

Southeast Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

February 27, 2023, Meeting Summary

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

Meeting Attendance:

Members: Susan Bailey, Linkside Baymeadows; Joyce Brown, Pine Forest Community Action Corp.; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Richard Cardell, The Lakewood Community; 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; Cliff Green, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Joanne Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; William Herron, Shiloh Creek; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Sherri Marks, Kernan Mills Community Association, Inc.; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Oaks Owners Association; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; John Reed, Linkside at Baymeadows; Linda Gail Rowe, Lake Mandarin HOA; Craig Shoup, Council At-Large Group 2; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Denise Torres, The Arc Jacksonville Village; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mill Community Association, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

Excused: Brandon Andersen, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Debbie Johnson, The Gables HOA; Dolores Landrum, Campfield Masters Homeowners Association; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association.

Visitors: Jonathan Cagle; Suzanne Perritt; John Nooney; Carol Eichling, Village Green II Condos; Ann Clapp; 904-631-5782

Staff: Connor Corrigan, Planning and Development Department; Robert Bautochka, Municipal Code Compliance; Assistant Chief Randi Glossman, JSO; Lieutenant Charles Johnson, JFRD; Joseph Johnson, Executive Council Assistant, Council District 11; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Eric Soriano, JPL; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office

Call to Order/Verify Quorum:

Chair Griffin 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 January 2023 summary was approved.

Presentation(s): Rachel Weinstein, Elder Source, Community Outreach and Caregiver Coalition Coordinator, informed the CPAC about the programs offered through Elder Source.

Elder Source is a nonprofit organization designated by the State of Florida. Elder Source works with local, state and national partners to advocate on behalf of older adults and their needs.

Locally, Elder Source works with agencies to help provide congregate dining and home delivered meals, senior center programs, legal assistance, senior center programs, adult daycare, in-home services, consumer protection issues, minor home repairs, support for caregivers, health and wellness programs.

Additionally, SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) is a program of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and is operated in this area through Elder Source. SHINE offers older adults, adults with disabilities and their caregivers free counseling on Medicare and insurance issues. SHINE can be contacted at 1-800-96-ELDER.

Elder Source has an administrative office located at 10688 Old St. Augustine Road, Jacksonville, FL. 32257. The phone number for Elder Source is 1-888-242-4464. A complete list of Elder Source services and service partners can be found on their website: www.ElderSource.org

For additional questions you can contact Rachel Weinstein at Rachel.Weinstein@myeldersource.org

Elected Officials Report:

Joe Johnson, Executive Council Assistant, District 11 – on behalf of Council Member Becton, Mr. Johnson provided the following updates:

- Council Member Becton is following Ordinance 2023-0069, which seeks to rezone 6,174 acres east of I-295 in the general area of e-Town. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this development, please contact Council Member Becton.
- FDOT is scheduled to start a re-paving project on Southside Boulevard this summer.
- FDOT will also complete several intersection projects along Southside Boulevard. Those intersections include Southside Boulevard and Deerwood Park; Southside Boulevard and Belle Rive Road and Southside Boulevard and Paradise Island Boulevard.

Danny Becton – 904-255-5211 or dbecton@coj.net

Staff Reports:

JSO – Assistant Chief Glossman provided an overview on Ordinance 2022-574; also known as the Pedestrian Safety Law. This new law prohibits: *the use of the public rights-of-way in a manner that interferes with the safe and efficient movement of people and property from place to place on a public road. Any person to stop, stand, or otherwise occupy or remain in a median on any designated roadway when that person is not in the process of lawfully crossing the road; any physical interaction between a pedestrian and an occupant of a motor vehicle, including but not limited to the transfer of any product or material, while the motor vehicle is not legally parked; any use of public right-of-way for commercial activity.*

Penalties for violations include:

- First violation, will be an official warning with an educational notice from the Sheriff's Office
- Second violation, the offender will also be given an official warning and may be trespassed.
- Third violation, a civil citation may be issued.
- Fourth violation, the offender may be arrested or given a notice to appear, as applicable, with a maximum of 10 days penalty if the violator is arrested and convicted.
- Additionally, each incident occurring more than every twenty (20) minutes after the violation has been corrected shall constitute a separate violation.

Soon, JSO will implement a 30-day education campaign to ensure everyone understands the new legislation. After the educational campaign has been completed, enforcement will begin.

Zone 3 Substation – 904-828-5463

JFRD – Lieutenant Charles Johnson, provided the following updates:

- The City of Jacksonville and JFRD offers Small Business Help Sessions bi-monthly for individuals that want to start a new business. If you have zoning, building, or fire code questions, please visit: <https://www.coj.net/smallbusinesshelp> to register for a half-hour consultation.
- Everyone was encouraged to familiarize themselves on how to use their home fire extinguisher prior to an emergency at their home.
- The community can request an annual fire safety inspection to be completed at their home. Please call 630-CITY to request your fire safety inspection.

