

Greater Arlington Beaches Citizens Planning Advisory Committee

September 9, 2019 Meeting Summary

Pablo Creek Regional Library, 13295 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32246

Meeting Attendance

Members: Dr. Ramsey Salem, Chair; Kirk Armstrong, Lake Lucina Association; Larry Belge, River Woods-St. Johns landing HOA; Nell DeCoursey, Hickory Creek HOA; Lenore Hanapel, Covington Creek HOA; Delmas Harper, POISE, Inc.; Lad Hawkins, Communities of East Arlington; Harley Herdon, Cypress Cove Good Neighbors; Tim Keeley, Kensington Association; Sheila Litwhiler, Beachwood Civic Association; Vida McCullough, Waterleaf Association; Peter Mione, Old Arlington Inc.; Jerry Petoskey, Old Mill Cove Community Organization; Nina Pougliouklidis, Ibis Point Owners Association; John Roberts, The Valley at Hidden Hills; Amita Agnihotri, Osprey Pointe HOA; Will Messer, Queens Harbour POA.

Excused: Michael Anania, Arlington Business Society; Robert Barletta, Charter Point Community Association; Michele Davis, City Council Appointee – District 1; Kristopher Edewaard, Hawkins Cove HOA; Kacy Evans, Caroline Forest HOA; Pete Miller, Indian Springs Community Association; Eddi Parsons, Monument Oaks HOA; Melody Shacter, Vice Chair; Patricia Sanders, Charter Point Community Association.

Visitors: Angela Sheppard, JU; Joe Mantione, The Woods; Andre' Boutte', Hickory Creek HOA

Staff: The Honorable Aaron Bowman, District 3; Carol Brock, City Council District 3; Derek Dixon, FDOT; David Rounds, JFRD; Steve Long, Public Works; Keith Meyerl, Parks, Recreations and Social Services; Chiquita Moore, Neighborhoods Department; Connie Patterson, Planning and Development; Cheryl Riddick, JTA; Jackie Spiritas, JPL; Rosemary Wesolowski, Neighborhood Services Office.

Call to Order/Verify Quorum- Chair Salem called the September 2019 GAB CPAC meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Rosemary Wesolowski verified that a quorum was present.

Approval of the Previous Meeting Summary – The August 2019 meeting summary was approved by the CPAC.

Presentation(s): Eric Barbosa, Republic Services introduced himself and his colleagues; Debra Hollis, Jon Gagnue and Jason Graves.

Mr. Barbosa informed the CPAC that on average locally we recycle 30 tons of materials every hour of operation and 300 tons of materials a day in Jacksonville. Over the past couple of years what and how we recycle has changed. Many of the changes are associated to the new allowable quality and contamination levels of materials/items that can be recycled. Items we can recycle are: flattened cardboard; all types of clean paper and magazines; metal cans; glass jars; glass bottles; plastic bottles and jugs.

Items that we cannot recycle are: plastic bags & wrappers; soiled paper; Styrofoam; clothing and shoes; greasy pizza boxes; hand tools; food; toys; electronics; batteries; construction waste; yard waste; medical materials; packing peanuts; popcorn bags; used paper plates or plastic utensils; dirty paper towels; diapers and scrap metal.

Ms. Hollis reminded everyone not to bag or bundle their recyclables before placing them into the recycle bin. All items in the recycle bin need to be clean and dry. It was clarified that we can leave the caps on jugs and bottles. Labels can be left on jars and cans too. If you want to recycle plastic straws, plastic utensils and toothbrushes, place them inside a plastic bottle before you add them to the recycle bin. Additional reminders provided were: all items to be recycled must be at least the size of a credit card; lids are too small to recycle by themselves so put them on the containers or throw them away; if you can poke your finger through the plastic, it doesn't belong in your recycling container. When in doubt, throw it out.

For additional recycling information visit <https://recyclingsimplified.com/> Mr. Barbosa shared tours of the Republic Services North Florida Recycling Center (7000 Imeson Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32219) are available for groups. To schedule a tour of the recycling center call 1-800-331-2909.

Elected Officials Report:

Aaron Bowman, City Council District 3– Council Member Bowman shared that he has toured the recycling facility and recommended taking the tour. Council Member Bowman is the Chair of the Finance Committee and this committee is currently reviewing the FY2019/20 City of Jacksonville budget. It was acknowledged that the budget looks good and will be presented to the full City Council the third week of September. The full Jacksonville City Council will vote tomorrow night on the merger of Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach fire departments; it appears the merger will be approved. Council Member Bowman announced that a small undeveloped two or three acre lot near Abess Park will be developed into a dog park in the near future. The Charter Revision Committee is organized every ten years to consider changes in the City's charter; this is the legal structure of our consolidated city/county government. The next Charter Revision Committee meeting will be held on September 13, 2019 in City Hall, 117 W, Duval Street, 32202, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Staff Reports:

JSO (Jacksonville Sheriff's Office) – Lieutenant Bouye announced overall crime in Zone 2 is down. Lieutenant Bouye provided an update to questions raised at the August 2019 meeting in regard to the use of golf carts on sidewalks and roads. All golf carts must be licensed and must drive on the roads only. It is illegal to drive a golf cart on the sidewalk for any reason even if they are properly licensed. Lieutenant Bouye stated there has been a spike in auto burglaries in the past 30 days. The 9:00 pm Routine was stressed and everyone was encouraged to not leave money, valuables, car keys, wallets/purses and guns in their vehicles unattended. Lieutenant Bouye that JSO was busy during Hurricane Dorian. JSO had many staff members and officers on call in case the hurricane track changed brought the storm closer to Jacksonville.

