



**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.  
 Oct. 14, 2009 4 – 6 p.m.

<b>ORGANIZATIONS - REPRESENTATIVES</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Chair – Bobby Taylor, FL Open Beaches	Brandon Chase – John Castillo
Vice Chair – Mike Getchell, Eagle Bend	Marshwinds – Vonda Miller
Charter Member – Richard Berry	National Park Svc. – Richard Bryant
Charter Member – David Spruill	<b>STAFF and OFFICIALS</b>
Ashford Wood – Kathy Myers	Mayor’s Liaison – Mike Sweat
Black Hammock Island – Mary Thompson	Community Development - Mary Beth Ridderman
Council Appointee 11- Tommy Ruffin	DCHD - Jocelyn Turner
Creekside Bend – Marlon Perry	Florida Dept. Transportation – Milton Locklear
Garden City – James Breland	JSO – Chief Michael Rutledge
Heckscher Dr. Comm. Club – Eric Smith	Municipal Code - Maria Buchwalter
Eagles Hammock – Nancy Landau	Planning & Development – Paul Davis
Highlands – Jack Stuart	Recreation and Community – Nathan Rezeau
Northlake – Mattie Nunn	<b>VISITORS</b>
Northside Lions – Harry Wagner	Betty Jackson – Victoria Preserve
San Mateo – Roland Biederer	Joseph Tate – Copper Hill IV
ShAdCo Q – Jenny Bray	
The Cape – Dolores Spruill	
Turtle Creek Village – Arthur Sullivan	
<b>EXCUSED</b>	
Betz Realty – William Baker	
Captiva Bluff – Rex Neidlinger	<b>PENDING REMOVAL – NON-ATTENDANCE</b>
Charter Member - Dot Mathias	Brandon Chase HOA
Duval PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake	North Creek – Tamara Kitchens
Heckscher Dr. Comm. Club – Gerie Leigh	<b>REMOVED NON-ATTENDANCE</b>
Johnson Comm. Civic – James Shronce	Angel Lakes
Lydia Estates – Robert Lee	
New Berlin Enclave – Madeline Reed	
Woodmont – Esther Sumpter	

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 4:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Mike Getchell, who announced that Chair Bobby Taylor would be late due to his job requirements. **A**

**quorum was verified** by Mary Beth Ridderman, Coordinator, Community Development Division, Housing and Neighborhoods Department.

2. **Chair's Report** : Chair Taylor apologized for being late. He was required to work late for his employer. He mentioned Max Leggett, who passed away. Chair Taylor described Mr. Leggett as a man of faith and duty. The chair asked that a moment of silence be held for Mr. Leggett and his family.
3. **Old Business** – None.
4. **Guest Speaker** – Joe Whitaker from JEDC provided information about the Recovery Zone. Last night, the City Council passed Bill# 2009-711 regarding the American Recovery Investment Act. Certain areas will be designated Recovery Zone (RZ) and will allow the City to issue Recovery Zone bonds for private and public projects that promote job creation and economic recovery. These areas include: the Enterprise Zone, Empowerment Zone, Community Redevelopment Areas and former NAS Cecil Field. A question and answer session followed the presentation. Mr. Whitaker may be contacted at 630-1624 or [josephw@coj.net](mailto:josephw@coj.net).
5. **Staff Reports:**
  - A. **JSO** – Chief Michael Rutledge reported 1 individual robbery was reported – a suspect riding a bicycle snatched a resident's purse - an arrest was made. One car-jacking occurred and one arrest was made; one business robbery occurred and two arrests were made; 21 incidents of aggravated battery occurred with 8 arrests and 2 warrants; two auto burglaries were reported in Ashford Wood Subdivision and one auto theft occurred at FCCJ. The neighborhood walks have been well-attended. The next walk is scheduled for Oct. 23, 5:15 p.m. in Garden City. Please call 696-4335 with suggestions for more locations for neighborhood walks. Chair Taylor thanked Chief Rutledge for his report.
  - B. **Mayor's Representative** – Mike Sweat announced
    - He provided copies of October issue of the Duval County Extension Service's *The Captive Audience, listing classes, events and holiday happenings.*
    - 4-H Clubs are celebrating 100 years. The program started in Alachua and Bradford Counties.
    - Last week was National 4-H week.
    - The Jacksonville Fair is Nov. 4-15.
    - Congressman Adam Hutton will address Univ. of Florida students during the York Lecture Series. The topic is the Coop. Extension Service and will be broadcast at 2 p.m. on Nov. 9..
    - Mr. Sweat may be contacted at 387-8850.
  - C. **City Council Member's Reports** – no report.
  - D. **Duval County School Board** – Vicki Drake was not present.
  - E. **FDOT** - Milton Locklear announced
    - The painting of Dames Point Bridge has been completed.
    - A section of SR 23/Brananfield Chafee has been completed from 1-10 to 103rd Street.
    - Charter Member Spruill expressed concern about the need for lighting on 9A from Heckscher Drive to the New Berlin overpass. Mr. Locklear said he will check on this issue.
    - To contact Mr. Locklear, please call 360-5686.
  - F. **Duval County Health Department** - Jocelyn Turner reported:
    - The Novel H1N1 vaccines will arrive in Jacksonville this week and will be first available to people in high risk categories. People over 60 are the least affected by the virus.