Captain Charles Johnson – JohnsonC@coj.net

JPL – Eric Soriano, Library Manager, shared the following information:

- JPL just started a Book Review Writing Contest. JPL is accepting entries from K-12 students until March 10, 2023. Book reviews should not exceed 300 words. Email entries to ilovebooks@coj.net with the book reviewer's name, parent's name, grade level and contact information. Or fill out an entry form at your local library.
- Many of the libraries are Duval County Early Voting Sites. Early voting will be held March 6 through March 19, 2023. Mr. Soriano provided a handout with all the early voting sites listed.
- The Jacksonville Public Library will partner with American Association of Retired People (AARP) to provide free tax preparation. Pre-registration is required. Beginning Tuesday, January 17, 2023, you can schedule an appointment at: www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/locations or call (904) 701-3462.

Eric Soriano – esoriano@coj.net

JTA – Cheryl Riddick informed the CPAC about the ReadIRide service. ReadIRide is a service offered by the JTA that provides affordable, on-call transportation to customers in 14 Jacksonville communities. One of the areas that ReadIRide is available is the Mandarin area. To use the ReadIRide service, reservations can be made Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Contact a ReadIRide reservationist at (904) 679-4555 at least two hours in advance to request an arrival time to your destination and to schedule a pick-up. All ReadIRide trips start at \$2.00.

Cheryl Riddick – 904-630-3100

Municipal Code Compliance Division –Robert Bautochka Zone 3 Supervisor, stated in the past 30 days, 875 inspections were completed and year to date 3034 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

Planning & Development Department – Connor Corrigan on behalf of Kaysie Cox - no report

Kaysie Cox – 904-255-7853 or KaysieC@coj.net

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

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

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill – stated that the NFTPO reviewed the a list of priority projects. There are two funded projects in the Southeast district and both projects are currently under construction. Both funded projects are intersection improvement projects that are located at:

- The interchange at San Pablo Road and J. Turner Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202)
- The interchange at Kernan Boulevard and J. Turner Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202).

Unfunded projects were also discussed, such as:

- Beach Boulevard (between Parental Home Road and St. Johns Bluff Road) pedestrian safety and intersection improvements have been identified for a future project.
- An intersection improvement project at San Jose Boulevard (S.R. 13) and I-295 is expected to be funded and construction to begin in 2024.

Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant informed the CPAC that the Park Safety Council met earlier today, and they had a very brief meeting; a quorum was not present. A Park Safety report was not provided to the council members; a few comments were shared with those in attendance and the meeting adjourned. Mr. Bryant reminded everyone if they see a safety issue in a park, please call 630-City to report it.

To review the statistics and other data related to the Park Safety Council, please visit: www.coj.net/departments/parks-recreation/park-safety-council

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Ramon Day stated at the February TRUE Commission meeting, city auditors presented on six of their eight reports. The two remaining reports will be presented at the March meeting. From the audit presentations, it was determined that overall, the various independent authorities (JTA, JAA, JPA, JTA) and various departments are operating within their budgets. A few financial incidents occurred, were identified, and should be rectified.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski informed the CPAC about upcoming Neighborhood Services Office events:

- In October, CPAC’s will celebrate their 30th Anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, there was a request for any CPAC memorabilia, especially items, pictures, or appointment letters from the 1990’s.
- The Neighborhood Services Office will offer the annual CommUniverCity leadership training program in late spring/early summer. Applications will for CommUniverCity and additional details will be provided in the near future.
- The Neighborhood Awards Program will also occur in October this year. Once the award nomination forms are available, they will be shared.

Rosemary Wesolowski 904-255-8261 or rosemary@coj.net

Chairs Report – Chair Griffin welcomed and introduced new member Susan Bailey. Ms. Bailey is serving as the alternate for Linkside at Baymeadows. Welcome Susan.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business: - None

Public Comment – Visitor John Nooney shared his concerns for our local waterway, the sale and re-development of All-Wet Sports located on Pottsburg Creek, and diminishing public access to our local waterways.

Member Donna Herrin announced at the LUZ Subcommittee meeting one of the applications that was discussed (no motion or action taken) was the rezoning of over 6000 acres, located just east of I-295 that abuts numerous communities. Ms. Herrin encouraged those that know individuals/communities that will be impacted by this future development to become active in the SE CPAC.

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, March 27, 2023**, at 6:30 pm. Join us in-person at the at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, 32257 or virtually on Zoom.