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FPZA 2014 STATE CONFERENCE RECAP FACING THE FUTURE

The 2014 FPZA State Conference in West Palm Beach was far less stormy, and the theme of the conference reinforced that notion. Last year we focused on the transitioning out of the dark and cloudy landscape of planning in the state for the last few years and this year we focused on launching ourselves, our communities and our profession into a more stable and sustainable future.

This year's conference provided attendees with a plethora of new and exciting ideas and approaches to planning, all aiming to use past experiences as a means to better position our state for the revitalization of growth and development within our communities.

Day 1

AICP Exam Training

In one of the opening sessions of the 2014 FPZA State Conference, Henry Bittaker, AICP and VP for Certification Maintenance Florida Chapter, APA, and Susan Coughanour, AICP provided an introduction to preparing for the American institute of Certified Planner's (AICP) certification exam.

The session was a discussion of exam topics, available study materials, study courses and websites as well as an overview of the types of questions the exam covers.

Planning Law Update

In the annual law session, David Theriaque, Esq. of Theriaque & Spain PA, presented his audience with a review of recent legislative changes and how their enactment may affect local jurisdictions and their respective planners and policy makers as they continue their efforts in planning for their communities now and in the future.

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If you missed Mr. Theriaque's presentation, and have not seen him present before, you should, he has a knack at making even the most complex legal discussions riveting and always leads interactive and enjoyable sessions that are as much educational as they are interactive.

Why Good People Do Bad Things: Lessons Learned from South Florida's Experience with Public Corruption

The final session of the opening day of the conference was given by Frank Palen, Esq. of Caldwell Pacetti Edwards Schoech & Viator LLP and was a crash course on the

legacy of public corruption in the state of Florida as well as the Tri-County Area of Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

Mr. Palen discussed the reputation of "the most corrupt state in America" that Florida has been struggling to overcome in recent years as well as the state's ongoing efforts to improve rules for behavior as well as means for enforcement and penalization for those that are found guilty of corruption.

Mr. Palen's session aimed to provide planners and practitioners in the audience with a better understanding of how to avoid ethics traps as they continue their efforts to improve their communities.

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



First, I want to offer my thanks to everyone for allowing me to serve as President of FPZA as we begin our 63rd year of service.

For those of you who don't know me, I have been a Senior Planner with the City of Sarasota since 2008. Working for the City, a lot of my focus is on redevelopment and mixed-use projects, including implementation of our Downtown Form

Based Code. Prior to joining the City, I have worked in both the public sector (Islamorada, Village of Islands and Anderson, SC) and private sector (WilsonMiller).

I have a B.S. in Environmental Studies from Michigan State and a Master of City and Regional Planning from Clemson University, and have been an AICP since 2007. Personally, I am married and a proud mama of a rambunctious toddler. (If you have attended a recent FPZA State Board Meeting, you can attest.)

Much of this issue is dedicated to a wrap-up of our 2014 Conference, held last month in West Palm Beach. It was another great Conference, thanks in no small part to Conference Chair, Brady Woods. Rather than taking the easy course of an Immediate Past President, Brady stepped up to a whole new level, leading the effort for a stateorganized Conference.

We did this, in part, because we wanted to reach out to South Florida which has great potential but currently lacks the active board needed to organize such an event. Hopefully the Conference will serve to reinvigorate existing members and gain some new members to bring more FPZA activity to the region. (If you're thinking "Hey, I can do that," let's talk.)

I also want to thank Paula McMichael for the leadership she provided as President this past year. She is thoughtful and organized, and I have been happy to follow in her footsteps.

Now, as was the theme of the Conference, it's time to face the future. Oh, how things have changed in a few years. We survived the wasteland of dismal budgets, losing jobs, taking on the jobs of three people, and maybe even enjoyed some of the reprieve. Today in many of our cities and communities, development is back. Unfortunately, a lot of our resources and staffing has not recovered along with it. We are working hard and trying to find balance.

The bigger reality is that planning is not an 8-5 (or even and 8-8, depending on the day). It is not a job we leave at the door, nor is our profession static. While I joke about driving on Saturday with my "zoning blinders" on, the fact is that our life and experiences outside the office inform our work. One example from the Conference that struck me was the Transportation Planner that fully embraced the concept of Complete Streets only after he began competing in

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triathlons and bought a road bike. I think we all have similar experiences that shape us as professionals.

