

## **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.
March 11, 2009 4 – 6 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONS - REPRESENTATIVES	EXCUSED
Chair - Bobby Taylor, Heckscher Drive	Charter Member - Dot Mathias
Vice Chair - Mike Getchell, Eagle Bend	Turtle Creek Village - Arthur Sullivan
Charter Member – Richard Berry	Betz Realty – W.B. Baker
Charter Member – David Spruill	Captiva Bluff – Rex Neidlinger
Ashford Wood – Evelyn Myers	STAFF and OFFICIALS
Black Hammock Island - Mary Thompson	Mayor's Liaison – Mike Sweat
Council Appointee – Tommy Ruffin	Community Development - Mary Beth Ridderman
Duval PTS/PTA - Vicki Drake	Duval Health Dept. – Jocelyn Turner
Garden City - James Breland	Florida Dept. Transportation – Milton Locklear
Highlands – John Stuart	JSO - Chief Michael Ruthledge
Lydia Estates – Robert Lee	Municipal Code - Maria Buchwalter
Marshwinds - Sandra Thompson	Planning and Development - Paul Davis
National Park Svc Richard Bryant	Recreation and Community - Nathan Rezeau
North Creek - Tamara Kitchens	VISITORS
Northlake HOA - Mattie Nunn	Tom Ingram
Northside Lions – Harry Wagner	Paul McCormick
ShAdCo Q- Mozelle Masters	Lilian Rodriguez
The Cape - Dolores Spruill	Nancy Burnett
Woodmont – Esther Sumpter	Charles Daniel
ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES	Daniel Luckett
Heckscher Dr. Comm. Club – Gerie Leigh	Don Moore
PENDING REMOVAL – NON-ATTENDANCE	Maryann Vaccaro
Saddlewood Homeowners Association	
New Berlin Enclave	

- **1.** The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Chair Bobby Taylor. A quorum was verified by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Community Development Division, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.
- Presentation Tom Ingram and Paul McCormick presented information about Republic Services. Republic Services is a waste management company interested in providing service at the Trail Ridge Landfill. A question and answer session followed the presentation. The Chair thanked the presenters for their information.

- 3. The **summary** of the previous meeting was approved.
- 4. Old Business none
- 5. Chair's Report Chair Bobby Taylor announced:
  - He expressed appreciation for Representative Jennifer Carroll who arranged a foreclosure prevention workshop and for FCCJ Cecil, the event host. He said over 200 residents received assistance from lenders and credit counselors in a very efficient process
  - Council Member Ray Holt invited resident to attend at meeting regarding a proposed development for Seniors near Saddlewood on April 2, 2009 from 7 - 8:30 p.m.. Copies of the invitation are available at the sign-in table, provided by Mary Beth Ridderman.

## **6.** Staff Reports:

- A. JSO Chief Michael Rutledge reported in the past thirty days, no abductions and no sexual batteries in Zone 6. One home invasion occurred in the 140000 block of Gossett Street. The number of robberies to individuals decreased; one pizza delivery man was robbed and an arrest was made. One arson to a vehicle is being investigation. Two Hispanic females robbed the Payless store at 3000 Dunn Avenue – they were arrested in Madison County. The number of residential burglaries decreased by 31 percent - two incidents involved homes left unlocked and another involved a home with an open garage door. One carjacking occurred on Ithaca Drive and is under investigation. The SWAT team was called to the 10000 block of Heckscher Drive and an arrest was made. Chief Rutledge reported the March 9, 2009 JSO Walk was well-attended. He acknowledged those who walked by asking them to rise – others clapped. Chair Taylor announced that the Woodmont representative, Esther Sumpter wished to make a comment. Mrs. Sumpter expressed appreciation to JSO Chief Michael Rutledge for his assistance in resolving the public safety/heavy truck parking issues at Woodmont. She said she appreciates the courtesy and work of JSO officers working in her neighborhood.
  - B. Mayor's Representative Mike Sweat announced the Extension Office offers classes on various subjects. Saturday, March 14, a Day of Gardening is being offered and 100-150 people are expected. The class is from 9-3 and costs \$10. For more information about classes or to request a speaker for your group, please call 387-8850.
  - C. City Council Member's Reports No one present no reports.
  - D. Duval County School Board Vicki Drake reported committees were formed to address school overcrowding and schools with low capacity. The committees looked at which schools should close and what boundary changes were needed. The schools East of I-95 had few representatives and representatives provided little or no input. This year DCSB will look at middle schools. For example, Ocean Way is overcrowded but Highlands and Ribault have low capacity the preliminary recommendation is a boundary change. Ms. Drake emphasized the importance of residents West of I-95 need to attend and

