

**NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ North Campus – 4501 Capper Road
May 11, 2005**

Meeting Summary

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum

Chair Richard Berry called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Agenda Item 2. Presentation

Jeff Sheffield, First Coast MPO

Topic: Transportation Improvement Program

After the presentation, there was verification of a quorum.

Agenda Item 3. Summary of Previous Meeting for Approval

A motion was made to approve the summary from the April 13, 2005 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 Berry reviewed information from the last meeting held with the Mayor and CPAC Chairs.

Agenda Item 6. Subcommittee Reports

Governmental Affairs – Tommy Ruffin briefly discussed the presentation made by the Oak Haven Preservation Association at the governmental affairs committee meeting on May 5. As a result, Dot Mathias made a motion that the North CPAC hears from the association tonight, without Planning Department staff, and that the association not speak at the June meeting. Jessie Sammons seconded then amended the motion that the association is able to abut at the June meeting without another presentation. Roland Biederer seconded the motion. The motion passed as amended. Laura Langton, Oak Haven Preservation Association made a brief presentation regarding her organization's view of the impact of Resolution 2004-1240-A. After the presentation, Jessie Sammons moved that the new language be opposed by the North CPAC. Vicki Drake made a motion to reconsider Dot Mathias' original motion. The motion was seconded and passed. Dot Mathias withdrew her original motion. The motion was seconded and passed. A new motion was made by Jessie Sammons to oppose the language in the new bill. Jack Stuart seconded the motion. The motion passed. Dick Berry stated that both sides were not being heard. Tommy Ruffin stated that a precedent had been set that urgency dictates. Dot Mathias stated that the Planning Department chose not to appear tonight to voice their opinion.

- E-05-29 CPAC recommended approval
- AD-05-41 CPAC recommended approval
- AD-05-47 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005-414 CPAC recommended approval, 5 opposed
- 2005-486 CPAC recommended approval, 4 opposed, 1 abstained
- 2005-489 CPAC recommended deferral, 1 opposed

- 2005-551 CPAC recommended approval, site plan requested
- 2005-553 CPAC recommended approval with conditions, 1 opposed
- 2005-555 CPAC recommended deferral
- 2005-557 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005-559 CPAC recommended approval

Tommy Ruffin provided information regarding the JEA/Greenscape workshop held on Monday, April 18.

Education – no report

Children’s Commission – Dot Mathias reported that grant applications have been received. The committee plans to meet on Tuesday, May 10. Committee members are David and Delores Spruill, Madeline Reed and Shirley Ealey.

Beautification – Jack Stuart reported on the Main Street/Dunn Avenue corridor study. Plans to beautify North Jacksonville include installing signs announcing the district, and the installation of hard medians along Dunn Avenue.

Membership – no report

Transportation – no report

Mayor’s Representative – Rick Godke, Agriculture Director reported that a great deal of activity is taking place at city hall. The Agriculture Department has been asked to make various cuts. Contact the extension office with questions regarding bugs and weeds.

Councilman Warren Alvarez – no report

School Board Member – Vicki Drake provided information regarding a new school planned on New Berlin Road. A picture of the proposed K- 8 School was shown and the site plan reviewed. Amenities include restrooms in all classrooms, teachers with wireless microphones, and a large covered patio for student recess during inclement weather. Construction begins at the end of May, 2005. The school is scheduled to open in August 2006.

Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office – Lieutenant Norse provided north district crime statistics. Overall, crime is up 5%.

Building Inspections Division – no report

Property Safety Division – Ron Lindsey introduced code officers assigned to the north district and provided citation information.

Duval County School Board – no report

Planning and Development Department – Doug McDowell reported that the first public Main Street/Dunn Avenue corridor study meeting was successful. A second public meeting is planned for June.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – no report

Duval County Health Department – no report

Consumer Affairs Division – Ty Burke reported that farmers who grow their own produce, can sell it without a permit. Vendors selling peanuts do not need a permit. Call 237-7240 to make vendor complaints.

Neighborhood Services Division – Cami Cooper reported that the Mayor’s Neighborhood Summit would be held on Friday, June 24 at the Prime Osborn Convention Center, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteers are needed for the summit. Mayor’s Award nominees are needed no later than Tuesday, May 31. The individual and neighborhood awards will be presented at the summit. The Mayor’s North Town Hall Meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, August 16. Suggestions for meeting locations were requested. Suggested sites: Highlands Library, San Mateo Elementary, and Oceanway Middle.

Agenda Item 7. Public Comments – none

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

Chair Berry adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.