That brings us to FPZA. I see our mission falling into four categories: Education; Recognition; Networking; and Service. We have strived to meet the continuing education needs of our members, particularly through providing CM credit registration for the State and all of our local Chapters. We also reach out to students, like our scholarship recipients and student volunteers. We recognize the excellent work of our peers, like the Awards Projects highlighted in this issue. Networking goes hand-in-hand with our events and also takes place in online forums like our LinkedIn page. (Please join us on LinkedIn, and look for more discussion topics on this page in the upcoming year.) That leaves the last category of Service, or giving back to our Communities. I think some of our focus on CM credits for events has taken emphasis from service events and I would like to see that shift, in at least a small way.

At the Conference, I offered two challenges for the year. The first is a personal challenge: Stay engaged and focused on BIG planning. When we feel busy and over-extended at work, our first instinct is sometimes to withdraw. However, I encourage you to think about how outside involvement gives us the tools and support to manage our day-to-day work. It gives us both inspiration and perspective.

My second challenge goes back to the foundation of Service. I have challenged each of our Local Chapters to complete a service project to serve our communities and to provide education about planning and our related professions. Some suggestions might be taking Box City (cubekc.org) or a similar program to local schools, leading a neighborhood park clean-up to remove invasive exotic vegetation or install exercise equipment, leading a Jane's Walk event (janeswalk.org) in your community, or any other myriad of options that allow us to give back. I have heard our Surfcoast Chapter already has a plan in motion, and I look forward to hearing from others about their events.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve as President of FPZA. Our organization is only as strong as our membership, and I can say I am proud to count each and every one of you as peers and several as great mentors.

Please share your thoughts, ideas, and needs at any time – e-mail me at courtney.mendez@sarasotagov.com or call 941.365.2200 ext. 4351.

Warmest Regards,

Countrey Mendez

DAY 2 AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Session 1A: Long Range Planning and Infrastructure Investment

The morning sessions kicked off with a presentation by Marcie Oppenheimer Nolan, Esq., AICP and Denise Malone, AICP covering the continued significance of Florida Statutes 163 and Local Comprehensive Planning. As we have all seen, the last several legislative sessions have largely altered Chapter 163, F.S.; however, despite the legislative changes the foundational backbone of these statues remain and continue to prove vital to handling the growth pressures in the post recession recovery.

The presentation highlighted the unfortunate regularity in miscommunication, or fundamental lack of communication amongst departments and covered success stories from across the state that reinforced the necessity for planners and policy makers to continue to use valid Capital Improvement Element amongst other facets of Chapter 163 to continue to manage growth in their communities in the tight budget, post recession era we now exist in.

Session 1B: Re-Imagining South Dixie Highway: A Design Charrette Experience

Session attendees were privy to a 3 hour session led by Rick Greene, City of West Palm Beach, Nicholas Mihelich, PLA, ASLA, Ken Tuma, Chris Barry, AICP and Bobby Powell, Jr., AICP, of Urban Design Kilday Studios that took them through the organization and experience of a realistic charrette that produced substantive results that the City of West Palm Beach may use in developing a plan for the area. Participants in this interactive session were given a packet of relevant information on the area and were assigned roles as primary and secondary stakeholders, which provided all with their own respective theoretical stake in the project.

Throughout the 3-hour session participants individually developed their own vested interests in the process and worked together to form an ultimate vision and final outcome. While those who took part were not only able to assume their own assigned roles in this context and contributed in producing the final product, but also were given first hand experience in the charrette process that they could bring back to their own jurisdictions to further expand their own community involvement processes.

Session 2A: 2014-2015 AICP Ethics Case of the Year

The session led by Valerie Hubbard, FAICP, LEED AP, provided an interactive session where participants were presented with a complex and dynamic set of scenarios that illustrated the grey areas and potential entanglements of ethical dilemmas that planners could face in their daily lives. Prior to diving into the scenarios the session kicked off with a very brief overview of the AICP Code of Ethics. The session proved enlightening and the scenarios definitely illustrated the complexity of ethics and the multitude of potential ethical questions that we could all face at any point during our careers.

Representative Powell, Keynote Speaker

Representative Bobby Powell is the first AICP certified state legislator and was the keynote speaker for the 62nd annual Florida Planning and Zoning Association's state conference. Representative Powell is a native of Riviera Beach, Florida and received his Bachelors of Science in Public Relations from Florida A&M University and his Masters of Science in Planning from Florida State University.

Representative Powell's presentation was not just informational but also educational and entertaining. The lecture highlighted not just Representative Powell's personal history and path that led to his current role as the State Representative for District 88, but also highlighted his vision for the future of planning in the state and the role that planners will

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have in leading Florida into a stable, prosperous future.

