel Drive.

Councilman Warren Alvarez – Information was provided regarding parks in the district. Sheffield Park continues to move forward. Regarding the county courthouse, there’s still no established cost to build.

Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office – Lt. Norse provided crime statistics for the district.

Building Inspection Division – no report

Property Safety Division – no report

Duval County School Board – report given during education subcommittee report

Planning and Development Department – Doug McDowell reported that the Main Street Corridor Study should be out soon. The department continues to undergo a transition. He will continue to be the planner for the district event though staff changes are taking place.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – no report

Duval County Health Department – no report

Consumer Affairs Division – Ty Burke distributed information regarding miscellaneous business regulations.

Neighborhood Services Division – Cami Cooper provided information regarding the Mayor's Individual and Neighborhood awards. It's time to make selections. Names of winners should be submitted to Neighborhood Services no later than July 31. The deadline for submitting applications for 2004 Mayor's Neighborhood Matching Grants is June 30. The 2004 Neighborhood Leadership Training is scheduled July 6 – August 26.

Agenda Item 7. Public Comments

Mike McCollum, The Pattillo Company, provided information regarding road projects in the district.

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.