

Urban Core Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

May 2, 2022 Meeting Summary

Hybrid Meeting:

Ed Ball Building, 214 N. Hogan Street, First Floor Training Room, Jacksonville, FL 32202 and on Zoom

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members: Kim Pryor, Chair; Greg Radlinski, Vice Chair; Bryant Shumaker, SPAR Council; Becca Dingler, 2nd Mile Ministries; Keith Davis, All Things Common Ministries, Inc.; Dimitri Demopoulos, Churchwell Lofts; Juanita Senior, Planet Watch Neighborhood Association; Celia Miller, Good Neighbor M.A.N.I.A; Ernest Smith III, Plaza Condominium Association; Cindy Watson, JASMYN; Michelle Thomas, All Things Common Ministries, Inc.

Excused: None

Visitors: Richard Lewis; Marcia Ellison; Barbara Beaman; Brenda Ford; Sarah Wilson-Krafft; Temisha Hill; Joe McClure; Eustachius Roberts; Darlene Gamble; Dennis Stone; Jayne McIntosh

Staff and Elected Officials: Dorian Bush, Executive Council Assistant to City Council Member Garrett Dennis, District 9; Robert Bautochka, Municipal Code Compliance; Keli Likins, JPL; Tracy McGeathay, JTA; Will Williams, Public Works; Todd Smith, JFRD; Chiquita Moore, Neighborhoods Department; Lisa Ransom; Neighborhood Services Office; Jessica Denson, Neighborhood Services Office; Brittany Figueroa, Planning and Development

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- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Chair Pryor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Jessica Denson confirmed a quorum was present.
- 2. Approval of Previous Meeting's Summary:** The April 2022 meeting summary was approved by the CPAC members.
- 3. Public Comment:** None
- 4. Elected Official's Report:**
 - Dorian Bush, Executive Council Assistant to City Council Member Garrett Dennis, District 9, informed the CPAC members that Council Member Garrett Dennis had no updates and opened the floor for questions.

Dorian Bush may be reached at (904)255-5209 or DJBush@coj.net.

- 5. Chairs Report:** Chair Pryor shared a letter she received from the City of Jacksonville with the UC CPAC members. The letter is asking the members to identify one priority capital improvement project for each neighborhood within the boundaries of the Urban Core District. These projects will be considered for inclusion into the proposed FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) subject to available funding. The deadline to submit the UC CPAC list of recommended Capital Improvement Projects is June 17, 2022. Chair Pryor asked the CPAC members to have their one-priority CIP recommendation at Urban Core's June meeting.

Chair Pryor informed the CPAC members that the mission for the UC CPAC Blight and Code Enforcement Subcommittee is to build a partnership between citizens and Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD). Participants are required to report their concern to the City of Jacksonville first by calling 630-CITY or going to myjax.custhelp.com. If the concern is not addressed by the ticket close date, participants should bring the ticket number to the Blight and Code Enforcement Subcommittee to investigate. No subcommittee meetings should last more than one hour.

Chair Pryor announced that elected officials reports, staff reports, and public comments will have a three-minute time limit. CPAC members will have a three-minute time limit to make comments and limited to ask two questions per speaker.

6. Staff Reports:

- Jacksonville Fire and Rescue (JFRD)-** Todd Smith, Chief of the Emergency Preparedness Division, reminded the CPAC members that hurricane season starts on June 1st and encouraged the CPAC members to review their evacuation plan. Citizens can download the JaxReady App to receive updates regarding their evacuation zones.

Chief Smith can be reached at todds@coj.net.

- **Office of General Counsel-** Lawsikia Hodges, Attorney, addressed Vice-Chair Greg Radlinski concerns regarding the excused absences policy for CPAC members. Attorney Hodges stated she'll return at a later date to answer questions and encourage CPAC members to send Jessica Denson any additional questions regarding the CPAC excused absence policy.

Attorney Hodges can be reached at lhodges@coj.net.

- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)-**Keli Likins informed the CPAC members that the Jacksonville Public Library cardholders receives free admission at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) Jacksonville, located at the Main Jacksonville Library, on the last Friday of the month. For more information, visit www.jaxpubliclibrary.org.

Keli Likins may be reached at KLikins@coj.net or (904)255-6090.

- **Public Works (PW)-**Will Williams, Chief of Solid Waste Division, stated that public works have no updates.

Chief Williams stated the UC CPAC letter that was submitted to the Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD) to determine if an ordinance is needed to require landlords and tenants to remove their trash cans from the right-of-way actually falls into Public Works jurisdiction. Chief Williams stated that Ordinance Code Sec. 382.415: Responsibilities and obligations of Property Owners, Resident, Occupants, and Tenants requires landlords and tenants to remove their trash from the right-of-way.

Chief Williams encouraged the CPAC members to submit their concerns to the City of Jacksonville by calling 630-CITY or going to myjax.custhelp.com if trash is not removed to allow the Public Works Code Enforcement Officer the opportunity to cite the property.

Chief Williams can be reached at willw@coj.net.

- **Municipal Code Compliance (MCCD):** Robert Bautochka, Code Compliance Supervisor, reported that in the past 30 days, MCCD completed 1,699 inspections in the Urban Core District and 18,163 inspections in the past 365 days. On May 9th, MCCD will conduct a systematic inspection in the Mid Westside Area. 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.

Robert Bautochka can be reached at RBautochka@coj.net or (904)-255-7055.

- **Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)-** Tracy McGeathey, Community Relations Manager, reported the following:
 - JTA is currently hiring. To apply, visit www.JTAFLA.com.
 - JTA is offering complimentary rides to Duval County middle and high school students along with college students. Student must show their school badge.
 - JTA will host a series of community lunchtime meetings with Nathaniel Ford Sr., Chief Executive Officer of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA), called Community Pulse. Ms. McGeathey will provide additional information in the near future.

Tracy McGeathey can be reached at tmcgeathey@jtafla.com

- **Neighborhoods Department-** Chiquita Moore, Operations Director, reminded the CPAC members of the purpose of the CPAC and provided a brief overview of the Neighborhoods Department CPAC excused policy.

Operations Director Moore can be reached at (904)255-8902 or chiquitaM@coj.net.

7. **Old Business** – None
8. **New Business** – None

9. **Subcommittees:**

- **Blight and Code Enforcement:** CPAC member Keith Davis informed the CPAC members that the Blight and Code Enforcement Subcommittee met on Monday, April 19, 2022; no recommendations were made. CPAC Member Keith Davis asked for two additional members to join the subcommittee, but there was no response or volunteers.

- **Homelessness:** No Report
- **Governmental Affairs:** CPAC member Bryant Shumaker reported that the subcommittee reviewed one application; no recommendations were made.

10. Public Comments –

- Dennis Stone provided an overview of the Neighborhood Bills of Rights Ordinance number 95-247-106. A copy of the Neighborhoods Bill of Rights brochure was issued to the CPAC members.
- Jayne McIntosh sought guidance from the CPAC on how to contact the community and organizations within the Urban Core District to find out the community's needs.

11. Adjourn: There was a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

The next Urban Core CPAC Meeting is Monday, June 6, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Ed Ball Building, First Floor Training Room and via Zoom.

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