

## **Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee**

### **November 28, 2022, Meeting Summary**

**Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257**

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

**Members:** Brandon Andersen, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Joyce Brown, Pine Forest Community Action Corp.; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Ryan Colvin, Bayard Community Association; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA, Inc.; Carol D’Onofrio, Deercreek Owners Association; Sharon Ervin, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA, Inc; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Blake Hakimian, Northwest Quadrant Equity Owners; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; William Herron, Shiloh Creek; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Dolores Landrum, Campfield masters Homeowners Association; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Sherri Marks, Kernan Mills Community Association, Inc.; Rowena Nagales, Riverbrook at Glen Kernan HOA; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association Robin Pickle, Briarwood Neighborhood Association; John Reed, Linkside at Baymeadows; Linda Gail Rowe, Lake Mandarin HOA; Craig Shoup, Council At-Large Group 2; Jon Singleton, San Marco; James Taylor, Deerwood Improvement Association; Denise Torres, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mill Community Association, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

**Excused:** Joanne Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Debbie Johnson, The Gables HOA; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA

**Visitors:** Norm Brewer, Greenland Chase, District 11; Michael Beck, District 6 COEA; Cliff Green, The ARC; Susan Bailey, Linkside Baymeadows; John Nooney, Pottsburg Creek; Charlotte Cardona, Monarch Landing; Sean Jackson, Big Tree Arborist; Sharyn Myles, Lake Mandarin HOA; Andrea Letizia, Williamstown HOA; Ann Clapp; MJB; Jill Lee; Carol Eichling; Amanda Vergara; Tim’s Otter; Zoom User

**Staff:** The Honorable Michael Boylan, City Council District 5; Robert Bautochka, Municipal Code Compliance; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development Department; Charles Johnson, JFRD; Joseph Johnson, Council District 11, Executive Council Assistant; Kathleen McGovern, Parks, Recreation and Senior Services; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office

#### **Call to Order/Verify Quorum:**

Vice Chair Craig Shoup called the SE CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting at the Mandarin Senior Center and on Zoom. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

**Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary** – The October 2022 meeting summary was approved by the CPAC.

**Presentation(s): Donald H. Horner, III, People and Culture Director, K9's for Warriors** provided an overview of the services provided by K9's for Warriors.

K9's For Warriors provides highly trained service dogs to military veterans suffering from PTSD, traumatic brain injury and/or military sexual trauma. Most of the dogs that K9's for Warriors has selected to be trained have been adopted from high-kill rescue shelters. To date, the program has rescued more than 1,500 dogs.

The K9's for Warriors national headquarters is located in Ponte Vedra, Florida and offers training for both the dogs and the warriors year-round. A portion of their national headquarters facility has been designated as the Chartrand Family Warrior Resource Center. This center is where the organization offers multiple allied endeavors from advocacy organizations like the Association of Service Dog Providers for Military Veterans and Service Dog Pass and The Fire Watch to better prepare the warrior. Additionally, the center includes a four-unit residential training center for program graduates needing recertification or pairing with a new K9 upon the retirement of their initial Service Dog.

To learn more about the services offered for veterans and/or to apply for a dog, please visit:

<https://k9sforwarriors.org/warrior-journey/>

#### **Elected Officials Report:**

**Joe Johnson, City Council District 11, Executive Council Assistant** – provided the following updates:

- Southside Boulevard is scheduled to be resurfaced in 2023.
- Council Member Becton continues to monitor activities on and around Western Way.
- On November 22, 2022, City Council unanimously passed Ordinance Bill 2022-766. This ordinance was introduced by Council Member Becton and the purpose of the legislation is to modify the Certificate of Use (COU) requirements.
- For additional information about happenings in City Council District 11, please visit Council Member Becton's website: <https://dannybecton.org/>

Council Member Becton – [dbecton@coj.net](mailto:dbecton@coj.net) or 904-255-5211

**The Honorable Michael Boylan, City Council District 5** – Provided the following updates:

- The Critical Quality of Life Issues (CQLI) Special Committee was created to address access to healthcare, affordable housing, and homelessness in Jacksonville. The three subcommittees are finalizing their work currently. On December 7, 2022, the co-chairs will meet to prepare their final recommendation/presentation. The results and recommendations that The CQLI Special Committee was tasked with developing will be presented in a report to the full City Council at the December 13, 2022, City Council meeting.
- On January 25, 2023, Council Member Boylan will host a community meeting to ensure his constituents are informed how zoning applications are processed. Additional details will be provided as the date approaches.

