

North Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

September 12, 2018 Meeting Summary

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



Attendance

CPAC Members

Chair – Eagle Bend – Mike Getchell
Vice Chair – M & M Dairy, Inc. – Teresa Moore
Charter Member – Dick Berry
Charter Member - Dot Mathias
Copper Hill HOA – Rev. Joseph Tate
Council Appointee District 7- Tommy Ruffin
Eagle Bend – Jim Mazur
Lydia Estates – Michael Wozniak
Lydia Estates – Shelley Wozniak
Heckscher Drive CC – Jim Sumara

Visitors

Brandon Ballew
Victoria Blackman - Biscayne
Nancy Burnett – Oceanway Manor Sheriff Watch
Jennifer Casey – Soil & Water Candidate
Kathy McFatter – Cole Road
Nahshon Nicks – District 7 Candidate
Solomon Olopade – District 7 Candidate
Donna Philbrick
Al Saffer
Ron Salem
Stanley Scott

Excused

Bluegrass/Northwood – Sharon Bivins
Duval County Council PTS/PTA – Vicki Drake
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

Staff and Officials

Council Member, District 8 - Ju'Coby Pittman
Council Member, at Large Group 5 - Samuel Newby
Jacksonville Electric Authority – Nancy Kilgo
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office – Asst. Chief G. Burton
Jacksonville Public Library – Marshelle Berry
Jacksonville Transportation Authority – Cheryl Riddick
Municipal Code Compliance – Elaine Lancaster
Municipal Code Compliance – Darryl Lamar
Neighborhood Services Office – Michelle Godwin
Planning and Development – Sam Walker
Public Works – Dave McDaniel

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Mike Getchell called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Michelle Godwin verified a quorum.
2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** CPAC member Dick Berry motioned to approve August's summary. CPAC member Teresa Moore seconded and the motion unanimously passed.
3. **Elected Officials:**
 - 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 members that's \$6 million 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 and to break ground on the New Oceanway library. Ms. McFatter asked if the \$6 million budget for sidewalks has been broken down yet. Councilman Newby informed her that it has not. Mr. Wozniak asked if money has been placed in the budget for clearing the vegetation out the swell areas and ditches to ease the flooding. Councilman Newby advised that there are five trucks in place now and that another has been purchased to assist with the problem. Mr. Getchell thanked Councilmember Newby for attending the North CPAC meetings on a regular basis.
 - Ju'Coby Pittman, City Councilmember District 8, introduced herself to CPAC members and gave a brief overview of her background. Councilmember Pittman announced she will hold three Town Hall meetings. One will be held at A. Philip Randolph Career Academies, 1157 Golfair Blvd., September 20, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Dinsmore Community Center, 7126 Civic Dr., September 27, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and at Highlands Regional Library, 1826 Dunn Ave., October 4, 2018, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Councilmember Pittman asked that CPAC members inform her regarding any issues they may have. Councilmember Pittman announced she will be

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running for Council District 8 after her 10 months as an appointed member are complete. Councilmember Pittman informed CPAC members that she is willing to attend any meeting being held in their neighborhoods.

