

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

June 27, 2022, Meeting Summary

Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257

Meeting Attendance:

Members: Brandon Anderson, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Joyce Brown, Pine Forest Community Action Corp.; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Richard Cardell, The Lakewood Community; Carol D'Onofrio, Deercreek Owners Association; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA, Inc.; Sharon Ervin, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc; Joanne Parker Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Ralph Hodges, Council-At-Large Group 4; Richard Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA Inc.; Steven Hutra, East Hampton HOA; Debbie Johnson, The Gables HOA; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Dolores Landrum, Campfield Masters Homeowners Association; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Rowena Nagales, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA; Craig Shoup, Council At-Large Group 2; Linda Gail Rowe, Lake Mandarin HOA; Jon Singleton, San Marco; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Denise Torres, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mill Community Association, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

Excused: Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA, Inc.; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association

Visitors: Richard Skule, GENA; John Nooney; John Reed, Linkside at Baymeadows; MJ Beck, COEA; Ray Evans; Ann Clapp, William Herron, Shiloh Creek; Michael Journey; Jose Gonzalez; Colvin Ryan; Jim Efstathrom, Bayard Community Association; Sharyn Myles; Jonathan Cagle; rR3MRM; 904-631-5782; 904-396-0141; James Taylor, Deerwood Improvement Association

Staff: The Honorable Danny Becton, City Council District 11; Monica Cichowlas, 630CITY; Devron Cody, Municipal Code Compliance; Derek Dixon, FDOT; Randi Glossman, JSO; Bryan Mosier, Neighborhoods Department; Paul Soares, DCPS; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Arimus Wells, Planning and Development Department; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office

Call to Order/Verify Quorum:

Vice Chair Shoup called the SE CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting at the Mandarin Senior Center and on Zoom. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary – The May 2022 meeting summary was approved by the CPAC.

Presentation(s): Monica Cichowlas, 630-CITY, Manager, reviewed the MyJax Customer Service Center hours of operation; Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm; Friday 8:00am to 7:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Ms. Cichowlas used a PowerPoint presentation to demonstrate how to use the online MyJax customer portal at www.myjax.custhelp.com . The demonstration included how to

create an account, how to submit a request for service/register a concern, how to check the status of request or concern and how to find frequently asked questions.

Senate Bill 60 has discussed. As of June 29, 2021, when Senate Bill 60 into effect, code enforcement officers are not allowed to investigate anonymous complaints. All code enforcement reports must include the complainant's personal information including name and address.

Ms. Cichowlas demonstrated how individuals could look up information for their home/community. This information included: evacuation zones, waste collection dates, information of city council members and city council districts to name a few.

A copy of the MyJax PowerPoint was provided to the CPAC members via email by Rosemary Wesolowski to use as a reference.

Monica Cichowlas – 255-2489

Elected Officials Report:

The Honorable Danny Becton, City Council District 11 – Provided the following updates:

- Council Member Terrance Freeman will serve as City Council President and City Council Member Ron Salem will serve as City Council Vice President starting July 1, 2022 through June 20, 2023.
- Construction of the e-Town fire station is underway.
- The 630-CITY Tree Planting Program is set up by the City of Jacksonville's Urban Forestry Team in order to use the City's Tree Mitigation Fund. If a resident is interested in having trees planted, they should first call 630-CITY or fill out an application at COJ.net – Tree Commission. The tree must be planted in a city Right-of-Way in front of the resident's or business owner's own property.
- FDOT stated that they will resurface Southside Boulevard in the near future.
- For additional information about happening in City Council District 11, please visit Council Member Becton's website: <https://dannybecton.org/>

Council Member Becton – dbecton@coj.net or 904-255-5211

Staff Reports:

Neighborhoods Department – Bryan Mosier, Director informed the CPAC that Municipal Code Compliance, 630-CITY Call Center and the Neighborhood Services Office are all part of the Neighborhoods Department.

Animal Care and Protective Services (ACPS) is also part of the Neighborhoods Department and they can use your help. Currently, the ACPS animal shelter is over capacity. If you can adopt, volunteer at the shelter or foster one of the young puppies or kitties, that would be greatly appreciated.

JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office) – Lieutenant Randi Glossman – informed the CPAC that violent crimes are up 2.4% and property crimes are up 7.6% in Zone 3 in the past 30 days. Lieutenant Glossman encouraged everyone to practice the 9 pm Routine; do not leave money, valuables, car keys, garage door openers, wallets/purses, and guns in vehicles unattended, unlocked or overnight.

