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### Michael Cernech, City Manager, Tamarac



Michael Cernech is an At-Large Director on the FCCMA Board of Directors.

How long have you been a FCCMA member? I've been an FCCMA member since moving to Florida from Texas in 2001.

Are you an ICMA member and if so, how long? I joined ICMA in 1994, this will be my 20th year in ICMA.

Please describe your areas of formal/advanced education. I have a BS in Finance from the University of Detroit in Detroit, Michigan, an MPA from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, attended the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia and the Kennedy School at Harvard.

What got you interested in public service? My family has been involved in education, municipal government, City Management, and elected service for as long as I can remember.

What is your current occupation? I'm currently the City Manager of Tamarac, Florida (pop. 62,110) since 2011. (Read more)

## SAVE THE DATE! FCCMA Dinner at the ICMA Conference



FCCMA will hold its annual dinner at the ICMA Annual Conference in Charlotte at Fitzgerald's Irish Pub, 201 East 5th Street, Charlotte, NC 28202 on Monday, September 15. Dinner is scheduled for 7:00 p.m.

Dinner will include salad, choice of four entrées and a choice of two desserts. Soda, tea and water are included in the cost. A cash bar will be available.

The cost is \$40 per person. Seating will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis.

Reservations will be accepted until August 29. RSVPs will be necessary, as FCCMA will be guaranteeing a certain number of guests. A confirmation e-mail will be sent.

Reservations forms will be available soon. (Read more)

FLC Tech Tuesday - Using Apps to Engage Citizens



The Florida League of Cities will be hosting the fifth "Tech Tuesday" webinar on Tuesday, July 8 at 11:00 am. Join Lily Liu, Founder of Public Stuff, as she presents how cities can better engage citizens through technology.

Civic engagement no longer means long lines at government offices, city hall meetings, and bureaucratic procedures. Thanks to organizations like the Sunlight Foundation and Code for America, civic engagement now involves

meetups, hackathons, and "datapaloozas," and there is something for everyone to contribute. With this momentum in the open data and transparency movement, citizens are more empowered to participate in government and take control of the decisions that impact their lives. (Read more)

### Resolutions for ICMA's 100th Anniversary



Has your city or county issued a resolution recognizing ICMA's 100th anniversary and the contributions of the professional local government managers with your community? Once your resolution has been signed, send a copy to mfrisby@icma.org so that ICMA can include it as a sample for other local governments. (Read more)

### Changes to the ICMA Credentialing Program



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In June 2012 and in concert with the 10-year anniversary of the Voluntary Credentialing Program, ICMA initiated a conversation about the future of the program with credentialed managers and candidates and those not yet eligible. The purpose of the discussion with members was to determine likes, dislikes, ideas for the future, and the best way to develop a formal path to credentialing that spans the career stages of a member, as outlined in the 2008 ICMA Strategic Plan.

As part of this conversation, ICMA conducted 19 discussion sessions and received survey responses from 404 credentialed managers and candidates and 441 non-credentialed in-service members. (Read more)

# 2014 Florida Ethics Conference and Attorney General's Sunshine Summit



Save the Date to attend the 2014 Florida Ethics Conference and Attorney General's Sunshine Summit on September 24-26, 2014 at the Rosen Shingle Creek GOVERNMENT in Orlando. Hotel accommodations are available now. The room rate is \$119 per night. Call 1-(866) 996-6338. (Read more)

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