

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

June 10, 2024, Meeting Summary

Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: 850 1986 6982 Passcode: 636927

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Christina Purdy, Chair; Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA, Vice Chair; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Shirley and David Lowry, Hyde Grove Terrace Neighborhood Watch; Jason Roberts, Jacksonville Sheriff's Watch District 4; Len Burroughs, MHPA.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Ernest Surmons, Glenda Meadows HOA; Sandy Simpson, Chimney Lakes HOA.

Visitors: Phyllis Mattox, NEFHSC; Rae Walker, Sheriff's Watch; John Chapman; Jason Roberts, Sheriff's Watch Zone 4; Denise Parsons, Sheriff's Watch, Zone 4; Leonard Parsons, Sheriff's Watch, Zone 4; Bill Klima, Sheriff's Watch; Hank Rogers, candidate for school board, Valerie Lunsford.

Visitors via Zoom: Jermaine Noble; Lewan Brunson, Blue Zones Jacksonville; Sandy Simmons; Linda Darrell; Doug Brooks; Thomas Martin.

Staff and Elected Officials: Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, District 9; Tracy Pierce, DCPS; Assist. Chief Eric Redgate, JSO; Lt. Clarence Hodges, JFRD; Christopher Hill, JEA; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Roy Birbal, Public Works; Jared Chemay, MCC Supervisor; Tiffany Morales, MAVD; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Michelle Godwin-Ware, 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 May 13, 2024 summary.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:**
 - City Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, District 9, announced that:
 - The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will host an open house on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at Argyle Branch Library, 7973 Old Middleburg Rd. from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. discuss the 103rd Street (State Road 134) at Old Middleburg Road South median modifications. The median modifications are part of the 103rd Street from Samaritan Way to Shindler Drive project, which includes milling and resurfacing, sidewalk reconstruction, signalization work, and road sign installation. Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray may be reached at (904) 255- 5209 or tclarkmurray@coj.net.
 - Andrew Powers, Executive Assistant to Council Member Rahman Johnson District 14, had no report. Executive Assistant Andrew Powers may be reached at (904) 255-5160 or APowers1@coj.net.
- 4. Guest Speaker:** Tracy Pierce, Duval County Public School, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Master Facility Plan. Mr. Pierce explained when the plan was created and why it needed reevaluation. The major problem DCPS faces is the drop in enrollment in traditional public schools and increased construction costs. DCPS loses \$ 7,200 per student per year. Every school that is not at 85% capacity costs more than the student enrollment is producing, causing the district to have to use \$32 million of reserves to help cover schools with low enrollment over the past three years. The revised cost of the plan, the increase in construction cost, and the lack of enrollment are \$3.91 billion. All the proposed plans are on the DCPS website. Each board member's district will hold a series of public forums posted on the DCPS website at <https://dcps.duvalschools.org/mfp>. An online survey can be filled out at <https://www.teamduval.org/2024/05/14/team-duval-community-invited-to-share-their-feedback-on-new-master-facility-plan/>. Tracy Pierce may be reached at PierceT@duvalschools.org.
- 5. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) –** Assistant Chief Eric Redgate reported:
 - Over the last 30 days, crime has remained low in many crime categories, except for property crime.
 - On Wednesday, June 5, 2024, Ed White High School conducted a three-hour active shooter drill. There were 125 role players, which included District 4 officers, Duval County School Board, and JFRD.

The simulation included gunfire, wounded civilians, and the need to stop the threat of the suspect from injuring more citizens.

- Each district's crime analysis report is provided quarterly to identify high-crime areas. Officers and resources are deployed to those areas in a proactive effort to lower crime before it gets out of control. Some of the neighborhoods in District 4 include Lebel Street, Valencia Way, also known as Eureka Gardens, the Lane and Mantock area, and the Riverbend Apartments, formerly London Town.
- Sheriff's Watch meets at 6 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd.

Assistant Chief Redgate may be reached at (904) 573-3165.

6. Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD)—Lt. Clarence Hodges reported that:

- Hurricane season begins June 1, 2023, and runs through November 30, 2023. If you haven't already done so, download the JaxReady App, which is brought to you by the Emergency Preparedness Division and Information Technologies Division of the City of Jacksonville. The app provides news feeds for emergency preparedness, weather updates, threat levels, and evacuation information. Please visit <https://www.jaxready.com/> for details.
- Citizens may also register for special needs evacuation assistance by visiting <https://www.jaxready.com/> or calling (904) 255-3174.
- Special medical needs shelters are available during evacuations. Individuals with special medical needs must pre-register annually if they plan to stay at a special needs shelter. To register, please visit the JaxReady website at [JaxReady - Special Medical Needs Registration](#) or contact the Emergency Preparedness Office at (904) 255-3174 to register.

Lt. Hodges may be reached at (904) 630-0284.

7. Chair's Report: None

8. Staff Reports:

• **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)** – Christopher Hill JEA Governmental Affairs, reported that:

- JEA is preparing for a safe and reliable hurricane season. JEA and the City of Jacksonville underwent a real-time hurricane exercise to prepare for this year's hurricane season. Mr. Hill encouraged CPAC members to become familiar with the JEA website and review the Storm Center and Outage Center links. JEA will continue to use its Power Restoration 1, 2, 3 processes to quickly assess and repair service to facilities, customers, and repair isolated outages. CPAC members can visit https://www.jea.com/storm_center/power_restoration_process/ to learn more about Power Restoration 1, 2, 3.
- Call JEA at (904) 630-6500 to have trees that are near powerlines trimmed.
- Residents using medical equipment for life support should know that power may not be restored quickly and should go to a shelter or the hospital to ensure their equipment maintains power during a storm.
- Power to a home should be turned off and food removed from the refrigerator before evacuating from a storm.