Mr. Powell's lecture while overall optimistic and positive also reminded us that planning is inherently political and that the relationship between politics and planning will not be going away any time soon, though as Representative Powell's rise to state office illustrates, this is more an opportunity for the future of planning as opposed to a potential roadblock.

Representative Powell's charisma shined throughout his lecture and if you missed him speak at this year's conference, you should take any future opportunity to hear him speak. He is entertaining, insightful and educational the perfect combination of character for any speaker, and his being the first AICP certified planner to reach the top of the State's legislative branch should serve as both a point of inspiration and optimism for us as practitioners no matter where in our careers we are.

Mobile Tour: Walking Tour of Downtown West Palm Beach

In the first of two mobile tours at this year's state conference, Rick Gonzalez, AIA and President of REG Architects, Inc. based out of downtown West Palm Beach took participants on a walking tour of the city's downtown. With nearly fifteen years of tour experience, Mr. Gonzalez was able to provide those who took part in the mobile tour with unique and detailed insights on West Palm Beach's downtown architecture including highlighting the evolution of the structures and landmarks as a historical foundation on which modern West Palm Beach continues to develop upon.

The tour provided professional planners with an in person view of a case study of successful integration of historic preservation and community history into efforts of downtown redevelopment and investment to propel the region into a brighter future.

Session 3A: New Approaches to Sports and Economic Development

The presentation from Thomas Polk and Adriana Trujillo-Villa from Sarasota County explored the economic potential of sports tourism to local communities, highlighting the opportunities that it provides to revitalize local and regional economies. The presentation focused on the State, National and international award winning Nathan Benderson Park's new world class rowing venue in a 600-acre regional park.

The presentation served as a case study of a giant success in private-public partnerships as the region transformed a preexisting, an underutilized piece of land to establish a "long-term economic win-win" for the region. While the rowing facility was a gem of a resource in the

community, the presenters drove home to their audience the point that a multitude of different sports could help drive or reinvigorate local economies.

Session 3B: Smart Growth Land Use Case Studies

Rosana Cordova, PE, AICP, LEED AP of Cordova Rodriguez & Associates and Tara Salmieri, AICP of PlanActive Studio led an interesting afternoon session on the second day of the conference regarding the Broward Regional Health Planning Council's recent CDC/Prevention Community Transformation Grant award. The presentation shared exciting ways that local municipalities can alter their regulations to better support smart growth design to improve upon community development plans.

Session 4A: Florida Local/Regional Broadband Planning Project

Brady Smith, AICP, of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and Jennifer Pellechio, MBA, of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council led this late afternoon session on the second day of the conference. The session focused on the best practices in broadband planning and broadband infrastructure planning for the present and future.

Broadband infrastructure has increasingly become critically important to the modern economy as well as the realms of governance and public safety here in the 21st Century. As has been the general theme of all sessions thus far, this session focused on the lessons learned during the Broadband Polk and Broadband Charlotte/Collier/Lee projects and viable tools for those in attendance to learn and bring back to their own communities.

Session 4B: Public Engagement in the Information Age

As our communities continue to advance through the modern information age, we as planners and policy makers are gaining more and more access to technology that can serve to bridge the gap between decision making and community involvement. In one of the final sessions of the second day of the conference Ennis Davis, AICP, from MetroJacksonville.com and Pamela King of Dover Kohl & Associates discussed the return of planners to more advocacy roles and the integration of digital public relations streams and platforms into daily practices to increase public engagement.

This session was largely framed around the Seven50 ("Seven Counties, 50 Years") blueprint for Southeast Florida. The session drove home the notion that through diversification of outreach methods and the adoption of modern digital communications methods such as social media and interactive websites in conjunction with more traditional public relations tools there is ample opportunity for us all to bridge the gap between planning and community involvement and advocacy.

Morning Sessions

Session 5A: Implementing Complete Streets on Florida's Space Coast

The final morning of the conference kicked off with an enjoyable presentation and discussion about the complete street movement and its place in Brevard County. Led by John Paul Weesner of Kittleson & Associates and Leigh Holt from the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization.

The session discussed the experiences of Brevard County and the role that *The Complete Streets Evaluation Methodology Development and Project Screening* study played in identifying potential corridors, mapping out methods of working with local governments to develop these opportunity corridors into projects, the evaluation of the feasibility of constructing the projects by 2017, and then prioritizing those projects.

While framed around a single case study the discussion that played out in this session undoubtedly gave those in attendance a new approach to implantation of complete streets that they can bring back to their own towns.

