

North Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

October 10, 2018 Meeting Summary

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



Attendance

CPAC Members

Chair – Eagle Bend – Mike Getchell
Copper Hill HOA – Rev. Joseph Tate
Eagle Bend – Jim Mazur
Heckscher Drive CC – Jim Sumara

Staff and Officials

Council Member at Large Group 2 – John Crescimbeni
Executive Council Assistant – District 7 – Sirretta Williams
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Asst. Chief G. Burton
Jacksonville Public Library – Michael Sullivan
Jacksonville Transportation Authority – Cheryl Riddick
Neighborhood Services Office – Lisa Ransom
Neighborhood Services Office – Michelle Godwin
Planning and Development – Sam Walker
Parks, Recreation and Community – Keith Meyer

Visitors

Patricia Cooper – Blue Grass/Northwood HOA
Jane Love – Amelia View
Kathy McFatter – Cole Road
Leonardo Richardson – Cole Road/Duval Lake
Sharise Riley – City Council District 7 Candidate
Dotty Roland – Amelia View
Janie Willard – Spaulding Road
William Willard – Spaulding Road

Excused

Vice Chair – M & M Dairy, Inc. – Teresa Moore
Council Appointee District 7- Tommy Ruffin
Bluegrass/Northwood – Sharon Bivins
Duval County Council PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake
Charter Member – Dick Berry
Charter Member - Dot Mathias
Copper Hill Owners Association – Bessie Williams
Marshwinds – Matt Stone
Northlake HOA – Josephine Fiveash - Porter
Victoria Preserve – Ingrid Montgomery
Wingate Estates – Paul Fenning
Wingate Estates – Kiz Fenning
Lydia Estates – Michael Wozniak
Lydia Estates – Shelley Wozniak

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1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Mike Getchell called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Michelle Godwin verified a quorum.
 2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** CPAC member Joseph Tate motioned to approve September's summary. CPAC member Jim Mazur seconded and the motion unanimously passed.
 3. **Elected Officials:**
 - John Crescimbeni, City Councilmember at Large Group 2, announced the Tree Commission has \$24 million that can only be used for the purchase and planting of trees. Councilmember Crescimbeni advised that any community organization can apply for this money as long as they use the money to plant the trees on public property, such as City Parks, public rights of way and State rights of way. Councilmember Crescimbeni advised that a straw ballot question, which is non-binding, will be on the November 6, 2018 ballot, asking voters if they would like the right to approve the possible future sale of JEA. Councilmember Crescimbeni advised that there are two key provisions in the JEA charter regarding the sale of JEA. The first provision is if the JEA Board of Directors decides to sell more than 10 percent of JEA, it has to come before the City Council for approval. JEA has to get a majority vote of 10 or more councilmembers to sell JEA. Councilmember Crescimbeni advised that there is another provision in the JEA charter that allows City Council to amend the JEA charter; however, it takes a two- third council vote. Councilmember Crescimbeni made available a report regarding JEA for anyone who was interested and provided info sheets on what the ballot looks like.
Councilmember Crescimbeni may be contacted at (904) 630-1381 or JRC@coj.net
 4. **Presentation:** None

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5. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** – Zone 6 Assistant Chief Gregory Burton responded to Mr. Brandon Ballew's concerns regarding the lack of security and lighting in the baseball park at FSCJ North Campus next to the Police Academy on Academy Park Road. Chief Burton said he'd contact Chief Tom Mitchell, who is head of campus security. Chief Mitchell will be increasing security at the baseball park as well as adding an officer for the area. Chief Burton advised that there has been a ring of auto thefts, primarily of F250 and F350 trucks, trailers and boats along Heckscher Drive. Fortunately, the thieves have been caught. Chief Burton also announced that property crime in Planning District 6 has doubled, but the officers are working hard to address the problem.

Assistant Chief Gregory Burton may be contacted at (904) 696-4335.

- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Michael Sullivan, Library Director, announced that he will be attending the North CPAC meetings in Marshelle Berry's place. Mr. Sullivan also announced Mayor Lenny Curry's budget for FY 2018/2019 includes \$2.5 million for land acquisition and design of the new Oceanway library. Public meetings will be held soon. Mr. Sullivan also announced that you may vote early beginning October 22, 2018 at the Highland Branch and Branden Brook Branch Library from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mr. Sullivan announced that the Jax Book Fest is scheduled at the Main Library on Saturday, February 23, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mr. Sullivan also announced that R.L. Stine, author of the Goosebumps series, will be the guest author for the Jax Book Fest and that JPL Book Feast is accepting applications now through November 30, 2018 from authors interested in exhibiting their books at the Book Fest. Mr. Sullivan also announced 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 Makers Space. Mr. Sullivan provided information regarding the GED and the Career and Online High School Program.

