

**NORTH DISTRICT
CITIZENS PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FCCJ
October 9, 2002
Meeting Summary**

AGENDA ITEM I - Call to order and Verification of Quorum – Harry Wagner
called the CPAC to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

AGENDA ITEM II – The Vice-Chairman informed everyone that the Chair was excused from the meeting due to spousal obligation.

There was a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The decision was unanimous.

AGENDA III – Old Business

None

AGENDA IV - Subcommittee Reports

A. Governmental Affairs Subcommittee

- **Jessie Sammons**, Vice-Chairman presented the following Bills to CPAC:
 1. E-2002-0087 CPAC recommended approval.
 2. R-2002-0944 CPAC recommended approval.
 3. R-2002-0945 CPAC recommended approval.
 4. AD-02-132 CPAC recommended approval.
 5. First Coast Plaza, Tommy Ankins, Owner - CPAC took no action since zoning is unassigned.

The next Governmental Affairs meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2002.

- **Education Subcommittee**

No report

- **Children Commission Subcommittee**

No report

- **Beautification Subcommittee**

Jack Stuart provided update on beautification projects.

Special Reports

- **Transportation Report**

Richard Berry distributed handouts on the Harts Road Corridor Study and reported on the activities of the MPO.

- **Citizen Health Advisory Report**

No report

B. Mayor's Representative Report

Harold Jones, Director, Agriculture Dept. reported that the 4 H Club was celebrating their 100th year. He also invited everyone to the Fair starting 10/16th where you can visit Florida crops exhibit and the country store.

C. Council Member's Report

Councilman Warren Alvarez distributed flyers and announced that he and Linda Sparks of Duval County School Board would present a Town Meeting on the new Oceanway Middle School, 10/29/02 at 6:30 p.m. at the New Oceanway Elementary School located on Gillespie Road. Councilman Alvarez reported that there is an opportunity to expand the Middle School.

D. Staff Reports

• Duval County School Board Report

Steve Height attended on the behalf of Dr. Levi McIntosh, Jr., he introduced himself and was available for questions. Roland Biederer asked questions regarding the poor maintenance of the tennis court and basketball court at San Mateo Elementary School. Mr. Height said he would check it out. Danny Connell reported that Oceanway Elementary School put up a fence at Orangedale Ave. and it has cut off the playground to the community. Mr. Height said he would look into this matter.

• Crime Report

Lieutenant Randy Russell reported the crime statistics.

• Building Inspection Division

George Baker, Building Code Inspector was available for questions.

• Property Safety Division

Michael Barry, Code Enforcement Officer was available for questions.

• Planning & Development Department

Doug McDowell, Planner, Planning & Development Department provided and update on the Vision & Master Plan. He reported that the Heckscher Drive Community Club Island Visioning would be held 10/3/02. He also stated that they are extending the contract with the consultants, Miller, Sellan, Conner & Walsh Inc. Mr. McDowell reported that the fourth North Vision Planning Meeting would be held at FCCJ North Campus, Bldg. E, 10/24th at 7 p.m. Lastly, Mr. McDowell reported that he was working on two landuse amendments, 1. Hope Plaza, which involves office, retail stores and movie theatre on approximately 26 acres and 2. New Berlin and Yellow Bluff Amendment involves changing the 2010 Comp Plan for this site from LDR (low density residential) to CGC (community general commercial) with a companion rezoning from RR (rural residential) to PUD (retail commercial).

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)

Milton Locklear, Office of Growth Management stated that someone at the last meeting asked him about the configuration of I-295 and Lem Turner. He reported that there are no plans for changes or modifications.

- **Duval County Health Department**
Jocelyn Turner, Marketing Director was available for questions.
- **Neighborhood Services Division**
Glory Dixon invited everyone to the upcoming Neighborhood Summit October 25th. She also announced that the Neighborhood Directories were available.

AGENDA V – Presentations

- **Sue Bisesi**, Volunteer Services distributed handouts and made a presentation on the Citizens Emergency Response Team and encouraged members to join.

As requested by the Chairman, **Harry Wagner** read a letter previously by CPAC to the Mayor dated 8/12/01 to investigate the possibility of establishing a branch library in the First Coast High School area. Mr. Wagner asked the members if they wanted to write another letter and if so, what would they like to say. He then reported that the Chairman would ask Councilman Warren Alvarez to hold a Town Meeting on Highlands Branch Library at Highlands Branch Library. It was suggested that the Town Meeting be held by all three Councilpersons Mr. Alvarez, Ms. Pat Lockett-Felder and Ms. Gwen Yates. **Richard Berry** made a motion to have CPAC review plans for Highlands Branch Library. **Jessie Sammons** seconded the motion. Harold Jones said invite Ken Sivulich, Library Director to the Town Meeting.

Deloris Spruill announced that Ken Sivulich is scheduled to make a presentation at the Northside Civic association on 10/28th at 7:30 at Highlands Library.

Richard Bryant of the National Park Service distributed brochure on Kayaking the Timucuan National Preserve. He also apologized said 168 tires were piled on Salt Pit Road and he is trying to get the city to pick them up.

Richard Berry announced that Councilwoman Pat Lockett-Felder was holding a public information meeting to review the plans for the proposed Harts Road Park 10/10/02, from 6 to 7 p.m. at First Timothy Baptist Church 12103 Biscayne Blvd.

Jessie Sammons reminded members of the upcoming election November 5th and encouraged them to go out and vote.

Public Comments:

Vicki Drake, Candidate for School Board District 6 made brief presentation.

Arnold Whisenant, Candidate for School Board District 6 introduced himself and provided a brief overview of his background and experience.

AGENDA VI - New Business - None

AGENDA ITEM VII – Adjournment

The next CPAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2002 @ 4 p.m., FCCJ, North Campus, 4501 Capper Road, Room C-136.