Christopher Hill may be reached at HillCS2@jea.com.

• **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported:

- The summer Learning program, Adventure Begins at Your Library, will be available at each library this year. It began on Monday, June 3, 2024, and will run through August 3, 2024. More than 800 people attended the kickoff parties held at five locations on the west side. The free program includes weekly drop-in activities, reading, and book-related challenges for youth 18 years and older. Visit the Jacksonville Public Library website at <https://jaxpubliclibrary.org/summer-learning> for the details.
- The summer lunch program began at the Charles Webb Westconnett Regional Library on Monday, June 10, 2024. Lunch will be served from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday until August 2, 2024, for children ages 18 and under.
- Early voting starts August 5, 2024, and goes through August 18, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Argyle, Charles Webb Westconnett, West, Maxville, and Willow Libraries. Election Day is August 20, 2024, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at your designated polling location.
- A Military Veterans Affairs representative will be at the Charles Webb Westconnett regional branch on Thursday, June 13, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to assist veterans with filling out forms for benefits and connect them with resources.

Lynne Baldwin may be reached at (904) 338-4383 or LBaldwin@coj.net.

- **Military Affairs & Veterans (MAVD) – Tiffany Morales reported:**

- The 10th Annual Women Veterans Recognition Week kickoff was held in the City Hall atrium. The celebration will take place from June 9th to June 15th, 2024. It will end with the Women Veterans Recognition Gala on Saturday, June 15th, 2024, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Southbank Hotel at Jax Riverwalk, 1515 Prudential Drive. Tickets may be purchased at <https://form.jotform.com/241143534639153>.
- Military Spouses Night Out will occur Thursday, June 20, 2024, at the Vystar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. It will be a free night of pampering for U.S. and allied military spouses of active duty, National Guard, Reserve, and retired service members. A valid Military ID is required. Childcare is not available.
- The food pharmacy for active military families will be at 390 Mayport Rd. on Thursday, June 13, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event is scheduled for the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Participants must have a military ID.
- Three Rivers Legal Services, Inc. has partnered with the City of Jacksonville's Military Affairs and Veterans Department to host a series of Ask-A-Lawyer events for Veterans on the second Tuesday of each month in City Hall, 117 W. Duval St., Suite 175. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call the MAVD at (904) 255-5550.

Tiffany Morales may be reached at (904) 255-5524 or TMorales@coj.net.

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)**—Jared Chemay, Code Compliance Supervisor, reported that 1,228 cases were completed in May and that 26 illegal signs were removed from the right-of-way.

- To prepare for hurricane season, check your property for trash and debris laying out, including tree debris. Items should be moved to the side of the curb for trash, yard waste, or bulk item pick-up.
- Building materials should be stored inside an enclosed building to prevent damage.
- If you have concerns about dead or damaged trees that could cause property damage, call (904) 630-2489 (CITY). If the tree meets the conditions required to be considered a violation, a notice will be issued to the owner, requiring them to remove the tree or dead limbs.
- Per Senate Bill 60, citizens can no longer be anonymous when calling 630-2489(CITY) to make a complaint. Exceptions can be made if there are life-threatening issues.
- The main number for the Municipal Code Compliance Office is (904) 255-7000.

Jared Chemay may be reached at (904)255-7083 or BNaples@coj.net.

- **Public Works (PW)** – Roy Birbal reported that 30 capital projects are in various phases in Planning District 4. The list of projects was made available to those in attendance and sent by Mrs. Godwin-Ware to share with the CPAC and community.

Roy Birbal may be reached at (904) 255-4330 or RBirbal@coj.net.

- 9. **Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:**

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development**—Chair Purdy reported that the subcommittee reviewed two applications. Zack Miller of the Law Office of Zach Miller, a representative for John and Elizabeth Peacock, was available to answer any questions or concerns regarding Ordinance 2024-0411. The Southwest CPAC's LUZ subcommittee recommended approval of the two applications. CPAC members passed the SW LUZ Subcommittee recommendations.

- **Ordinance 2024-0411 — Rezoning to Conventional Zoning – 5570 Plymouth St.:** The applicant seeks to build a single-family home.
- **Ordinance 2024-0416 — Rezoning to Conventional Zoning – 9107 Joannes Way:** The applicant seeks to rezone from RR-ACRE to RLD- 60.

Andy Hetzel may be reached at (904) 255-7821 or AHetzel@coj.net.

- **Taxation Revenue Utilization Expenditures (TRUE) Commission** - Bruce Tyson reported that the TRUE Commission met on Thursday at 4 p.m. in City Hall's Don Davis Room. The TRUE Commission's annual report for fiscal year 23/24 was approved. Mr. Tyson will provide a copy of the annual report and the meeting minutes to send to the CPAC.

- 10. **Unfinished Business** - None

- 11. **New Business** – None

- 12. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report:** Michelle Godwin-Ware announced that applications for the 2024 Neighborhood Awards are closed. The winners will be announced at the Main Library on Thursday, November 7, 2024.

Michelle Godwin-Ware may be reached at 904-255-8236 or Michelllegw@coj.net.

13. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:

14. Adjourn: Chair Purdy adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

No Meeting in July

Next CPAC Meeting: August 12, 2024, 6:30 p.m. In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd., 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: August 12, 2024, 5:30 p.m. In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd., and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

Summary prepared by Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8236 or michellegw@coj.net.

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