- speak up because schools will be affected. A question/answer and comment segment followed. Chair Taylor thanked Ms. Drake for her report.
- **E. FDOT** Milton Locklear announced the stimulus package may provide funding for two projects: Increasing to four lanes US301 from Baldwin to Callahan; and resurfacing of 9A ramps at Alta and New Berlin. James Breland complimented Mr. Locklear for his follow-up each month on resident's questions and concerns. For more information, call 360-5686.
- F. Duval County Health Department Jocelyn Turner announced the Vital Statistics office has moved to 900 University Blvd. N.. She invited everyone to attend DCHD's 120<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The event will be held at the new offices at 900 University Blvd. N. near the Town and Country Shopping Center, on Wednesday, March 18. The ceremony is at 10 a.m.. Open house is from 9 a.m. 3 p.m..
- G. Municipal Code Compliance Maria Buckwalter announced she has been transferred to Zone 6 as the supervisor. Code Compliance Officers work with residential and commercial properties, unsafe structures, nuisance properties and junk vehicles. Officers also work to gain compliance for the new irrigation and fertilizer ordinance. Houses with odd numbers water on Mondays and Saturdays. Houses with even numbers water on Wednesdays and Sundays. No watering is allowed during the hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. An offending homeowner will receive warning and educational materials the first time; the second offense will result in a fine of \$50; the third offense will result in a fine of \$250. James Breland congratulated Ms. Buchwalter for her division's work in Garden City and he inquired about the number of homes that had come into compliance. Ms. Buchwalter said next month she will bring the statistics on Garden City. Chair Taylor thanked her for her report.
- H. Planning and Development Paul Davis reported Brad Thoburn is at FDOT and Bill Killingsworth is the interim director of Planning and Development.
- I. Rereation and Community Nathan Rezeau reported 400 lifeguards will be hired for COJ pools. He announced free admission to Hanna Park and Huguenot Park during the Fourth Annual *Get Out There* celebration March 27 29. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.coj.net/Departments/Recreation+and+Community+Services/Recreation+and+Community+Programming/Recreation+Activities/JaxParks+Get+Out+There.htm">http://www.coj.net/Departments/Recreation+and+Community+Services/Recreation+and+Community+Programming/Recreation+Activities/JaxParks+Get+Out+There.htm</a>. He reported the season has begun at the parks. Over 1000 cars visited Huguenot over the past weekend. Chair Taylor announced he has a special interest in Huguenot Park as a daily visitor to the park, as a member of Friends of Huguenot Park and as president of Florida Open Beaches Foundation, Inc.. Chief Rezeau thanked Chair Taylor for his interest and volunteerism at Huguenot Park.

**J.** Housing and Neighborhoods – Mary Beth Ridderman provided a printed report. Ms. Ridderman may be reached at 255-8260.