Session 5B: New Directions in Climate and Sea Level Rise Planning

Climate change and sea level rise are both unfortunate realities that planners and policy makers in Florida must address and consider in their short, medium and long range plans. In this session Erin Deady of Deady Law PA and Shane Laakso from Islamorada, Village of Islands provided planning-related training for those in attendance to better incorporate infrastructure and community resiliency into their community's land use and planning processes.

Remembering that potential impacts from climate change and sea level rise are going to be experienced over various timeframes this session was useful in illustrating the value that integrating specific policies and strategies into long term planning tools such as comprehensive plans and code.

Session 6A: The Art of Florida Living: The City of Lake Worth's Creative and Proactive Approach

The presentation was given by Nilsa Zacarias, AICP and Principal of NZ Consultants and Nancy Stroud, AICP, JD and Partner at Lewis, Stroud & Deutsch, PL and William Walters, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP BD+C, Delores Key, Maxime Ducoste of the City of Lake Worth and Joan Olivia of the Lake Worth CRA.

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The session covered the newly adopted land development regulations and plan amendments in Lake Worth aiming to improve the jurisdiction's urban design and redevelopment efforts striving to create a vital and vibrant community. The presentation highlighted the City of Lake Worth's ongoing effort to maximize the existing resources to propel the city into the future all the while embracing the community's history and bolstering the area's sense of place.

Session 6B: A Park, a Program and a Planner: Cascades Park and Community Supported Infrastructure Program

Autumn Calder, one of the Senior Planners at Blueprint 2000 in Tallahassee presented to attendees an overview of the intergovernmental agency as well as its crown jewel project in Cascades Park. Ms. Calder highlighted the role that Blueprint 2000 has played in addressing and resolving some of the City of Tallahassee's most pressing infrastructure needs. She highlighted the massive collaboration between government, neighborhood associations and local businesses that occurred over a 15-year period to develop the 24-acre downtown park.

The project not only served to provide local residents with a beautiful community park featuring miles of walking trails, an interactive fountain and an outdoor amphitheater, but also served to clean up the city's worst brownfield and now serves as a storm water system that treats nearly three quarters of the surround 860 acre basin's runoff.

Ms. Calder's presentation provided planners and practitioners in attendance with a successful case study in dual purpose community infrastructure as the park provided vital storm water facilities while disguising itself as a significant recreational amenity that greatly improved the quality of life in Tallahassee while placing great emphasis on the local history and identity.

Mobile Tour: Due South Brewery

In the second mobile tour of this year's conference, Jim Barnes led a small group of participants on a short walk to the Tri-Rail station near the hotel and on a train down to the Due South Brewery in Boynton Beach. "Local everything" is the latest desire for people from all walks of life and while farmers markets and local mom and pop shops are resurgent, there has also been a rapid growth in microbreweries and brew pubs throughout out the state (and the nation for that matter).

The growth of the craft beer market has



contributed to this increase in popularity for these sorts of businesses, and their growth has also led to their becoming a key component to many community redevelopment efforts. Those who participated in this tour were able to take part in a tour of the Due South Brewery by a local microbrewer who provided insight into the actual brewing processes as well as the economic impacts that microbreweries like this one have on the local economy. Those on the tour were able to see a local brewery and pub in action, garner a little education as well as take in a sample or two during a short rain delay thanks to one of the unpredictable South Florida afternoon thunderstorms.

Session 7A: Hot Topics: Cuba Today & Planning for Medical Marijuana

In one of the final sessions of the conference, Sharon Jenkins-Owens, AICP; James White, Esq., AICP, and Kathryn Mehaffeey, Esq. divided the block in half to discuss some of the hotter topics in planning today.

Cuba Today

The first half of the session discussed the lessons to be learned from Cuban planning. Audience members were introduced to the first hand observations of the impacts of evaporating financial resources and raw materials in urban Havana as well as government influences on redevelopment seen during a Cultural Exchange visit in April 2014. Planners were able to learn take away lessons learned from the Cuban experience to better protect and enhance their own community's sense of place as well a neighborhood character and vibrancy.

Planning for Medical Marijuana

The second half of the session was one of the most anticipated of the conference and provided attendees with a crash course in planning for medical marijuana. Florida is poised to become the 21st state to legalize and provide access to medical marijuana if voters approve the highly supported Amendment 2 in November's general election.

The session provided critical introductions to the

various controversial issues surrounding the potential legalization process including how and where it is grown, preparation, processing and distribution sites as well as the necessary licensing structure. The session also gave attendees with a glimpse of the potential opportunities of this political decision, as well as bringing to light a list of potential roadblocks and complications stemming from gray areas in local, state and federal regulations.

