

# **North Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

## **March 14, 2018 Meeting Summary**

Oceanway Senior Center, 12215 Sago Ave. W., Jacksonville FL 32218



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### **Attendance**

#### **CPAC Members**

Chair – Eagle Bend – Mike Getchell  
Bluegrass/Northwood – Sharon Bivins  
Charter Member - Dot Mathias  
Charter Member – Dick Berry  
Copper Hill HOA – Joseph Tate  
Copper Hill Owners Association – Bessie Williams  
Council Appointee District 7- Tommy Ruffin  
Duval County Council PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake  
Eagle Bend – Jim Mazur  
Heckscher Drive CC – Amanda LeBron  
Heckscher Drive CC – Jim Sumara  
Lydia Estates – Michael Wozniak  
Lydia Estates – Shelley Wozniak  
Vice Chair – M & M Dairy, Inc. – Teresa Moore  
Northlake HOA – Josephine Fiveash - Porter  
Victoria Preserve – Ingrid Montgomery  
Wingate Estates – Paul Fenning  
Wingate Estates – Kiz Fenning

#### **Visitors**

Brad and Deborah Herrin  
Catherine Delre  
David and Ellen Vest  
Debbie Collins  
Donald Drake  
Donna Philbrick  
Fred Atwill, Jr. – Atwill LLC  
Greg Lane  
James Koerts  
Kathy McFatter  
Lynn Vandelay  
Nancy Burnett – Oceanway Manor  
Nanette Henry  
Robert E. Porter – Northlake HOA  
Sharon Fagerquist  
Shirise Riley  
Shermanda Ramsay – Educators 4 Life  
Steve Crowder – H & R Block  
Victoria Blackman – Blackman Campaign

#### **Staff and Officials**

Jacksonville City Councilmember – Reginald Gaffney, Dist. 7  
Jacksonville City Councilmember – Samuel Newby, at Large 5  
Executive Council Assistant Dist. 7 – Sirretta Williams  
Jacksonville Public Library – Tim Rogers, Director  
Municipal Code Compliance – Thomas Register  
Municipal Code Compliance – Michael Chao  
Municipal Code Compliance – Gary Roberts  
Neighborhood Services Office – Michelle Godwin  
Planning and Development – Sam Walker  
Public Works – Bill Joyce  
Public Works/Mowing & Landscape – Von Zimmerman

#### **Excused**

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- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Mike Getchell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
  - 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** CPAC member Dick Berry motioned to approve February's summary. CPAC member Vicki Drake seconded and the motion unanimously passed.
  - 3. Elected Officials:** Councilman Reginald Gaffney, District 7 announced that he is holding a Community Meeting Thursday, April 12, 2018 at the Highlands Regional Library, 1826 Dunn Ave. starting at 6:30 p.m. Councilmember Gaffney will discuss topics such as the crisis alternate route on Hart Road, updated LED Lighting, the Oceanway Library, community opinion concerning the sale of JEA and any other concerns residents may have. Councilman Reginald Gaffney may be contacted at (904) 630-1384 or [RGaffney@coj.net](mailto:RGaffney@coj.net).
  - 4. Presentation:** Tim Rogers, Director of the Jacksonville Public Library, introduced himself to the North CPAC and shared the proposed plans for the new Oceanway Library. Mr. Rogers ensured CPAC members that several public meetings will be held to solicit public feedback. JPL would like to include the report in the Capital Improvement Plan for next year in order for it to be included in

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next year's budget. Tim Rogers may be contacted at [timrogers@coj.net](mailto:timrogers@coj.net)

#### **5. Staff Reports:**

- **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** –Zone 6 Sgt., James Hodge announced that auto burglaries are the number one crime trend. The primary cause of the auto burglaries is unlocked cars. He advised that if you see something suspicious to call JSO's non-emergency number (904) 630-0500. Sgt. Hodge may be contacted at (904) 696-4335.