## 7. Subcommittee Reports:

## A. Governmental Affairs:

- Subcommittee Chair Getchell apologized for the length of the meeting last month. Some of the items on the GA agenda were already voted on by City Council. He said the subcommittee recommended finding out the time line of the bills. He said he will set up a meeting wit the Planning Department to find out how the process had changed and Chair Taylor will prepare a letter to City Council to see if they can help with the problem of the bills going to City Council before they are voted on by the CPAC.
- The CPAC discussed and voted on the following:

	Approve	Subcommittee chair will check the time line of the bills.
	Approve	Chair Taylor will prepare a letter to City Council to ask their assistance in resolving the problem of the bills going to City Council before the CPAC votes to recommend or deny approval of the bills.
2009A-007	Approve	Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - 38.38 Acres West of I-95 NE of Broward Rd. LDR-RPI
2008-541	Defer	Small-Scale Amend to FLUM Series - Appl# 2007C-025 2604 New Berlin Rd (1.0 Acre) - LDR to RPI
2008-542	Defer	Rezoning 2604 New Berlin Rd (1.0 Acre) - RLD-B to PUD (Prof & Business Ofcs)
2008-549	Defer	Adopt Small-Scale Amend to FLUM Series - Appl# 2007C-067 - W/S Starratt Rd, bet Perdue Rd & Sid Dr (3.2 Acres) - LDR to CGC
2008-550	Defer	Rezoning W/S Starratt Rd bet Perdue Rd & Sid Dr (3.2 Acres) - RR to CCG-1
2009-140	Approve	Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2008D-012 - 15249 & 15311 N Main St (5.79 Acres) - LDR to CGC
2009-141	Approve	Rezoning - 15249 & 15311 N Main St (7.08 Acres) - RLD-100A & CCG-2 to PUD (Designers Plaza: Commercial)
2009-146	Oppose	Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2008D-016 - W/S Pecan Park Rd bet JIA & Arnold Rd (327.83 Acres) - AGR(ii), AGR(iii), AGR(IV) & PBF to LI
2009-147	Defer	Rezoning - W/S Pecan Park Rd bet JIA & Arnold Rd (327.83 Acres) - PBF-2 & AGR to IL
2009-152	Oppose	Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2008D-019 - W'ly Terminus of Arnold Rd (1013.0 Acres) - AGR(ii), AGR(iii) & AGR(iv) to LI
2009-153	Defer	Rezoning - W'ly Terminus Arnold Rd (1013.0 Acres) - AGR to PUD - (Commercial & Industrial)

2009-239	Approve with condition *	ORD Apv Proposed Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2009A-004 - NW Quadrant of Pecan Park Rd & N Main St (159.08 Acres) AGR(ii), LDR & LI to HI - Pecan RR Park, LLC. *condition - the understanding that the wording in the description was a typographical error. It should have read *Proposed Semi-Annual Revision to FLUM Series - Appl# 2009A-004 - NW Quadrant of Pecan Park Rd & N Main St (159.08 Acres) AGR(ii), LDR & LI to LI instead of HI.
2008-343	Oppose with recommendation*	ORD Amend Chapt 655 (Concurrency Mgmt Syst), Pt 3 (Fair Share Assessmt Procedures), Ord Code, Secs 655.303, 655.304 & 655.307 & Create a new Pt 5 (Industrial Uses), to Estab Transp Concurrency Requiremts for Industrial Uses & Procedures for Developer Proposed Improvemts. * Recommendation to invite a speaker to explain.
2009-188	Approve	ORD-MC Amend Sec 656.603, Ord Code (Gen Provisions) to Permit Counting Disabled Individuals Parking Spaces in Determining Compliance with Sec 656.604.

- Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Chair Mike Getchell announced the next meeting of the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee is scheduled for April 2, 2009at 4 p.m. at FCCJ North Campus, 4501 Capper Rd. Room 136 C.
- **B.** Beautification: Subcommittee Chair Arthur Sullivan was excused from the meeting.
- C. Membership: Subcommittee Chair Harry Wagner welcomed James Breland, Primary Representative for Garden City. He welcomed Tamara Kitchens, Primary Representative and Jean Norris, Alternate Representative for North Creek. He announced the names of members/representatives removed for non-attendance: Daybreak Woods HOA, Dinsmore Civic Association, Golden Oaks, Hart Estates, Republican Club of North Jacksonville and Turtle Creek Village II. He reminded everyone to sign in.
- **D.** Transportation: Subcommittee Chair Dick Berry reminded everyone to read the FDOT and JTA reports forwarded by Mary Beth Ridderman each week. He attended public meetings to discuss transportation needs. A report will be issued to identify road needs for the next 25 years. He asked to make a presentation at the next CPAC meeting.

