

# Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

## March 09, 2026, Meeting Summary

Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: 885 0647 5589 Passcode: 864564

### Meeting Attendance

**CPAC Members In-Person:** Christina Purdy, Chair; Earnest Surmons, Vice Chair; Woods, Jacquelyn, Cedar Hills Estates Community Association; Jenny Watson, CHAPS; Bernice Gremer, Fishweir Neighborhood Watch; Jason Roberts, District 4 Sheriff Watch; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries.

**CPAC Members Via Zoom:** Sandra Simmons, Blue Lake Estates HOA.

**Visitors:** Erica Moorer, Herman Kpessou, Denise Cook, Stefanie Jorgensen-Walter, Rae Walker

**Visitors via Zoom:** Subbaro Medha Kala, Linda and Darrell Barrow, Cheyenne Grace Watts, Sandy Simmons, Zoom User

**Staff and Elected Officials:** Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, District 9; Cheryl Mock, JEA; LT. Kwasi Dingle, JFRD; Christie Rogers, JPL; Adam Blinn, JSO; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Jared Chemay, MCCD; Jeremy Wright, Public Works; Regnissha Martin, City Planner I; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Necole Jenkins, Neighborhood Services Office.

### Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Purdy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The CPAC approved the previous meeting summaries
- 3. Elected Officials:** Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray of District 9 discussed traffic-calming efforts for the Hyde Grove community in Jacksonville. A traffic study will be conducted, and any proposed improvements will require 75% resident approval before being implemented. Her office will cover the cost of the study. She also spoke about education funding in Duval County. A proposal involving a \$1 million tax increase has been approved to move forward to Jacksonville City Council so it can appear on the November ballot. The measure aims to help raise teacher salaries, which are among the lowest in Florida, and support programs such as arts and athletics in Duval County Public Schools. Residents are encouraged to support the referendum vote.

Tyrona Clark-Murray- Council Member (904) 255-5209 or [TClarkMurray@coj.net](mailto:TClarkMurray@coj.net).

Breyuanna White - Executive Assistant (904) 255-5161 or [BWhite1@coj.net](mailto:BWhite1@coj.net).

- 4. Guest Speaker/Presentation: Ericka Moorer, Moorstone Development** Presented on a perspective development located along the San Juan Commercial Corridor. It's currently an underutilized property. The property is close to neighborhood services and transit routes proposed for a walkable mixed-use new development. The speaker commented that she has a strategic partnership with some of the non-profits in the area. There will be pre-construction and post-construction jobs. The development will also be built as a resource center where other not-for-profits can come and access resources for community members including jobs, and financial literacy. The types of retail spaces proposed are grocery stores, cafes, restaurants, beauty collective, healthcare, fitness studio, and furniture store. The development will include a residential component for workforce and military. Mr. Hetzel stated that the property in question is currently zoned Commercial Community General 1 (CCG1), which allows for general retail and commercial development. Any multifamily development on the site is most likely going to require a zoning exception. Mrs. Moorer has not submitted an application yet; she wanted to get feedback/community support first.

Ericka Moorer – (516) 834-9680 or [Moorstonerealestate@gmail.com](mailto:Moorstonerealestate@gmail.com).

**5. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO)** – Commander Adam Blinn reported:

- Citywide crime is down 4% both violent crime and crimes against person.
- District 4 is leading the city in having the lowest violent crime rate, down by 17%.
- Residential and business burglaries are down 40%.
- Auto theft is down 36%.
- A total of 210 felony arrests were made in District 4.
- Total of 19,800 calls were made for services so far this year.
- As of January 1, 2026, the officers have responded to almost 20,000 calls in the district.
- A Sheriff's walk is scheduled for Saturday April 18, 2026, at 10:30 am. The starting point will be the American Legion, 5300 block of Lexington Ave (Lakeshore and San Juan).
- District 4 Sheriff's Watch will take place on July 16, 2026, at 6:30 pm, at the Hillcrest Baptist Church, 7673 Collins Road.

Commander Adam Blinn- (904) 573-3165

**6. Jacksonville Fire and Rescue (JFRD)** – Lt. Kwasi Dingle reported provided the CPAC with fire and home safety information:

- Citizens should check their smoke detectors. It is recommended that you change the batteries every six months. It is best to check when time changes.
- Sometimes batteries must be changed sooner than six months. You will know the batteries need to be changed when you hear beeping.
- In newer homes are installed with wired smoke detectors. Wired smoke detectors are designed so that whenever you test one smoke detector in the home, they all go off. Wired smoke detectors should be checked once a month.
- Smoke detectors have a 10-year shelf life.
- Smoke detectors can be purchased at Walmart, Home Depot, or Amazon.
- JFRD will assist with changing out battery operated smoke detectors, not the wired ones.
- It is important to change carbon monoxide detectors as well. Especially if the home has gas appliances or burning stoves.

