

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

June 12, 2023, Meeting Summary

Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Christina Purdy, Vice Chair; Bernice Gremer, Fishweir Sheriff's Watch; Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Jacquelyn Woods, Cedar Hills Estates Community Association.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Chris Ramseyer, Watermill HOA; Dewey Walker, Springtree HOA.

Visitors: Rae Walker, Sheriff's Watch Zone 4; Karen Waters, Fishweir Neighborhood Watch; John Chapman, Freedom at Arbor Mill.

Visitors via Zoom: Earnest Surmons; Angelia Wallace; Tiffany Freeman; Lewan Brunson; Toi Potts; Sandy Simpson, Chimney Lakes HOA; D. Bar; Nick; Thomas Martin, Watermill HOA.

Staff and Elected Officials: CM Tyrona Clark-Murray, Council District 9; Lt. Scott Dingee, JSO; Lt. Tenneth Minor, JFRD; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Stephen Shore, MCCD; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Jeremy Wright, Public Works, Don Tuten, JEA; Garold Smith, ADG.

Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Vice Chair Purdy called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The May 8, 2023, summary was approved by the CPAC.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:** Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, District 9, reported that:
 - Citizens can voice their opinions and concerns regarding the plans to design the new Jaguars stadium. A total of 14 community meetings will be held at various locations until June 22, 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada by Wyndham, 3130 Hartley Rd.
 - There are openings on several City boards and commissions, such as the Planning Commission, for those interested in serving. Visit <https://www.coj.net/city-council/city-council-appointments> to review the list of openings and directions on how to apply. Citizens may also send their resumes to commissions2023@coj.net.
- 4. Presentation:** Garold Smith of Acuity Design Group (ADG) explained that ADG is a public involvement and community relations firm that is working with the City of Jacksonville's Parks, Recreation, and Community Services along with several other consultants on the Jacksonville Parks Master Plan Update to create a 10-year blueprint for what the parks are going to look like in Jacksonville. Public involvement and input are essential steps in the plan. Now through September 2023, ADG will meet with all the CPACs and attend additional meetings with stakeholders. A survey will be available in late June, allowing everyone to go online and participate in the survey. Mr. Smith made a sign-in sheet available for those interested in participating in the survey when it is available. Those on Zoom who are interested in the survey may send an email to hello@adgmark.com. For more information about the Jacksonville Parks Master Plan Update, visit the website www.imaginejaxparks.com. Garold Smith may be contacted by email at gsmith@adgmark.com.
- 5. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) –** Assistant Chief Scott Dingee reported that:
 - On Tuesday, June 13, 2023, Sheriff T.K. Walters will conduct a Sheriff's Neighborhood Crime Prevention Walk in Zone 4. The walk will begin at 6:30 p.m. and meet at Jacksonville Heights Elementary School, 7750 Tempest St. Citizens can contact the substation at (904) 573-3165 if they want a Sheriff's walk in their neighborhood.
 - Sheriff T.K. Walters will hold a town hall meeting on Monday, June 19, 2023, at the Prime Osborn Convention Center, 1000 Water St., to introduce new patrol boundaries, safety initiatives and connect officers with community members.

- JSO is aware of the issue of large gatherings of groups in the Five Points area after midnight. It has been reported that up to 3,000 people have started hanging out in the area, playing loud music, drinking, and taking over the streets. JSO is working to resolve the problem.
- Ordinance #2022-0574 passed, and JSO is now issuing citations. The first time someone is caught panhandling in the street without a permit, they are given a warning. They can receive up to two warnings, a third time a civil citation, and the fourth time they are arrested. The Citizens who give money to the panhandlers receive the same corrective action.

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

6. Jacksonville Fire and Rescue (JFRD) – Lt. Tenneth Minor 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.
- Lt. Minor reminded CPAC members that the batteries in smoke detectors should be changed once a year. JFRD provides and installs free smoke detectors for any qualifying Jacksonville resident who owns and lives in a single-family or two-family residence. For a free smoke detector or to replace batteries in an existing device, please call (904) 630-CITY (2489) or register by visiting the MyJax website [MyJax Customer Help](#).
- Construction of Fire Station 75 off Firestone Road and Wilson Boulevard is on track and expected to be completed in the summer of 2023.

Lt. Minor may be reached at (904) 255-8557.

7. Chair's Report: Vice Chair Purdy announced an extension had been placed on the Neighborhood Awards applications. The date has been extended to Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 6 p.m.

8. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)** – Don Tuten, 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 over three days. Mr. Tuten 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 isolated outages. CPAC members can visit https://www.jea.com/storm_center/power_restoration_process/ to learn more about Power Restoration 1, 2, 3.

Don Tuten may be reached at tutedf@jea.com.

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

- On Monday, July 10, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., the Public Works Department is hosting a community meeting to discuss the Old Middleburg Road project. The meeting will be held at the Argyle Branch Library in the community room.
- On Monday, June 26, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., the Argyle Branch Library is hosting A Life Lit: 10 Tips for a Wildlife Friendly Yard with UF/IFAS Extension Duval County. The focus will be on all aspects of gardening, yard maintenance, and local flora and fauna. Visit the JPL website at <https://jaxpubliclibrary.libnet.info/events?r=thismonth> to register.
- The Comic Book Club meets the second Tuesday of each month from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Willow Branch Library.
- Teens ages 12 to 17 years old may join the Teen Advisory Board. The board meets at the West Branch Library, 1425 Chaffee Rd., S. Community service hours may be received when a member of the Teen Advisory Board. For the list of meeting dates, visit the JPL website at <https://jaxpubliclibrary.libnet.info/events?r=thismonth>. Registration is required.
- Three of the community meetings to discuss the new Jaguars Stadium will take place at three of the JPL locations:
 - Argyle Branch Library, 7973 Old Middleburg Rd. S., June 16, 2023, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 - Bradham and Brooks Branch Library, 1755 Edgewood Ave. W., June 20, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 - Charles Webb Westconnett Regional Library, 6887 103rd St., June 21, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

