

## **Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

### **November 27, 2023, Meeting Summary**

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

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

**Members:** Susan Bailey, Linkside Baymeadows; Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Joyce Brown, Pine Forest Community Action Corp.; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Ryan Colvin, Bayard Community Association; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA, Inc.; Carol D'Onofrio, Deercreek Owners Association; Carol Eichling, Village Green Two Condo Association; Sharon Ervin, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc.; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Cliff Green, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Joanne Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; William Herron, Shiloh Creek; Rich Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA, Inc.; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Steven Hutra, East Hampton HOA; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Sherry Marks, Kernan Mills Community Association; Rowena Nagales, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association; John Reed, Linkside of Baymeadows; Craig Shoup, Council At-Large Group 2; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; James Taylor, Deerwood Improvement Association; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mill Community Association, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

**Excused:** Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Dolores Landrum, Campfield Masters Homeowners Association; Andrea Letizia, Williamstown, HOA; Linda Gail Rowe, Lake Mandarin HOA

**Visitors:** Fred Atwill; John Nooney; MJ Beck, MSC; Jacqueline Parenteau, Brierwood Association; Ann Clapp; Wingtech TMAF

**Staff:** The Honorable Michael Boylan, City Council District 6; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development Department; George Foote, Executive Council Assistant, District 5; Jackie Gregson, Parks, Recreation and Community; Captain C.R. Johnson, JFRD; Lieutenant Kenny, JSO; Tiffany Morales, Military and Veterans Affairs; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Eric Soriano, JPL; Robin Smith, Public Works; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office; John Williams, Municipal Code Compliance

#### **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:**

Chair Griffin 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 October 2023 summary was approved.

**Presentation(s): Tiffany Morales, Military Affairs and Veterans Department**, informed the CPAC about the services and programs offered through Military and Veterans Affairs.

The Military Affairs and Veterans (MAV) Department provides the following services:

- They are advocates for the expansion of military infrastructure, personnel, and jobs within the City of Jacksonville and throughout Northeast Florida. The department team works closely with military, business, community, and elected leaders at the local, state, and

national levels to deliver a compelling message that Jacksonville is the most "Military and Veteran Friendly City in the United States" and that Jacksonville is strategically important to the security posture of the nation.

- The department is committed to delivering to our large and growing Veteran community. Staff can assist Veterans, their survivors and their caregivers who seek access to pensions, healthcare, disability ratings, GI Bill, and other earned benefits.
- The department sponsors and promotes city-wide events to military men and women serving at area installations, our Veterans and their families.
- Upcoming events include:
  - Veterans Stand Down will be held on January 26 and 27, 2024 at the Jacksonville Fairgrounds.
    - On Friday, January 26, 2024, employment services, medical services and shelter and housing issues will be addressed starting at 10:00 am and ending at 2:00 pm.
    - On Saturday, January 27, 2024, VA services, food and clothing give away, hygiene kits and dental services will be offered from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

For additional information or questions, please call 904-255-5550.

#### **Elected Officials Report:**

**The Honorable Michael Boylan, District 6**, shared the following updates:

- There are two more City Council meetings in 2023. At the November 28, 2023, City Council meeting, three items on the agenda may be of interest. Those items are:
  - \$500,000 capable loan to No More Homeless Pets to redevelop their facility.
  - \$150,000 from the Office of Economic Development for the Food Desert Program to fund door to door transportation from JTA.
  - \$1.8 million to purchase land and a building near I-95 and Golfair Boulevard.
- The City Council JSO Primary Facilities Review Committee is still actively working on their assigned issue. In addition to concerns about the jail, associated facilities/buildings and parking, conversations have launched on how the recommendations compiled by the subcommittee will be implemented. Due to the complexity of this issue, there were five working sub-groups established to stay on top of different issues/concerns associated with this large-scale project.

Michael Boylan – 904-255-5206 or [MBoylan@coj.net](mailto:MBoylan@coj.net)

**George Foote, City Council District 5 Executive Council Assistant**, shared that Council Member Joe Carlucci has used some of his CIP funds to purchase a specific type of trash can called Big Belly Trashcans to test in his district. The design of these trashcans is supposed to reduce litter. Once waste is placed in the trashcan, the waste cannot come out as it is a fully enclosed trashcan. Additionally, the design is supposed to eliminate windblown litter and eliminating a food source for pests.