Council Member Boylan – [MBoylan@coj.net](mailto:MBoylan@coj.net) or 904-255-5206

## **Staff Reports:**

**JSO – Assistant Chief Glossman**, introduced herself as the new Assistant Chief for Zone 3 and provided the following updates:

- Currently Zone 3 (Southeast District) has the highest volume of calls for service in Jacksonville and the call volume has been that high for the past few months.
- In Zone 3, violent crime is up, and property crime is down over the past 30 days.
- The holiday season is upon us. Everyone was encouraged to keep their holiday purchases out of sight while shopping. Place any valuables in the trunk of your vehicle before you go shopping. Criminals are in the parking lots watching what you put in your car.
- Keep garage doors and curtains/blinds closed when you are not home.
- The CPAC was reminded to not leave their valuables, keys, or guns in unlocked cars. Participation in the 9pm Routine was encouraged.

Zone 3 Substation – 904-630-8100

**JFRD – Captain Johnson, Fire Prevention Division**, provided the following updates:

- Everyone was encouraged to test and/or change the batteries in their smoke detectors and to be mindful of the location/age of their home fire extinguishers.
- Be careful when using Christmas lights/decorations, and extension cords especially outside and on live Christmas trees.
- Everyone was encouraged to have their chimney(s) inspected and/or cleaned before light a fire.

**JPL – Jackie Spiritas, on behalf of Eric Soriano, Library Manager**, provided the following updates:

- The Main Library is now equipped with a Memory Lab. The Memory Lab is a service/equipment that allows you to digitize old photos and VHS tapes yourself. Call 255-Book for a tutorial and/or to schedule an appointment to use the equipment.
- When purchasing Jacksonville Symphony tickets your library card can be used to receive up to a 50% discount on tickets. Use the JAXLIB code when ordering online at [jaxsymphony.org](http://jaxsymphony.org) or when you call the box office at 904-354-5547.
- Students who are currently enrolled at FSCJ can borrow a laptop and/or hotspot for use throughout a full academic term. The laptop and/or hotspot are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the following Jacksonville Public Library locations:
  - Charles Webb Wesconnett Regional
  - Bradham and Brooks Branch
  - Highlands Regional
  - Pablo Creek Regional
  - Bill Brinton Murray Hill
  - Main Library

Please note: Only one laptop and/or hotspot is issued per library account. Check out and return must be done at the same location. Laptops will be available for holds placement but may only be checked out at the laptop's or hotspot's home location. Laptops/hotspots are not transported through delivery from one library location to another.

Eric Soriano – [esoriano@coj.net](mailto:esoriano@coj.net)

**Municipal Code Compliance Division –Robert Bautochka Zone 3 Supervisor**, announced his team completed a systematic inspection in the Pine Forest Community and 144 new cases were identified.

In the past 30 days, 746 inspections were completed and year to date 1490 inspections were completed in the Southeast District.

The Jacksonville Assistance and Relief or JAR program was reviewed. The purpose of the Jacksonville Assistance and Relief Program is to facilitate a means of compliance to those who would otherwise be unable to achieve it due to disability or economic disadvantages. The program's objective is to provide the abatement services required at no cost to those citizens who qualify, thereby achieving compliance and beautification of the city while not unduly burdening its most vulnerable citizens.

If you cannot comply with the violations on your property due to a disability or economic hardship, please feel free to visit: <https://www.coj.net/departments/neighborhoods/municipal-code-compliance/jacksonville-assistance-and-relief-program>

Robert Bautochka – 904-255-7055 or [rbautochka@coj.net](mailto:rbautochka@coj.net)

**Parks, Recreation and Community Services – Kathleen McGovern** provided the following updates:

- Greenland Park is scheduled for playground equipment replacement this winter and fencing around the football fields has been installed.
- Fort Family Regional Park has baseball fields under construction and a flex field will get synthetic turf installed.
- Palmetto Leaves Park will have three flex fields expanded.
- Losco Park will have a pavilion installed.
- Holiday Blast Camp will be offered December 12<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Balis Community Center and Cuba Hunter Park Community Center, both communities centers are in the Southeast District. Pre-registration is required at: [https://www.coj.net/departments/parks-and-recreation/headlines/holiday-blast-camp-\(1\)](https://www.coj.net/departments/parks-and-recreation/headlines/holiday-blast-camp-(1))

