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# **City of Jacksonville**

## Joint Planning Committee

### Annual Report

June 25, 2019

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## Introduction

As an advisory body to the Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) and the Cities of Duval County, the Joint Planning Committee (JPC) is responsible for reviewing future growth patterns within the county; reviewing existing sites and identifying future sites and facilities for schools, parks, and libraries; considering future site-compatible community facilities; and reviewing the annual update of the Interlocal Agreement (ILA).

## Commission Members

The Joint Planning Committee is composed of nine members as follows:

- One member appointed by the DCPS from among its membership;
- One member appointed by the City Council from among its membership;
- Three lay members appointed by the Superintendent of Schools;
- Two lay members appointed by the Mayor;
- One lay member appointed by the City Council President; and
- One lay member appointed jointly by the Mayor, the City Council President, the Chair of the DCPS and the Superintendent of Schools

There are no current vacancies on the Joint Planning Committee

## Membership Roster:

Name	Appointing Authority	Term End Date
T. R. Hainline, Chair	jointly by the Mayor, the City Council President, the Chair of the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools	6/30/2019
Josh Cockrell	Mayor	6/30/2018
Elizabeth Feustel	Mayor	6/30/2019
Drew Frick	Council President	6/30/2019
Michael J. Hawk	Superintendent	*
Council Member Tommy Hazouri	Council	6/30/2019
School Board Member Warren Jones	School Board	12/1/2017
Karen Nuland	Superintendent	*
Monique Tookes	Superintendent	*

**\*There were no specified term end dates noted in the letter provided by the former Superintendent of Schools Dr. Nikolai Vitti, dated January 6, 2017 (attached).**



## Summary

The JPC is required to meet twice per year. Thus far in 2019, the committee has had one meeting on March 6.

The meeting was held to discuss the resolution approved by the JPC on June 20, 2018. The resolution requests that the Jacksonville City Council, the commissions and councils of the other participating cities (Atlantic Beach, Baldwin, Jacksonville Beach, and Neptune Beach) to meet with the Duval County School Board to provide direction to the JPC on how it desires to handle developmental impacts on the public school system. The resolution is included as an attachment to this report.

The resolution is a result of the work the JPC has been doing over the last two years regarding the potential replacement options for the existing school concurrency program. On November 6, 2017 the JPC approved a motion to remove school concurrency from the ILA. This decision was based upon the recommendation of DCPS staff, who believe that the existing school concurrency program has not been effective in addressing school capacity issues related to development. Following this motion, City and DCPS staff (ILA Team) began to draft options to replace school concurrency that would allow DCPS to comment and make recommendations on proposed rezonings and land use map amendments that impact school capacity.

For the present and upcoming year, the JPC is effectively practicing its duties and reviewing tasks in their purview. It is expected that the JPC, as established, will meet less frequently after recommending updates to the current ILA.

June 25, 2019





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Superintendent

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January 6, 2017

Director William B. Killingsworth  
Planning and Development Department  
214 N. Hogan Street, Suite 300  
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Re: Joint Planning Committee Representatives

Dear Director Killingsworth:

This year, 2017, the appointments of Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) members to the Joint Planning Committee are as follows:

The Honorable Warren Jones – Duval County School Board Member  
Ms. Karen Nuland – DCPS Lay Member  
Ms. Monique Tookes – DCPS Lay Member  
Mr. Michael Hawk – DCPS Lay Member

Please accept our lay member appointees as well as the Duval County School Board representative. Your assistance in completion of these appointments is appreciated.

Please contact Mr. Don Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Operations, should you have any questions at (904) 390-2008.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "N. Vitti".

Nikolai P. Vitti, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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C: Honorable Warren Jones  
Ms. Karen Nuland  
Ms. Monique Tookes  
Mr. Michael Hawk

**JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE (“JPC”) REQUESTING THE JACKSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL, THE COMMISSIONS AND COUNCILS OF THE OTHER PARTICIPATING CITIES (ATLANTIC BEACH, BALDWIN, JACKSONVILLE BEACH, AND NEPTUNE BEACH) TO MEET WITH THE DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO THE JPC ON HOW IT DESIRES TO HANDLE DEVELOPMENTAL IMPACTS ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Jacksonville City Council, the commissions and councils of other participating cities (Atlantic Beach, Baldwin, Jacksonville Beach, and Neptune Beach), and Duval County School Board and staff (Duval County Public Schools or “DCPS”) are parties to an Interlocal Agreement (“ILA”), most recently amended in 2008, which addresses a variety of issues, including land use planning and school facilities planning; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the ILA, the Joint Planning Committee (“JPC”) has been meeting since late 2016 to update the ILA; and

**WHEREAS**, in November, 2017, upon the recommendation of DCPS staff, the JPC voted unanimously to recommend the discontinuance of school concurrency in the review of local development proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPC has continued to meet to consider alternative processes in the review of local development proposals to address impacts upon the school system; and

**WHEREAS**, these alternative processes involve fundamental policy choices, such as whether to adopt a system of paying fees or exactions to address any impacts on schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPC is ready and willing to assist in developing and implementing a system of fees or exactions for school impacts but, at this point, desires to seek policy direction from the parties to the ILA regarding how best to assess and mitigate for the impacts of proposed development on the school system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ILA contemplates regular joint meetings among the Jacksonville City Council, representatives from other participating cities, and the Duval County School Board; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the JPC respectfully asks that the parties to the ILA, at their next joint meeting, consider and provide direction to the JPC regarding the following questions:

**1. In their review of local development proposals, do the Jacksonville City Council, other participating cities, and DCPS desire (i) to solicit information from DCPS regarding any impact of development proposals on the school system, and/or (ii) to adopt a fee or exaction system which mitigates for any development impacts on schools not otherwise addressed?**

**2. If the Jacksonville City Council, other participating cities, and DCPS desire to adopt a fee or exaction system, do they prefer (i) a proportionate or “fair” share system, based upon legislatively adopted standards (for student generation, school capacity, service areas, portable classrooms, and similar issues) and a case-by-case review and contract**

between the development applicant, the applicable city, and DCPS, or (ii) a fee system, based upon a formula uniformly applied to all development applicants?

**DONE AND ORDERED** at the June 20, 2018 meeting of the Joint Planning Committee.

  
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T.R. Hamline, Chairman