Zone 2 substation – 9501 Arlington Expressway – 904-726-5100

JFRD (Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department) – Daniel Rounds stated JFRD was fully deployed and actively preparing for Hurricane Dorian for ten days. Everyone was happy the hurricane track kept the storm well off the coast. In the past 30 days JFRD EMS (Emergency Medical Services) has responded to 11,279 calls and Fire Units responded to over 1000 calls; year to date JFRD has received over 100,000 calls.

FDOT – Derek Dixon stated FDOT also prepared for the hurricane. All the retractable overhead street lights have been lowered; the lights will remain down while other tropical weather systems in the Atlantic Ocean are monitored for possible strengthening or development.

Jacksonville Public Library – Jackie Spiritas, demonstrated how to use the new Kanopy service that is now available on the JPL website <https://www.jaxpubliclibrary.org/kanopy> Kanopy is a popular on-demand film streaming service that is now available for free at the Jacksonville Public Library. Library card holders can access Kanopy and sign up to start streaming films on instantly by visiting the web address above.

During Banned Books Week (Sept. 22 – 28, 2019), libraries across the country celebrate the freedom to read. The theme of this year's event, "Censorship Leaves Us in the Dark," urges everyone to "Keep the Light On." September is National Literacy Month, Ms. Spiritas encouraged everyone to visiting the library as a family, inspire your children to read by example, bring toddlers to library story times and to make time to read aloud as a family.

Jackie Spiritas – spiritas@coj.net

JTA – Cheryl Riddick recognized all of the JTA staff for their work and dedication to provide service for Hurricane Dorian. Ms. Riddick reminded the CPAC to use Gameday Xpress for their

transportation needs to and from Jaguar games; Gameday Xpress handouts were provided for everyone. Ms. Riddick announced bus fares will be increased. JTA will host several public meetings to get input and feedback from JTA riders. The dates and locations for the public meetings will be announced in the near future.

Cheryl Riddick – 632-5522 or criddick@jtafla.com

Neighborhoods Department – Chiquita Moore, Director of Operations introduced herself and shared that she has a vision to enhance CPAC's and will be very pro-active in her role. Ms. Moore also recognized her staff for their hard work and commitment associated with Hurricane Dorian. Staff spent the night and entered calls into 630-CITY throughout the night. Ms. Moore looks forward to working with the CPAC's.

Chiquita Moore, chiquitam@coj.net

Planning & Development Department – Connie Patterson stated due to Hurricane Dorian the Planning Commission cancelled their September 5, 2019 meeting. Issues that were to be discussed at the September 5th meeting will be discussed at the September 19, 2019 Planning Commission Meeting. If you would like to receive the zoning applications that will be discussed at the Land Use and Zoning Committee (LUZ) subcommittee meetings, please email Ms. Patterson and she will add your name to her email list.

Connie Patterson, 255-7822 or Constancep@coj.net

Public Works – Steve Long made the following announced that the City of Jacksonville will have a tire and sign buy-back on September 28, 2019, at TIAA Stadium from 8 am to 2 pm. Earn \$2 per tire up to 10 tires and 50 cents per sign up to 40 signs, with a maximum payout of \$40, or \$20 maximum per item. Real Estate signs, agricultural tires (i.e. tractor tires), concrete tires and bicycle tires are not accepted. Commercial businesses are NOT allowed to participate in this event, and it is a violation for tire shops to hand out used tires to residents.

Steve Long, 255-4283 or slong@coj.net

Subcommittee/Liaison Reports (3 minute time limit):

LUZ (Land Use and Zoning)/Governmental Affairs – On behalf of Mike Anania, Chair Salem stated at the LUZ Subcommittee meeting they reviewed a couple of applications and no action or motions were made.

Beautification/Parks – Larry Belge - no report.

Environment – Lad Hawkins informed the CPAC that he learned a lot about our recycling program and plans to share with his community.

Membership – vacant.

Transportation – Will Messer – no report.

Ad-Hoc Committees:

TRUE (Taxation, Revenue, and Utilization of Expenditures) Commission – John Roberts shared that the TRUE Commission does not meet in the month of July. In the months of August and September the commission did not have a quorum. Mr. Roberts stated that the TRUE Commission would like to review cost associated with JSO providing JSO officers to Duval County Public Schools.

North Florida TPO – Will Messer – no report.

Neighborhood Coordinator Report – Rosemary Wesolowski informed the CPAC that:

- The Matching Grant Program has released the applications for 2020 Matching Grants. Please remember that you need to register your association with the Neighborhood Services Office at <http://jaxneighborhoodorganizations.coj.net>
- The GAB CPAC needs to form a Nomination Subcommittee to elect a new CPAC Chair and Vice Chair in November to serve in 2020. If you are willing to serve on this temporary subcommittee, please contact Rosemary.

Chairs Report – Chair Salem shared that he has enjoyed serving as the GAB CPAC Chair and encouraged everyone to consider serving.

Unfinished Business – none.

New Business – none.

Public Comment – The Zone 2 JSO Safety Fair will be held at Regency Square Mall on Saturday, September 28, 2019, 10 am to 2 pm.

Motion to Adjourn

The next meeting of the District 2 CPAC will be Monday, October 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the Pablo Creek Regional Library, 13295 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville FL, 32246