Zone 3 substation – 8875 Liberty Ridge Drive, Suite 110, 32256 – 904-828-5463

Duval County Public Schools – Paul Soares discussed the purpose of the 1-mill increase in ad valorem taxes. The 1-mill increase is primarily designed to retain experienced teachers, compensate other staff (such as security personnel and maintenance workers) and meet other operational needs, particularly in art, music and athletics. Voter approval is needed to increase funding.

JPL – Jackie Spiritas, East Regional Manager, substituted for Eric Soriano and provided the following updates:

- The 2022 Summer Learning Program has returned. From June 1 to July 30, students will be able to participate at in-branch programs, numerous interactive virtual events, complete fun activities, participate in challenges, see magicians, and go on scavenger hunts. Participants can win prizes. All the Summer Learning Program events are free and open to everyone. To learn more visit: <https://jaxpubliclibrary.org/summer-learning>
- Drop-in Tech Tutoring is offered every Wednesday from 11:00am - 12:00pm at the Mandarin Branch Library. This weekly event offers 1-on-1 tech tutoring where you can learn how to stream and download eBooks, audiobooks, music, and video using digital media services such as Libby, Hoopla, Kanopy, and LinkedIn Learning. Please bring your library card and device.
- Free Summer Lunch Program provides free meals to children 18 years of age and younger. This program is funded by the US Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Call to see if your branch library is participating.

Eric Soriano – esoriano@coj.net

Municipal Code Compliance Division – In the past 30 days, 989 inspections were completed. The systematic inspection that was scheduled for Pine Forest was postponed. A systematic inspection will begin on July 11, 2022, in the Englewood community.

The Jacksonville Assistance and Relief or JAR program was reviewed. The purpose of the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program is to facilitate a means of compliance to those who would otherwise be unable to achieve it due to disability or economic disadvantages. The program's objective is to provide the abatement services required at no cost to those citizens who qualify, thereby achieving compliance and beautification of the city while not unduly burdening its most vulnerable citizens.

If you cannot comply with the violations on your property due to a disability or economic hardship, please feel free to visit: <https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program>

Devron Cody – 904-255-7033 or DCody@coj.net

Planning & Development Department – Arimus Wells did not have a report but was available for questions.

Arimus Wells – 904-255-7824 or ArimusW@coj.net

FDOT – Derek Dixon provided the following updates:

- Work on the Buckman Bridge is expected to be completed in the fall of this year depending on the weather conditions. The project included enhanced signage and electronic overhead messaging to alert motorists of different traffic conditions.

- Landscaping is underway on I-295 from the Buckman Bridge to I -95.
- One southbound I-295 lane onto the express lanes will remain closed due to supply shortages.
- Landscaping on San Jose Boulevard from Julington Creek to I-295 is expected to begin in the fall.
- The intersection of Kernan Boulevard and J. Turner Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202) will receive a \$17 million interchange improvement. This project began on June 8, 2022.
- The converging diamond interchange at S.R. 202 and San Pablo Road should be completed in the next month.

Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3-minute time limit):

LUZ– Craig Shoup – stated the subcommittee reviewed five LUZ applications and no motions or actions were recommended.

Membership – Ramon Day – not present – no meeting held

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill – stated Rosemary emailed a copy of the North Florida TPO Annual Mobility Report to the CPAC members last week. There was a call for questions or clarifications and there were none.

Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant informed the CPAC that the Park Safety Committee was scheduled for today, but the meeting was cancelled because the council did not receive the Parks Safety Report for review.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – not present – no report

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski reminded the CPAC that the 2022 CommUniverCity applications are due this week on June 29, 2022. The City of Jacksonville will offer fireworks displays at five locations throughout the city. All fireworks displays will begin at 9:45 am.

Rosemary Wesolowski 904-255-8261 or rosemary@coj.net

Chairs Report – Vice Chair Shoup welcomed and introduced new CPAC member Steven Hutra representing East Hampton HOA.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business: - None

Public Comment – Visitor John Nooney expressed his concern regarding land that was cleared cut from the 3000 block of Parental Home Road to Pottsburg Creek. Mr. Nooney has reached out to several local, state, and federal agencies to express his concern about the land that was cleared as well as the health of Pottsburg Creek.

Motion to Adjourn – the meeting ended at 7:54 pm

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be a hybrid meeting on **Monday, July 25, 2022**, at 6:30 pm. Join us in-person at the at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, 32257 or virtually on Zoom.