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# February 2017

# Message from the Executive Director

### By Casey Cook, FCCMA Executive Director

The FCCMA Nominating Committee met last Friday to interview candidates for Secretary-Treasurer and At-Large Director. Nine candidates, two for Secretary-Treasurer and seven for two At-Large positions, were interviewed throughout the day. I was blown away by the quality of the candidates interviewed and know that FCCMA will be in good hands in the future. Here are my takeaways from the meeting:

 Competition is a good thing - people care about the organization and want to make it better. I would be concerned if there weren't enough candidates for the job. The sheer number of candidates shows that we're doing something right, and that people realize the value of FCCMA. Several candidates expressed gratitude for all that the Association had done for them and had self-nominated because they wanted to give back. (Read more)

# **President's Priority**



# A Call to Action Update February 2017

## Professional Leadership Institute

"So You Want to be a Manager?"

FCCMA is inviting 70 emerging professionals to join our membership on the first day of this year's Annual Conference for the Professional Leadership Institute. For the second year, the Institute, formally known as the "So You Want to be a City/County Manager" pre-conference session, is being incorporated into the opening day of the conference. This will allow the attendees at no costs, to partner with mentors, attend the opening general session, to participate in the morning and afternoon breakout sessions and to hear outstanding keynote speakers. The FCCMA Professional Leadership Institute is a great opportunity for senior managers to help prepare the next generation.

This year's theme is *Innovative and Entrepreneurial Leadership in Times of Change*. Seventy registrations are available on a first come, first served basis. To reserve your space for the **FREE** one-day session, email mhowe@flcities.com by Friday March 31, 2017.







# **Members News and Updates**

Amy Davis, Finance Director, City of Treasure Island How long have you been an FCCMA member? Since 2007

Are you an ICMA member and if so, how long? Yes, since 2006

session in Orlando, Florida.

Please describe your areas of formal/advanced education. Bachelor of Science in Economics, Ashland University, Ohio

Masters of Public Administration, University of Central Florida

#### What got you interested in public service?

I sort of fell into it after moving to the Orlando area and having to find a new job. I did not have the option of remaining in the current profession at that time as an actuarial analyst in a benefit consulting firm because there were no companies located in Orlando. So I started looking into other analytical types of positions and got an offer from the City of Maitland, FL as an OMB Analyst. After a year, I decided I wanted to stay in public service because I very much enjoyed helping to shape a community and having an impact on that community. That's when I decided to get my MPA and that experience continued to cement my belief that the public sector was for me. (Read more)

### **New Members**

The following membership applications have been received.

- Cathy DeKarz, District VII, Management Analyst, Town of Belleair, Affiliate Member;
- **Bob Francis**, Executive Director, Mid-Columbia Council of Governments, Affiliate Member;
- Charity Good, District V, Retired City Manager, Life Member;
- Rene Hernandez, District V, Masters of Public Administration, Florida International University, Student Member;
- Jeannine Robbins, District VII, Strategic Business Administrator, City of Ocala, Affiliate Member: and
- Tim Zisoff, District VII, Retired City Manager, Life Member.

If no current member comes forth with a reason why these applicants should not be approved as members, he/she will be invoiced for dues.

## Call for Nominations for FCCMA 2017 Awards

Do you know a colleague who is an outstanding local government administrator who has fostered representative democracy by enhancing the effectiveness of local elected officials and by consistently initiating creative and successful programs?

Do you know a colleague who has made a significant contribution to the development of new talent in professional local government management?

Do have an assistant who has made significant contributions toward excellence in leadership while serving as an assistant?

Do you know someone who has served the profession in a manner or to a degree of Dick Simmons?

If so, plan to nominate a colleague to FCCMA's 2017 Annual Awards Program.

Click here to download the nomination form.

## **DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS, MARCH 6, 2017**

### ICMA Student Chapter at Florida Atlantic University

At its monthly meeting on Friday, February 17, 2017, the Palm Beach County City Management Association (PBCCMA) donated \$1000 to the newly established ICMA Student Chapter at Florida Atlantic University (FAU) in Boca Raton, Florida.

The Student Chapter of ICMA at FAU is a new organization. It's first President is Maylee De Jesus, a current student at FAU and the Town Clerk for the Town of South Palm Beach. Ms. De Jesus is setting up a Meet-and-Greet to allow PBCCMA members and Student Chapter Members (potential Interns) the opportunity to meet.

The PBCCMA is affiliated with the Florida City and County Management Association (FCCMA) and the International City Management Association (ICMA). Members include city, town, village and county managers/administrators and their assistants, and other management professionals.

## **Member Articles**



# Overhauling the City of Treasure Island's Parking System

By Amy Davis, Finance Director, City of Treasure Island

The City of Treasure Island is a barrier island within Pinellas County on the west coast of Florida. The current population is 6,800 that nearly doubles during the tourist season. Treasure Island was mostly developed in the 1950's and has been a popular tourist destination, but also has many well-established neighborhoods. The City has many small to medium hotels along the beach with most of the residential

neighborhoods on separate islands or fingers on the Intracoastal.