Session 7B: Affordable Housing Toolkit

The second of the final day's early afternoon sessions was an Affordable Housing Toolkit led by Bill O'Dell of the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, and Becky-Sue Mercer of the Arcadia Housing Authority. The session aimed to provide planners with a proactive tool for planning for affordable housing in their communities while aiming to assist policy makers and practicing planners with a means to balance and integrate diverse and detailed planning goals, more effectively allocate resources and visualize the ultimate outcomes of potential policy alternatives.

The session provided attendees with the opportunity to hear from a panel of innovative thinkers on a diverse set of approaches and applicability of multiple housing tools all aiming to integrate individual environmental, socioeconomic, transportation and accessibility goals into single housing goals.

Session 8A: Cleared for Takeoff: Insights on Economic Development and Land Use Compatibility at Airports

The final session of this year's state conference discussed the opportunities for community airports to foster economic development and community sustainability. The session led by Josh Philpott, AICP; Scarlet Hammons, AICP and Robert Diffenderfer highlighted the long term opportunities that airports and global transportation provide local communities, as well as the unique series of planning challenges that airport and land use planners face as they strive to maintain their transit system in combination with protecting surrounding their surrounding communities and their economic, environmental and social sustainability.

LITTLEJOHN ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Orlando, Fla. (June 3, 2014) – In celebration of its 25th year in business, Littlejohn Engineering Associates has changed its name to Littlejohn to reflect the firm's growth and expanded services.

"Our new name illustrates our broader reach and expanded services," said Jim Littlejohn, president. "Just as in planning and engineering, we always try to remember that the simplest solution is usually the best solution. We're taking the same approach looking ahead with our name and our brand – efficient, understandable, straightforward and collaborative. We want our name to be synonymous with professionalism and quality service delivery."

Founded in 1989 in Nashville, Tenn., Littlejohn works with public and private

clients across the country to plan and engineer infrastructure for notable projects and progressive communities. Consulting services in surveying, engineering, planning, landscape architecture, environmental services, industrial hygiene, health and safety are the core components of Littlejohn's expertise, and in just 25 years, the firm has grown from a sole proprietorship, to a national firm with eight offices in Tennessee, Florida, Arizona and Alabama.

Littlejohn, a multi-discipline professional services firm, has completed more than 6,000 projects in 42 states and employs more than 125 engineers, landscape architects, planners, surveyors, environmental scientists, industrial hygienists and support personnel.

Celebrating 25 Years of Success

Using innovative and sustainable ideas, Littlejohn solves complex environmental and land development challenges and delivers progressive and efficient design solutions.

"We have some of the most talented individuals and creative teams in the business," said Jim Littlejohn. "To us, a project is much more than just concrete, steel, brick and mortar – it represents the core of who we are."

In Central Florida, Littlejohn has worked on notable projects including the renovation of the Citrus Bowl, Oviedo Emergency Room and the Lake County Sector Plan. Littlejohn is also working on master planning at Port Canaveral as well as the Cade Museum in Gainesville, West Livingston Street in downtown Orlando and the new Community Center in Palm Coast.

"For 25 years, Littlejohn's expertise and willingness to collaborate has been an important part of our success. We are committed to serving – and being advocates for – our clients," said Lennie Arnold, Littlejohn Principal and Florida Regional Manager. "Our staff has served Florida for many, many years, and they continue to provide quality, professional services for our clients and projects."

As it has in the past, Littlejohn will continue to invest in the newest technology essential to meeting tomorrow's engineering challenges, while embracing best practices and lessons learned, to develop infrastructure, landscapes and built environments that stand the test of time.

"I'm very proud of what we've been able to accomplish as a professional service firm – across our offices from Florida to Arizona – and I'm extremely proud of our talented professionals who work together so well to serve our clients," said Jim Littlejohn. "I can't wait to see what the next 25 years will bring."

About Lennie Arnold:

Lennie, Principal and Florida Regional Manager of Littlejohn, has over 28 years' experience in land development, infrastructure planning, water resources, and roadway design. He has led numerous projects, many of them substantial in size. He maintains active engineering licenses in eight states and is also a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC), and a LEED AP. Lennie's expertise encompasses planning and project management for healthcare projects, land development projects, roadway, drainage, water, sewer, complex stormwater management systems, in addition to leadership and oversight of Orlando office operations. Lennie currently sits on the board for the American Society of Highway Engineers, was a member of Leadership Orlando Class 83 and the Cocoa Beach Citizens Academy.

