

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

January 26, 2026, Meeting Summary

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

Meeting Attendance:

Members: Laura Backus, San Jose Neighborhood Association; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA Inc.; Jonathan Burgess, Edgewater at Sunbeam Condo Assoc.; Carol Eichling, Village Green Two Condo Associations; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb HOA; James Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Richard Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA Inc.; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Jennifer Joiner, Sans Souci Neighborhood Association; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Doug Klippel, Deercreek; Jo Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Shann Mills, San Jose Forest; Karen Moers, Sans Souci Neighborhood Association; Joanne Parker Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Jacqueline Parenteau, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association; Craig Shoup, Council At Large Group 2 Representative; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Catie Wallace, Edgewater at Sunbeam Condo Association; Gary Wiese, Secret Cove Civic Association;

Excused: None.

Visitors: Michael Vizcaya, Kevin Ondarza, Raghu Krishnana, Nancy Koepka, Drew Spaulding, Marcie Turner

Staff: Kaysi Cox, Planning & Development; Kareena Mehta, Planning and Development; Anne Coglianesse, Chief Resilience Officer; Scott Carter, Public Works; Charles Griggs, Mayor's Office; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Evin Herzberg, District 11 Council Assistant; Lt. Petena Tillman, JSO; Lt. Jorge Hernandez, JFRD; Shay Hill, JEA; Rudy McClain, MCCD; Michelle Godwin-ware, Neighborhood Services.

Call to Order/Verify Quorum:

Chair Koslowski called the SE CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone to the Mandarin Senior Center. Chair Koslowski verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary – The November and December 2025 meeting summaries were approved.

Presentation(s): Helena Parola, Director of Planning and Development, and Anne Coglianesse, Chief Resilience Officer- Presented on the Land Development Regulations (LDR) Update, which was created to help address several challenges that Jacksonville is facing: the increase of flood risk, population growth, and affordable housing. The City of Jacksonville formed the committee in November 2023, including planners, engineers, developers, housing advocates, neighborhood voices, CPAC representatives, and city staff. The goals are to increase resilience to flood risk and housing opportunities, and to protect neighborhood character while accommodating growth. A copy of the presentation will be forwarded to Southeast District 3 CPAC members.

Helena Parola – HParola@coj.net

Anne Coglianese – Acoglianese@coj.net

Elected Officials Report:

Evin Herzberg, Executive Assistant, City Council Member Raul Arias, District 11, reported that Council Member Arias is cleaning, repairing, and redesigning Fort Family Park as well as Deerwood Rotary Park. Evin commended Rudy McClain, Municipal Code Compliance Supervisor, and his team for removing the snipe signs and identifying the individuals violating the snipe sign ordinance.

Council Member Raul Arias – (904)255-5211 or AriasR@coj.net.

Staff Reports:

Mayors' Liaison – Charles Griggs: Reported:

- Mayor Deegan will be hosting a new series of town hall meetings. The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 3, 2026, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Williams Raines Senior High School, 3663 Raines Ave. The next town hall meeting closest to the Southeast CPAC will be held at Mandarin High School, 4831 Greenland Rd., on Thursday, March 12, 2026, from 6 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Citizens are welcome to attend any town hall meeting.
- The Warming Stations will be open from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. at the Legend Center and Gymnasium, 5130 Soutel Dr., due to the cold weather forecast.
- Several measles cases have been reported in Jacksonville. The City of Jacksonville is working with the Department of Health to form pop-up vaccination sites at the Regency Library. Citizens can visit the Regency Library, 9900 Regency Square Blvd., on Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 9 a.m. to noon for vaccinations.

Charles Griggs – 904-255-5000

JSO – Commander Petena Tillman reported:

- Crime is down in District 3 overall by 11%, with a 5% reduction in crimes against people, and 14% reduction in crimes against property.
- Coffee with a Cop has returned. The first Coffee with a Cop will take place on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at Old Navy, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the St. John's Town Center, 4663 River City Dr.
- The JaxReady website is a great resource for Jacksonville citizens. It provides information on Warming Station locations, storm and hurricane preparedness, and more.