Many of the hotels do not have adequate parking and have had to deal with the parking shortage in ways ranging from purchasing additional land for parking lots to not providing parking options for guests. Additionally, the City has many beach access points for the public and/or residents and day visitors from the Tampa Bay Region, but not all of them have room for parking. The City's designated parking areas are mostly metered; however, over the years, visitors and residents alike have carved out informal parking areas throughout the City. This occurred over time due to not having enough designated parking areas and not having enough parking overall. (Read more)

## From Our Affiliates

# Florida Association of Counties: 2017 Ethics, Public Records and Sunshine Laws Workshop

During the 2013 Legislative Session, the Florida legislature passed new ethics legislation requiring Commissioners and other Constitutional Officers take four hours of Ethics programming each calendar year. This workshop, scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, 2017 (12:30 pm - 6:00 pm) at the FSU Turnbull Conference Center located at 555 W Pensacola Street, Tallahassee, FL 32306, is open to Commissioners, County Staff and all other Constitutional Officers. Participants who complete this workshop in its entirety will receive 6 core credits toward the CCC Certification as well as fulfill their 2017 Ethics requirement for the Legislature. (Read more)

## FLC University Summit Series: Safe Cities, Safe Florida

"Your City at Risk: Be Prepared"

Crestview - March 3 \* Altamonte Springs - March 24 \* St. Pete Beach - March 31 DESCRIPTION:

Accidents. Disasters. Response. Every hour of every day, Florida's municipalities deliver a wide variety of services smoothly and efficiently. However, we know from media reports that all too often, accidents; and disasters do occur . . . despite our best plans, policies and procedures. (Read more)

#### **ICMA**

# Experience Global Impact. Host a Young Southeast Asia Leadership Initiative (YSEALI) Fellow this Spring!

ICMA is calling on local governments to host YSEALI Professional Fellows, a program funded by the U.S. Department of State, April 29 - May 27. The program brings participants from Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar (Burma), Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam to the U.S. for a four-week fellowship. The goal of the program is to create a global

network of emerging local government leaders to positively impact legislative processes and environmental sustainability practices as well as provide opportunities for knowledge exchange and ongoing collaboration. For more information about the experience, please click on the following links to watch videos on the program: <a href="https://vimeo.com/191518160">https://vimeo.com/191518160</a> and <a href="https://vimeo.com/191912301">https://vimeo.com/191912301</a>. Please contact <a href="fellows@icma.org">fellows@icma.org</a> for a statement of interest form. Form review is on a rolling basis.

# **Events and Training Opportunities**

## **Affiliate Training Opportunities**

- FLC training
- FAC training
- Cal-ICMA Coaching Opportunities

## FCCMA Four Hours Required Ethics Training

FCCMA requires its members to take four hours of ethics training annually. This training must be completed between October 1 and September 30. Any member who joined prior to October 1, 2016 must complete the training by September 20, 2017. If you have already completed the training and need help recording your hours, please contact Carol Russell at (850) 701-3607 or crussell@flcities.com.

## **FCCMA Webinars**

FCCMA holds webinars monthly from September through May. If you have missed any, all FCCMA webinars are archived and can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

# FCCMA Webinar: Collective Bargaining Strategies for F.S. Chapters 175 and 185 Pensions

This webinar will be held on March 2, 2017 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Eastern. Attorneys Jim Linn Glenn Thomas of Lewis Longman Walker will review the constraints and identify strategies that local governments should consider during the collective bargaining process. <u>Click here</u> for more information on this webinar.

### FCCMA Onsite Training Sessions

FCCMA will hold several onsite trainings in March and April.

- · March 17: Fort Walton Beach
- March 24: Sanford
- March 31: Florida Gulf Coast University
- April 6: Leesburg
- April 21: North Miami Beach

For more information on any of the trainings, click here.

### FCCMA Annual Conference

Planning to attend the Annual Conference? The Conference Announcement will be available March 1, 2017 on the FCCMA website. <u>Click here</u> to view the announcement.

### 2017 ICMA Annual Conference

The 2017 ICMA Annual Conference will be held October 22-25, 2017 in San Antonio, TX. The preliminary program will be provided in the July issue of PM magazine.

Dozens of

**concurrent educational sessions** in 6 theme tracks and 4 career tracks developed by the 2017 Conference Planning Committee:

- Contemporary Local Law Enforcement
- · Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Justice
- Emerging Technology

Preparing for and Managing 21st Century Threats

- The Intersection of Personal and Professional
- The National Divide
- Assistant Managers
- County Managers
- Senior/ICMA Credentialed Managers
- Small Community Managers
- ICMA University forums and workshops, special sessions, and events (Read more)

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