About Jim Littlejohn:

Jim Littlejohn, President, completed his Master of Science in Engineering Administration from the University of Tennessee in 1982 after having graduated from Vanderbilt University with a Bachelor of Civil Engineering in 1976. His project experience is extensive, particularly in the areas of land development, infrastructure planning, water resources, and roadway design. He has led numerous projects, many of them substantial in size. He maintains active engineering licenses in 38 states. Jim's specialties are in the areas of planning and project management for land development projects, roadway, drainage, water, sewer, complex storm water management systems in addition to overseeing firm operations and leadership. Jim currently sits on numerous boards and commissions and was named the Nashville Chapter of the TN Society of Professional Engineer's 2012 Outstanding Engineer of the Year for leadership and integrity in the Engineering Profession.

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MEMBER PROFILE GAIL HENRIKSON, AICP, SURFCOAST CHAPTER

Q. WHERE ARE YOU FROM ORIGINALLY?

A. I assume this question pertains to my current life, and not any past lives.....? I was born in Chicago, the Windy City, which, surprisingly enough, had no bearing on my being named "Gail". My parents ran a restaurant and small resort in Lake Delton, Wisconsin during the summer. When my dad retired, we moved permanently to Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, a tiny burg with a population of 2,500 in the winter and over 10,000 between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Q. WHAT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY DID YOU ATTEND/GRADUATE FROM? PLEASE LIST YOUR DEGREE(S) AND IF YOU HAVE ANY SPECIALIZED TRAINING.

A. Due to budgeting realities, my undergraduate (B. A., English Language and Linguistics) was obtained from the University of Wisconsin – Madison (GO BADGERS!). My first choice, just for those of you keeping score at home, was Hofstra University.

After working in a credit union for two years (it's surprising how little one can do with an English degree), I decided it was time to go back to school. I had a friend who had recently completed the Urban and Regional Planning program at the University of Wisconsin (GO BADGERS!), and she talked me in to applying there as well. At that time, my main focus as a planner was how to make cities friendlier and more affordable places for residents who had to rely on mass transit or who were single-parent families struggling to balance work, daycare and life schedules. Urban design and architecture were also another strong draw for me, as well as the fact that I have always been a historic building hugger.

Q. HOW DID YOU BECOME INVOLVED IN FPZA AND HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER?

A. I had a brief encounter with FPZA at the now infamous Sarasota conference in 2002 or 2003. Around 2004/2005, (time tends to blur in Florida) the Surfcoast Chapter briefly rose from the ashes and tried to resurrect itself. However, it was the height of the boom years and no one had time to breathe, let alone hang out and talk planning for fun.

Around 2009 or 2010 (again, that time blurring thing), John Thomson, who was president of the yet again reanimated Surfcoast Chapter invited to be on the chapter Board. I've been involved with FPZA ever since, serving this year as chapter Vice-President and Luncheon Program Committee Chair.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT POSITION AND AREA(S) OF EXPERTISE?

A. I am currently the Director of Planning and Zoning for the City of New Smyrna Beach. As a small beach community, I get to work on a variety of issues outside of the traditional land use, zoning and development arenas – including those items no other department knows how to handle. For example, planning staff works on beach and river issues, historic preservation, economic development, special events, and grant writing.



Q. WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES AND INTERESTS?

A. Jinkies, Scooby! Who has time for hobbies and interests? Actually, during my free non-sleeping moments, I travel, cook, read, work out and volunteer four hours per week at the public library. Do you see a theme here.....?

Q. WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE DOING NOW IF YOU HADN'T CHOSEN YOUR CURRENT PROFESSION?

A. This is such an "It's a Wonderful Life" question. Probably, like Mary Hatch in the movie, I would be working in the Pottersville Library. Or living overseas teaching English as a second

language. Or running an independent bookstore. At one point I wanted to be president, but instead ran for City Commission. I only lost by 29 votes, but it was enough to quell my political ambitions for the foreseeable future.

Q. IF A NEW COLLEGE GRADUATE ASKED YOU FOR ADVICE ABOUT YOUR FIELD, WHAT WOULD YOU TELL THEM?

A. Three pieces of advice:

1. Don't believe anyone who tells you that planning is "an inch deep and a mile wide". Planning, particularly in a small department, is a mile deep and ten miles wide.

2. There are 43,560 square feet in an acre. It's amazing how many new graduates don't know that basic piece of information (I was one of them at one point).

