

Southwest Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

November 18, 2024, Meeting Summary

Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd. 32210

Zoom Meeting ID: Passcode:

Meeting Attendance

CPAC Members In-Person: Christina Purdy, Chair; Bill Fonferek, Westland Communities HOA, Vice Chair; Bruce Tyson, Trinity Ministries; Shirley Lowry, Hyde Grove Terrace Neighborhood Watch; David Lowry, Hyde Grove Terrace Neighborhood Watch; Jenny Watson, CHAPS; Nora Marcontet, CHAPS; Bernice Gremer, Fishweir Neighborhood Watch; Jason Roberts, Jacksonville Sheriff's Watch District 4; Tamika Wolfe-McKenzie, Tamika's School of Epicure.

CPAC Members Via Zoom: Ernest Surmons, Glenda Meadows HOA; Sandra Simmons, Blue Lake Estates HOA; Jacquelyn Woods, Cedar Hills Estates Comm. Assoc.

Visitors: Rae Walker, Sheriff's Watch District 4; Michael Hamsom, Hamsom, Inc.; Kathy Rowell; Rebecca Reams, CHAPS.

Visitors via Zoom: Cecial Evans; Linda and Darrell Barrow; Mari Schwabacher; Admin.

Staff and Elected Officials: Council Member Rahman Johnson, District 14; Cmdr. Eric Redgate, JSO; Lt. Clarence Hodge, JFRD; Lynne Baldwin, JPL; Jared Chemay, MCC Supervisor; Andy Hetzel, Planning and Development; Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Services Office; Tourea Robinson, Chief of Senior Services; Chip Harper, Veterans, Military, Affairs; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Jeremy Norsworthy, JTA.

Meeting Summary

- 1. Call to Order/Verify Quorum:** Vice Chair Purdy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Michelle Godwin-Ware verified a quorum.
- 2. Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary:** The summary for September and October was approved.
- 3. Elected Officials Report:** Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray, District 9, reported that Bill 2024-0730 passed a few weeks ago. This bill will help streamline the traffic calming measures citizens can implement in their neighborhoods. The new bill provides another avenue for contacting homeowners who may no longer reside at the property and are renting the home to another family. Public Works will mail a consent form regarding the type of traffic calming measure. The homeowner can consent in two ways. They can mark the form and return it if they do or do not consent or whether they consent or not and return the form, or not return the form, which would be considered a form of consent. Request for speed calming measures will also use the same process.
Council Member Tyrona Clark-Murray may be reached at (904) 255- 5209 or tclarkmurray@coj.net.
- 4. Guest Speaker: Presentation/Guest Speaker:**
Cantrece Jones, Acuity Design Group, Inc. (ADG), gave an update on the Jacksonville Parks Master Plan. Phase one of the Master Plan is complete, and phase two is underway with public engagement and obtaining public input. The goal is to deliver quality services, build an equitable system, and create a resilient Jacksonville. Citizens are encouraged to visit the Jacksonville Parks Master Plan website at www.imaginejaxparks.com and use the interactive parks engagement map, where they can share their ideas, feedback, and experiences directly on the map.
- 5. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) – Cmdr. Eric Redgate reported.**
 - Violent crime is down 9.1%, murder is down by 38.8%, kidnapping is down 16.3 %, theft from a motor vehicle is down 6%, aggravated assault is down 14.2%, simple assault is down 7.2%, and robbery is down by 16.6%. Sex offenses are up 10.3%. During the holiday season, theft and domestic disputes usually increase.

- A district-wide trend is smoke shop burglaries. They are usually smash-and-grabs done by young kids driving a stolen car. They take items such as vape pens, tobacco, and cash.
- The various deployments have been very successful in decreasing late-night car racing. Traffic units and the school board police will be notified of the issue of speeding and children running across Ambers Boulevard.

Cmdr. Eric Redgate (904) 573-3165.

6. Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD) – Lt. Clarence Hodge demonstrated Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). Ten years ago, the breathing portion of CPAR was thought to be the most critical component of CPR. However, through years of research, the American Heart Association found that the most crucial part of CPR is performing at least 100 chest compressions for one minute with Hands-Only CPR.

- The first signs of a heart attack are chest pains, such as stabbing, sharp pain or weight, shortness of breath, nausea or vomiting, and shoulder, back, or neck pain. Women can experience jaw pain. If someone expresses discomfort, have them sit down and rest while you call 911.
- The average response time when 911 is called is five to six minutes. CPR should be performed on a flat, hard surface like the floor. However, if you cannot move the person to the floor, performing CPR in a bed is better than not performing any CPR.
- Everyone should know their family's medical history of heart disease. People with high blood pressure should be sure to monitor it. Monday through Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., citizens can go by any Fire Station and have their blood pressure screened for free.