#### 8. New Business:

- A. Chair Taylor announced he received input about the size of the subcommittees one has almost every CPAC member on it, others have only subcommittee chairs. He said it was not an easy decision to down-size the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee, but it must be done to make the subcommittee more efficient.
  - He appointed the following to serve on the Governmental Affairs
     Subcommittee: Subcommittee Chair Mike Getchell, Dick Berry, Harry
     Wagner, Tommy Ruffin, Sandra Thompson, Mary Thompson, Jack
     Stewart, Jennelle Bray and Arthur Lee. He reminded everyone that
     meetings are open to the public and anyone can attend but only
     members of the subcommittee may vote. He said Subcommittee Chair

Getchell will continue to provide e-mail notification to those who want to remain on the distribution list.

He asked for volunteers for the following subcommittees:
 Beautification, Membership and Transportation. Nancy Landau
 expressed an interest in the Transportation Subcommittee. Mr. Berry
 said Rex Neidlinger had expressed an interest in serving on the
 Transportation Subcommittee. Harry Wagner said he would welcome
 members on the Membership Subcommittee – to contact potential
 new members and invite them to join.

#### 9. Public Comments:

- **C.** Discussion was held regarding an Educational subcommittee. Jack Stewart volunteered and Chair Taylor approved to speak to Barbara Darby about chairing the subcommittee.
- **D.** Discussion was held regarding the Chair's right to select and appoint members of the subcommittee. Mary Beth Ridderman answered that the chair has the right and responsibility per Executive Order 2007-004 and the By-Laws. James Breland said he will be happy to observe during the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee.
- **10. Adjourn:** A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

The next North CPAC meeting is 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at FCCJ North Campus, C-136.

The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting is 4 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2009 at FCCJ North Campus, C-136.

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#### The following provision is required by Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes:

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.

### Housing and Neighborhoods Department Community Development Division Coordinator's Report - March 2009 Submitted by Mary Beth Ridderman

- Destination Downtown Every Friday Night http://www.destinationdowntownjax.com/
   Make downtown Jacksonville your nightlife destination! Pick up your passport and receive free cover and drink specials at signature downtown bars, hotel specials, free transportation from club to club, win prizes and much more!
- Wednesday, March 18 all Libraries will be closed for Staff Development Day
- MOB Meeting (Mayor's Older Buddies) March 24, 2009 Metropolitan Park Join Mayor John Peyton twice each year to discuss issues pertinent to seniors. For more information call 630-7392
- Mayor's Walk for Senior Wellness March 28, 2009 Metropolitan Park Join the City of
  Jacksonville for a 2-mile walk around the Sports Complex area. Seniors ages 60 and over
  will receive a complimentary lunch is included and have a chance to win a variety of
  door prizes. For free registration and info call 630-7392.
- Mayor's Fish-A-Thon April 1, 2009 Hanna Park Annual outing at Hanna Park to enjoy a
  day of games, live music, a delicious fried fish lunch and a real serious fishing tournament.
  Awards given for the largest, the most, the smallest, the prettiest and the ugliest fish. For
  more information call 630-7392.
- Blessing of the Fleet April 5, 2009 Northbank Riverfront Park The Office of Special Events and Captains' Club presents the annual Blessing of the Fleet, Sunday, April 5 at Northbank Riverfront Park. Bring the whole family to the downtown riverfront to witness many of the First Coast's finest vessels as they participate in the visually-stunning blessing ceremony. For more information or to register your boat call 630-3690.
- Fun with the Suns April 15, 2009 Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville Seniors are treated to a baseball game at the beautiful Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville. For more information call 630-7392
- Senior Brain Bowl April 29, 10 a.m. UNF University Center
- World of Nations Celebration April 30 May 3, 2009 Metropolitan Park
   http://www.coj.net/Departments/Recreation+and+Community+Services/Special+Events/W
   orld+of+Nations/Default.htm Join your friends and neighbors on an exciting trip around the
   globe at the 17th Annual World of Nations Celebration. Admission is \$5 (One-Day Ticket to
   the World) and \$7 (Two-Day pass). Children ages 3 and under are free. The Friday night
   International Party is also free. For more information e-mail events@coj.net or call 630-3690.
- JazzFest May 21-24, 2009 The 2009 Jacksonville Jazz Festival will feature renowned jazz performances in the heart of downtown Jacksonville on Laura Street, various downtown businesses and historic buildings. Laura Street will be transformed into a jazz club atmosphere with multiple stages of entertainment, Art in the Heart Art Show & Sale, Wine Down Tasting Experience, jazz exhibits, children's educational activities and more.