4. Presentation: None

5. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)** – Nancy Kilgo, Director, Government Relation JEA, advised that the discussion of privatizing JEA has died down. Ms. Kilgo announced that during this year's Hurricane season, JEA will be implementing a new emergency procedure titled "Restoration 1, 2, 3." The new procedure operates in three phases and was developed from lessons learned from hurricane Mathew and Irma. The "Restoration 1-2-3" process is designed to assess and repair JEA facilities and restore power across a 900-square-mile service territory as quickly and safely as possible. Ms. Kilgo provided Restoration 1, 2, 3 information to CPAC members. Ms. Kilgo advised that several JEA trucks will leave on Saturday to assist South Carolina with restoration of power after Hurricane Florence. Mr. Saffer asked if Ms. Kilgo could provide a review regarding the septic tanks. Ms. Kilgo informed CPAC members that unfortunately many of the newer neighborhoods will not be eligible for funding for septic tank removal for a while. Three of the 35 neighborhoods that have been funded are older neighborhoods that were built before consolidation, and have poor soil conditions, failing septic tanks, and fecal matter going into tributaries. Ms. Kilgo said 70 percent of the property owners in the individual neighborhoods will need to agree to participate in the septic tank phase out program in order for a project to move forward in their neighborhoods.
- **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** – Zone 6 Assistant Chief Gregory Burton announced that Planning District 6 is down in violent crime. Chief Burton also announced that district 6 is doing a great job observing the 9 p.m. routine by locking their car doors; however, people are now smashing car windows and stealing purses and money from vehicles all over town. Chief Burton informed CPAC members that JSO will do its best to increase patrol in the efforts to catch the thieves. Chief Burton also informed CPAC members that there has been a rash of fraudulent renting of properties that are not owned or managed by the person who rented them out. Most of the homes being rented are owned by banks or absentee Navy members. Chief Burton advised that possible tenants should meet the person or management company in person if they are interested in renting a home. Chief Burton announced JSO will be doing a walk of the San Mateo neighborhood on Friday, September 28, 2018 starting at 6 p.m. They will meet at the San Mateo Park. Nahshon Nicks asked if surveillance cameras are helpful in catching the car thefts. Chief Burton said yes they are helpful. There has not been much success in tracking the thieves down. Brandon Ballew inquired about the lights in the ball park at FSCJ North Campus being out and lack of security at the park which is next to the Police Academy on Academy Park Road. Chief Burton said he would contact Chief Tom Mitchell, who is ahead of security there. Assistant Chief Gregory Burton may be contacted at (904) 696-4335.
- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Marshelle Berry, Executive Assistant I, Library Services, announced that Mayor Lenny Curry's proposed budget for FY 2018/2019 includes \$2.5 million for land acquisition and design of the new Oceanway library. Ms. Berry also announced that the Highlands Branch library will be redesigning its Children's Department. Architect Steve Lazar and designer Margaret Sullivan will be a part of the project team. Mr. Nicks inquired about the High School dropout rate and the use of the library as a resource for patrons seeking GED's. Ms. Berry advised she didn't have that information on hand but will get it to him. Ms. Berry advised that multiple community meetings will take place regarding the project. Ms. Berry announced she has been given additional duties and that Michael Sullivan will be attending the CPAC meetings in her place beginning October 1, 2018. Marshelle Berry may be contacted at (904) 765-5402 ext. 0220 or MBerry@coj.net
- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCCD)** – Elaine Lancaster, Zone 6 MCCD Supervisor, introduced herself and Darryl Lamar, Senior Code Compliance Officer, to CPAC members. Ms. Lancaster asked CPAC members to contact her with and code concerns. She said, she is trying to become familiar with District 6. Ms. Lancaster advised that the issue which was given to Mr. Register on

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Lannie Road has been cited for over growth and junk vehicles. MCCD will re-inspect the area later this month. Mr. Mazur asked if MCCD will inspect property if it is gated. Ms. Lancaster said that whoever has made the complaint will need to set up an appointment by calling MCCD so they can meet Code Enforcement at the gate and escort them in to show them the problem. It is the same when filing a complaint for something on a private road. Please give MCCD at least 24 hours to respond.

Elaine Lancaster may be contacted at (904) 255-7007 or elainel@coj.net. Mr. Lamar may be contacted at 904-255-7051 or darryll@coj.net