- Precautions to prevent spreading the H1N1 virus include frequent hand-washing, sneezing/coughing into your own sleeve instead of into your hand and staying at home if you are ill.
  - Seasonal flu shots are available now.
  - Information is available at [www.CDC.gov](http://www.CDC.gov).
  - Ms. Turner may be contacted at 253-2037.
- G. Municipal Code Compliance** – Maria Buchwalter reported:
- The division is beginning the new fiscal year and starting systematic inspections. She asked residents to call with suggestions.
  - Please report overgrown yards or other suspected code violations to 630-CITY (630-2489).
- H. Planning and Development** - Paul Davis announced:
- Public hearings have been scheduled for the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. The City Council will hear the plan on Oct. 27, and LUZ will hear it on Nov. 3. The plan includes Recreational and Working Waterfront Policies along with information about wetlands which will be coordinated with St. Johns River Water Management District. The meetings offer opportunities to participate and share your concerns or comments.
  - Residents are invited to participate in a *County Check*, to create a regional vision plan. The next meeting is Oct. 22, 6p.m. at Jacksonville University, Kinne Center. A copy of the flier was provided.
  - The landscape ordinance will be changed to comply with the State Florida Friendly Landscaping statute.
  - Mr. Davis may be contacted at [pdavis@coj.net](mailto:pdavis@coj.net) or 630-8063.
- I. Recreation and Community** – Nathan Rezeau reported:
- The First Coast High School pool project is delayed due to issues related to the agreement and funding.
  - The San Mateo Park concession stand is being reconstructed. The expected completion date is December, 2009.
  - On October 24 a ground breaking ceremony, anniversary celebration and kayak event are planned at the Betz Tiger Point Preserve. The Tenth anniversary ceremony begins at 11:30 a.m. and the groundbreaking ceremony will follow. The photo contest winners will be announced. Several kayak trips are planned from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.. Twenty five kayaks will be available on a first come first served basis or you may bring your own kayak.
  - For more information about park activities or aquatics programs, visit [www.jaxparks.com](http://www.jaxparks.com).
- J. Housing and Neighborhoods** – Mary Beth Ridderman announced:
- JaxParks's Art in the Park is Sat., Oct. 17 10 a.m. – 4 .m. on the Northbank Riverwalk. This is free event offers art activities for kids of all ages.
  - A printed report was provided.
  - Ms. Ridderman may be contacted at 255-8260 or [marybeth@coj.net](mailto:marybeth@coj.net)
- 5. Subcommittee Reports:**
- A. Governmental Affairs:** Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Chair Mike announced:
- The bus shelter advertising ordinance passed City Council after a long debate and public comments session. Ten Council Members sponsored the bill.
  - Bills 2009-515, 516 and 517 were filed to withdraw the stormwater and waste fees.

- A new policy was enacted for COJ employees to monitor documentation at the Court House construction site to assure no more illegal employees are hired. An oversight committed will check COJ monitoring results.
- The following items were discussed or voted upon:

2009-350	Defer	ORD-Q Rezoning 13115 Gillespie Ave (9.85± Acres) - PUD to PUD - (Multi-Family Residential)
2009-665	Removed from consideration.	Passed by City Council before CPAC meeting. Rezoning E/S of Dunn Ave bet Mar Vic Ln & Traci Lynn Dr (3.07 Acres) - RMD-A to PUD (Commercial Uses).
2009-695	Removed from consideration	Passed by City Council before CPAC meeting. Rezoning New Berlin Rd bet Dunns Creek Rd & Wages Way (1.10 Acres) - PUD to PUD (Commercial Uses).
2009-752	Removed from consideration	Passed by City Council before CPAC meeting. Rezoning 9800 Plummer Rd (212.92 Acres) - PUD to PUD (Oak Lane Plantation: Residential Uses)
2009-526/527	Approved	Bills were re-filed for Land Use designation of RPI (2009-526) and PUD for the rezoning companion bill (2009-527). Original filings were for Land Use designation of LDR-CGC and Rezoning request RLD 120 to CCG-1.

- Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Chair Mike Getchell announced the next meeting of the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee is scheduled for November 5, at 4 p.m. , Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, 4501 Capper Rd. Room 136 C.
- Member Nancy Landau commended Subcommittee Chair Getchell for a detailed report. Chair Taylor commended Mr. Getchell for doing a good and diligent job.

**B. Membership:** Mr. Wagner was present but provided no report.

**C. Transportation:** Subcommittee Chair Dick Berry reported:

- The North Florida TPO has proposed \$4 billion for 73 projects. Projected improvements to I-95 include widening I-95 to 8 lanes from downtown to the Trout River Bridge and a cloverleaf flyover I-95 at I-295.
- Alta Drive will receive paved shoulders this year and eventually will be four-laned to Heckscher Drive.
- A toll road is being discussed for the Outer Beltway and also tolls on I-295 from I-10 to I-95 with special lanes blocked for toll lanes.

