

Northwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

October 14, 2021 Meeting Summary

Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd., 6 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 945 4736 3670 Passcode: 583430

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members – Rhonda Boyd, Chair; Tyrona Clark-Murray, Vice-Chair; Elaine Billups, Better Living Community Association; Jaqueline Harrington, Grand Park; Roxsan Currier, Marietta Senior Center; Henry Scott, North Riverside CDC; Leroy Kelly, Carver International; Lana Suggs-Champion, Carver International; Velma Rounsville, Timber Oaks HOA; Bettye Scott, Ribault Manor; Larry Solomon, Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates

Visitors –Antonia Bryant; Kim Stephens-Perry; Thomas Parrish; Lynette Williams; Keba Roberson; Victor Coleman; James Reaves; Marci Larson, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (NFTPO)

Elected Official and City Staff –Michelle Worley, District Secretary to Florida State Representative Angie Nixon, District 14; Warren Jones, Duval County School Board Member, District 5; Nikki Evans, Executive Council Assistant to City Council At-Large Member Ron Salem, Group 2; Dana Kriznar, DCPS; Paula Renfro, DCPS; Stephanie Miller, JPL; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Brian Jefferson, State Attorney's Office; Derek Dixon, FDOT; Lt. James Paris, JSO; Bryan Mosier, Neighborhoods Department; Ernest Murphy, Municipal Code Compliance; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development Department; Jessica Denson, NSO; Jennifer Pope, NSO

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Rhonda Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Jessica Denson confirmed a quorum was present.
- 2. Speaker:** Marci Larson, Public Affairs Manager, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (NFTPO), provided a brief overview of the NFTPO and announced that the North Florida TPO Citizens Advisory Committee (NFTPO CAC) has a vacancy in the Northwest District. Ms. Larson explained the purpose of the committee and encouraged the members to attend a meeting. The NFTPO CAC meets on the first Wednesday of the month (excluding January and July) at 2 p.m. The meetings are held in-person at the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization Headquarters, 980 North Jefferson Street. The next meeting will be on November 3, 2021.

Marci Larson may be reached the (904) 306-7513 or mlarson@northfloridatpo.com.

3. Elected Officials:

- Warren Jones, Duval County School Board Member, District 5, reported the following:
 - In September 2021, the Duval County Public Schools issued a mask mandate with a medical opt-out to help decrease the spread of COVID-19 and reduce the number of school closures.
 - In December 2020, the Duval County School Board voted to explore the opportunity to relocate the school board headquarters. The board members recently issued an Intent to Negotiate with companies who are interested to purchase their current site, more information will be released in the weeks coming. The Half-Penny Voluntary Surtax will not be used to assist in relocating DCPS headquarters.
 - DCPS Board will possibly close the following three schools for repurposing: West Jacksonville Elementary, 2115 Commonwealth Avenue; Henry F Kite Elementary School, 9430 Lem Turner Road; Martin Luther King Elementary, 8801 Lake Placid Drive East. DCPS will conduct community meetings with the City Council Member in that area to get the surroundings community input.

Board Member Warren Jones may be reached at Jonesw2@duvalschools.org or (904)390-2372.

- Michelle Worley, District Secretary to Florida State Representative Angie Nixon, District 14, informed the CPAC members that Representative Nixon is currently meeting with the legislative committee to prepare for the legislative session that will start January 2022. Representative Nixon recently met with City Council members whose district overlap in Florida House District 14 to discuss the blight and drainage issues in Florida House District 14. Representative Nixon's office is currently closed to visitors due to the surge in COVID-19, but visitors may call 904-924-1500.

Michelle Worley may be reached at (904) 924-1500.

- Nikki Evans, Executive Council Assistant to Council Member Ronald Salem, At-Large, Group 2, reported that on October 4, 2021, Council Member Salem attended a graduation ceremony located at the Sulzbacher Center. The ceremony recognized four participants of the Mental Health Offender Pilot Program that launched in January 2021.

Nikki Evans may be reached at NEvans@coj.net or (904)255-5143.

4. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary: The CPAC approved the September 2021 meeting summary.

5. Unfinished Business: None

6. New Business:

- Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray informed the CPAC members that the NW CPAC Letter of Deferral for LUZ application 2021-0575; companion application 2021-0574 was submitted to the Planning Commission, but the commission did not defer the applications. Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray made a motion to submit a Letter of Denial for LUZ applications 2021-0574 and 2021-0575 to the City Council and the City Council LUZ Committee President. The motion was seconded and approved by the CPAC.

7. Chairs Report: Chair Boyd announced that the Northwest District has a new neighborhood association called Central Fairfax Community Association and invited the association to join the NW CPAC.

8. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports

- Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee:** CPAC member Roxsan Currier reported that the LUZ Subcommittee members reviewed fourteen land use and zoning applications, and no recommendations were made.
- TRUE:** CPAC Member Velma Rounsville reported that TRUE Commission met on Thursday, October 7, 2021. The TRUE Commission invited Sheriff Mike Williams, Jacksonville Sheriff Office (JSO), to present at the meeting. Sheriff Williams reported that JSO currently has 1,827 sworn officers, and 1,400 have been hired in the last six years. Sheriff Williams informed the commissioners of JSO's plan for community engagement and listed the current community initiatives programs to connect with the community.

CPAC member Velma Rounsville informed the CPAC members that the TRUE Commission received three new reports from the Auditors Office. The Legislative Tracking Committee advised the commission of five new City Ordinance codes 2021-673; 2021-620; 20241-625; 2021-706; 2021-707 that would be presented to the City Council for approval.

