



City of Jacksonville – The Jacksonville Journey

Neighborhood Safety & Stability

MINUTES

OF

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY &

STABILITY

SUB-COMMITTEE

February 12, 2008

The Jacksonville Journey – Neighborhood Safety & Stability

Sub-Committee

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2:30 p.m.

PROCEEDINGS before the Jacksonville Journey – Neighborhood Safety & Stability Sub-Committee taken on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, Edward Ball Building, 8th Floor – 214 N. Hogan Street, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida commencing at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Safety & Stability Committee

Tony Boselli, Chair
Oliver Barakat, Member
John Clark, Member
Charlie Commander, Member
Ronnie Ferguson, Member
Joni Foster, Member
Mark Griffin, Member
Charles Griggs, Member
Tripp Gulliford, Member
Alberta Hipps, Member
Suzanne Jenkins, Member
Curtis Johnson, Member
A.L. Kelly, Member
Diane Kerr, Member
Lisa Moore, Member
Devin Reed, Member
Jim Robinson, Member
Toney Sleiman, Member
Eric Smith, Member
Eddie Staton, Member

APPEARANCES

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & MEMBERS:

TONY BOSELLI, Chair
CHARLIE COMMANDER, Member
RONNIE FERGUSON, Member
CHARLES GRIGGS, Member
SUZANNE JENKINS, Member
CURTIS JOHNSON, Member
DIANE KERR, Member
DEVIN REED, Member
ERIC SMITH, Member
EDDIE STATON, Member

ABSENT MEMBERS:

OLIVER BARAKAT, Member
JOHN CLARK, Member
JONI FOSTER, Member
MARK GRIFFIN, Member
TRIPP GULLIFORD, Member
ALBERTA HIPPS, Member
A.L. KELLY, Member
LISA MOORE, Member
JIM ROBINSON, Member
TONEY SLEIMAN, Member

STAFF:

KERRI STEWART
CHAD POPPELL
JENNIFER SAVAGE

OTHERS PRESENT:

Matt Galnor, T-U
Beverly McClain
Angela Williams
Maguerite Johnson
Anna Bradley
Marilyn Fenton Harmer
Jennifer Holbrook
Darryl Williams
Mary Kay O'Rourke
Mack Bissette
Shirley Dashin
Kendra Carver
Mary Beth Ridderman
Earl Kitchings

PROCEEDINGS

February 12, 2008

Neighborhood Safety & Stability Chair/Committee

2:30 p.m.

Call to Order and Comments. Chair Boselli called the meeting to order at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Purpose of Meeting. Discuss the Mayor's crime initiative - The Jacksonville Journey - Take a Step - Neighborhood Safety & Stability Sub-Committee.

Chairman Boselli welcomed the group and motioned for approval of the minutes, which was seconded and approved unanimously. Chairman Boselli then gave an overview of a letter he sent to Mayor Peyton, Council President Davis and Jay Fant, Chair of the JEA's Board of Directors asking JEA to re-consider its \$7 million allocation for marketing activities over the next five years and to instead put that money toward after-school programming. Chairman then opened discussion for six items up for vote at the meeting.

Action item 1: The City of Jacksonville should define physical assets in 'hot-spot' areas for use for after-school and summer programs. Schools (closed or open) should be looked at as a priority with community centers, churches and other public/private facilities filling in the gaps.

Vote: Motion made, seconded and approved unanimously

Action item 2: The City of Jacksonville should locate property (raw land, existing commercial/industrial structures, abandoned properties, school facilities) for building/retrofitting as gymnasiums/multi-use facilities. Hot spot areas should be given priority.

Vote: Motion made, seconded and approved unanimously

Action item 3: All funds that are currently appropriated for after-school programs and community center operations as well as any future funding identified should be pooled into one fund on an annual basis for programming. The Jacksonville Journey's Positive Youth Development Committee should define appropriate programming models. The Parks Advisory Board (or any board reflective of providers and users of the programs) should assess program outcomes and recommend funding on an annual basis (this is based on the Jacksonville Children's Commission and the Housing Commission model).

Vote: Motion made and seconded. All in favor with the exception of: Ronnie Ferguson - dissented not because of lack of support for idea, but because he is not sure of the demarcation between activities related to this program and the Jacksonville Children's Commission; Eddie Staton - dissented because he is against not taking into consideration the way boards were chosen in the past and because the committee is not taking into account "unknowns"; Charles Griggs - dissented because he feels he does not have enough information to feel comfortable voting on this now.

Action item 4: The City of Jacksonville should revisit the make-up and duties of the Parks Advisory Board to ensure that it reflects the providers and users of the park system and its programs. Members should have skill set required to oversee program dollars.

Vote: Motion made and seconded. All in favor with the exception of: Ronnie Ferguson, dissented because of lack of detail about how

funding this board would be distributed throughout the city; and Eddie Staton, dissented because of lack of detail about how funding this board would be distributed throughout the city.

Action item 5: We recommend that the goal of all public facilities should be to have a public, private and neighborhood component for operations and programming.

Vote: Motion made, seconded and all in favor.

Action item 6: Request that JEA place a 'check' box on its bills for donations to after-school and summer programming. (Contributions used exclusively for public purposes are deductible.)

Vote: Motion made, seconded and all voted in favor.

Chairman Boselli asked the committee members to be prepared next meeting with recommendations on what qualifications they'd like to see in the members of the Parks Advisory Board. He then opened up the floor for public comment. Earl Kitchings asked the board to consider whether or not JEA would add an administrative fee to the 'check' box placed on its bills.

Chairman Boselli adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

2. Action Items

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3. Discussion Items

None.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.