**Public Works** – William Joyce, Operations Director Public Works, and Councilman Reginald Gaffney explained what measures were taken to improve drainage problems in the Oceanway Manor area. Mr. Joyce told CPAC members and concerned residents of Oceanway Manor that a portion of the pipe system that runs along Shamrock Avenue and drains all of the streets into a retention pond collapsed and needed to be replaced. Another portion of the pipe was deteriorated and needed to be relined. Mr. Joyce stayed after the meeting to address individual concerns. Public Works staff may be contacted at (904) 255-4306 or [jjmiller@coj.net](mailto:jjmiller@coj.net).

- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCC)** – Gary Roberts, Zone 6 Senior Officer, reported that MCC completed a systematic inspection in the Highlands neighborhood which resulted in 403 cases and 515 violations. MCC also completed a systematic inspection in the Biscayne neighborhood which resulted in 56 cases and 84 violations. Mr. Roberts defined junk vehicle. Vehicles must be operable with good tires and have a current tag. CPAC member Jim Sumara asked if MCC will be revisiting the property located at 5100 Heckscher Dr. to enforce the citations that are in place. Thomas Register, Zone 6 Senior Officer, advised that they will be going back to reinforce the violations that were cited. Thomas Register may be contacted at (904) 255-7290 or [tregister@coj.net](mailto:tregister@coj.net).
- **Public Libraries** – Marshelle Berry, Highlands Region Manager, announced that the Jacksonville Public Library has a new mobile app. It will allow users to browse all e-content in the catalog, locate books and movies, view lender activity and scan library cards at checkout. Visit the App Store or Google Play to download the app. Marshelle Berry may be contacted at (904) 765-5402 ext. 0220 or [MBerry@coj.net](mailto:MBerry@coj.net)

#### **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports**

- **Governmental Affairs and Planning & Development** – Samuel Walker, City Planner with the Planning and Development Department, was available for questions. The Governmental Affairs Committee made the following motions:
  - **2018-0058: Resolution to a PUD**, property located on Grover Road between Cedar Point Road and Starratt Road (Formerly RE#106381-1200): Tommy Ruffin motioned to support Ordinance #2018-0058 with comments. This bill authorizes the Office of General Counsel (OGC) to investigate and commence litigation on behalf of the City of Jacksonville to enforce the City's Zoning Code as it relates to property located on Grover Road between Cedar Point Road and Starratt Road (Tallow Ridge PUD). After several meetings with neighbors and District Council Member Reginald Gaffney, the owner (Grover Road Partners, LLC) agreed to a compromise. Thus, City Council approved 2016-54-E on August 26, 2016, for a PUD to a PUD with conditions to rezone approximately 30 Acres from RR-Acre to a PUD, composed of single-family homes on a mixture of 60 and 70foot wide lots. The motion was seconded by Dick Berry. CPAC members approved the motion.
  - **2018-0071: CGC to MDR**: 0 Intersection Center Drive, on the west side of Interstate Center Drive, north of Clark Road: Tommy Ruffin motioned to oppose Ordinance #2018-0071. An ordinance adopting a small-scale amendment to the Future Land Use Map Series of the 2030 comprehensive plan by changing the future land use designation from Community/General Commercial (CGC) to Medium Density Residential (MDR) on approximately 10.0± acres of land located in Council District 8 on Interstate Center Drive between Interstate-95 and Dunn Avenue. The motion was seconded by Dick Berry. CPAC members approved the motion.
  - **2018-0072: PUD**: 0 Interstate Center Drive, west of Camping World and east of Somerset Preparatory Academy: Tommy Ruffin motioned to oppose Ordinance 2018- 0072. A

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companion rezoning from RLD-60 and PUD to PUD to allow for a single-family subdivision development. The motion was seconded by Dick Berry. CPAC members approved the motion.