<u>Housing and Neighborhoods Department</u>: Foreclosures are at record levels and families from all walks of life are worried about losing their homes. To register for foreclosure prevention or intervention workshops, call 630-2489.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Week is April 12 – 18.

<u>Jacksonville Journey</u>: Seven child-serving non-profit agencies have been awarded grants totaling \$2,137,500 to expand the TEAM UP afterschool curriculum to an additional eight elementary schools and seven middle schools in high-risk areas. Collectively, these TEAM UP afterschool programs will serve an additional 2,850 elementary and middle school children.

Including those funded by The Jacksonville Journey, the Commission's portfolio of afterschool programs will now include 41 programs operating in school sites, and 23 operating in community-based centers, for a total of 64 afterschool programs. A complete list of TEAM UP programs may be found at http://www.coj.net/Departments/Childrens+Commission/TEAM+UP.htm

TEAM UP is free and offered five days a week. The curriculum balances high quality academic instruction by certified teachers, with a wide array of enrichment, recreational and cultural activities, including chess, cooking, sewing, dance, athletics, computer programs, leadership activities, dance and music. In addition, the programs promote family literacy efforts and parent involvement activities. The goal is to improve academic achievement, promotion rates and attendance of low-income children at risk of academic failure and poor social/behavioral outcomes. The target population for the programs is students from low-income households (participating in the free and reduced lunch program) and/or academically-challenged students (those scoring below Level 3 on the FCAT).

Jacksonville Journey Oversight Committee – Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 4 p.m., Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan St. Room 851. For information go to

http://www.coj.net/Mayor/Jacksonville+Journey/Oversight+Committee+Meetings+and+Minutes.ht m

#### **Phone Numbers**

- City Link- 630-CITY (630-2489) Please provide the exact address and obtain a tracking number with estimated date of completion.
- City Council meetings are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. City Council Chambers, 117 W. Duval St. 32202. For information call 630-1377
- Duval County School Board meetings are on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., First Floor Board Room, 1701 Prudential Dr., 32207. For information call 390-2000
- JSO Police Non-Emergency 630-0500.
- First Coast Crime Stoppers 1-866-845-TIPS (8477) to report a crime anonymously
- JEA 665-6000 If a street light is out please get the number on the pole to report it
- Duval Extension Office 387-8850 or 1010 N. McDuff Ave. www.coj.net (Search word Extension Office) Http://duval.ifas.ufl.ed
- Real Sense Prosperity Campaign www.realsensejax.org 632-0600 (United Way 2-1-1) -Help with money matters and tax returns
- JOBS WorkSource Career Center at Gateway, 5000 Norwood Ave., Suite 2 open M-F, 8 a.m. 5 p.m. at 924-1710. Each Thursday morning the Southside WorkSource Center, 6800 Southpoint Pkwy., #950 has the "Perfect Job Seminar" Do you have the tools to find it? For information call 997-3100 or www.employflorida.com or www.worksourcefl.com or 356-JOBS (5627) and the City of Jacksonville Jobs recording at 630-1144 or www.coj.net

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