

Northwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

March 11, 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; Tyrone Clark-Murray, Vice Chair; Elaine Billups, Better Living Community Association; Roxsan Currier, Marietta Senior Center; Velma Rounsville, Timber Oaks HOA; Jaqueline Harrington, Grand Park; Dr. Murphy Nmezi; Royal Terrace Community; Waynetta McGraw, Jacksonville Ranch Club II.; Bettye Scott, Ribault Manor; Larry Solomon, Carver Manor Lincoln Estates; Lana Suggs, Carver International

Visitors – Lillie Riggins; Thomas Parrish; Alonzo Chappell; Edward Livingston; Leroy Kelly; Lynette Powell Williams; Joe McClure; Nancy Wood; Robert Maldonado; Nabaa Ali; Jacquelyn Nash; Gracie McCastler; Antonia Bryant; Tiphonie Mattis; Henry Scott; Shirley Thomas

Elected Official and City Staff – Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to Florida House of Representative Angie Nixon; Justin Pickett, JFRD; Lt. John Gay, JSO; Lynn Baldwin, JPL; Johnnetta Moore, Parks, Brian Naples, Municipal Code Compliance; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Jessica Denson, NSO; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development.

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Rhonda Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Staff confirmed that a quorum was present.
2. **Elected Officials:**
 - Michelle Worley, Executive Secretary to State Representative Angie Nixon, Florida House District 14, reported that Representative Nixon's new office is located at 3890 Dunn Ave. The office phone number is (904) 924-1500. Representative Nixon may be reached at (850) 717-5014
3. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** February's meeting summary was approved by the CPAC.
4. **Unfinished Business:** None
5. **New Business:** CPAC Member Larry Solomon stated last year he submitted a letter to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) through the CPAC regarding a bridge near US-1 and Richardson Road. The bridge needs to be elevated due to flooding. He requested to have a representative from FDOT to give an update on the request at a future meeting. CPAC Member Larry Solomon will send a copy of the letter to Jessica Denson.
6. **Chairs Report:** Chair Boyd shared a letter that was sent from the City of Jacksonville to the CPAC chairs with respect to the Northwest CPAC membership asking them to identify one priority capital improvement project request for each neighborhood within the boundaries of the Northwest District. These projects will be considered for inclusion in the proposed FY2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (subject to available funding). The deadline to return the Northwest recommendation list of capital improvement projects is May 21, 2021. Chair Boyd opened the floor to allow CPAC members to volunteer to be a part of the Northwest CIP Subcommittee; CPAC Members Larry Solomon, Elaine Billups, Roxanie Currier and Tyrone Clark-Murray volunteered. The CPAC members voted to have the Northwest CIP subcommittee meetings on March 22nd, April 5th, and April 19th at Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Road at 5 p.m. Jessica Denson will check on the availability of the building.

7. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports

- **Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee:** Roxsan Currier reported that LUZ Subcommittee members reviewed seven land use and zoning applications and suggested to oppose one application. The Motion is:
 - **Denial of 2020-0745 address of application – (PUD)** - Sunshine Organics and Compost, RE# 111121-0000.: This application seeks to rezone 10.92± acres of land from IL to PUD to allow for a solid waste/compost facility. The CPAC passed the motion to deny the application.
- **TRUE Commission:** Velma Rounsville reported that the Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission met Thursday, March 4, 2021. The TRUE Commission had a discussion on monies the City of Jacksonville may be eligible to obtain from the new Coronavirus Recovery Act. The commission will investigate two bills introduced by the City of Jacksonville; 2021-100: \$100M appropriation for additional septic tank remediation and 2021-118: \$30M to supplement existing septic tank phase out work projects in the Beverly Hills and Christobel neighborhoods since funding is currently insufficient. TRUE Commission Chair will connect with CPACs that have membership vacancies on the commission.
- **Transportation:** No report

8. Staff Reports

- **Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO):** Lt. John Gay, reported that crimes in the Northwest District are currently down compared to last year. He invited CPAC members to become a part of Zone 5 Sheriff's Watch. Members may obtain information from Teresa Anderson-Wright by calling the Zone 5 Sub-station at (904) 470-8900 or email Teresa.Anderson-Wright@jaxsheriff.org for the Zoom invitation information. Please visit www.jaxsheriff.org to report tips for crimes or for more information. JSO is currently hiring for numerous positions. Visit www.JoinJSO.com to apply.
Lt. Gay may be reached at (904) 384-8028
- **Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD):** Justin Pickett reported that JFRD recently graduated 40 new recruits and an additional 40 recruits will graduate in the next few months.
- **Parks:** Johnnetta Moore, Chief of Social Services reported that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is in need of summer lifeguards. Parks will be hosting training sessions on March 15th -March 19th and April 5th -April 9th. Chief Moore will forward flier to Jessica Denson.
The Social Services Division offers emergency assistance program that help individuals who are experiencing difficulties paying their rent and utilities. The division provides services to victims of a crime at their Victim Services Center located at 403 West 10th Street. For more information call (904) 255-3333
Chief Moore may be reached at (904) 255-3322 or jmoore@coj.net
- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL):** Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant of Library Services, reported that the Dallas Graham Library will be closed on March 31st to install new computer tables. JPL offers adult/ teen programs via Zoom. For more information visit www.jaxpubliclibrary.org or call (904) 255-2665.
Lynne Baldwin may be reached at (904) 338-4383 or lbaldwin@coj.net

