

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

August 25, 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.; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; James Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners 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; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Karen Moers, San Souci Neighborhood Association; Joanne Parker Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Jacqueline Parenteau, Brierwood Neighborhood Association.

Excused: Laura Backus, San Jose Neighborhood Association; Carol D'Onofrio, Edison HOA; Rich Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA, Inc.; Craig Shoup, Council at Large Group 2; Catie Wallace, Edgewater at Sunbeam Condo Association.

Visitors: Steve DeebeNOW; Katay Bennett; Carol Berand; Joanne Arnick; Erika Williams; Pamela Mullin Falzone; Ann Clapp; 904-396-0414.

Staff: Michael Boylan, City Council Member District 6; Connor Corrigan, Planning and Development; Evin Herzberg, District 11 Council Assistant; Lt. Robert Lestrangle, JSO; Jorge Hernandez, JFRD; Rudy McClain, Municipal Code Compliance; Charles Griggs, Mayor's Office; Tourea Robinson, Senior Services; Cheryl Reddick, JTA; Maddie Read, Planning Department; Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Services; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Tiffany Morales, MAVD; Justin Davis, Municipal Code Compliance.

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 July 2025 meeting summaries were approved.

Presentation(s): None at this meeting.

Elected Officials Report:

Jacksonville City Council, District 6 Council Member Michael Boylan presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the sidewalk on Mandarin Road.

Council Member Raul Arias, District 11, Executive Assistant Evin Herzberg reported that the finance chair has cut millions of dollars from the budget. Their office will host a meeting every day in September to catch up on a backlog of requests received via email and phone calls. If your community would like to meet with Council Member Arias, please get in touch with Mr. Herzberg so he can add interested parties to Council Member Arias' schedule.

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

Staff Reports:

Mayors' Liaison – Charles Griggs reported:

- Mayor Deegan will host the first in a series of town hall meetings to discuss her budget priorities and update citizens on a range of city projects and initiatives on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, starting at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Rd. 32257 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend. The meeting is open to the public.

Charles Griggs – 904-255-5000

JSO – Commander Tillman (Lt. Robert Lestrangle for Tillman)-

- In the past 30 days, the Zone 3 crime statistics have shown a 11.69% down in overall crimes. Violent crimes are down 22%. Trending up on motor vehicle burglaries. Lock your car doors and property doors.
- Sheriff T.K. Waters has finished all his town hall meetings for the year. He will resume his schedule in 2026.
- 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:

- Heat-related illnesses: Stay hydrated, limit exposure to the sun, and wear sunscreen. Check on the most vulnerable.

Lieutenant Hodge – Hodge@coj.net.

JPL – Jackie Spiritas shared the following updates:

- Monday, September 1, 2025, we are closed for the holiday.
- September is the month of Library Card Sign-Up.
- Jax Book Fest, an annual event, will take place at the Main Library on September 13th and 20th, 2025. We are seeking local authors who have published books for children or teen readers. More information on the website.
- For a complete list of information, please visit www.JaxPublicLibrary.org.

Jackie Spiritas – Spiritas@coj.net.

JTA – Cheryl Roddick – announced:

- JTA has launched the Neighborhood Autonomous Vehicle Innovation (NAVI), which is the first fully autonomous public transportation system network in the United States. The service operates along a 3.5-mile route through downtown Jacksonville, linking key areas of the business core and the sports and entertainment district. The Fare is free until September 30th. Please try it out anytime from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- JTA has Game Day Express ready to go for the football season.
- My Ride to School program allows all Jacksonville middle and high school students to ride the bus for free with a valid school ID. The service is available 7 days a week, all year long.

- Starting September 8, 2025, JTA will have a service enhancement, designed to improve service and make it more efficient for our customers. Community Outreach Coordinators will be available throughout town with information about it, or citizens may visit the local library for more details.

Cheryl Riddick – 904-630-3100

Military Affairs and Veterans Department (MAVD) – Tiffany Morales provided the following information:

- City of Jacksonville's special events are now accepting applications for participation in the Veterans Day Parade scheduled to take place on November 11, 2025. Those who are interested in participating have until 11:59 p.m. on September 15, 2025, to submit their application. You may register on the COJ website.
- We have started planning for the Celebration of Valor, which begins in October and runs through mid-December.
- Citizens may leave nonperishable food donations in City Hall, located at 117 W. Duval St., near the MAVD office. Food donations will go to veterans in need.

Tiffany Morales – 904-255-5524

Parks, Recreation, and Community Services – Tourea Robinson provided the following report:

- Senior Services has extended the summer swim program, taking place at the Blue Cypress swimming pool, 5461 Golf Course Dr., 32277, on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to Noon.
- Parks has started preparation for the annual senior games. The games will begin on September 27, 2025, and run through October 4, 2025. Flyers were made available with a QR code for registration.
- All are invited to attend the open house at the Southside Senior Center on September 25, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will discuss programs and activities available for seniors.
- The Council of Elder Affairs is accepting submissions for its annual Senior Citizen of the Year Awards. The event will take place on October 8, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Main Public Library, located at 303 N. Laura St. Nomination forms will be available on the back table.

Tourea Robinson - 904-255-7907

Municipal Code Compliance Division – Rudy McClain provided the following report: For the past month, there were 320 nuisance investigations, 134 residential investigations, 44 unsafe structures, 68 residential zoning cases, and 43 nuisance tree cases for Planning District 3.

Rudy McClain – 904-255-7000

Planning & Development Department - Connor Corrigan, in place of Kaysie Cox, facilitated the LUZ Subcommittee, which had four items to discuss.

Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853

Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee (LUZ) – Jose Gonzalez reported that during today's Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee meeting, we reviewed 10 applications with no motion to oppose any of them.

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 didn't meet this month. They meet every other month. Anyone interested in serving on the Park Safety Council is invited to contact Michelle Godwin-Ware, who will direct you to the appropriate person to initiate the process of becoming a member of the Park Safety Council.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Ramon Day reported – They had a meeting in August. Jason Teal was the speaker at that meeting. He presented information about the land swap. Ramon Day asked for a Resolution supporting the 1.8 mil tax reduction, which passed.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Michelle Godwin – No updates.

Michelle Godwin-Ware michellegw@coj.net

Chairs' Report – Chair Koslowski. In September, I will be attending the CPAC Chairs meeting, which is scheduled with Mayor Deegan. Please let him know if you have any questions, or send your questions to Michelle, who will forward them to Chair Koslowski.

CPAC Member Comments: None

Unfinished Business – Chair Koslowski -Thanked everyone for their donations. The Southeast CPAC collected 426 pounds of food, which will help prepare 355 meals. Chair Koslowski stated he is looking forward to next year's food drive and would like to challenge the other CPACs in a friendly competition to see which CPAC collects the most food.

New Business – None

Public Comment – None

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

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be held on Monday, September 22, 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 a Zoom webinar.