Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

October 11, 2021, Meeting Summary

Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: 953 4177 6452 Passcode: 276301

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Christina Purdy, Vice Chair; Cecil Pines Adult Living Community; Len Burroughs, MHPA.; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Jaquelyn Woods, Cedar Hills Estates Community Association.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA; Linda and Darrell Barrow, Budget Automotive Repair, Inc.; Annette Brown, Blue Lake Estates.

Visitors: Cathy Watson, Jacksonville Heights; Leila Miller, Cedar Hill; G. Wile, West.

Staff and Elected Officials: Randy White, Council Member District 12; Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to State Representative Angie Nixon; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Lt. Mark Musser, JSO; Chief Chip Drysdale, JFRD; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Tiffany Morales, MVA; Lance Hoffman, MCCD; Keith Meyerl, Parks, Recreation and Community Development.

Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum: Vice Chair Purdy called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
- **2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The September 13, 2021, summary was approved by the CPAC.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:
- Randy White, Council Member District 12, announced that a new fire station will be built at Firestone Road near Wilson Boulevard. Council Member White had no report but took questions.

 Council Member Randy White may be reached at (904) 255-5212 or RandyWhite@coj.net
- Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to State Representative Angie Nixon, reported that this week representative Nixon is in Tallahassee for sessions. Ms. Worley also announced that Rep Nixon has met with City Council about the trash issues, blight, code enforcement issues, as well as the drainage and odor issues in the district. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please contact her office.
 Representative Angie Nixon may be reached at (904) 924-1500.
- 4. Presentation: None
- 5. Chair's Report: Vice Chair Purdy reported that the International Coastal Cleanup, which was held Saturday, September 18, 2021, went well. Six volunteers participated collecting five bags of trash along the fence of the entrance to Tillie Fowler Park, Volunteers collected a total of five bags of trash. Vice Chair Purdy reminded members that if they would like to have a cleanup in their neighborhood, they can get the supplies from the Neighborhood Services Office by reaching out to Dan Durbec of Clean it Up Green it up by calling 904-255-8276, or by registering on line using the new registration site, https://jaxnhorg.coj.net/#/.
- 6. Staff Reports:
- Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) Lt. Mark Musser, reported that over the past 30 days Zone 4 has seen a significant drop in violent crimes, robberies of individuals, businesses, and car jackings. Burglaries to residences has shown a slight drop. Lt. Musser reported that there has been an increase in auto theft. The thieves have been targeting the Hyundai make of vehicles in the last few days. The task force officers along with the auto theft detectives are working to identify the individuals as quickly as possible. Lt. Musser advised CPAC members not to leave their firearms in their vehicles. Lt. Musser announced that the officers have been doing a great job at responding and locating endangered individuals with the assistance of Jacksonville Fire and Rescue department. JSO has been able to locate all of the most recent missing individuals and get them safely returned back to their families. Lt. Mark Musser may be contacted at (904) 573-3165.
- Jacksonville Fire and Rescue (JFRD) Chief Chip Drysdale, reminded CPAC members that October is fire safety month. Chief Drysdale recommended that CPAC members test their smoke detectors and replace the batteries to make sure they are working properly. CPAC members may request the

installation of a smoke detector in their home for free by call 630-City or reaching out to the Fire Prevention Division.

Chief Chip Drysdale may be contacted at (904) 630-0861

• Jacksonville Public Library (JPL) – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported the Bill Burton Murray Hill branch library will be offering crafts and other activities throughout the day on Saturday, October 23, 2021, as part of Murray Hill-o-ween festivities. A Little Readers Storytime will take place at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., offered by special guest Joe Gaskin. The Bill Burton Murray Hill branch library will be open until 8 p.m. the night of the Murray Hill-o-ween event. The Murray Hill library is also hosting movie night on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. The feature presentation will be The Murmay. Ms. Baldwin also announced that the Argyle Branch library will be hosting their Fall Festival from 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. October 25, 2021, through October 28, 2021. There will be crafts, games, prizes, and trick or treats. Ms. Baldwin thanked Vice Chair Purdy for inviting the library to come and speak with the Cecil Pines residents about library services.

Lynne Baldwin may be contacted at (904) 338-4383 or at LBaldwin@coj.net.

• Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) - Cheryl Riddick, Director Customer Engagement, reported that JTA is supporting the Pink Ribbon Jacks organization during Breast Cancer Awareness month. During the month of October, JTA will be providing free mammograms and advertising the "Get One Give One" and several other advertisements on several of the bus racks and bus shelters throughout the city. Ms. Riddick announced that on September 27, 2021 JTA made a service change and launched the Orange Line, the final corridor of the First Coast Flyer. The Orange Line runs from the regional transportation center and travels down Blanding Boulevard ending at Orange Park Mall.

Cheryl Riddick may be contacted at (904) 632-5522 or Criddick@jtafla.com

- Military of Veterans Affairs (MVA) Tiffany Morales, Veterans Outreach Coordinator, reported that the Veteran's Day Parade is scheduled for November 11, 2021, at 11 a.m., and will start Downtown to honor our veterans and active-duty military. The 5th Annual Jacksonville Veterpreneur Summit will take place Friday, December 3. 2021 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This year the summit will be virtual, but you may register in advance by visiting the Military of Veterans Affairs website https://www.coj.net/departments/military-and-veterans-affairs. Ms. Morales also reported that MVA will host their Stand Down for Homeless Veterans on January 28 and 29, 2022 as well as the Military Spouses Night Out on January 3, 2022. Tiffany Morales may be reached at (904) 255-5524 or https://www.coj.net/departments/military-and-veterans-affairs.
- Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD) Michael Hoffman, Senior Code Compliance Officer, reported that 904 inspections in Zone 4 have been completed to date. A systematic inspection in the Oak Hill neighborhood was completed this month, resulting in a total of 257 properties being cited. Mr. Hoffman reminded CPAC members that per the signing into law of Senate Bill 60, citizens may no longer submit anonymous requests. The person who reports the potential violation must provide his or her name and address for an inspection to be conducted. Tickets that are submitted anonymously will be closed out and a request for contact information will be made so the investigation can continue. Mr. Hoffman also reported that the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) is still available for those who need abatement services due to disability or economic disadvantage. To find out if you qualify for the JAR program, visit https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program.

