

**NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ North Campus – 4501 Capper Road
September 14, 2005**

Meeting Summary

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order and Verification of Quorum

Chair Richard Berry called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

Agenda Item 2. Presentation

Mike Saylor, Parks Task Force

Paul Crawford, Interim Director, Parks, Recreation & Entertainment Department

Topic: Parks Task Force Recommendations and Implementation

Agenda Item 3. Summaries of Previous Meetings for Approval (August 10 and August 16 – Special Meeting regarding Better Jacksonville Plan Bill #2005-898)

A motion was made to approve the summary from the August 10, 2005 meeting. After being seconded, the motion passed and the summary was approved. A motion was made to approve the summary from the August 16, 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

Dick Berry – a misprint occurred in the North Jax Monthly regarding a meeting tonight to discuss Sheffield Regional Park. No such meeting is scheduled. A recommendation is being made to send a letter to the mayor and a copy to the city council requesting that Eastport Road remain in the Better Jacksonville Plan. William Baker made a motion to generate the correspondence. Jessie Sammons seconded the motion. The motion passed. Several discussions have taken place with C/M Gwen Yates regarding two north district community centers lost in 2001. Garden City Community Center was lost first with Ray Greene Park following two years later. Property near Highlands Middle School is being suggested for the construction of a new facility. The property isn't being used by the school board and they don't mind if the city uses it. C/M Yates needs something from the North CPAC requesting that the two centers be replaced. Jack Stuart made a motion recommending that the centers be replaced and that the 5-7 acre property located on Pine Estates Road, W. be used. Tommy Ruffin seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion passed.

Agenda Item 6. Subcommittee Reports

Governmental Affairs – report given by Tommy Ruffin

- 2005C-013 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005C-018 CPAC recommended deferral
- 2005C-019 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005C-020 CPAC recommended approval
- AD-05-127 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005-926 CPAC recommended approval
- 2005-930 CPAC recommended approval

- E-05-66 CPAC recommended approval to the administrative deviation:
 1. Reduce the required signage set back from 25 feet to 10 feet
 2. Reduce required minimum lot area from 2.0 acres to 1.6 acres

Education – no report

Beautification (Jack Stuart) – Clean It Up Jacksonville Day is scheduled on Saturday, October 15 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. North district sites need to be determined so that supplies can be made available. The Municipal Code Enforcement Board (MCEB) currently has four vacancies. Candidates applying to the board must be approved by the city council. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

Membership (Harry Wagner) – CPAC applications have been given out. None have been returned. Make sure that you sign in at meetings so that your attendance can be recorded.

Transportation (Dick Berry) – FDOT has scheduled a public meeting on Tuesday, September 20, at 5 p.m. to discuss the installation of a new bulkhead.

Mayor’s Representative (Rick Godke) – **Excused**

Councilman Warren Alvarez – A new millage rate passed last night. It’s going down a little. The city budget is still being adjusted. Another budget review is expected in six months.

School Board Member – no report

Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office – Lieutenant Lott provided crime statistics. Crime is still down 3%. A homicide took place two weeks ago off Monaco Drive. Burglaries to businesses have decreased. Auto thefts remain a problem.

Building Inspections Division – no report

Property Safety Division – Danny Connell provided code enforcement citation information.

Duval County School Board – no report

Planning and Development Department – Doug McDowell provided information regarding staff changes. Mike Saylor is the new planning director effective October 17. Jeannie Fewell will be going to another area. Residents chosen to participate in Blueprint for Prosperity should hear something soon. If selected, it’s important to attend community meetings.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – no report

Duval County Health Department – Jocelyn Turner announced that a Hispanic American Health Fair is scheduled Saturday, September 17 at the Avenues Mall. Help is needed in encouraging Wal-Mart, located on Lem Turner Road, to participate in free health screenings.

Consumer Affairs Division – no report

Neighborhood Services Division – Cami Cooper announced that most CPAC memberships are up for renewal. Information will be mailed soon. North CPAC members selected to receive

scholarships to the Florida Neighborhoods Conference in Lakeland are: Robert and Anna Lee, David and Delores Spruill, and Jessie Sammons. The conference is scheduled October 20-22.

Agenda Item 7. Public Comments – none

Agenda Item 8. Adjournment

Chair Berry adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.