Lt. Kwasi Dingle - (904) 255-3284 or [KDingle@coj.net](mailto:KDingle@coj.net).

**7. Chair's Report:** The Chair Purdy announced that:

- The Southwest CPAC will host its District 4 Block Party in August.
- Suggestions for city parks to hold the event will be taken in June. The current suggestions are Boone Park- 3700 Park St, Jacksonville, FL 32205 or Tillie K. Fowler Regional Park- 7000 Roosevelt Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32244.

**8. Staff Reports:**

**Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA) – Cheryl Mock, Government Relations Coordinator, reported:**

- Water shortage continues in Northeast Florida.
- JEA has been in contact with the St. Johns River Water Management District and will continue to discuss water conservation.
- Information can be found on the JEA website to assist with decreasing utility bills.
- JEA provides free water conservation kits. A Kit may be requested by visiting the JEA website. Two high-efficiency shower heads, two toilet leak tablets, two-bathroom faucet aerators, a garden hose nozzle, and a kitchen aerator faucet. It will be shipped to your home.
- Submit service tickets through JEA website [JEA Website](http://JEA Website)

Cheryl Mock - (904) 665-4202 or [mockcw@jea.com](mailto:mockcw@jea.com).

**Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** –, Christie Rogers, Manager Branch Services, reported:

- Tamika Hughes Annual Book Camp has begun. Camp runs from March 9, 2026, to March 21, 2026.
- Books collected during this period go towards the Jacksonville Public Library's summer reading program.
- Every child who participates from birth to 18 gets at least 3 books throughout the summer.
- On Saturday, April 22, 2026, from 4:30 pm to 5:30pm at the Charles Webb Wesconnett Regional Library located at 6887 103rd Street Jacksonville, FL 32210, there will be an Earth Day event. There will be crafts, story time, and a visit from a local Beekeeper.
- The Willow Branch will not be selling books for the month of March, but will be accepting gently used, new, like new, fictional/nonfictional book donations for readers aged birth to 18 years.
- The University Park Branch Library located at 3435 University Blvd N, Jacksonville, FL 32277, located near Jacksonville University, sells books year-round on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am to 3pm.

Christie Rogers -(904) 255-6565 or [ChristiR@coj.net](mailto:ChristiR@coj.net).

**Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** - Jared Chemay, Code Compliance Supervisor, reported:

- Supervisors are now wearing dark green shirts. Code compliance officers in the field are now wearing khaki shirts.
- MCC Officers have noticed an increase in gambling signs for the Lucky 7 and slots fish games. Many of these operations have started involving more guns and drugs and have gone further to try to hide their activities. This has caused the Sheriff's Office to increase its investigations.
- Citizens can report issues or concerns by calling Customer Service at (904) 630-CITY(2489) or by using the MyJax app at [MyJax Link](#).
- State Law requires you to provide your name and your address when making a complaint.

Jared Chemay - (904)626-0736 or [JChemay@coj.net](mailto:JChemay@coj.net).

**Public Works (PW)** – Jeremy Wright, Facility Manager, reported that:

- A copy of the active Capital Improvement projects for the Southwest District was provided for Michelle to share with everyone. If anyone has any questions, he would be happy to answer them to the best of his ability or direct them to the proper person in Public Works.
- Jeremy provided the following updates: a sidewalk is being planned along the north side of Collins Road, running from Collins Commerce Center to Pine Verde. In addition, the side of the road along Dainty Street near Park Street will receive new curbs and gutters.

Jeremy Wright - (904) 255-4331 or [WrightJ@coj.net](mailto:WrightJ@coj.net).

