

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

December 16, 2019 Meeting Summary

NEFAR Office, 7801 Deercreek Club Road, Jacksonville, FL 32256

Meeting Attendance

Members: Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Richard Cardell, The Lakewood Community; Anne Davis, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc.; Ramon Day, Northwest Quadrant Equity Owners, Inc.; Pamela Fraser, Blackwood Forest HOA; Pete Gentry, Deercreek Owners Association; Manny Gonzales Akers, Pickwick Park Civic Association; Will Herron, Shiloh Creek Neighborhood Association; Ralph Hodges, City Council At-Large Group 4; Scott Kosolowski, James Island HOA; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Sherry Marks, Kernan Mills Community Association; Henry Rogers, Rose Creek Condo Association; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Carol D'Onofrio, Deercreek Owners Association; Sharon Ervin, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

Excused: Donna Herrin, Council District 11; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association; Denise Torres, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Betty Wolfe, Mandarin Community Club

Visitors: Michael Beck; Mary (Marcie) Turner, Heather Glen; Gezil Andrews, COEA; Richard Skule, GENA; William Pritchett; Alice Hecht-Solimon

Staff: Bryan Mosier, Director of the Neighborhoods Department; Lisa Ransom, Neighborhood Services Office Manager; Scott McKay, Municipal Code Compliance; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Arimus Wells, Planning and Development Department; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office

Call to Order/Verify Quorum:

Chair D'Onofrio called the December 2019 SE CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

Presentation(s):

Jeremy Norsworthy, JTA Project Manager presented on the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project. Florida Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a statewide program, funded by the Florida Department of Transportation, whose goal is to make it safer for children to walk and bicycle to school. Eligible programs under Florida guidelines include:

- Pedestrian facilities (new sidewalks, sidewalk widening and sidewalk gap closures)
- Bicycle facilities (bicycle racks and bicycle shelters)
- Traffic control devices (new or upgrades crosswalks, traffic signs, traffic signals and flashing beacons)

The State of Florida has \$7 million in funds to make the SRTS improvements. JTA is working with the City of Jacksonville and using the data that was collected in a North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida TPO) study to complete an application and submit to FDOT for funds.

In the Southeast District, Hogan Spring-Glen Elementary (6736 Beach Boulevard) and San Jose Elementary (5805 St. Augustine Road) and their surrounding neighborhoods have been identified as candidates in the SRTS application.

Hogan Spring-Glen Elementary safety improvement projects identified are: sidewalks will be added on Burkholder Road, East Road, Nathan Drive, Renee Terrace and Ryar Road. In-filling of sidewalk gaps will occur on Hogan Road.

San Jose Elementary safety improvement projects identified are: sidewalks will be added on Bishop Circle, Graywood Road, Nettie Road and Temple Road/Brownwood Road. A new crosswalk will be added at Community Road and a new traffic control device will be added St. Augustine Road. In-filling of sidewalk gaps will occur on Powers Avenue.

Elected Officials Report:

None

Staff Reports:

JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office) – Not in attendance

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

JTA – Cheryl Riddick reminded the CPAC to use Gameday Xpress for their transportation needs to and from Jaguar games; Gameday Xpress handouts were provided for everyone.

Cheryl Riddick – 632-5522 or criddick@jtafla.com

Neighborhoods Department – Bryan Mosier informed the CPAC that Animal Care and Protective Services is partnering with Jacksonville Human Society to host a free pet adoption event at Regency Square Mall on Saturday, December 14, 2019 10 am to 4 pm. Director Mosier also reminded the CPAC that we are at the end of mosquito season, but it is still a good idea to tip and drain any standing water you find in your yard.

Neighborhood Services Officer – Lisa Ransom, Manager announced enrollment for CommUniverCity 2020 is now open. CommUniverCity consists of eight sessions/classes, one bus tour and a graduation with the focus to train neighborhood leaders. The first class will held on January 23, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Ed Ball Building downtown. A graduation will conclude the training program on February 20, 2020. Ms. Ransom also announced a save the date event. On April 30, 2020, the Neighborhood Services Office will host the inaugural Neighborhood Awards program in Main Library (Downtown), 303 N Laura Street, 6 to 8 pm. In the near future, an application will be distributed citywide and each community is encouraged to submit what their neighborhood did in 2019 to positively affect their community.

Neighborhoods Municipal Code Compliance – Scott MacKay reported on behalf of Robert Crawford. In the past 30 days, in Zone 3 Code Compliance team has addressed 81 junk vehicles, 381 nuisance cases, 73 tree cases, 188 residential violations, 153 zoning residential violations. If you have a concern, please call 630-CITY to report the issue or concern.

Robert Crawford – RobertC@coj.net

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

Arimus Wells - ArimusW@coj.net

Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit):

LUZ (Land Use and Zoning) – LUZ Subcommittee Chair Pete Gentry stated the subcommittee reviewed four applications and the subcommittee made one motion.

The motion is:

Opposition to Sign Waiver 2019-0841 at 7524 Southside Boulevard. The CPAC membership voted unanimously to support the Planning and Development Department and their recommendation to deny permission for internal illumination in the RMD-C Zoning District. According to Section 656.133 (c) of the Zoning Code, the membership found the proposed sign waiver to be inconsistent with items 1, 2, 7, 9 and 10 which is not in harmony the intent of the Zoning Code.

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill not in attendance.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – vacant

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski thanked the CPAC for their involvement and commitment to the SE CPAC. Calendars for the 2020 SE CPAC meetings were provided.

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

Chairs Report – Chair D’Onofrio introduced and presented new member packets to Manny Gonzales Akers, Pickwick Park Civic Association; Anne Davis, Primary Member, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc.; Sharon Ervin, Alternate Member, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc.; and Ramon Day, Northeast Quadrant Equity Owners, Inc. Welcome to the Southeast CPAC.

Chair D’Onofrio presented Certificates of Appreciation to all of the Subcommittee Chairs that were in attendance.

Chair D’Onofrio announced that the SE CPAC is in need of a TRUE Commission representative. If you are interested in representing the SE CPAC on this commission please let Rosemary or Chair D’Onofrio know.

Unfinished Business – none

New Business – Member Gary Weise announced that he attended an FDOT public hearing regarding proposed changes to the roadway, striping and medians at the intersection of Southside Boulevard (S.R. 115) and Gate Parkway. The hearing was held on Thursday, December 12 at the Southeast Regional Library. FDOT offered the opportunity to view displays and discuss the proposed changes with project staff and consultants during an open house; the open house was followed by a public comment period.

The proposed interchange improvements will completely change the intersection and impact all that use that intersection. The proposed changes include:

- Adding a northbound and southbound auxiliary lane on Southside Boulevard between Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202) and Gate Parkway
- Adding a third westbound to southbound left turn lane on Gate Parkway
- Adding a second northbound to eastbound right turn lane on Southside Boulevard
- Displacing/rerouting southbound to eastbound left turns from Southside Boulevard to Gate Parkway to a new signalized intersection approximately 500 feet south of Gate Parkway
- Displacing/rerouting all approaching traffic from Gate Parkway West to a new signalized intersection approximately 500 feet south of Gate Parkway
- Reducing the phasing and cycle length of the existing traffic signal at Southside Boulevard and Gate Parkway

Mr. Weise encouraged the CPAC to attend the public meetings that are offered by FDOT. Mr. Weise stated the changes that they propose can significantly impact your community.

Public Comment – None

Motion to Adjourn –

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be Monday, January 27, 2020, 6:30 pm at the NEFAR Office, 7801 Deercreek Club Road, Jacksonville FL, 32256