Michael Sullivan may be contacted at (904) 248-1703 or michaels@coj.net

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)** – Cheryl Riddick, Community Engagement Manager, announced that public meetings will be hosted at the Oceanway Senior Center for the JTA Mobility work on Alta Drive. Ms. Riddick will provide information to Ms. Godwin, to send out regarding the meetings once plans have been finalized. Ms. Riddick announced that there will be a number of service changes, as well as some additions to bus routes that will take place December 3, 2018. JTA will be introducing the Red Line from Downtown to the Beaches soon. Ms. Riddick also announced that, the Red Line will have limited service running along the Arlington Expressway, Southside Boulevard and Beach Boulevard. Ms. Riddick announced that a Regional Express Service from Nassau County to Duval County will begin in early December.

Cheryl Riddick may be contacted at (904) 444-1234 or criddick@jtafla.com

- **Parks, Recreation and Community Services** – Keith Meyerl, Executive Assistant I - Library Services, announced that his department has several projects planned for the year. Mr. Meyerl announced that staff are in the planning stages of a replacement playground at Dinsmore Park. The park will receive two new scoreboards and the backstop netting on two of the soft ball fields will be repaired. He announced that the drainage at San Mateo Little League Park is scheduled to be repaired. That project will improve drainage issues at the park. The work is expected to be completed by 2019. Mr. Meyerl announced that staff will be restriping the parking lot and replacing the bleachers at Ray Greene Park and that Lannie Road Park's radio controlled airplane run way is being repaved.

Keith Meyerl, may be contacted at (904)255-7936 Or Kmeyerl@coj.net

• Subcommittee/Liaison Reports

- **Governmental Affairs and Planning & Development** – Samuel Walker, City Planner I
The Governmental Affairs Committee made the following motions:

- **2018-560: 0 Newcomb Road, Between New Kings Road and Lem Turner Road** – This application is for a large-scale land use amendment of 317 acres from Light Industrial to Low Density Residential, with the intention of development with single-family housing. This application is in the adaptation round and therefore does not have a companion rezoning; the LUA will go through a second round of public hearings with a PUD companion after the State of Florida is

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given an opportunity to comment. Those hearings will likely take place in January 2019. Motion made by Tommy Ruffin to deny, seconded by Dick Berry.

Samuel Walker, City Planner I, may be contacted at (904) 255-7823 or Walkers@coj.net

- **Membership** - Sharon Bivins, Membership Subcommittee Chair: No Report.
- **Transportation** – Dick Berry: No Report
- **Ad-Hoc-** Taxation, Revenue, Utilization and Expenditures (T.R.U.E) – Jim Mazur: No Report
- 6. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report** – Neighborhood Coordinator Michelle Godwin reminded CPAC members to RSVP for the CPAC 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. RSVP by calling 904-255-8250. Ms. Godwin also announced that NSO will be hosting a 501 (c) 3 training on Thursday, November 15, 2018 located at City Hall, 117 West Duval St., from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Space is limited to only 40 people. Prepayment and preregistration is required. Mail your checks or money orders to Neighborhood Services Office, Attn: Gloria Blake 214 N. Hogan St., 5th FL, Jacksonville FL. 32202. **NOTE: The 501(c) 3 training is now full.**
Michelle Godwin may be contacted at (904) 255-8236 or michellegw@coj.net.
- 7. **Chair's Report** – CPAC Chair Mike Getchell announced that a nominating committee is needed for the 2019 CPAC year for recommendations of a new CPAC Chair and Vice Chair. If anyone is interested contact him at getch839@comcast.net or Michelle at michellegw@coj.net.
- 8. **Unfinished Business** – None
- 9. **New Business** – None.
 - **Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:**
 - Mr. and Mrs. Willard are having a problem with the weir located off of Spalding Road under 95. When heavy rains, storms or hurricanes occur, the weir fills up and causes flooding in the homes along Spalding Road. The Willards are not sure who is responsible for monitoring and controlling the water levels of the weir. Sirretta Williams, Executive Assistant to Councilman Reggie Gaffney District 7, took the Willard's information and will research the C.A.R.E issue.
 - Sirretta Williams, Executive Assistant to Councilman Reggie Gaffney District 7, announced that Councilmember Gaffney will hold a community meeting, October 11, 2018 regarding food deserts at the Highlands Regional Library, located at 1826 Dunn Ave. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.
 - **Motion to Adjourn:** Chair Mike Getchell adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: Wednesday, November 14, 2019, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center, 12215 Sago Ave. W.

Next Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Meeting: Thursday, November 01 2019, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center 12215 Sago Ave. W.

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