## 9. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Subcommittee:** Chair Purdy announced that the Southwest CPAC LUZ Subcommittee reviewed four applications. The Southwest CPAC LUZ Subcommittee suggested no action be taken on the four applications. The applications were reviewed and discussed by the full CPAC. A motion was made to approve three of the applications. The motions were second and unanimously passed by the CPAC. Application 2026-0125 was opposed and a motion for a road study was requested before application's approval.
- **2026-0125– 0 Rampart Road and Collins Rd/2026-0124- Companion application- small scale use amendment-25.53 acres of land from MDR to BP.** The applicant seeks to rezone approximately 2.53 acres of land from planned unit development to allow an industrial business park with up to 343,000 square feet of general industrial uses. Some members noted that it is a two-lane road, and that area is simply not prepared to handle the amount of traffic that is going to come along with an industrial business park. **The CPAC opposes this application and strongly recommends that traffic studies be required before this rezoning is approved.**
- **2026-0131 – 880 and 950 US 301 Highway South, between US 301 Bypass Highway South:** The applicant seeks to rezone 7.05 acres of land from commercial community general to commercial community general 2, to plan unit development to permit a convenience store with vehicle and truck fueling stalls, along with maintaining the existing warehouse use. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the application. The full CPAC passed the motion unanimously.**

- **2026-0178-6100 103<sup>rd</sup> Street:** The applicant seeks to reduce the minimum setback from 10 feet to 0 feet for the refacing of an existing sign in the Commercial Community General II Zone District. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the application. The full CPAC passed the motion unanimously**
- **V2605-6970 Exline Road:** The applicant seeks to increase the size of an accessory structure from 50% of the primary structure to 128 feet in the RR Acre Zoning District 10. They want to make the garage the size of their home. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the application. The full CPAC passed the motion unanimously**

Andy Hetzel - (904) 255-7821 or [AHetzel@coj.net](mailto:AHetzel@coj.net).

- **Taxation Revenue Utilization Expenditure (T.R.U.E.) Commission** – Bruce Tyson reported that:
  - The TRUE Commission met on Thursday, March 5, 2026. The commission is conducting program reviews on some of the major programs like JSO and JFRD.
  - The commission is presenting a resolution to the City Council to increase the required number of JSO recruits, going through the academy to 60 per year due to the number of officers that are retiring.
  - The next TRUE Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 3, 2026, at 4:30 pm.
  - The Subcommittee meeting will begin at 4:00 pm at City Hall, 117 W. Duval St. in the Lynwood Roberts Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. The meeting is open to the public.
  - Michelle will send copies of the TRUE Commission minutes from the February and March meetings.

Bruce Tyson -[brucejt7214@gmail.com](mailto:brucejt7214@gmail.com)

- **Parks Safety Council (PSC)** – No Report

**10. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report:** Michelle Godwin-Ware announced that:

- Necole Jenkins will be the SW CPAC'S new Neighborhood Coordinator. Necole introduced herself to SW CPAC.
- Michelle announced that, in addition to the larger District block parties which are to be hosted by the CPACs, smaller neighborhood block parties are also an option for those who may be interested in hosting one in their neighborhood. The block parties must be held in a neighborhood park.
- Assistance can include coordinating participation from various city departments. These events do not need to be large-scale.

Michelle Godwin-Ware – (904) 255-8236 or [Michellelegw@coj.net](mailto:Michellelegw@coj.net) .

Necole Jenkins- (904) 255-8261 or [FJenkins@coj.net](mailto:FJenkins@coj.net).

**11. Unfinished Business** – None

**12. New Business** – None

**13. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:**

- **Rae Walker** announced that the District 4's Sheriff's Watch next meeting is scheduled for the month of April 2026 at the Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Road Jacksonville, FL 32210 at 7:00pm.
- **Denise Cook-Michelle** shared that she met with Councilman Johnson and announced details about an upcoming town hall meeting. The meeting will involve several organizations that have been working on its version of the Neighborhood Bill of Rights. Councilman Johnson is also working on his own version of the Neighborhood Bill of Rights, originally established in 1995. The group has reached out to Councilman Johnson to collaborate and build on the work he is already done, rather than replace it. There will be a meeting to roll out the coalition's version, and flyers with more information about the event were made available.

**14. Adjourn:** Chair Purdy adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

**Next CPAC Meeting: April 06, 2026, 6:30 pm. Please Note: This is a first Monday meeting. Not the normal second Monday meeting.** In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd. Jacksonville, FL 32210 and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

**Next Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Subcommittee Meeting: April 06, 2026, 5:30 pm. Please Note: This is a first Monday meeting. Not the normal second Monday meeting.** In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd., Jacksonville Fl 32210 and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

**Summary prepared by** Necole Jenkins, Neighborhood Coordinator, (904)255-8261 or [FJenkins@coj.net](mailto:FJenkins@coj.net). A copy of the audio recording of this Southwest 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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