

Northwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

August 11, 2022 Meeting Summary

Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd., 6 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 847 3681 7022 Passcode: 336356

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members – Rhonda Boyd, Chair; Tyrona Clark-Murray, Vice-Chair; Elaine Billups, Better Living Community Association; Jaqueline Harrington, Grand Park; Lana Suggs-Champion, Carver International; Leroy Kelly, Carver International; Waynatta McGraw, Jacksonville Ranch Club II; Kim Stephens-Perry, NJTRMNA; Keba Roberson, NJTRMNA; Velma Rounsville, Timber Oaks HOA; Larry Solomon, Carver Manor/Lincoln Estates; Shirley Thomas, North Riverside CDC; Henry Scott, North Riverside CDC; Doretha Tompkins, Riverview; Victor Coleman, Central Fairfax Community Association, Inc. ; Murphy Nmezi, Royal Terrace; Roxsan Currier, Marietta Senior Center

Excused- Bettye Scott, Ribault Manor

Visitors – Debra Cotton; Ginny Winters; Vanessa Cullins-Hopkins; Gill Bush; Antonia Bryant; Pat Balkcom; Patrieana Greene; Rosemary Thornton; Ros Snowsmith; Nabaa Ali; Eldrige Grooms; Thomas Bullock; Sharon Young; Sheretta Joseph; Joy Hervey; S. Cullins; Gwen; Karmren Stowers; B. Richardson; Karen Martin

Elected Official and City Staff – Warren Jones, Duval County Public Schools Board Member, District 5; Dana Kriznar, DCPS; Paula Renfro, DCPS; Renee Manna, JEA; Jennell Milton, JEA; Scott Adams, JPL; J. D. Stronko, JSO; Damian Bell, JFRD; Brian Naples, Municipal Code Compliance; Chris LeDew, Public Work Department; Michael Pearson, Municipal Code Compliance; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development Department; Jessica Denson, NSO

1. **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Rhonda Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. Jessica Denson confirmed a quorum was present.
2. **Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The CPAC approved the June 2022 meeting summary.
3. **Elected Officials:** Warren Jones, Duval County Public Schools Board Member, District 5, reminded the CPAC members of the importance of voters approving the proposed one-millage increase in property taxes. Funds from the proposed property increase will be used to attract and retain high-quality teachers and staff and enhance art education and athletics programs. This issue will be on the August 23, 2022, ballot. School Board Member Jones informed the CPAC members that Duval County Public Schools 2022-2023 school year starts Monday, August 15, 2022.

School Board Member Jones can be reached at Jonesw2@duvalschools.org.

4. **Chairs Report:** Chair Boyd informed CPAC members and visitors that CPAC members will be limited to ask two questions per speaker, and visitors can only ask questions during public comments. Chair Boyd advised the CPAC members that the City Council Land Use & Zoning Committee amended the public hearing meeting for LUZ application WLD-22-13. The date has been rescheduled to September 20, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chamber, 1st Floor of City Hall, 117 West Duval Street.
5. **Staff Reports**
 - **Jacksonville Sheriff Office (JSO):** Assistant Chief J. D. Stronko announced that he is the new assistant chief for Zone 5 and provided a brief overview of his work history with JSO. Assistant Chief Stronko informed the CPAC members that Zone 5 currently has 144 police officers, 17 Sergeants, and seven Lieutenants. Assistant Chief Stronko provided an overview of the overall crime in the Northwest District in the last 30 days.

Assistant Chief Stronko can be reached at (904) 470-8900.

- **Jacksonville Fire and Rescue (JFRD):** Damian Bell, Fire Captain Prevention 40, reminded the CPAC members that hurricane season is still taking place. Captain Bell encouraged the CPAC members to download the JaxReady App to receive updates regarding their evacuation zones. Captain Bell informed the CPAC members that residents can receive a free smoke detector by calling 630-CITY (2489). Captain Bell provided an overview of the City of Jacksonville Knox Box Program for residential properties.

Captain Bell can be reached at DamianB@coj.net.

- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL):** Scott Adams, Highlands Regional Library Manager, announced the following:
 - Early Voting is taking place at Argyle Branch; Bradham and Brooks Branch; Bill Brinton Murray Hill Branch; Highlands Regional; Charles Webb Wesconnett Regional; West Branch libraries until Sunday, August 21, 2022, from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
 - On Thursday, August 25, 2022, The Highlands Regional Library is hosting an event titled “Life Lit: How to Fertilize Your Lawn and Landscape” with the Duval County UF/IFAS Extension Office at 6 p.m.
 - The Highlands Regional Library recently started a program called Drop-in and Read to Razzle (Therapy Dog). Children aged 5-12 years old will get the opportunity to practice their reading skills one-on-one with a trained therapy dog every other Monday from 4:30 p.m. -5:30 p.m. Spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, visit www.jaxpubliclibrary.org.

