

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

September 10, 2018 Meeting Summary

Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Road, Jacksonville FL

Attendance

CPAC Members:

Chair – Trinity Ministries– Bruce Tyson
Cedar Hills – Johnny Carter
Confederate Point Civic Assoc. – James Nolting
Hyde Grove Terrace - Peggy Meyers
Hyde Grove Terrace - Shirley Lowry
Murray Hill Historic Preservation - Len Burroughs
Watermill Masters HOA – Tom Martin

Staff and Officials:

Council Member, at Large Group 5 - Samuel Newby
Executive Council Assist. to CM Jim Love CD 14 – Kevin Kuzel
Jacksonville Fire and Rescue – Lt. John Larson
Jacksonville Public Library – Kathleen Brunner
Municipal Code Compliance Department – Bruce Chauncey
Neighborhood Services Office– Michelle Godwin
Neighborhoods-Public Works – Roy Birbal

Visitors:

Willie Crosby – Sweetwater Church of Christ
Jose Lazcano – Murray Hill Athletic Association
Sonya Maness-Turner – Cedar Creek Landing
Lena Miller Cedar Hill Estates
William Paul Tardiff – Cedar Hills
Jacquelyn Wood – Cedar Hill Estates

Excused:

Bernice Gremer – Fishweir Neighborhood Watch
Pierce Rump – Camalot
Mr. and Mrs. Walker – Spring Village
Charter Member - Don Ingram
Vice Chair - Fishweir Neighborhood Watch – Michael Fisher

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Bruce Tyson called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. Michelle Godwin verified a quorum.
2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** Len Burroughs motioned to approve the summary from June and August's meeting. Tom Martin seconded the motion. CPAC approved.
 - **Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department** – Lt. John Larson had no report, but was open for questions. Mr. Burroughs asked if the fire station at Cecil Field has opened yet. Lt. Larson said not yet, but they will be breaking ground on October 1, 2018. Mr. Burroughs asked how often fire inspections for apartments or condos are conducted. LT. Larson advised that inspections take place before the facility receives its certificate of occupancy. Annual inspections are conducted by the State. Mr. Martin asked about the progress on the fire station on Argyle Road and Old Middleburg Road. Lt. Larson advised that they will be breaking ground on that station on October 1, 2018. Mr. Lazcano asked Lt. Larson for the JFRD volunteer coordinators contact info. Lt. Larson informed Mr. Lazcano that JFRD no longer has a volunteer coordinator, but he will speak with Mr. Lazcano after the meeting. Lt. Larson may be contacted at (904) 731-3839 or johnlar@coj.net.
3. **Elected Officials' Reports:**
 - Samuel Newby, City Councilmember at Large Group 5, advised that the finance committee tentatively approved the \$1.2 billion budget. Councilman Newby reviewed the highlights of some of the items proposed for the FY 2018/2019 budget. Councilman Newby informed CPAC that's \$6 million dollars was allocated for sidewalks and \$30 million for sewage and drainage; \$125,000 for the homeless day center, which will be operated by Sulzbacher, and \$185,000 for Agape Health Care, which serves the under-insured and uninsured. Councilman Newby informed CPAC members that \$300,000 will go toward the new Stop the Violence initiative for small nonprofit organizations. Councilman Newby also advised that the proposed budget includes funding to extend the public library hours. Councilman Newby reported that he was able to rectify the issue of the MCCD recording beginning in Spanish. The recording now begins in English with an option to choose Spanish. Councilman Newby may be contacted at (904) 630-1387 or SNewby@coj.net
 - Kevin Kuzel, Executive Council Assistant to Councilmember Jim Love District 14, informed CPAC members that there has been a rash of robocalls and scam calls recently. One in particular is an IRS scam call. If you are receiving these types of calls, please contact JSO's Economic Crimes Unit or contact the FBI. Mr. Kuzel suggested that you take a screen shot of the number/call and give it to authorities when you report the incident. Mr. Kuzel open the floor to questions or concerns from the members of Council District 14. Jose Lazcano said he has sent Councilman Love an email regarding the Murray Hill Play Ground and was wondering who he should speak with about receiving more

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funding for the park. Mr. Kuzel told Mr. Lazcano he could reach out to him and he'd speak with him by calling (904) 630-1677 or Councilman Love at (904) 630-1390

Kevin Kuzel may be contacted at (904) 630-1677 or KKuzel@coj.net

4. Presentations: None

5. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Public Libraries** (JPL) – Kathleen Brunner, West Branch Manager, announced that Mayor Lenny Curry's proposed budget for FY 2018/2019 will assist in extending the days of operation to six days a week for those libraries that were open fewer days. Additional staff members will be needed in order to fully staff the new hours. Ms. Brunner also announced that a community conversation regarding the Restoration of Rights for Florida Felons will take place Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Webb Wesconnett library and Banned Books week will begin September 24 and run through September 29 at various libraries around town. Ms. Brunner advised that on Saturday, October 13, 2018 the Main Library will hold the Jax Makes event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Jax Making Space. Ms. Brunner advised that there are several programs that people of retirement age can take advantage of at the West Branch Library.