- The All Together Now summer reading program will begin June 1, 2023, and ends August 12, 2023, at all Jacksonville Public libraries. Residents of all ages may participate in the free, fun, and educational programs. For details about the summer reading program, visit the JPL website at www.jpl.com.
- Charles Webb Westconnett Regional Library is hosting the Live from the Library: Jazz it Up Program on Thursday, July 6, 2023, at noon. Pre-registration is required to hold a seat. To register, visit the JPL website at <https://jaxpubliclibrary.libnet.info/events?r=thismonth>.

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

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** – Stephen Shore, Senior Code Compliance Officer, reported that:
 - It is required to provide a name and address when reporting an issue using the MyJax app or (904) 630-CITY (2489). Additional information that is helpful to MCC officers is a contact number, email, a description of the violation, and where and when it is observable.
 - A total of 1,299 inspections were completed in Zone 4 from May 13, 2023, through June 12, 2023.
 - A quarterly inspection will be conducted along Park Street from I-95 to Roosevelt Boulevard.
 - Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) applications are available. The program assists with required abatement services at no cost to qualifying citizens. The program only prevents liens from being placed on the property after the abatement occurs. For additional information, visit the Municipal Code Compliance Department website: [https://www.coj.net/Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program](https://www.coj.net/JacksonvilleAssistanceandReliefProgram).
 - There is a no-tolerance policy regarding litter or illegal signs. Violators can receive a citation ranging from \$50 to \$300. The proceeds from the citations go back into the MCC division and JTA. Anyone can remove and dispose of litter signs in the right-of-way and medians.
 - Citizens may contact MCC if an issue has been closed and they feel it was a mistake. The primary point of contact is the officer assigned to the case. Residents may also email Code Enforcement at CodeEnforcement@coj.net.

Stephen Shore may be contacted at (904)255-5822 or SShore@coj.net.

- **Public Works (PW)** – Jeremy Wright, Facility Manager, reported that:
 - The Fishweir Creek Ecosystem Restoration is 50 % complete.
 - A 5-foot-wide sidewalk on Collins Road from 84 Lumber to the intersection of Collins Road and Whispering Pines is in the design phase.
 - The Old Middleburg Road widening has been divided into 2 phases. Phase 2 is in the final design phase.

Jeremy Wright may be reached at (904) 255-4331 or Wrightj@coj.net.

9. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** – Vice Chair Purdy reported that the LUZ subcommittee reviewed five applications. Recommendations were made to accept each application:
 - **2023-0326 – PUD** – South of Brandy Branch Road at Chugalug Road: The applicant seeks rezoning for an RV Park. CPAC members unanimously passed the motion to approve the application.
 - **2023-0330** – Conventional Rezoning: The northside of Lennox Avenue west of Lane Avenue: The applicant seeks to rezone from RMD-A and CCG-1 to PBF-1 for Fire Station 22. CPAC members unanimously passed the motion to approve the application.
 - **AD-23-40** – Administrative Deviation – 203 Velvet Dr.: The applicant seeks to reduce the required lot size from development in the RR-Acre zoning district from 43,560 sq. ft. to 15,238 sq. ft. CPAC members unanimously passed the motion to approve the application.
 - **2023-0360** – Conventional Rezoning – 10050 Noroad: The applicant seeks to rezone from RMD-A, RR-Acre, CN and CCG-2 to ROS. CPAC members unanimously passed the motion to approve the application.
 - **2023-0364** – Conventional Rezoning – 2270 Blanding Blvd.: The applicant seeks to rezone from CRO to CCG-1. CPAC members unanimously passed the motion to approve the application.
- Andy Hetzel may be contacted at (904) 255-7821 or AHetzel@coj.net.
- **T.R.U.E. Commission** – None.
- **Parks Safety Council (PSC)** – Bruce Tyson reported that the Park Safety Council (PSC) has not met in the past few months because they do not have a quorum. However, they will meet on Monday, June 26, 2023, at 11 a.m. at the Ed Ball Bldg. 214 N. Hogan St. on the 5th Fl., in conference room 5016.

The council was established by Executive Order 2020-01 and has been tasked with providing safety standards for the parks system. The PSC has completed the safety standards, and they have been approved by the Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department. However, the PSC cannot move further until a quorum is established. The meetings are open to the public.

10. Unfinished Business - None

11. New Business – None

12. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report: Michelle Godwin-Ware announced that the Neighborhood Awards application deadline had been extended, and applications are now due no later than 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 6, 2023. Applicants can return their applications in person at the Ed Ball Bldg. 214 N. Hogan St., 5th Floor, by mail or email to neighborhoodservices@coj.net. Mrs. Godwin-Ware also reminded CPAC members that the Neighborhood Service Office would host the CPAC's 30th anniversary during this year's award ceremony on Thursday, October 19, 2023, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware may be reached at 904-255-8236 or Michellelegw@coj.net.

13. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:

14. Adjourn: Vic Chair Purdy adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

No Meeting in July

Next CPAC Meeting: August 14, 2023, 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 14, 2023, 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 michellelegw@coj.net.

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