

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

January 10, 2022, Meeting Summary

Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. 32210
Zoom Meeting ID: 810 5805 6180 Passcode: 977007

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Dr. Willie Crosby, Chair; Bill Fonferok, Westland Communities HOA; Len Burroughs, MHPA.; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Linda and Darrell Barrow, Budget Automotive Repair, Inc.; Bernice Gremer, Fishweir Sheriff Watch.

Visitors: Danny Grabill; Semaj Crosby, Sweetwater Church of Christ; Leila Miller, Cedar Hills.

Zoom: Thomas Martin, Tyrona Clark-Murray; Northwest CPAC.

Staff and Elected Officials: Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Jessica Denson, Neighborhood Services Office; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Lt. Mark Musser, JSO; Chief Chip Drysdale, JFRD; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Tiffany Morales, MVA; Lance Hoffman, MCCD; Keith Meyerl, Parks, Recreation and Community Development; Lucas Reginald, Parks, Recreation and Community Services.

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- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Crosby called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Jessica Denson verified a quorum.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The November 8, 2021 summary was approved by the CPAC.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:** None
- 4. Presentation:** None
- 5. Chair's Report:** Chair Crosby reported that he attended December's quarterly meeting with the mayor's staff and Neighborhood Department staff. Chair Crosby said he believes the meetings are a great way to strengthen the communication efforts between local government and neighborhoods throughout Jacksonville.
- 6. Staff Reports:**
 - Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported that the children's department renovation at Highlands Regional Library is scheduled for completion in February. The Little Reader Story times are back and will take place at various Jacksonville Public Library (JPL) locations. Ms. Baldwin also reported that the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be providing free tax preparation at various JPL locations. AARP will prepare taxes by appointment only; no walk-in appointments will be accepted. Customers are welcome to register for appointments and search for the nearest location by zip code by visiting the AARP Foundation website: www.aarpfoundation.org/taxaide. Early voting begins February 12, 2022 through February 20, 2022, for the Special Unitary First Election for City Council At-Large Group 3 at many of the library branches. Election day is February 22, 2022. Early voting sites and polling locations may be found by visiting the Duval County Supervisor of Elections website: <https://duvalelections.com>. Ms. Baldwin was happy to announce that JPL received a grant which will allow customers to checkout hotspots and notebooks at five library locations. One of the branch locations being Charles Webb Wesconnett. JPL is working with Florida State College at Jacksonville to also provide hotspot checkouts at Bill Brinton Murray Hill Branch library and Charles Webb Wesconnett Regional library. Lynne Baldwin may be contacted at (904) 338-4383 or at LBaldwin@coj.net.
 - Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)** - Cheryl Riddick, Director Customer Engagement, reported that the next service change will take effect on Monday, January 10, 2022. Please visit <https://www.jtafla.com/.../january-10th-service-change/> to see if your bus has been impacted by the upcoming service change. For questions or concerns, CPAC members can reach out to JTA Customer Service at (904) 630-3100. Ms. Riddick also reported that starting January 4, 2022, through May 27, 2022, a new pilot program called "My Ride 2 School" will begin. Middle and high school students will be eligible to receive complementary rides using JTA and the First Coast Flyer bus lines Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. The program is for students who attend Duval County public schools, private schools, or

charter schools in Duval County. To participate, students must show a valid school I.D. Ms. Riddick reported that JTA is starting a new service called "Clay Express Select". The Clay Express Select offers commuters an affordable and comfortable ride between Clay County and the Jacksonville Regional Transportation Center (JRTC) at LaVilla in downtown Jacksonville. Vehicles are wheelchair accessible and equipped with complimentary Wi-Fi and USB charging port. Visit www.JTAFLA.com for more information.

Cheryl Riddick may be contacted at (904) 632-5522 or Criddick@jtafla.com

- **Military of Veterans Affairs (MVA)** – Tiffany Morales, Veterans Outreach Coordinator, reported that the City of Jacksonville's "Homeless Veterans Stand Down" will take place Friday, January 28, 2022, and Saturday, January 29, 2022, at the Jacksonville Fairgrounds, 510 Fairgrounds Place. Services provided on January 28, 2022, include employment, medical, shelter and housing from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Services provided on January 29, 2022, include dental, food, clothing, Veteran Center and Veteran Affairs services, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All veterans are welcome to attend. The event is still accepting volunteers, vendor registration, and nonperishable food donations. Please contact Ms. Morales at (904) 255-5524 for more information. Ms. Morales also reported that the "Military Spouses Night Out" event will take place Thursday, February 3, 2022, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Vystar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. The event provides a night of pampering and fun for military spouses with a valid Military ID card.

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

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** – Michael Hoffman, Senior Code Compliance Officer, reported that 1,380 inspections in Zone 4 were completed on November through December. A total of 746 inspections have been completed to date. Mr. Hoffman announced that the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) is still available for those who need abatement services due to disability or economic disadvantage. To find out if you qualify for the JAR program, visit <https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program> for more information,

Michael Hoffman may be contacted at (904)255-7096 or lhoffman@coj.net

- **Parks, Recreation and Community Programming** – Kara Tucker, Chief of Disability Services, reported that the Youth Basketball program starts the month of January for ages five to 18. Club Rec After School program is accepting registrations for winter and spring season. Parks, Recreation, and Community Services has begun preparing for this year's summer programs. Opening are available for summer camp counselors, tennis instructors, swim instructors, and lifeguards. Please visit <https://www.coj.net/employment> for a listing of the current job openings. Ms. Tucker announced that Cecil pool is currently closed for repairs and is scheduled to reopen the end of January 2022. Restrooms are being upgraded and new boardwalk decking has been installed at Ringhaver Park, and a new playground is on order for Mary Lena Gibbs Park.

Kara Tucker may be reached at (904) 255-5472 or karat@coj.net

7. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** – Chair Crosby reported that the subcommittee reviewed nine applications. The LUZ subcommittee made suggestions to send two letters of recommendation:
 - **Ordinance 2021-0868 – Rezoning to a PUD – 6947 Townsend Rd.:** The application seeks to rezone to permit for the development of a multi-family residential complex. The full CPAC motioned and approved to submit a letter asking that more clarification be provided.
 - **Ordinance 2021-0869 – Rezoning to a PUD – 0 Rampart Road:** The application seeks to reduce the minimum number of required off street parking spaces from 679 to 642, and to decrease the minimum number of required loading spaces from 10 – 0. The full CPAC motioned and approved to submit a letter asking that more clarification be provided.

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

- **T.R.U.E. Commission** – No Report

8. Unfinished Business - None

9. New Business – None

10. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report: No Report

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

11. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements: None

12. Adjourn: Chair Crosby adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: February 14, 2022, 6:30 p.m. In person at Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 810 5805 6180 Passcode: 977007. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

Next Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Subcommittee Meeting: February 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. In person at Mary Lena Gibbs Community Center, 6974 Wilson Blvd. and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 810 5805 6180 Passcode: 977007. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

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