Lt. Hodge (904)255-3284 or Hodge@coj.net.

7. Chair's Report: Vice Chair Bill Fonferk announced that Bruce Tyson is looking for someone to replace him on the Taxation, Revenue, Utilization and Expenditure Committee. Those who are interested should speak with Mr. Tyson after the meeting.

8. Staff Reports:

- **Jacksonville Public Library (JPL)** – Lynne Baldwin, Executive Assistant Library Services I, reported:
 - The Willow Branch will host a life Lab program on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn all about winter wildlife with a master gardener from the University of Florida Extensions Office.
 - The West Branch Library will host the Nuts About Reading Book Club on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 6 p.m. The club meets on the third Tuesday of each month. This month's book is All This Could Be Yours by Jami Attenberg.
 - On Tuesday, November 19, 2024, the Argyle Branch Library hosts junior artists from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and junior scientists on Tuesday, November 27, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - CareerSource will help connect businesses with people seeking employment and training to succeed and grow professionally in the Web Westconnect Regional Library auditorium on Friday, November 22, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - The Bill Brighton Murray Hill Library is hosting a gaming program on Saturday, November 23, 2024, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Games like Nintendo Sports, Mario Kart, Super Mario 3D World, Super Smash Brothers and more will be available to play for ages eight to 18.
 - All Library locations will close at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, and will be closed on Thursday, November 28, 2024, through Friday, November 29, 2024, for the Thanksgiving holiday. All library locations will reopen on Saturday, November 30, 2024, at their regular hours.

Lynne Baldwin (904) 338-4383 or LBaldwin@coj.net.

- **Duval County Public School (DCPS)** – Tracey Pierce reported:
 - The application window is approaching for families to decide about the school they want their child to attend. All Duval County families are welcome to attend the School Showcase on Saturdays. All schools will be opened on their designated Saturdays, and families can meet school leaders and staff, ask questions, and attend school tours. Saturday Showcase Day starts December 7, 2024, and Middle and High School will begin on January 11, 2025. For more details, visit the DCPS website at <https://www.duvalschools.org/page/showcase>.
 - DCPS has 70 career academies across all Duval School District high schools. There are roughly 22,000 students enrolled in at least one career education.

- The School Board approved the consolidation of six schools. Three of the consolidations will occur this year, and three additional consolidations will happen next year. The DCPS Board is in the process of working with those school communities to begin integrating those schools. This will help address the budget crisis, and we hope to make one million dollars worth of budget cuts next year. Conversations around the district potentially cut Magnet School transportation, increase class sizes, and decrease school periods in the school day.
- Superintendent Dr. Bernier will host a total of seven Town Hall meetings beginning in December through January
Tracey Pierce – (904)

- **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)** – Derek Dixon, Transportation System Manager District 2 Urban Planning Office, provided feedback on several CPAC members' questions and concerns.
 - FDOT will address the reported litter, lighting, and mowing issues at the I-295 W and 103rd intersection.
 - The sign pole and sidewalk on the west side of the I-295 overpass will be repaired soon. The area is under construction but will be addressed once construction is completed.
 - The pothole reported on State Road 202 eastbound lane will be repaired.
 - The construction project team will take corrective actions to clear the road of gravel on the I-295 north ramp from 103rd Street. Citizens may file a claim with the Florida Department of Transportation if a pebble damages their window while driving on an FDOT road at <https://www.fdot.gov/legal/claims/claimshomepage.shtm>.
 - Mr. Dixon advised he'd speak with the traffic operations team to get an update on the request for an audio crossing system at the corner of Duclay Road and Blanding Boulevard and a no U-Turn sign at the intersection of Blanding Boulevard and Duke Street.

Derek Dixon - (904) 360-5653 or Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us.

- **Municipal Code Compliance Division (MCCD)** - Jared Chemay, Code Compliance Supervisor, reported that 1,361 inspections have been completed this month.
 - A total of 152 litter signs have been removed this fiscal year. All removed litter signs are electronically logged to keep track of violators and mail citations.
 - Transient complaints are handled by Municipal Code Compliance, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, and the property owners. JSO is usually the first to start working with the property owner to remove the unauthorized persons from the property. Municipal Code Compliance enforces the removal of trash, debris, and other unsanitary conditions. The property owners are cited and given reasonable time to correct the violation independently. If not corrected independently, further steps for abatement will be taken.
 - Per Senate Bill 60, citizens can no longer be anonymous when calling 630-2489(CITY) to make a complaint.
 - The main number for the Municipal Code Compliance Office is (904) 255-7000.