Joe Carlucci – 904-255-5205 or [JoeCarlucci@coj.net](mailto:JoeCarlucci@coj.net)

#### **Staff Reports:**

**JSO – Lieutenant Kenny**, shared the following information on the new Connect Duval Program:

- Connect Duval is a voluntary program where residents can sign up and have their cameras and/or doorbell cameras registered with JSO to allow the department, if needed, to obtain evidence quicker. Connect Duval offers two levels.

- Level One - domiciles with security and/or doorbell cameras can register their cameras for free at [ConnectDuval.org](http://ConnectDuval.org). Once registered, JSO may contact you to request the direction(s) that your cameras are facing and if they can view your footage.
- Level Two - is a second option offered by the Connect Duval program. Once you have your security/doorbell camera is registered with the program, Level Two will offer real time streaming and has certain safety features similar to a panic button for the security/doorbell camera owner.
- To date, 1,949 individuals have registered their cameras in this program and 388 of those have integrated to the second level.
- For additional information about this program, please attend a Sheriff's Watch program or call the substation.

Zone 3 Substation – 904-828-5463

**JFRD – Captain Charles Johnson**, stated Winter is a busy time of year for residential fires and shared the following recommendations:

- Check and/or change the batteries in your smoke detectors. If you need assistance with this task, please call 630-City or enter a request on MyJax for JFRD to assist you.
- Often, when heat pumps turn on for the first time in cold weather, dust on the auxiliary coils or heat strips may create a short-lived burning smell. This is normal.
- Keep space heaters away from anything flammable.
- If you use a fireplace, make sure you open the flue before starting the fire and have the flue cleaned to prevent a flue or roof fire.
- Clean your dryer vents of lint to prevent a vent fire.
- Make sure the cords on electrified holiday decorations are in proper working condition and are not a trip hazard.
- If you put up a live Christmas tree in your home, please keep it watered.

Captain Johnson – [JohnsonC@coj.net](mailto:JohnsonC@coj.net) or 904-255-8560

**JPL – Eric Soriano**, shared the following information:

- The Murray Hill Library will be closed November 27, 2023, to December 11, 2023.
- If you use the outdoor book drops receptacles at the libraries, please place the returned items in the receptacles, not on the ground next to them. If the outdoor receptacles are full, please return the items inside the library.
- Every Wednesday is Technology Wednesday at the Southeast Regional Library from 3:00 pm to 4:00pm. Drop in for free assistance without an appointment.
- The next Lit Chat will feature Nat Glover, former JSO Sheriff and former President of Edwards Waters University. This Lit Chat will be held at the Bradham and Brooks Branch Library and live streamed online via Zoom. The event will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 2:00 pm.

Eric Soriano – [esoriano@coj.net](mailto:esoriano@coj.net)

**JTA – Cheryl Riddick**, stated the Jacksonville Jaguars play a Monday night home game on December 4, 2023. Gameday Xpress will be offered for this game; boarding will begin at 6:15 pm. Prices for Gameday Xpress are \$10 to ride from a downtown lot or \$15 to ride from a suburban lot. For additional information, please use the following web address: <https://www.jtafla.com/ride-jta/bus-schedules-and-services/gameday-xpress/>

Cheryl Riddick – 904-630-3100

**Municipal Code Compliance Division – John Williams, Zone 3 Supervisor**, stated in effort to expedite the meeting, Supervisor Williams emailed the monthly statistics for the Zone 3 inspections to Rosemary for dissemination to the CPAC. On December 5, 2023, a pro-active inspection will be conducted on the Parental Home Road Corridor. The Zone 3 Code Compliance team received a new team member. There are now four code compliance officers working in Zone 3.

If you have an old Code Enforcement concern or complaint that was reported to 630-CITY and you are dissatisfied with how it was handled, please send an email to: [codeenforcement@coj.net](mailto:codeenforcement@coj.net). Please include the case number/reference number, the address where the concern is located, explain why you do not like how the issue was handled, provide your contact information and a Code Compliance Officer will contact you to discuss the issue. 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 for those who would otherwise be unable to achieve it due to disability or economic disadvantages. 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>  
Florida Senate Bill 60 prohibits code inspectors from initiating investigations of potential violations of codes and ordinances by way of anonymous complaints. The tickets will be closed if they are submitted anonymously.