3. Everything is political.

Q. WHAT PERSONAL GOALS WOULD YOU LIKE TO ACHIEVE (BEFORE YOU RETIRE)?

A. Aaah, so much planning, so little time....I think my immediate top three goals as Director of Planning for New Smyrna Beach (in no particular order) would be to completely rewrite the City's *Land Development Regulations*, create a local historic district within the City, and complete neighborhood plans for each of the City's 24 neighborhoods.

2014 FPZA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS

The FPZA Awards define the standard for innovative approaches to land development and public/private sector planning statewide. For decades, the awards program has been the centerpiece of FPZA's intention to identify and promote best practices in planning. FPZA was pleased to accept so many phenomenal entries this year and is overjoyed to be able to recognize so many commendable projects.

DESIGN EXCELLENCE BLUEPRINT 2000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY CASCADES STORMWATER PARK



AUTUMN CALDER WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

Blueprint 2000 Intergovernmental Agency of Tallahassee, is the 2014 winner of the Design Excellence Award for their *Cascades Stormwater Park*. Cascades is Tallahassee's premier urban park and was funded by a local option sales tax and is the result of 15 years of planning and multi -agency collaboration. The park serves a dual purpose of alleviating severe local flooding while providing local residents with amenities and identifying local and state history.

GRASSROOTS

HERNANDO COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT & THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA CENTER FOR COMMUNITY DESIGN + RESEARCH KASS CIRCLE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN



PAUL WIECZOREK WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

This year's Grassroots award winners were the Hernando County Planning Department and the University of South Florida Center for Community Design + Research for the Kass Circle Neighborhood Revitalization Plan.

Through a DEO grant, the County and USF Center for Environmental Design were able to work in conjunction with the community to identify and build on existing positive attributes to counter the effects of decline and traffic that are typical of aging subdivisions.

SUSTAINABILITY

TAMPA BAY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL FLORIDA ENERGY RESILIENCY REPORT



MICHAEL BUSHA AND JENNIFER PELLECHIO WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

The 2014 winners of the Sustainability Award was the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council for their *Florida Energy Resiliency Report.* Taking its inspiration from the BP oil spill, this project was the first of its kind and aimed to promote more sustainable and diverse energy supplies along the coast while acting as an economic development engine to create more jobs within the region. The report drew upon the 'SWOT' technique and multiple case studies for its inspiration and methodological approach.

OUTSTANDING PLAN OR STUDY

CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AFFORDABLE HOUSING TOOLKIT FOR THE HEARTLAND



KEVIN DENNY, BILL O'DELL AND JENNIFER CODO-SALISBURY WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

The 2014 recipients of the Outstanding Plan or Study award was the Central Florida Regional Planning Council for their *Affordable Housing Toolkit for the Heartland* study. The study was developed by the Council and the University of Florida Shimberg Center for Housing Studies in conjunction with multiple towns and counties in the Heartland region.

The study utilized three innovative components in accurately identifying impediments to affordable housing: a housing suitability model, affordable parcel inventory and fair housing equity assessment. A number of factors ranging from transportation costs to retail proximity and much more was utilized in the suitability factors.

OUTSTANDING DEVELOPMENT

SARASOTA COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

NATHAN BENDERSON PARK



TOM POLK AND ADRIANA TRUJILLO-VILLA WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

The Sarasota County Planning and Development Services are the 2014 recipients of the Outstanding Development award for their transformation of a borrow pit into the *Nathan Benderson Park*, a multiuse world class rowing facility.

The park's location: situated along I-75, general protected from the elements and ultimately a little bit of good luck in the physical configuration of the lake contributed to the County utilizing a preexisting resource to serve as a sports based economic development tool. The facility has won numerous awards, and has been selected to be the host location of the 2017 World Rowing Championship.

2014 FPZA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AWARD WINNERS

OUTSTANDING ZONING CODE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH POMPANO BEACH REVISED ZONNG CODE



GEORGE BRUMMER, ROBIN BIRD AND JENNIFER GOMEZ WITH FPZA PRESIDENT COURTNEY MENDEZ

The City of Pompano Beach was awarded the Outstanding Zoning Code award for the *Pompano Beach Revised Zoning Code*. This zoning code update was the first for the city since the code's adoption in 1958. The city is a diverse area that is 92% developed and the revised code aims to foster more efficient procedural processes and greater user-friendliness while fostering quality, sustainable and infill development.