Michael Hoffman may be contacted at (904)255-7096 or lhoffman@coj.net

• Parks, Recreation and Community Programming – Keith Meyerl, Division Chief of Recreation report that Special Committee on Parks and Quality of Life and the Parks Department have identified several parks throughout Jacksonville that need their playground equipment upgraded, basketball and tennis courts resurfaced, and restrooms remodeled or upgraded. The Parks Department is finalizing the locations of the parks in need and has requested \$20 million to go towards completing the needed upgrades. Mr. Meyerl reported that several Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) are in the process of starting, such as the rehabilitation of Boone Parks Tennis Courts, the replacement of the electrical underground wiring, and pathway and drainage repairs. This project is scheduled to begin by the end of the year, and the court rehabilitation will be completed over the winter. Murray Hill Park Playground replacement project is another CIP item and will be completed by spring 2022. The installation of improved track lighting, a new restroom, and concession building will be completed in the spring. Mr. Meyerl also reported that Lane Wiley Community and Senior Center is still conducting COVID-19 testing and vaccinations Monday through Saturday, and that the Parks Department will be running a fall movie series at Memorial Park the second Saturday of each month.

Keith Meyerl may be reached at (904) 255-7936 or kmeyerl@coj.net

7. Subcommittee/Ligison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** Vice Chair Purdy reported that the subcommittee reviewed seven applications. The LUZ subcommittee made suggestions to send three letters of recommendation for:
 - Ordinance 2021-0698 Rezoning to a PUD 6947 Townsend Rd.: The application seeks to rezone from RR-ACRE to PUD to allow for the development of single-family subdivision with a maximum of 136 single family lots. The full CPAC motioned and approved the suggestion to submit a letter of objection to the proposed application.
 - Ordinance 2021-0736 Rezoning to a PUD 0 Rampart Road: The application seeks to rezone approximately 27.86 acres of property from AGR, RR-Acer, and RLD-60 to PUD to allow for the development of a mixed use with retail commercial and multi-family residential use. The full CPAC motioned and approved the suggestion to submit a letter of objection to the proposed application.
 - Ordinance 2021-0748 Rezoning to Conventional Zoning Timuquana Road west of Lynn Street: The application seeks to rezone to allow for larger signage for the existing office park. The full CPAC motioned and approved the suggestion to submit a letter of objection to the proposed application. Andy Hetzel may be contacted at (904) 255-7821 AHetzel@coj.net
- T.R.U.E. Commission Bruce Tyson reported that the Taxation, Revenue and Utilization of Expenditures Commission met on Thursday, October 7, 2021. The T.R.U.E. Commission meet with Sheriff Mike Williams who provided an update on several questions that were submitted by the T.R.U.E Commission. The Commission is very interested in the programs that JSO provides that are meant to increase the interaction between JSO and the citizens. The next T.R.U.E. Commissions meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2021, the meetings are open to the public.
- **Nominating Subcommittee** Bruce Tyson announced the nominating subcommittees recommendation to reelect Dr. Willie Crosby to serve as chair and Christina Purdy to serve as vice chair. Voting and nominations from the floor will take place at November's meeting.
- 8. Unfinished Business None
- 9. New Business None
- 10. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report: Neighborhood Coordinator Michelle Godwin-Ware explained how those who have been attending the meetings and are not CPAC members may become members by attending three consecutive meetings, registering their organization, business, or group with the Neighborhood Service's Office Neighborhood Directory, fill out the nomination/membership form, have it signed by a representative from the group, then return the form to Mrs. Godwin-Ware for approval and appointed as a CPAC member. Mrs. Godwin-Ware also announced that the Paper Collection and Tree Giveaway event will take place Saturday, November 13, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at TIAA Bank Field Lot E. Participants may only drop off two bags of paper documents. There will not be a shredding truck on site.

Michelle Godwin-Ware may be reached at 904-255-8236 or Michellegw@coj.net

11. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements

- Susan McCullough announced that a special unitary election for City Council at Large Group 3 will take place soon. Early elections will begin November 27, 2021, through December 5, 2021. General elections will begin February 12, 2022, through February 20, 2022. Voting will take place at several of the libraries around town. You may visit the Duval County Supervisor of Elections website for a list of early voting sites and times.
- Len Burroughs announced that Murray Hill will be hosting its annual Murray Hill-O-Ween event on Saturday, October 23, 2021, from 4 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The event will take place along Edgewood Avenue South. There will be local bands, food trucks, a kids bounce zone, pumpkin patch, beverages, and the famous parade which will begin at 7 p.m.
- Vice Chair Purdy announced that Cecil Pines will be hosting its annual Antique Car Show on November 13, 2021, starting at 10 a.m. It is free and open to the public. If you have an antique car, bring it to the show or just come and look at the awesome cars that will be there.
- **12. Adjourn**: Vice Chair Purdy adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: November 8, 2021, 6:30 p.m. In person at Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 953 4177 6452 Passcode: 276301. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

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Summary prepared by Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8236 or <u>michellegw@coj.net</u>. 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: <u>Public Records</u>.

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