John Williams – 904-255-7000

**Planning & Development Department – Kaysie Cox** - no report  
Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853 or [KaysieC@coj.net](mailto:KaysieC@coj.net)

**Parks, Recreation and Community Services – Jackie Gregson** provided the following updates:

- The Senior Expo will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, and Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at UNF in the Adam W. Herbert University Center.
- The Holiday Festival for Seniors will be held on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at the Prime Osborn Convention Center. For tickets and additional information, please use the following web address: <https://www.jacksonville.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/senior-services/mayor-s-special-events-for-senior-citizens>
- Installation of the synthetic turf at Losco Park should be completed by the end of December 2023.
- The playground equipment and mulch at Chuck Rogers Parks is scheduled to be installed this week.
- The new playground equipment and synthetic turf has been installed at Fort Family Regional Park. The baseball/softball project is expected to be completed by the end of February 2024.
- At Patton Park, the synthetic field and playground installation should be completed by the end of December 2023.
- Palmetto Leaves Parks is in the design phase for park expansion.

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

**LUZ– Craig Shoup** – stated the subcommittee reviewed nine new LUZ applications and will make one motion to the full CPAC.

- Deferral of Ord, 2023-0826, located at 10880 Angel Fish Way, RE# 167742 0480 that seeks to rezone 13.56+/- acres from PUD to PUD in order to convert 30 detached

garages into carriage units until the adjacent single-family homeowners and Council Member Raul Arias have been notified regarding the elevation change of buildings along the buffer of the community. The motion passed unanimously.

**North Florida TPO – Jim Hill** – no report

**Nomination** – Carol D'Onofrio and Rich Horvath presented a slate of officers to the SE CPAC, no nominations were made from the floor. The election concluded with Joanne Griffin serving as the CPAC Chair and Craig Shoup serving as the CPAC Vice Chair.

**Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant** – no report

**TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** – Ramon Day stated the TRUE Commission met in early November and the main focus of the meeting was to discuss the new proposed city procurement code.

**Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski** – informed the group that copies of the 2024 CPAC meeting calendar are available in hard copy on the sign in table and copies were emailed to everyone.

Rosemary Wesolowski 904-255-8261 or [rosemary@coj.net](mailto:rosemary@coj.net)

**Chairs Report – Chair Griffin** informed the CPAC that Jose Gonzalez will represent all six CPAC's on the newly created Land Development Regulation Update Stakeholder Advisory Committee. The focus of this committee will be on development and resiliency. Mr. Gonzalez informed the CPAC that the committee had a brief introductory meeting, but the first official meeting will be held in January 2024.

Chair Griffin asked several CPAC members to briefly introduce themselves. The members were:

- Mr. Rich Horvath, representing Cypress Trails, HOA in Nocatee introduced himself, shared information about his community and moving to Jacksonville 7.5 years ago.
- Ms. Carol D'Onofrio, representing Deercreek Owners Association. Ms. D'Onofrio has lived in the Deercreek community for 30 years and has been very involved with her HOA in addition to volunteering for many groups/committees/organizations.
- Carol Eichling, representing Village Green Two Condo Association shared that she has been in Jacksonville 23 years. Ms. Eichling is a retired Navy veteran from the Medical Service Corps and taught for several years before retiring.
- Susan Bailey, representing Linkside at Baymeadows HOA. Ms. Bailey is originally from Jacksonville, lived all over the country, but returned to Jacksonville 20 years ago. In addition to her involvement with her HOA, Ms. Bailey is also a member of the Baymeadows Community Improvement District.

**Unfinished Business** – None

**New Business** -

- Member Scott Koslowski informed the CPAC that he has made arrangements with Leci's Italian Restaurant for the CPAC to dine there on December 18, 2023, after the SE CPAC meeting.

**Public Comment** –

- John Nooney informed the CPAC that Council Member Carrico accompanied Mr. Nooney on a kayak tour of Pottsburg Creek last week. Mr. Nooney informed the CPAC that a resiliency report was released last month, and he found the report alarming. In

addition, Mr. Nooney expressed his concern about the limited amount of access the public has to local waterways.

- Member Jose Gonzalez shared the details for the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Event on December 1, 2023, 5:00 pm at the Mandarin Community Club, 122447 Mandarin Road.

**Motion to Adjourn** – there was a motion to adjourn and a second.

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be a hybrid meeting on **Monday, December 18, 2023**, at 6:30 pm. Join us in-person at the at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, 32257 or virtually on Zoom.