Samuel Walker may be contacted at (904) 255-7823 or [Walkers@coj.net](mailto:Walkers@coj.net)

- **Membership** – Sharon Bivins, Membership Subcommittee Chair, announced that the North CPAC's first Neighborhood Cleanup on Saturday, March 10 was a success. Nine volunteers comprised of members from the North CPAC and the Bluegrass/Northridge Home Owners Association cleaned along Regency Street off of Dunn Avenue and collected a total of 50 bags of trash. North CPAC members also manned a booth at the Zone 5 and Zone 6 JSO Safety Fair on Saturday, March 3, 2018. CPAC flyers were handed out during the event.
- **Transportation** – Dick Berry invited CPAC members and visitors to attend the Eden Groups luncheon on Thursday, March 15, 2018 at the Crown Plaza Airport Hotel, 14670 Duval Rd. starting at 11:45 a.m. Nancy Rubin, Senior Director of Communications, will be the speaker. For reservations, please email or call Nancy Burnett at (904) 757-7338 or [NMBurnett@hotmail.com](mailto:NMBurnett@hotmail.com). Mr. Berry also provided material about the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (NFL TPO) and invited anyone interested to join the NFL TPO Citizens Advisory Committee.
- **Ad-Hoc- Taxation, Revenue, Utilization and Expenditures (T.R.U.E) – VACANT**
- 6. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report** – Neighborhood Coordinator Michelle Godwin informed CPAC members that the Neighborhood Summit is scheduled for Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Prime Osborn Convention Center, 1000 Water St. The event is free to the public, but pre-registration is required. You may Register at [www.coj.net/neighborhoodsummit2018](http://www.coj.net/neighborhoodsummit2018), or call the Neighborhood Services Office (904) 255-8250. She also informed members that the Neighborhoods Department is accepting Neighborhood Award nominations now through Friday, March 23, 2018.
- 7. **Chair's Report** – CPAC Chair Mike Getchell thanked Councilman Gaffney, for attending the meeting.
- 8. **Unfinished Business** – None
- 9. **New Business** – None
  - **Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:**
    - CPAC member, Dot Mathias expressed her concern with a palm tree that blocks the stop sign at Park Road and Main Street. Several accidents, including a fatality, have occurred at this corner. She would like the palm tree removed or the stop sign relocated. Mr. Joyce, Operations Manager with Public Works, said he would have his staff investigate.
    - Citizen Ms. Kathy McFatter expressed her concern with the lack of communication between Corner Lot Development Group and local residents. She said that she has reached out to the company on several occasions asking that a community meeting be held to discuss the plans for the development of Spartina Cove, the property located on Cole Road which connects to Duval Road. Corner Lot Development Group has applied for rezoning and reclassification of the property. Vice Chair Teresa Moore asked Councilman Gaffney to hold a community meeting regarding Spartina Cove, perhaps deferring any decisions on the project until a community meeting is held. Councilman Gaffney agreed.
    - Fred Atwill, representing RPM Leasing LLC, asked CPAC members and visitors if there were any questions or concerns with RPM's plans to build a new facility between Pecan Park Road and Yellow Bluff Road on the west side of Main Street North. Chair Mike Getchell said the only concern the Governmental Affairs Committee had was where vehicle unloading would take place. Mr. Atwill said that the unloading of the vehicles will take place within the fenced area of the property.
    - CPAC member Jim Sumara thanked the North CPAC for its support on the rezoning issue that the residents on Heckscher Drive were having with the property located at 5100 Heckscher Dr. Mr. Sumara also informed CPAC members that new signs will be placed along Heckscher Drive indicating the entrance of Heckscher Drive Islands and smaller signs will indicate each of the smaller islands. Mr. Sumara encouraged visitors to join the CPAC in order to continue making a difference in the community.

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- **Motion to Adjourn:** Chair Mike Getchell adjourned the meeting at 7:50p.m.
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**Next CPAC Meeting:** April 11, 2018, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center, 12215 Sago Ave. W.

**Next Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Meeting:** April 5, 2018, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center  
12215 Sago Ave. W.

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A copy of the audio recording of this North 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: <http://www.coj.net/departments/public-affairs/public-records-request.aspx>