**Planning & Development Department – Kaysie Cox** - no report

Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853 or [KaysieC@coj.net](mailto:KaysieC@coj.net)

**JTA – Cheryl Riddick Public Works** – informed the CPAC that there is a new JTA app called MyJTA. The app is available for both Apple and Android. The MyJTA App features include:

- You can purchase fares for JTA bus routes, the First Coast Flyer, ReadIRide, JTA Express Select, Connexion & Connexion Plus paratransit services, and the St. Johns River Ferry.
- Input your destination, and select a transportation route, MyJTA will provide step-by-step directions for a single bus trip, transferring routes, or minimizing walking time.
- MyJTA will display a digital ticket and QR code that can be visually inspected or scanned at validation machines.

Cheryl Riddick – [criddick@jtafla.com](mailto:criddick@jtafla.com)

**Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3-minute time limit):**

**LUZ– Craig Shoup** – stated the subcommittee reviewed four new LUZ applications and no motions or actions were made.

**Membership – Ramon Day** – no report

**Nomination – Scott Koslowski** presented the 2023 Slate of Officers to the CPAC members and Mr. Koslowski called three times for nominations from the floor. No nominations were made from the floor. It was announced that Joanne Parker Griffin will serve as Chair and Craig Shoup will serve as Vice Chair. Congratulations! We look forward to your continued leadership.

**North Florida TPO – Jim Hill** – not present

**Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant** informed the CPAC that the Park Safety Council continues to meet regularly. The council most recently reviewed the inspections completed in October 2022. The October report revealed 65 inspections were completed and 17 of those inspections were in the Southeast District. Of the 17 inspections completed, 12 had no issues. The biggest concern was at Burnett Park, a gate was left open to a retention pond. If you frequent the Burnett Park or any park and witness a gate open to a retention pond, please call 630-CITY (2489) and report this safety hazard.

The Park Safety Council has been tasked with writing Parks Safety Standards and the council members have completed the first draft. The document is currently circulating through the Parks Safety Council members for review.

To review the statistics and other data related to the Park Safety Council, please visit:

[www.coj.net/departments/parks-recreation/park-safety-council](http://www.coj.net/departments/parks-recreation/park-safety-council)

**TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission** – Ramon Day provided the following updates:

- On November 3, 2022, the TRUE Commission met, but did not have a quorum.
- The Council Auditor presented two audits, one from Animal Care and Protective Services and one from Jacksonville Fire and Rescue.

**Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski** shared the following updates:

- It was determined that the December SE CPAC meeting will be held on Monday, December 19, 2022, at the Mandarin Senior Center. The LUZ Subcommittee meeting will meet at 5:30 pm, prior to the full CPAC meeting. This will be an abbreviated CPAC meeting.
- After the full CPAC meeting, everyone is invited to have dinner together as a group at Leci's Italian Restaurant, 9475 Philips Highway. Please RSVP to Rosemary by Thursday, December 15, 2022, if you plan to attend the dinner.
- The annual CPAC Chair and Vice Chair Training will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, at 6:00 pm, Ed Ball Building, First Floor Training Room.

Rosemary Wesolowski 904-255-8261 or [rosemary@coj.net](mailto:rosemary@coj.net)

**Chairs Report – Vice Chair Shoup** presented the 2021 SE District Neighborhood Award to Cliff Green, who was accepting on behalf of the Arc Jacksonville Village for their Spooktacular event.

Vice Chair Shoup introduced new member Ryan Colvin representing the Bayard Community Association and presented him with a new member packet.

**Unfinished Business** – None

**New Business:** - None

**Public Comment** –

- Visitor John Nooney expressed his concern regarding land that was cleared cut from the 3000 block of Parental Home Road to Pottsburg Creek. Mr. Nooney has reached out to several local, state, and federal agencies to express his concern about the land that was cleared as well as the health of Pottsburg Creek. Additionally, Mr. Nooney stated at a recent City Council meeting, city council members held a discussion about the mooring for the USS Orleck Naval Museum and shared some details that were discussed.

**Motion to Adjourn** – there was a motion to adjourn and a second.

The next meeting of the District 3 CPAC will be a hybrid meeting on **Monday, December 19, 2022**, at 6:30 pm. Join us in-person at the at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, 32257 or virtually on Zoom.