

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

July 28, 2025, Meeting Summary

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

Meeting Attendance:

Members: Susan Bailey, Linkside at Baymeadows HOA; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Jonathan Burgess, Edgewater at Sunbeam Condo Association; Richard Cardell, The Lakewood Community; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA Inc. ; Carol D'Onofrio, Edison HOA; Carol Eichling, Village Green Two Condo Association; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Rich Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA, Inc.; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Lora Lewis, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Matthew Little, San Marco Preservation Society; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Shann Mills, San Jose Forest; Karen Moers, Sans Souci N.A.; Jacqueline Parenteau, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mills Community Association, Inc.; Catie Wallace, Edgewater at Sunbeam Condo Association; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

Excused:

Visitors: John Nooney; Katay Bennett; Carol Berand; Randall Smith; Jonne Fulton; Priscilla Greene; Joanne Arnick.

Staff: Evin Herzberg, District 11 Council Assistant; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development; Commander Tillman, JSO; LT Dingle, JFRD; Alec Barnes, Municipal Code Compliance; Charles Griggs, Mayor's Office; Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Services; Justin Davis, Municipal Code Compliance; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Shay Hill, JEA; Sheryl Moss, JEA

Call to Order/Verify Quorum:

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

Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary – The meeting summaries for April, May, and June 2025 were approved.

Presentation(s): None at this meeting.

Elected Officials Report:

Jacksonville City Council, District 11 Council Assistant Evin Herzberg reported no real updates. Any questions or concerns should be directed to their office. Council Member Arias was appointed Finance Chair of the City of Jacksonville's billion-dollar budget.

Jacksonville City Council, District 11 Council member- Raul Arias Not present:

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

Staff Reports:

Mayors' Liaison – Charles Griggs reported:

- Mayor Donna Deegan presented her budget 2 weeks ago, and the finance committee will go into review on August 7, 2025, and throughout the month of August 2025.

Charles Griggs – 904-255-5000

JSO – Commander Tillman

- In the past 30 days, the Zone 3 crime statistics show that crimes are down 3% in crimes against persons and down over 18% in crimes against property categories. Trending up on motor vehicle burglaries.
- Trending on social media- Teens posting pop-up events/takeovers at unauthorized locations. If you notice this in your area, please report it.
- Additional patrol traffic deployments are taking place in Zone 3, along with the traffic units that are already being worked.
- Safety reminders: Remember to be aware of your surroundings. If you see something, say something. Please report anything that looks out of place.
- Sheriff T.K. Waters will host a town hall meeting at University Christian Church, 5520 University Blvd. W., on Tuesday, July 29, 2025, 6 p.m. Please call 904-630-8100 for the start time.
- The Safety Fair will be held at the Avenues Mall, Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 10 am to 2 pm.
- Sheriff's watch is every 3rd Tuesday of the month, located at District 3 Substation, 8875 Liberty Ridge Dr. (Rear of building).
- Please participate in the 9 p.m. Routine. Remember to lock your doors and to keep your vehicles locked. Never store valuables in your car, especially firearms.

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

JFRD – Lieutenant Dingle reported:

- JFRD has received many calls about heat emergencies. COJ has opened cooling shelters at Public Libraries and Community Centers across town. JTA will provide Duval County residents with free rides to the cooling centers. Please remember to start hydrating the day before if you plan to be outside for any length of time. Stay Hydrated.

Lieutenant Dingle – (904) 630-0434

JPL – Jackie Spiritas shared the following updates:

- Cooling centers are available. The Main branch is open on Sundays if the temperature reaches 113 degrees.
- Jax Book Fest, an annual event, will take place at the Main Library on September 20, 2025. JPL is seeking local authors who have published books for children or teen readers. More information can be found on the JPL website <https://jaxpubliclibrary.org/>.
- A history chat is scheduled on the 56th Anniversary of Axe Handle Saturday, on August 9, 2025, at the Main Library, from 230 p.m.- 330 p.m. Alton and Gwen Yates will be the speakers. Please visit our website to R.S.V.P.
- For a complete list of information, please visit www.JaxPublicLibrary.org.

Jackie Spiritas – Spiritas@coj.net.

JEA - Shay Hill and Sheryl Moth reported that JEA opened the Greenland Water Reclamation facility, the first wastewater facility in Duval County in 48 years. JEA hosts Senior Days on the third Wednesday of every month. The next Seniors Day is on August 20, 2025. There will be agencies available to help provide other resources. There are money-saving tips on the JEA website at https://www.jea.com/ways_to_save/. Brochures were available for information about hurricane season, what to do before, during, and after the storm.

Shay Hill – 904-665-6000

Municipal Code Compliance Division – Alec Barnes: Stats for the past month were 347 nuisance investigations, 172 residential investigations, 76 unsafe structures, and 86 residential zoning cases. From October to date, there were 2048 nuisance cases, 1389 residential cases, 632 unsafe structures, and 767 zoning cases.

Alex Barnes – 904-903-0001

Planning & Development Department - Kaysie Cox facilitated the LUZ Subcommittee and did not have a report to present.

Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853

LUZ– Jose' Gonzalez – reported the Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee reviewed and had no objection to 10 applications.

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

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill – There was no meeting, nothing to report.

Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant reported that they met this morning and still do not have a quorum. There were no alarming findings in the park safety inspection report. Anyone interested in taking Mr. Bryant's place to serve on the Park Safety Council, please get in touch with the Chair or Michelle.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Ramon Day – not present.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Michelle Godwin – Rosemary has retired. Michelle will be training several people to fill in until a permanent person is hired. Justin Davis will be helping with the administrative duties. Thank you for your patience.

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

Chairs' Report – Chair Koslowski reported that he will be attending the CPAC Chairs meeting, which is scheduled with Mayor Deegan in September. CPAC members are welcome to provide their questions or concerns to Michelle.

Unfinished Business – The food drive was a great success. Over 700 pounds of canned goods and dry food have been collected. Next, Chair Koslowski stated he may invite the other CPACs to participate. He is looking forward to next year.

New Business – None

Public Comment –

- **Jose Gonzalez of the Mandarin Community Club-** There is a project funded by JTA and COJ to connect sidewalks. There is a proposal to connect sidewalks on Mandarin Rd. The Mandarin Community Club board met and unanimously voted against installing a

sidewalk due to the historic nature of the area. A copy of the resolution will be sent to Councilman Boylan.

- **Visitor John Nooney**- Stated he is seeking a resolution from the SE CPAC in support of the Florida Inland Navigation (FINE) District, and potential land acquisition.
- **Visitor Chrissy Kinne Bott**- speed bumps in neighborhoods are not the most viable, but 4-way stops should be preferable.

Motion to Adjourn – there was a motion to adjourn and a second. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be held on Monday, August 25, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. and will be conducted in a hybrid format. Join us in person at the Mandarin Senior Center, located at 3848 Hartley Road, 32257, or participate virtually via Zoom webinar.