- **Public Works (PW)** – Dave McDaniel, Chief of Mowing and Landscape Maintenance, announced that his division started planning Phase 2 of the Harts Road project. Mr. McDaniel discussed the drainage ditches and blockages. He advised that when you receive four inches of rain in a very short amount of time you will get some flooding, but it should recede in 45 minutes or less. Mr. McDaniel announced that a directive from Chief Administrator Sam Mousa stating, that CPAC concerns that are reported as C.A.R.E issues will become a priority. Mr. McDaniel announced he would take Ms. McFatters question regarding the allocation of the money in FY 2018/2019 budget for sidewalks with him to try to get an answer. Mr. McDaniel advised that he has new contracts out for the mowing. Mr. Getchell inquired about a care issue regarding a ditch behind the ABC liquors and McDonalds on Regency Road off of Dunn Avenue. Mr. McDaniel advised that this is a ditch maintained by inmate work crews and would belong to the Storm Water Division. Mr. Lamar asked about the ditch at Wingate Road and Windy Gale Drive. He advised that citizens are complaining that it is not draining. Mr. McDaniel asked that Mr. Lamar email the C.A.R.E issue number to him. Ms. Mathias informed Mr. McDaniel that the front of the San Mateo subdivision off of Baisden Road has a tendency to flood during hurricane season. Mr. Scott asked what the turnaround time was for issues to be resolved once they are submitted. Mr. McDaniel advised it varies depending on the division's work load. Ms. McFatter advised that east of I-95 is well maintained, however, west of I-95 is not. She is also concerned with the drainage at Little Cedar Creek.

Subcommittee/Liaison Reports

- **Governmental Affairs and Planning & Development** – Samuel Walker, City Planner I
The Governmental Affairs Committee made the following motions:
 - **2018-0560: 671 Pecan Park Rd. between Interstate 95 and Bainebridge Drive.** – LUZ moved to approve this PUD on August 7, 2018 with the site plan showing entrance to the proposed subdivision from Pecan Park Rd. and not from the north. Dick Berry motioned to defer until someone from the developer's office is able to speak with the Governmental Affairs Subcommittee. Mike Getchell seconded the motion. CPAC members approved the motion.
Samuel Walker, City Planner I, may be contacted at (904) 255-7823 or Walkers@coj.net
 - **Membership** - Sharon Bivins, Membership Subcommittee Chair, was absent. Mr. Getchell gave the CPAC a glimpse of the new North CPAC T-shirts.
 - **Transportation** – Dick Berry announced that the funds for the Jacksonville National Cemetery access road have been allotted and construction will begin in November. The road will include a new two-lane roadway, 3.4 miles in length that begins at the western end of Arnold Road and ends at the intersection of Lannie and Ethel roads.
 - **Ad-Hoc- Taxation, Revenue, Utilization and Expenditures (T.R.U.E)** – Mr. Getchell nominated Jim Mazur to represent the North CPAC at T.R.U.E. Commission. Mr. Mazur accepted the nomination. CPAC members approved.
6. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report** – Neighborhood Coordinator Michelle Godwin invited CPAC members to the 25th CPAC 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

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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.

7. **Chair's Report** – CPAC Chair Mike Getchell announced that the Planning Department's bi-monthly Wednesday meetings with CPAC representatives and the general public have been suspended because of CPAC scheduling conflicts. The planning department will continue to send representatives to each CPAC meeting and continue to provide the link for the PDF LUZ book with the applications twice monthly to CPAC members.

8. **Unfinished Business** – None

9. **New Business** – None.

- **Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:** Ron Salem introduced himself to CPAC members and is running for City Council at Large Group 2.
 - Jennifer Casey introduced herself and will be running for Soil and Water Supervisor.
 - Nashaun Nicks introduced himself and will be running for City Council District 7
 - Mr. Scott thanked JSO for doing a good job with their social engagement.
 - Solomon Olopade introduced himself and will be running for City Council District 7
 - Brandon Ballew introduced himself as Council member Newby's campaign manager.
 - Teresa Moore asked the City Council members present if the CPACs' voices are really being heard, and if not, what should be done to get heard. Councilman Newby advised that the CPACs' voices are heard and that they need to continue to bring the concerns to the CPAC meetings.
 - **Motion to Adjourn:** Chair Mike Getchell adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.
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Next CPAC Meeting: Wednesday, October 10, 2018, 5:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center, 12215 Sago Ave. W.

Next Governmental Affairs Subcommittee Meeting: Thursday, October 4, 2018, 4:30 p.m. Oceanway Senior Center 12215 Sago Ave. W.

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