

Charter Point Notes

June 2011



A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken. -- James Dent

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

To All Charter Point Dads, Granddads & Father Figures!
Sunday, June 19

Congratulations to One of Charter Point's Own!

(excerpted from www.coj.net, May 20, 2011 and June 03, 2011; photo from www.alvinformayor.com)



Alvin Brown & family

Promising to deliver the "most complete, most transparent transition" ever, Mayor John Peyton stood on the steps of City Hall and welcomed his successor, Mayor-Elect Alvin Brown. Mayor Peyton and his senior staff spent all morning with Brown's family – wife Santhea and sons Joshua and Jordan – and the new mayor's transition team.

Brown supporters began lining up in Hemming Plaza, some carrying campaign signs, an hour before the press conference began. The mayor and the mayor elect walked through the City Hall atrium and arrived on the steps to loud cheers from supporters and city employees. Mayor Peyton spoke first, welcoming Brown and congratulating him on a well-fought campaign. But he acknowledged with a laugh, "I know I am not the one you want to hear from today," and welcomed Mayor-Elect Alvin Brown to the stage.

Brown began his comments with a pledge to unite the community behind him. He thanked his opponent in the race – former Tax Collector Mike Hogan – and reached out to the entire city, including Hogan supporters. "I'm very honored that the voters of Jacksonville trust me to lead this city", said Brown to loud cheers from the crowd. "I'll work to earn your trust."

Mayor-elect Brown has tapped a diverse group of community leaders to help set a course for the city's new administration. At an afternoon news conference at City Hall, Mayor-elect Brown announced that business executive and civic leader Peter Rummell, Pastor H.T. Rhim of St. Joseph Missionary Baptist Church, and community leader and philanthropist Delores Weaver will serve as the strategic chairs of his transition team.

Brown also announced that Sulzbacher Center President and CEO Audrey Moran and State Sen. Tony Hill, D-Jacksonville, will also serve in leadership roles as co-chairs of the overall team.

As Brown prepares to take office July 1, 2011, the strategic chairs and co-chairs will oversee the efforts of 18 fact-finding policy committees that will explore the opportunities and challenges facing the city. Brown has appointed co-chairs for each of the policy committees, which will focus on areas as diverse as economic development, education and children, budget and downtown revitalization.

Next week, the Mayor-elect will announce additional members of each of the policy committees.

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Clifton Williams
5370 Oak Bay Drive, North (Lot 232)

Richard & Marlene Starkey
5441 River Trail Road, North (Lot 57)

Geoffrey Davis & Kath Fuchs
4318 Charter Point Blvd (Lot 113)

June Yard of the Month

John & Nancy Sullivan
4451 Charter Point Blvd

Happy Hour

Take a break from weekend errands & chores!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18
5:00 - 6:30PM

Hosted by Craig & Linda Hemphill
5487 River Trail Road, North

Bring a favorite appetizer to share.

RSVP to 745-1833 or cpcanews@aol.com

Charter Point Community Association Membership - 2011

PAST DUE

If you have not yet renewed your Charter Point Community Association membership dues, please remit \$215 promptly to Bob Barletta, CPCA Membership Chair, 4432 Fern Creek Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32277. If paying electronically, be sure this mailing address is noted in your e-banking record.

Of Community Interest!

Proposed Residential Garbage Ordinance 2011-349

The above referenced ordinance was introduced at a recent City Council meeting. The following information was emailed to Charter Point from COJ Neighborhoods Department:

The ordinance proposes to allow Republic Services of Florida (d/b/a Southland Waste Systems of Jacksonville – the city's contracted residential waste hauler for that area generally described as East and South of the St. Johns River, West of the ICW and North of Beach Boulevard) to initiate a new collection program that would impact weekly residential garbage and recyclable collection within their assigned territory. (The proposed ordinance would have no impact on the weekly collection of yard waste.)

The new collection program proposes to allow Southland Waste Systems to issue each residential customer two 96 gallon receptacles (one for garbage only, and one for recyclables only). Because the receptacles would be emptied by a one man collection vehicle through the use of an automated boom, all waste would have to be within the receptacle. (Because the vehicle operator never gets out of the truck, only what's in the issued receptacle will be collected.) Residential customers could purchase additional receptacles for about \$50/each, or opt to have a smaller 65 gallon receptacle in the event a 96 gallon receptacle may be too difficult for them to maneuver to or retrieve from the street.

In a meeting with representatives of Southland Waste Systems yesterday, I asked them to please reach out to the Greater Arlington/Beaches CPAC, Greater Arlington Community Council and other affected neighborhood associations registered with the city. I also shared my concern about how a resident would dispose of an item that wouldn't fit in the 96 gallon receptacle (like an old barbeque grill for example), and they were unclear how those items would be picked up.