Kathleen Brunner may be contacted at (904) 630-1940 or kbrunner@coj.net.

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division** (MCCD) – Bruce Chauncey, Zone 4 Supervisor Enforcement Officer, announced that 1,365 inspections were completed in Zone 4 between August 2018 and September, 2018. These included 108 junk vehicle inspections, nine commercial inspections, 592 nuisance inspections, 276 residential inspections, 23 nuisance board ups, 96 liter signs and 75 unsafe structure cases. The Municipal Code Compliance Division completed 11,334 inspections as a whole. Councilmember Newby asked, if the City towed cars. Mr. Chauncey indicated the City will have cars towed, but it is at the owner's expense. Mr. Kuzel asked how to determine if a car is inoperable. Mr. Chauncey advised that if the vehicle has flat tires, dusty and dirty and expired tags, it is likely it is inoperable.

Bruce Chauncey may be contacted at (904) 255- or bruceec@coj.net

- **Public Works** (PW) – Roy Birbal, Chief of Public Buildings, had nothing to report, but was open for questions. Mr. Lazcano asked if the structures in the public parks are maintained by Public Works. Mr. Birbal said that Public Works maintains the buildings and the infrastructure of public parks.

Roy Birbal may be contacted at 255-4330 Or Rbirbal@coj.net

6. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **Transportation** – Tom Martin announced that the North Florida TPO CAC did not meet because there were no action items. The steering committee for the Path Forward 2045 North Florida TPO Long Range Transportation Plan had its first meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2018. The next North Florida TPO CAC meeting will be held Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 2 p.m.

- **Cecil Area** – Chair Bruce Tyson reported:

- There is a lot going on at Cecil Field, Wayfair will open a 1 million-square foot warehouse at the Cecil Commerce Center.

- **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report** – Neighborhood Coordinator Michelle Godwin invited CPAC members to the 25th Anniversary reception and proclamation ceremony on October 23, 2018. The reception begins at 4 p.m. and the proclamation begins at 5 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, St. James Building, 117 W. Duval Street. You may RSVP by calling 904-255-8250. Ms. Godwin also announced that the Matching Grant applications have been released and that three workshops will take place, September 19, October 16 and November 15, each beginning at 6 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building 217 N. Hogan St. first floor room 110. Ms. Godwin also informed members that MOSH is running a Neighborhoods exhibit celebrating the 50th anniversary of Jacksonville's consolidation, focusing on the development and sustainability of Jacksonville's many neighborhoods. The exhibit will run through May 15, 2019.

Michelle Godwin may be contacted at (904) 255-8236 or michellegw@coj.net.

- **Chair's Report** – Bruce Tyson announced that he received a letter from City Council President Aaron Bowman regarding openings for several commissions and boards. Mr. Tyson reviewed the September

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10, 2018, Southwest Planning and Development Department report with CPAC members. Mr. Crosby expressed concern with drainage problems on Shindler Drive up to McGirts Creek. Mr. Tyson informed CPAC members that he will not be able to run for Chair next year and he will be selecting a nomination committee for November's CPAC election for Chair and Vice Chair.

8. Unfinished Business - None

9. New Business – None

10. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements-

- Jose Lazcano with the Murray Hill Athletic Association announced that a cleanup is scheduled at Murray Hill Playground, 4208 Kingsbury St., on Saturday, September 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mr. Lazcano informed members that a cleanup will take place the second Saturday of each month. Mr. Kuzel and Councilman Newby asked that Mr. Lazcano send them information regarding his efforts. Ms. Brunner with JPL advised Mr. Lazcano to speak with the branch manager at Murry Hills library and see if she will allow him to post information about the clean-ups.

11. Adjourn: Chair Bruce Tyson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: October 8, 2018, 6:30 p.m. Lane Wiley Senior Center 6710 Wiley Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32210.

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A copy of the audio recording of this Southwest CPAC meeting is available through a Public Information Request by calling 630-CITY. Details about Public Records can be found on the City's Website: [Public Records](#).