

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

November 25, 2024, Meeting Summary

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

Meeting Attendance:

Members: Susan Bailey, Linkside at Baymeadows HOA; Nancy Barry, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Joyce Brown, Pine Forest Community Action Corp.; Walter Bryant, St. Nicholas Area Preservation; Ramon Day, Timberland Ridge HOA, Inc.; Carol D'Onofrio, Deercreek Owners Association; Carol Eichling, Village Green Two Condo Association; Jose Gonzalez, Mandarin Community Center; Joanne Griffin, Villa San Jose Civic Association; Donna Herrin, Sweetwater by Del Webb; William Herron, Shiloh Creek; Jim Hill, Greater Hood Road Community Association; Rich Horvath, Cypress Trails HOA, Inc.; Abby Howard Murphy, Hampton Glen at Deerwood HOA; Debbie Johnson, The Gables Homeowners Association; Scott Koslowski, James Island Homeowners Association; Eric Laner, East Hampton HOA; Andrea Letizia, Williamstown HOA; Joe Luczak, Bartram Springs HOA; Jon Malmind, Oak View Corner Owners Association; Shann Mills, San Jose Forest; Jacqueline Partenteau, Brierwood Neighborhood Association; Kathleen Perera, Alumni Civic Association; Kathy Soares, Highland Glen HOA; Marcie Turner, Kernan Mills Community Association, Inc.; Gary Weise, Secret Cove Civic Association

Excused: Dick Cardell, The Lakewood Community; Craig Shoup, Council At-Large Group 2; James Taylor, Deerwood Improvement Association

Visitors: Karen Moers, Sans Souci NA; Al Bott, San Jose; Chrissy Bott, San Jose; Ray Graham, Campfield; Sandy Graham, Campfield; Noreen O'Shea, Reserve James Island; Jennifer Joiner, Sans Souci NA; Laura Backus, San Jose; John Nooney; Joanne Arnick, Edgewater; Catie Wallace, Edgewater; Elise Brosch, San Jose; Joy Burgess, Edgewater; Jonathan Burgess, Edgewater; Payne Harmon

Staff: The Honorable Raul Arias, District 11; The Honorable Michael Boylan, District 6; Kaysie Cox, Planning and Development Department; Commander Glossman, JSO; Evin Herzberg, Executive Council Assistant, District 11; Clarence Hodge, JFRD; Daryl Joseph, Parks, Recreation and Community Services; Rudy McClain, Municipal Code Compliance; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Tiffany Morales, Military and Veterans Affairs; Jacie Spiritas, 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. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary – The October meeting summary will be approved at the December CPAC meeting.

Presentation(s): Cantrece Jones, Acuity Design Group, and Daryl Joseph, Director, Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, provided an update on the Jacksonville Parks Master Plan Update.

The purpose of Jacksonville Parks Master Plan Update is to help address current needs and prepare for the future by creating spaces to foster health, recreation and social connection.

The Jacksonville Parks Master Plan is updated every ten years. The last update was in 2003, and our city has changed significantly since then.

The process to update the master plan has several key phases. Those phases include:

1. Assess Existing Conditions
2. Gather Ideas
3. Seek Public Input
4. Develop the Master Plan
5. Present Recommendations

Currently, the Master Plan Update is in the master planning phase, but they are continuing to actively seek community feedback.

To date, five key initiatives have been identified to direct their efforts. They include:

1. Improving access to parks
2. Targeting enhancements
3. Providing equitable access
4. Developing resilience-focused pilot sites
5. Following a strategic blueprint for future developments.

An interactive map was created so the community can provide location specific feedback and identify areas that are most in need of improvement. To give your feedback, visit: www.imaginejaxparks.com everyone was encouraged to share their thoughts, ideas and recommendations.

Cantrece Jones, 904-619-8605 or hello@alladg.com

Daryl Joseph -904-255-7907

Elected Officials Report:

The Honorable Raul Arias, City Council District 11, shared the following updates:

- There is a road resurfacing project underway on Gate Parkway.
- Council member Arias is the Chair of the Jacksonville Small & Emerging Business (JSEB) Special Committee. The purpose of JSEB is to foster equal participation and inclusion of small and emerging businesses across the entire Jacksonville business ecosystem. To learn more about the special committee, please visit: <https://www.jacksonville.gov/city-council/standing-committees/jseb-special-committee>
- Council member Arias asked the CPAC membership to share their opinion on the legislation Council member Carlucci proposed to address the solid waste fund deficit. The majority the SE CPAC members supported the rate increase for solid waste collection.

Raul Arias – 904-255-5211 or AriasR@coj.net

The Honorable Michael Boylan, City Council District 6, provided the following report:

- Council member Boylan provided an update on his duties as the Council Liaison on the Canvassing Board for the Supervisor of Election. This past Thursday, the Canvassing Board met to verify the accuracy of the election. Please remember, by visiting the Supervisor of Election website, you can check the status of your ballot and confirm that

your ballot has been accounted for at the following website

<https://www.duval elections.com/>

- The Mandarin Road sidewalk extension was discussed at Council members' November Town Hall meeting. Representatives from JTA attended the town hall meeting and announced in approximately 60 days a design draft for the project will be completed. There will be a community meeting to share the details and solicit feedback.
- Alberts Field Conceptual Site Plan has been completed. Council member Boylan will share a draft with his constituents. It was noted that there will be increased parking on the north end, two fenced-in dog park areas, a new fenced-in playground, and limited parking along Brady Road. All without the removal of existing trees and the planting of new trees where it is warranted.
- Loretto Road Sidewalk Extension estimated completion date has been moved to March 2025. The delay was due in part to the relocation of several utility poles.
- The Mandarin Museum hosted the unveiling of Brenda Council's Harriet Beacher Stowe statue on Sunday, November 17th.
- The North Florida Land Trust has raised money to purchase 4.5 acres of land off Brady Road adjacent to the Fern Gully Preserve.