In closing, I would respectfully request that you call this matter to the attention of the affected members of the Greater Arlington/Beaches CPAC and encourage them to contact Southland Waste Systems in the event a representative of Southland Waste Systems doesn't contact them.

Thank you.
John R. Crescimbeni
City Councilman, At-Large, Group 2

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Road Frontage Waiver (Ord 2011-38) relates to a 1/2 acre unimproved land parcel on the dirt road off Edenfield that abuts several lots along Fern Creek Drive. Over the past several months, Charter Point representatives have been taking steps to oppose the waiver.

Update, May 2, 2011 (from Councilman Clay Yarborough):

COJ Planning Department confirmed the lot in question, which is 110' feet wide, will be rejoined to the lot from which it was split to create a lot 220' feet wide. Based on the City's map from 1972, the lot of record was 240' wide. In order to be a lot of record an additional 20' is required. That withstanding, the same owner of the property in question also owns the property to the north of the 220' lot, so the lot of record status is achieved. The owner is no longer required to obtain a waiver in order to develop the property.

The ordinance relating to the waiver (2011-38) will be up for a withdrawal at the Land Use & Zoning Committee meeting tomorrow afternoon and again at the full Council meeting next Tuesday.

Update, May 10, 2011: On May 2, the Edenfield parcel owner requested the withdrawal of the Waiver (for Minimum Road Frontage. Case #2011-38). The City Council eventually voted 17-0 to deny 2011-38. With the denial vs. a withdrawal, the same waiver may not be sought again for a period of at least one year.

Follow up by CPCA president Walt Holton, May 11, 2011:

Councilman Yarborough,

On behalf of all Charter Point residents, many thanks for your support in getting COJ leadership to deny ORD 2011-38. While this denial is good news, it is important we remain vigilant of the concerns raised in opposition to ORD 2011-38.

Charter Point residents currently experience drainage/flooding along Charter Point's eastern perimeter and Edenfield Road (RLD-60 sector). Any new construction within this area will make this situation worst unless preventive actions are mandated as conditions for new construction within the RLD-60 sector.

All future development/construction within the Edenfield RLD-60 sector should be required to connect to centralized utilities (sewage, water, and electrical) since the services are readily available.

All future construction within the Edenfield RLD-60 sector should be required to conform to the style, square footage, and single family occupancy like the surrounding residents. Failure to do so could adversely impact the property value of existing properties.

Response, Councilman Yarborough: I am inquiring to City staff now on what more can be done to help address the long-standing concerns (flooding, conditions of construction, etc), and I will work with Charter Point residents and the adjacent affected owners on what is in all parties' best interests.

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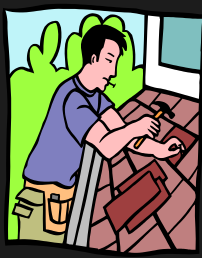
**Start cleaning out
those closets, attics
and garages!**

**October 2011
Stay tuned for more
details!**



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To join, email Linda Hemphill, Breaking e-News Administrator, at cpcanews@aol.com. All Breaking News emails are sent bcc: to assure email address privacy.



Reminder: Architectural Pre-Approval is required before commencing any exterior home improvements, such as structural expansion, fence construction, painting, driveway paving, roofing, etc. Be sure to heed certain requirements within the Charter Point deeded covenants and restrictions, which outlines what is expected before commencing an exterior construction project and the parameters of what is permitted. It also lists the steps necessary to obtain approval for the proposed construction. Obtaining approval for your construction project is not a difficult process, but it is required to be sure that each project falls into the guidelines set forth by the C&R. An application form is available for printing from the Web site (www.charterpoint.org). Thank you for adhering to neighborhood standards!

CHARTER POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATION OF STRUCTURES

This form is designed to provide Charter Point homeowners with a convenient method of complying with the covenants and restrictions (found at WWW.CharterPoint.org), relating to construction of new structures and modification, remodeling, or repair of existing structures (See Article III, Section 8). Specifically, homeowners must submit the information elicited by this form to the Association, channeled through its Covenants and Restrictions committee, which has limited authority to approve and disapprove proposed construction. Use of this form does not alter any of the requirements of the covenants.

Date of Request: _____

Homeowner's Name: _____

Property address: _____ Lot #: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Location of improvement on the lot (Attach a drawing, copy of building permit if applicable, and copy of contractor's proposal): _____

Proposed improvement/Type of structure: _____

Note: improvements covered by Article III, Section 4, must be in rear of lot and be walled, fenced, or sufficiently landscaped so that the structure is obstructed from view from outside the lot.

Dimensions: _____

Materials: _____

Color: _____

Landscaping: _____

Contractor: _____

Estimated commencement date: _____ completion date: _____

Owner's signature: _____

Provide form to chairman of covenants and restrictions committee