

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

June 13, 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; Christina Purdy, Vice-Chair; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Len Burroughs, MHPA; Jackie Woods, Cedar Hills Estates Community Association; Dewey Walker, Springtree HOA.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Chris Ramseyer, Watermill HOA; Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA.

Visitors: Jose Lazcano, MHPA; Sam Onwujobi, Westland Communities HOA; William Tardif, Cedar Hill; Jenny Watson, Cedar Hills.

Visitors via Zoom: Thomas Martin, Watermill HOA.

Staff and Elected Officials: Nikki Evans, Executive Assistant to Council Member at Large Group 2, Ron Salem; Lt. Bradley Shivers, JSO; Captain Damian Bell, JFRD; Tracy Pierce, DCPS; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Michael Hoffman, MCCC; Jeremy Wright, Public Works, Tiffany Morales, Military Affairs and Veterans.

Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Crosby called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The summary for May 9, 2022, meeting was approved by the CPAC.
- 3. Elected Officials' Reports:**

Nikki Evans, Executive Assistant to Council Member at Large Group 2, Ron Salem, reported that the Mental Health Offenders Program (MHOP) has been highly successful and is now a permanent program. A total of 14 participants have graduated from the program. All graduates have received treatment and live independently in partnership with Sulzbacher to ensure they continue to receive the support they need. The program is so successful that the State of Florida is looking to apply it to every municipality that may require the program. Ms. Evans also reported that Council Member Salem was elected City Council Vice President. Ms. Evans said she prepares a report after attending each CPAC meeting for Council Member Salem's review.

Nikki Evans may be reached at (904) 255 – 5146 or nevans@coj.net.
- 4. Presentation/Guest Speaker:** Dr. Tracy Pierce, Duval County Public Schools Chief of Marketing and Public Relations, presented information and answered questions regarding the referendum to increase the millage rate to increase teachers' salaries and fund educational programs.

Tracy Pierce may be reached at Piercet@duvalschools.org.
- 5. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) –** Lt. Bradley Shivers reported that a deployment has been placed in the Five Points area to curb the various Car Clubs' dangerous street racing occurring during the evenings. Anyone caught spectating or participating in drag racing could face misdemeanor charges.

Lt. Bradley Shivers may be reached at (904)573-3165.
- 6. Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department (JFRD) –** Captain Damian Bell reported that The City of Jacksonville Emergency Preparedness Division is preparing for hurricane season. Captain Bell encouraged everyone to prepare their emergency kits and familiarize themselves with their evacuation zones and nearest shelter if they haven't already done so. Citizens may register for AlertJax Notifications by visiting <https://www.jaxready.com/Alerts.aspx>. Captain Bell reminded CPAC members that JFRD provides and installs free smoke detectors for any qualifying Jacksonville resident living in a single-family

or two-family residence. The department will also install replacement batteries in existing smoke detectors at no charge. For a free smoke detector or to have batteries replaced in an existing device, please call (904) 630-CITY (2489) or register by visiting the MyJax website [MyJax Customer Help](#). Captain Damian Bell may be reached at (904) 255-3298.

7. Capital Improvement Plan/Chairs Report: Chair Crosby suggested four Capital Improvement projects be submitted to the Capital Improvement Plan Administrator Teresa Eichner submitted by the Southwest CPAC:

- Replacement or repair of drainage through the Cecil Pines Adult Living property.
- Request for a comprehensive plan to update and enhance Fishweir Park, providing easier access for the disabled and families with strollers.
- Installation of a basketball court at Tempest Park South, so children don't have to play basketball in the street.
- Repair and improvements to Cecil Pines Golf Course. The property has fallen into decline.

The CPAC approved the four CIP suggestions provided by various members and community leaders within the Southwest CPAC Planning District 4 five to one, with CPAC member Bruce Tyson opposing the ranking order request. The suggestions will be submitted to Ms. Eichner no later than Friday, June 17, 2022.

8. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Electric Authority** – Don Tuten, Government Relations Specialist, reported:
 - JEA provides free energy efficiency assessments for homes. A technician will show residents how to make their homes more energy efficient. To register for a visit, please visit the JEA website www.JEA.com
 - JEA provides residential rebates for items such as attic insulation, energy-efficient dishwashers, lighting, heating, cooling systems, and toilet replacements. For the complete list of appliances eligible for a rebate, please visit https://www.jea.com/Residential_Customer_Rebate.
 - JEA is currently preparing for a safe and reliable hurricane season. Mr. Tuten encouraged CPAC members to become familiar with the JEA website and review the Storm Center and Outage Center links. For more information and to view the sites, visit www.JEA.com. Don Tuten may be reached at (904) 255-3283.
- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported:
 - From June 7, 2022, through August 6, 2022, children up to 18 years of age can get a free meal at 12 participating library branches. Registration is not required. Children may go to their nearest participating library Monday through Friday between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to receive a free healthy meal. A list of the participating libraries can be found on the Jacksonville Public Library website [Jax Public Library Free Summer Lunch Fun](#). While children enjoy their lunch, they may also participate in the Summer Reading Program.
 - The Summer Reading Program began June 1, 2022, and will run thru July 30, 2022. The theme is "Oceans of Possibilities." The program is for all children up to 18 years of age. Children will track the book they are reading and the length of time spent reading instead of the number of books read. Prizes will be given to those who participate in the program, Lynne Baldwin may be reached at (904) 338-4383 or LBaldwin@coj.net.
- **Military Affairs and Veterans (MAV)** – Tiffany Morales, Veterans Outreach Coordinator, reported that the Military Affairs Department held its first in-person Memorial Day observation ceremony since the pandemic. More than 1,000 people were in attendance. The Northeast Florida Women of Veterans, Inc. Women Veterans Week of Recognition ran from June 4, 2022, thru June 11, 2022. Visit <https://www.forwomenvets.org/about-week-of-recognition/> for the schedule of events. Tiffany Morales may be reached at (904) 255-5524 or tmorales@coj.net.
- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** – Michael Hoffman, Code Compliance Supervisor, reported that 1,379 inspections were completed From May 9, 2022, through June 8, 2022. A systematic inspection will occur in the Riverside area starting Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Mr. Hoffman provided an update regarding the home at 7564 Du-Clay Forest Dr. There were no signs of an auto body repair shop being operated out of the home. Mr. Hoffman stated he would continue to monitor the property.

Michael Hoffman may be reached at (904) 255-7104 or LHoffman@coj.net.

- **Public Works** – Jeremy Wright, Facility Manager, provided an update on several items listed on Public Works' active monthly Capital Improvement projects list. Jeremy Wright may be reached at (904) 255-4331 or WrightJ@coj.net.

9. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** – Chair Crosby reported that the Southwest CPAC Land Use and Zoning subcommittee reviewed six Land Use and Zoning applications. The LUZ subcommittee made a recommendation to send a letter of recommendation for:
- **Ordinance 2022-0396** - Rezoning: 6572 Lenox Ave. – The applicant seeks to rezone the property from CCG-1 to PUD to use the property for the overnight parking of Line-Haul trucks and trailers. The site will contain a 3,000 sq. ft. maintenance facility and a 1,000 sq. ft. attached office. The CPAC opposes the application because the planned use of the property is too intense for the area. Andy Hetzel may be contacted at (904) 255-7821 AHetzel@coj.net.

10. **Unfinished Business** - None

11. **New Business** – None

12. **Neighborhood Coordinator's Report:** Michelle Godwin-Ware reported that the 2022 CommUniverCity Training applications are now available. All CPAC members should have received an application via email. If you have any questions, please call the Neighborhood Services office at (904) 255- 8250. Michelle Godwin-Ware may be reached at (904)255-8236 or Michellegw@coj.net.

13. **Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:** None

14. **Adjourn:** Chair Crosby adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: August 8, 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: August 8, 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.

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