The TRUE Commission plans to write a report on JSO and invite Mike Weinstein, Chief Executive Officer at Kids Hope Alliance, to present at a future TRUE Commission meeting.

- Transportation:** Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray reported that the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) CAC did not meet in October.
- Nomination:** CPAC Member Lana Suggs-Champion reported that the NW CPAC Nomination Subcommittee met on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, to discuss potential nominees for the 2022 NW CPAC Chair and Vice-Chair Election and has a nominee for each office. The election will take place at the NW CPAC November meeting.

9. Staff Reports

- **Neighborhoods-** Bryan Mosier, Director of Neighborhoods, reported the following:
 - The Animal Care & Protective Services (ACPS) is partnering with Friends of Jacksonville to host an event called Tales and Trails. The event will be located at the Jacksonville Arboretum & Gardens, 1445 Millcoke Road, on Saturday, October 17, 2021, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 - The City of Jacksonville Mortgage Relief Program (MRP) that began in March 2021 continues to accept applications. The program started with \$4 million but currently has an estimate of \$1.35 million remaining. To apply, go to www.myjax.custhelp.com.
 - The City of Jacksonville Emergency Rental and Utility Assistance Program (ERAP) is still accepting applications. To apply, go to www.coj.net/erap.com.

Director Mosier can be reached at bmosier@coj.net.

- **Jacksonville Sheriff Office (JSO):** James Paris, Police Lieutenant, Zone 5, provided the CPAC members an overview of Zone 5 year-to-date crimes. On Thursday, November 18, 2021, JSO will host the Annual Jacksonville Sheriff Watch Luncheon at First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, 125 West Ashley Street.

Lt. Paris may be reached at (904) 384-8028

- **Duval County Public Schools (DCPS):** Dana Kriznar, Deputy Superintendent, announced that all DCPS clinics will have a School Health Assistant on site. DCPS is currently accepting applications for the position. To apply, go to www.dcps.duvalschools.org. Deputy Superintendent Kriznar can be reached at kriznard@duvalschools.org.

- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT):** Derek Dixon reported the following FDOT projects:
 - The I-10 (SR 8) / SR 200 (US 301) Interchange Operational Improvement Project is expected to be completed in Spring 2023.
 - The SR 103 (Lane Ave) From SR 208 (Wilson Blvd.) to SR 228 (Norm72012000 Resurfacing Project, is scheduled to start late Fall 2021.
 - The Bever Street Resurfacing Project is scheduled for completion in Spring 2022.
 - The I-10 to I-95 Operational Improvements project; the I-95 north to I-10 west flyover; is scheduled for completion in Spring 2022.
 - The I-10 Widening Project from I-295 to I-95 is scheduled to be completed in 2024.

Derek Dixon can be reached at (904)360-5653 or Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us.

- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL):** Stephanie Miller, JPL North Region Manager, reported the following:
 - On October 30, 2021, the Friends of the Brentwood Public Library is hosting a Spooktacular Read and Treat event, at the Brentwood Branch Library, 3725 North Pearl Street, from 1 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.
 - The JPL Urban Branch Study community meetings in October 2021, to share the recommendation made by the 21st Century Urban Branch study consultants has been canceled. Ms. Miller will inform the CPAC of the new meeting details once confirmed.
 - JPL is presently hiring for various positions. To apply, visit www.coj.net.

Stephanie Miller can be reached at (904) 894-9658 or sstokes@coj.net.

- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCCD):** Ernest Murphy, Municipal Code Compliance Supervisor, reported that MCCD completed 1,531 inspections in the last 30 days and 19,000 inspections a year to date in the Northwest District. On November 1, 2021, MCCD will conduct a systematic inspection in the Mixon Town Area. The MCCD Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) still have funds available. The JAR Program may prevent a lien from being placed on your property. Please visit the Municipal Code Compliance Department website for more information: www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program.

Ernest Murphy can be reached at (904) 255-7096 or EMurphy@coj.net.

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA):** Cheryl Riddick announced that JTA is hosting a Bus Operations Job Fair, on Friday, October 15, 2021, at the Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center, 100 LaVilla Center Drive, from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. For more information, visit www.jtafla.com.

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

- **State Attorney's Office:** Brian Jefferson announced that the Duval County Clerk of the Court is hosting a Driver's License Reinstatement Expo on October 25- 29, 2021 and November 1-5, 2021, at the Duval County Courthouse, 501 West Adams Street. Pre-registration is required. You may register at www.Duvalclerk.com/DriveJax. Mr. Jefferson informed the CPAC members that the State Attorney Office along with the Mayor's Community Based Crime Reduction Program (CBCR) and Duval County Clerk of the Court, will host a Sealing and Expunging Fair before the New Year.

Brian Jefferson can be reached at brianj@coj.net.

- **Neighborhood Service Office (NSO) –** Jessica Denson, Neighborhood Services Coordinator, informed the CPAC members that the Neighborhood Matching Grant Program is accepting applications. The deadline to apply is December 13, 2021, at 5 p.m. Jessica Denson forwarded the Neighborhood Matching Grant Program information to the CPAC Members. Ms. Denson reminded the CPAC members that the final virtual Ethics Training for the year will be November 18, 2021, from 12 p.m.- 1 p.m.

Jessica Denson can be reached at jcdenson@coj.net or (904)255-8260.

10. Public Comments: None

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next CPAC Meeting: Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 6 p.m. 7866 Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd.

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The next Land Use and Zoning Meeting: Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. 7866 Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd.

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Summary prepared by Jessica Denson, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8260 or jcdenson@coj.net. A copy of the audio recording of this Northwest 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](#).

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