The Honorable Micheal Boylan – 904 255-5206 or MBoylan@coj.net

Staff Reports:

JSO – Commander Glossman provided the following report:

- In the past 30 days, the Zone 3 crime statistics are down 1.77% YTD in total crimes. In the past 30 days in Zone 3 property crimes were up 12%, but YTD, property crime is down 1.82%
- It was acknowledged that motor vehicle burglaries and motor vehicle thefts continue to be a problem. This is attributed to the thefts of Kia and Hyundai vehicles. If you own one of these brands of vehicles, it is highly recommended by JSO that the owner take the vehicle to a local dealer to get a software update. This update can assist in reducing the chance of theft.

Commander Glossman – 904-630-8100 or JSODistrict3@jaxsheriff.org

JFRD – Lieutenant Clarence Hodge discussed the importance of every home having functioning smoke detectors and the various placement locations within a residence. It was stressed that a smoke detector should be replaced every 10 years. Over time, the buildup of dust can impact the operation of a smoke detector. Everyone was encouraged to use daylight saving time as a tool to remember to change the batteries in their smoke detectors. If you need a smoke detector or your batteries replaced in your smoke detector, please call 904-630-CITY to request a new smoke detector or battery change.

Lieutenant Hodge – Hodge@coj.net

JPL – Jackie Spiritas shared the following updates:

- All libraries will close on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at 6:00 pm and remain closed until Saturday, November 30, 2024.
- In March 2025, JPL will Celebrate Reading Week. As part of this celebration, there will be a book review writing contest, all students in Duval County are eligible. Prizes will be awarded. Call 904-255-BOOK for more information.

- The San Marco Branch Library will celebrate its 75th Anniversary. If you would like to share any memories or photos of the library, please share them at any JPL library.

Jackie Spiritas – Spiritas@coj.net

Military and Veterans Affairs – Tiffany Morales announced:

- The Month of Valor will end on December 14, 2024
- There will be a watch party for the Army/Navy football game on Saturday, December 14, 2024, at Everbank Stadium. Gates open at 2:00 pm. A \$5 donation is requested at the door. For additional details, visit www.Jacksonville.Gov/ArmyNavy
- Wreaths Across America will be held on December 14, 2024, at the Jacksonville National Cemetery. For more information visit <https://wreathscrossamericajacksonville.com/>

Tiffany Morales – tmorales@coj.net

Municipal Code Compliance Division – Rudy McClain made the following announcements:

- In the past 30 days in Zone 3, 1100 inspections were completed and over 100 snipe signs were removed.
- If you live near vacant property and the shrubbery has grown over the windows, please report this to 630-CITY. In the winter month, vagrants often break into vacant homes and start fires.
- Florida Senate Bill 60 prohibits code compliance officers from initiating investigations of potential violations of codes that were submitted via anonymous complaints; anonymous tickets will be closed.

Rudy McClain – Mrudy@coj.net

Planning & Development Department – Kaysie Cox - no report.

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

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

Land Development Regulation Stakeholder Advisory Committee – Jose’ Gonzalez – stated the committee met earlier today and delved into the report that the consultants created based on the subcommittee feedback. The goal of the study is to create a strategy to make Jacksonville resilient for the next 50 years.

It was noted that part of that strategy is to incentivize developers. A points system will be put into place, with additional points awarded to applications that meet specific, pre-established criteria.

LUZ– On behalf of Craig Shoup, Chair Griffin conducted the LUZ Subcommittee meeting – the subcommittee reviewed five new LUZ applications, and one motion was made.

- Deferral of 2024-0867 at 11000 Beach Boulevard to rezone 11 acres of land from CCG-2 to a PUD to allow for a 294-unit apartment complex. A traffic impact study was not provided; to make an informed decision, the CPAC would like to review the study before recommending approval or denial. The motion passed unanimously.

North Florida TPO – Jim Hill — no report

Nomination Subcommittee – Kathleen Perera presented the slate of officers to the full CPAC. There was a withdrawal of nomination for the Vice Chair position and a nomination for the Chair position. The CPAC membership needed to complete the voting process a second time, due to voters not signing the ballots. Upon completion of the second vote, it was announced that Scott Koslowski would serve as 2025 SE CPAC Chair and Jose Gonzalez would serve as 2025 SE CPAC Vice Chair.

Park Safety Council – Walter Bryant – no report, the committee has not met.

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – Ramon Day – no report.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski –As a reminder, the Neighborhood Awards program was postponed to May 2025 to be a part of the Neighborhoods, USA (NUSA) conference.

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

Chairs Report – Chair Griffin thanked the CPAC for supporting her for the past three years as CPAC Chair. Chair Griffin reminded the CPAC that the December meeting there would not be a presentation to shorten the meeting. After the meeting, everyone is invited to attend a group CPAC dinner at Leci's Italian Restaurant on Philips Highway.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – None

Public Comment –

- John Nooney shared his concerns regarding the lack of public access to our local waterways and with resiliency in our area. Mr. Nooney shared his local kayaking experiences and expressed concern regarding waterway pollution and the lack of public water access options.

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 and will be held on **Monday, December 16, 2024**, at 6:30 pm. Join us in-person at the Mandarin Senior Center, 3848 Hartley Road, 32257 or virtually on Zoom webinar.