Scott Adams can be reached at (904) 255-6407 or SAdams@coj.net.

- **Jacksonville Electric Authority (JEA)-** Jennell Milton, Government Relations Coordinator, reported the following:
 - Beginning August 1st through September 18th, JEA will suspend electric, water, and sewage disconnections due to delinquent payments and waive newly accumulated late fees.
 - Effective October 1st, JEA will eliminate customers' fees when using a credit or debit card.
 - JEA urges customers to update their JEA contact information to prepare for hurricane season by calling 904-665-6000 or visiting www.jea.com.

Jennell Milton provided an update on JEA's Septic Tank Phase Out program. Biltmore and Beverly Hills East neighborhoods are currently in construction. The next focused areas for the Septic Tank Phase Out program will be Beverly Hills West, Christobel, and Riverview neighborhoods. Each project takes three to five years to complete. The first four projects are fully funded, and JEA and the City of Jacksonville will continue to seek more funding for additional projects.

Jennell Milton can be reached at miltjl@jea.com.

- **Public Works Department (PW)-** Chris LeDew, Chief of Traffic Engineering, provided an overview of ongoing projects in the Traffic Engineering Division.

Chief LeDew can be reached at CLeDew@coj.net.

- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCCD):** Michael Pearson reported that MCCD completed 1,565 inspections in Zone 5 in the last 30 days. On August 15, 2022, MCCD conducted a systematic inspection in the Lackawanna neighborhood. The MCCD Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program (JAR) still have funds available. The JAR Program may prevent a lien from being placed on your property. Please visit the Municipal Code Compliance Department website for more information: www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program.

Michael Pearson can be reached at MPearson@coj.net.

- **Neighborhood Services Office (NSO)**- Dan Durbec announced that Keep Jacksonville Beautiful (KJB) Annual International Coastal Cleanup is Saturday, September 17, 2022, at various locations throughout Duval County. Dan Durbec informed the CPAC members that the cleanup needs Site Captains and provided a copy of the sites in need of a captain.

Dan Durbec can be reached at (904)255-8276 or DDurbec@coj.net .

6. Unfinished Business: None

7. New Business: Vice- None

8. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports

- **Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee:** CPAC member Kim Stephens- Perry reported that the subcommittee reviewed nine land use and zoning applications and the following recommendations were made.
 - To deny ordinance 2022-0608-(PUD)- 8483 New Kings Road, RE# 040044-0000. The ordinance seeks to rezone 5.09± acres of land from CCG-2, CO, & RLD-60 to PUD to allow for a self-storage facility and outdoor storage of boats and RVs.
 - To deny application E-22-51-(Exception)-1910 Bassett Road, RE#032377-0010. The application seeks an exception to allow for a building trades contractor with outside storage in the CCG-2 zoning district.
 - To request additional information from the Planning Department ordinance 2022-0606-(Conventional Rezoning)- 0 Bulls Bay Highway, RE# 006222-0230. The ordinance seeks to rezone 5.39± acres of land from PUD to IL to allow for industrial uses.

Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray made a motion to approve the recommendations that were made by the Northwest LUZ Subcommittee. The motions were seconded and approved by the CPAC.

- **T.R.U.E Commission:** CPAC member Velma Rounsville reported that the Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures (TRUE) Commission met on Thursday, August 4, 2022. CPAC member Velma Rounsville provided an overview of the meeting and informed the CPAC members that Diane Moser, Director of Employee Services, City of Jacksonville and Paul Freeman, Enterprise Applications Manager, Information Technologies (IT) Division, City of Jacksonville, attended the meeting.
- **Transportation:** Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray reported that the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (NFTPO) CAC met on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, and provided an overview of the meeting.

9. Public Comments:

- Sharon Young voiced her inquiries to JSO.
- Antonia Bryant voiced her inquiries to JSO.
- Vanessa Cullins-Hopkins voiced her recommendation for JEA.
- Rosemary Thornton voiced her concerns regarding the removal of benches at JTA bus stops in the Northwest District.
- CPAC member Larry Solomon suggested that the NW CPAC should think of ways to gain youth membership.
- Joy Hervey informed the CPAC members of a new nonprofit called Jacksonville Community Land Trust. For more information, visit www.jaxclthomes.org.
- Vice-Chair Tyrona Clark-Murray reminded the CPAC members that the last day for early voting is Sunday, August 21, 2022, and election day is Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

The next CPAC Meeting: Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 6 p.m. 7866 Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd. **Zoom:** Meeting ID: 847 3681 7022 Passcode: 336356

The next Land Use and Zoning Meeting: Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 5 p.m. 7866 Lincoln Villa Senior Center, 7866 New Kings Rd. **Zoom:** Meeting ID: 847 3681 7022 Passcode: 336356

Summary prepared by Jessica Denson, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8260 or Jcdenson@coj.net. A copy of the audio recording of this Northwest 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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