Commander Tillman – 904-630-8100 or JSODistrict3@jaxsheriff.org.

JFRD – Lieutenant Jorge Hernandez provided educational information in reference to staying safe during cold weather when using space heaters:

- Staying safe during the cold snap is important. Space heaters should be kept at least three feet away from anything flammable, on a flat surface, and in a low-traffic area. If using a kerosene heater, use the recommended fuel and do not plug the heater into extension cords. Carbon monoxide and smoke detectors are recommended. Citizens may call 904-630-CITY (2489) to request that JFRD install a smoke detector in their home.

Lieutenant Hernandez – (904) 630-0434 or Jhernandez1@coj.net.

JPL – Jackie Spiritas- reported:

- February is Library Lovers Month. Support the library by attending a program, joining a book club, or participating in the book sales.
- The friends of the Mandarin Branch Library are having a book sale on Friday, February 6, and Saturday, February 7, 2026. Book sales help fund library programs.
- There will be an author lit chat on Thursday, February 19, 2026, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Former librarian Tara Shelton Harris is the speaking author.
- The Mandarin library book club meets on the second Thursday of each month. For information about various library events and programs, please visit www.JaxPublicLibrary.org.

Jackie Spiritas – Spiritas@coj.net.

JEA- Shay Hill reported:

- Freezing temperatures are expected for the next few days, and a tip sheet was provided for Michelle to share during cold weather.
- JEA has a public utilities alliance with other cities and states, and has sent 40 JEA team members to partnering alliances recently.
- The Greenland Southside Integrated Pipe System Water Project is to help with the extra water needed for the growing E-Town area. JEA construction projects can be found by visiting JEA's website at https://www.jea.com/Engineering_and_Construction/.

Shay Hill – 904-665-6000

Municipal Code Compliance Division – Rudy McClain reported:

- Citizens should call the City of Jacksonville's customer service call center at (904)630-CITY (2489) to report homeless encampments. The Municipal Code Compliance Department and the JSO Blight unit are partners in addressing the cases.
- Additional Municipal Code Compliance Officers will be assigned to Zone 3.
- Semi-trucks and trailers parked in residential neighborhoods and shopping centers can be reported to 630-CITY (2489).

Rudy McClain – 904-255-7000

Planning & Development Department - Kaysie Cox reported that Kareena Mehta will be the Southeast CPAC's new City Planner starting in February. Kaysie has been promoted to City Planner Supervisor.

Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853

Public Works – Scott Carter reported:

- The road closure on Livingston at Pine Acres will be closed on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesday, January 28, 2026. The closer is to cut a waterline.
- Directional turning lane signage will be placed on Hartley Road and San Jose Boulevard during the widening, which is scheduled to begin at the end of the year.

LUZ– Joanne Griffin reported that the Southeast CPAC's Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee reviewed nine applications during its meeting. The CPAC agreed that no action should be taken on the nine applications.

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

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill reported that the North Florida TPO did not meet in December but met in January. New officers were selected for the new year during the January meeting. Jim Green was selected as the new chair.

Park Safety Council (PSC) – Walter Bryant reported that the PSC met on Monday, January 26, 2026, and two new members were appointed from Districts 5 and 6. He has agreed to remain on the PSC until another person volunteers to replace him. Unfortunately, they did not have a quorum. The PSC will continue to meet bi-monthly. A total of 721 parks were inspected in 2025, and 436 had no issues.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Ramon Day – Nothing to Report.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report - Michelle Godwin – Nothing to report.

Michelle Godwin 904-255-8250 or michellegw@coj.net

Chairs' Report – Chair Koslowski reported that the Capital Improvement Program recommendations from each CPAC are due by February 25, 2026. Recommendations should be sent to Michelle at Michellegw@coj.net for discussion during February's meeting. After discussing possible CIP recommendations, it was agreed that to be better prepared for next year's request, the Southeast CPAC will meet to discuss possibilities a few months before recommendations are needed.

Public Comments – None

Unfinished Business – None to report.

New Business – None to report

Public Comment – None to report.