Jared Chemay (904)626-0736 or JChemay@coj.net.

9. Subcommittee/Liaison Reports:

- **LUZ Subcommittee & Planning and Development** – Vice Chair Fonferek reported that the subcommittee reviewed seven applications. The Southwest CPAC's LUZ subcommittee had no opposition to five of the ordinances and recommended tabling Ordinance 2024-0326 and Ordinance 20240860 until further information was provided regarding the projects. CPAC members passed the SW LUZ Subcommittee recommendations.
 - **Ordinance 2024-00326 – Planned Unit Development Rezoning – 0 Brady Branch Road:** The applicant seeks to rezone approximately 33.95 acres of property from Plan Unit Development (PUD) to Plan Unit Development (PUD) with the intended plan of development for the Baldwin Recreation Vehicle (RV) Park. A 2007 PUD allowed residential use consistent with the LDR Future Land Use category (Ordinance 2007-361-E). The real estate is located on the south side of Brandy Branch Road and west of Canal Street. The site is designated LDR on the Future Land Use Maps and is currently zoned PUD. The project is the subject of a Comprehensive Plan FLUM Amendment to AGR. The new site is proposed to allow the development of a Recreational Vehicle Park. A motion was made and seconded to table a recommendation until further information is provided. CPAC members passed the motion unanimously.

- **Ordinance 2024-0865 – Rezoning to Conventional Zoning District – 1465 Old Middleburg Rd., N.:** The applicant seeks to rezone from RMD-B to RMD-D. A motion was made and seconded to table a recommendation until further information is provided. CPAC members passed the motion unanimously.

Andy Hetzel (904) 255-7821 or AHetzel@coj.net.

- **Taxation Revenue Utilization Expenditures (TRUE) Commission – No Report**

10. Chair and Vice Chair Elections – Bruce Tyson lead the elections for the 2025 Southwest CPAC Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Tyson presented Christina Purdy as the nominee for Chair. Mr. Tyson confirmed three times there were no additional nominations for chair from the floor. The Southwest CPAC unanimously re-elected Mrs. Purdy as Chair. Mr. Tyson presented William Fonferek as the nominee for Vice Chair, confirming three times there were no additional nominations from the floor for Vice Chair. The Southwest CPAC unanimously re-elected Mr. Fonferek as Vice Chair.

11. Unfinished Business – None

12. New Business – None

13. Neighborhood Coordinator's Report: Michelle Godwin-Ware, Neighborhood Coordinator, announced that the Neighborhood Awards program has been rescheduled to be held during the opening of the Neighborhoods USA (NUSA) conference in May 2025. Details will be provided soon.

Michelle Godwin-Ware 904-255-8236 or Michellegw@coj.net.

14. Public Comments/Concerns/Announcements:

- **Military Affairs & Veterans (MAVD)** – Chip Harper, reported:
 - A Veterans Service Officer (VSO) will be at the Regency Square Branch Library every third Wednesday of the month. The next visit is Wednesday, October 16, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The VSO can provide general information on Military Affairs and Veterans Department services HVRP, tax preparation, and upcoming events and assist clients with completing their benefits claims online.
 - Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, in partnership with the MAVD, will host Ask-A-Lawyer on the third Thursday of the month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at City Hall, 117 W. Duval St., Suite 175. Appointments are encouraged to make an appointment call (904) 255-5550. Walk-ins must arrive before 11 a.m.
 - Food Farmacy events will be held for active-duty military families with military ID every second Thursday of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the fourth Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 390 Mayport Road, Atlantic Beach, FL.

Chip Harper (904) 255-5537 or ClarenceH@coj.net.

15. Adjourn: Chair Purdy adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Next CPAC Meeting: January 13, 2025, 6:30 p.m. In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd., and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

Next Land Use and Zoning (LUZ) Subcommittee Meeting: January 13, 2025, 5:30 p.m. In person at Lane Wiley Senior Center, 6710 Wiley Rd., and via Zoom, Meeting ID: 821 7431 0303 Passcode: 693048. A formal email notice will be emailed to members.

Summary prepared by Michelle Godwin, Neighborhood Coordinator, 255-8236 or michellegw@coj.net.

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