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA):** Cheryl Riddick, Director, Customer Engagement, reported that JTA has partnered with City of Jacksonville and the Florida Department of Health for Duval County to provide safe, clean, and reliable transportation to available COVID-19 vaccination locations. Additionally, JTA has expanded the coverage of its ReditRide Zones. Healthcare workers and citizens aged 65 and older can ride free on JTA and ReditRide services by showing their work identification or Florida Identification. For more information go to www.jtafla.com
Cheryl Riddick may be reached at (904) 632-5522 or Criddick@jtafla.com
- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCCD):** Brian Naples, Municipal Code Compliance Supervisor, introduced himself as the new supervisor for the Northwest District. In February, MCCD completed 1,484 inspections in the Northwest District. MCCD has a program called the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR), which provides abatement services at no cost to Jacksonville residents who qualify. The program only prevents liens from being placed on the property after the abatement occurs. Visit the Municipal Code Compliance Department website for more information on applying:
<https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program>.
Brian Naples may be reached at (904) 255-7000 or bnaples@coj.net

Chair Boyd informed the NW CPAC members that members must submit a CARE ticket for all various community issues to the City of Jacksonville first by calling (904) 630-CITY (2489) or visiting www.myjax.custhelp.com. If ticket is not resolved by appropriate department then the CPAC member should report the CARE ticket number to the CPAC. This allows the responsible department within the City of Jacksonville to address the issue before escalating it through the CPAC.

- **Neighborhood Services Office (NSO):** Jessica Denson encouraged the CPAC members to volunteer at the St. Johns River Celebration 2021 Cleanup on March 20, 2021. The event will be held at various locations and times vary at the different locations, please confirm the event times on the fliers provided. Jessica emailed and provided fliers at the meeting.

Jessica reminded CPAC members about the CPAC membership attendance requirements. She explained the following concerning unexcused absences:

Pursuant to Executive Order 2014-03 states any primary CPAC member, including Charter members and members appointed by City Council members, including alternates when requested to attend in place of the primary, who fail to attend three consecutive meetings of the CPAC without contacting the Neighborhood Coordinator, either by telephone or email prior to the scheduled CPAC meeting, shall be automatically removed from the CPAC.

a. After the first unexcused absence, the Neighborhood Coordinator shall call the member and send an email (if applicable) to contact and encourage the member to attend the next meeting.

b. After the second unexcused absence, the Neighborhood Coordinator shall call, email, and send a formal letter to encourage the member to return to the CPAC, but also to advise the member that the third unexcused absence will result in an automatic removal from the CPAC.

c. If a third unexcused absence occurs, that member will be automatically and immediately removed administratively from the CPAC. If that member returns to the CPAC, they will need to reapply as a new member.

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

9. Public Comments

- Tiphonie Mattis asked the CPAC members to have a representative from St. Johns River Water management District to present information regarding dredging in the Ribault River and Trout River at a future CPAC meeting
- Robert Maldonado, Attorney, Jacksonville Fair Housing Unit, provided a brief overview of the services the Jacksonville Fair Housing unit offers. For more information go to: www.jaxlegalaid.com. Robert may be reached at Robert.maldonado@jaxlegalaid.org or (904)356-8371 ext.391
- Antonia Bryant, member of Council On Elder Affairs (COEA), shared the purpose of COEA is to advocate health and wellness, neighborhoods, transportation, legislation, public safety, resources, and technology for the senior citizens of Duval County. COEA is in need of volunteers to fill vacancies on the board and for an upcoming project called Age Friendly Communities.
For more information on Council On Elder Affairs call (904) 255-5413
- Chair Boyd stated CBCR Community Clean-Up for Saturday, February 27, 2021 was a huge success. She encouraged the NW CPAC Members to set up a cleanup for their community. To Schedule a cleanup and obtain cleanup supplies, please contact Dan Durbec, Environmental Program Specialist, COJ at (904)255-8276 or ddurbec@coj.net.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next CPAC Meeting: Thursday, April 8, 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, April 8, 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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