**D. Nominations:** Subcommittee Chair Gerie Leigh’s absence was excused. Acting Subcommittee Chair Mary Thompson announced the slate of officers: Bobby Taylor for Chair and Mike Getchell for Vice Chair. Mrs. Thompson said the committee, which included Gerie Leigh and Roland Biederer, had received no other nominations. She commended the officers for doing a good job in 2009 and added that Taylor and Getchell were willing to continue to serve the CPAC. She asked for nominations from the floor. No nominations were received. Mrs. Thompson said nominations will be accepted on Nov. 18. The election will be held on Nov. 18.

**8. New Business:** None.

**9. Public Comments:** None.

**10. Adjourn:** A motion was made and properly seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**The next North CPAC meeting is 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009 at Florida State College at Jacksonville (formerly known as FCCJ) North Campus, C-136. The Governmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting is 4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009 at Florida State College at Jacksonville 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.



Coordinator's Report Submitted by Mary Beth Ridderman  
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**Housing and Neighborhoods Department**

- The Housing and Neighborhoods Department sponsored and staffed the Black Expo on Oct. 10.
- The Housing and Neighborhoods Department offers free information about foreclosure prevention at **Stay Home**, [www.coj.net](http://www.coj.net) or call 255-8200.
- The Neighborhood Stabilization Program, assists local governments in the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed properties and increases the availability of affordable housing for low, moderate and middle income households. Call 255-8200.

**Recreation and Community**

- JaxParks 6<sup>th</sup> annual Art in the Park. Sat. Oct. 17, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., FREE event offers opportunities for residents to experience exhibits by local artists. All ages will have the chance to try their hand at a number of activities including painting, drawing, origami, clay works, ceramics, sidewalk chalk art, traveling keyboards, musical instruments and a variety of make-and-take arts and crafts. Northbank Riverwalk between the Landing and CSX. For more information, call 630-CITY or visit [www.jaxparks.com](http://www.jaxparks.com).

**Libraries**

- Beginning October 1, 2009, (free) internet sessions will increase to 45 minutes.
- Copies: \$.10 per copy for all black and white copies/ \$.50 each for color copies. Books by Mail service is no longer available.
- Music @Main Library: Tues., Oct. 20, 2009 @ 6:15 p.m. **Music @ Main: Abbas Abboud, piano** and Mon., Nov. 16, 2009 @ 6:15 p.m. **Music @ Main: Jacksonville University Chamber Strings (Hicks Auditorium)**
- For a full list of library events, please visit <http://jpl.coj.net/>

**JCCI**

- JaxKids Day- Sat. Oct 24, 9 a.m. -2 p.m. at Hemming Plaza and MainLibrary. Visit [www.jaxkids.net](http://www.jaxkids.net) for more information.

**Schools** - Duval County Public Schools [www.duvalschools.org](http://www.duvalschools.org)

**Jacksonville Journey**

- Out of School Suspension Centers: Students suspended 1 and 2 days are now included in the program. Transportation on school buses is now an option unless a student was suspended from riding the bus. The program is being adapted to become mandatory, since some parents were choosing for their children to "not" participate in the program.
- UNF Graduate Policy Class-Dr. Hallett's graduate policy class has been divided into four groups and will begin an intense review of programs. Their report will be presented, Tuesday, December 15.
- The next meeting dates are: Oct. 15, Nov. 19 and Dec. 15. Meetings are held at 4 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor.
- For more info contact: call 630-1273 or visit <http://www.coj.net/Mayor/Jacksonville+Journey>.

**JSO**

- New! Citizens On Line Reporting System, now in pilot stage. Citizens use the internet to report crimes, tips, traffic complaints, graffiti, thefts, vehicle burglaries and abandoned/junk vehicles. Please visit [www.jaxsheriff.org](http://www.jaxsheriff.org) or call 630-7639.

**Riverside Arts Market** – Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Under the Fuller Warren Bridge, Riverside Avenue..

**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month** - Oct. 22, 6p.m. - 8p.m., at Bethel Baptist Institutional Church, 215 Bethel Baptist St., 32202, Sen. "Tony" Hill and Rep. Mia Jones host a Domestic Violence Summit - Let's Break the Cycle. The summit will provide resources to those experiencing domestic violence and educate those who have family members, friends, or colleagues who may be victims. Counselors from Hubbard House will be available to answer questions and provide information. There will also be presentations on what abuse is, how to keep safe, youth education about dating violence and more. For more info. Bobbi Warford, (904) 924-1615.

**Animal Care and Protective Services**: adopt a dog at half price during October. For more info. call (904) 255-PETS or visit [www.coj.net/pets.ca](http://www.coj.net/pets.ca)

**Phone Numbers**

- Sign up for e-mail notifications from the Mayor's Office at: <http://mayornotification.coj.net/>
- 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.coj.net) (Search word Extension Office) <http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu>
- JOBS - WorkSource Career Center at Gateway, 5000 Norwood Ave., Suite 2 open M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at 924-1710.

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