OUTSTANDING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

HERNANOD COUNTY, SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PECK SINK STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Peck Sink Stormwater Improvement Project was selected as the winner for the 2014 Outstanding Infrastructure Project, Hernando County, Southwest Florida Water Management District and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection teamed up to acquire 112 acres of land with direct connections to the Florida Aquifer to remove debris, and develop a storm water treatment, management and environmental restoration plan to both serve as a recreational facility as well as a means to reduce threat of contamination and pollution of the region's drinking water supply.

OUTSTANDING LONG RANGE PLAN CITY OF NEW SMYRNA BEACH AND VOLUSIA COUNTY INTERLOCAL SERVICE BOUNDARY AGREEMENT

The City of New Smyrna Beach and Volusia County were awarded this year's Outstanding Long Range Plan for their *Interlocal Service Boundary Agreement*. This agreement was the culmination of two years of discussions and negotiations over urban services within the New Smyrna Beach sphere of influence. The agreement is an innovative approach to eliminate duplication of service provision and aims to promote efficient service delivery within a join

planning area.

FPZA OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

ELVIN GUARIONEX LOPEZ, UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA SINGEH SALIKI, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA MATTESON KOCHE, FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY HILARY RICHARDSON, FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



ELVIN GUARIONEX LOPEZ CABRERA, (UF), SINGEH SALIKI (USF), HILARY RICHARDSON (FSU), MATTESON KOCHE (FSU).

Each year FPZA provides state university students with the opportunity to attend the annual conference to better immerse themselves in the field, as well as to provide them with networking and out of the classroom educational opportunities.

This year we had four Outstanding Student award winners representing three state universities. Each of these students wrote a compelling essay of Florida's future in regard to growth management and were highly recommended by their professors.

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER SURFCOAST CHAPTER



This year's Outstanding Chapter was once again awarded to the Surfcoast Chapter. This chapter covers Flagler and Volusia Counties. The chapter board and general members worked hard to hold regular educational and social events, and succeeded in gaining a higher profile, increasing their membership and having fun in the process. GEORGE W. SIMONS, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD TIM BROWN, AICP



This year's George W. Simons, Jr. Memorial Award was presented to Tim Brown, AICP of Walton County. The George W. Simons, Jr. Memorial Award is FPZA's highest achievement award, and Tim's longtime and d dedicated involvement both FPZA, FAPA and generally in the field of planning speaks for itself.

In addition to his current position with Walton County, he has held positions in the Cities of Tarpon Springs, Port Orange, Largo and Dothan, Alabama as well as Santa Rosa, and St. Johns Counties. Over his career Tim has worked on a number of innovative projects including the St. Johns County visioning studies, the Santa Rosa Joint Land Use Study and the South End Special Area Plan. His past, present and future work has and will continue to result in real-world community involvement and improvements for his community.

Tim carries on the tradition of Florida's pioneering planner to bring lasting benefits to Florida on a state, regional, and local level, he has always strived to benefit the jurisdictions he represents and continues to promote the profession of planning.

We congratulate Tim Brown, the 2014 recipient of the George W. Simons, Jr. Memorial Award. And thank him for his many years of dedication to planning in the State of Florida

FLORIDA CITY'S CRA WORKS!

JAY R. MARDER, AICP

Ever been to Florida City? It's a community of about 12,000 at the southern end of Florida's Turnpike, just before you start the long trek into the Florida Keys. I spent a delightful and informative 2 hours there with Richard Stauts, that City's Community Redevelopment Agency's Executive Director since 2007. As a veteran of Florida's Department of Community Affairs and a banker before that, Rick made sure to declare that he was not a planner, like AICP me. Rick did admit to picking up some planning after spending years at DCA with Secretaries such as Tom Pelham. Why did I drive over an hour to a community with the highest percentage of subsidized housing in Miami-Dade County? Because I'd inspired Rick to respond to a comment I'd posted on a Planetzin discussion. Titled, "Cities and counties have essentially been taking tax revenues from downtowns and using them to subsidize development and services in sprawl," the discussion was led by Lori Hight, Senior Planner at the City of



Thornton. There's an article about the negative impacts of Wal-Mart's which focuses on Ashville, NC.

I'd complained about how many cities tie up their most valuable land in CRA's to the detriment of the rest of the town. Rick emailed a response to straighten me out. I decided to take the time to reach out and ended up discovering another piece of that unique creature called Miami-Dade County. Footnote: during the 1980's Miami was teetering on bankruptcy so someone wanted to make sure they saved the name Miami so it was appended to Dade County. Not that there aren't a few other cities with the word Miami in them: Miami Beach, North Miami, North Miami Beach, Miami Springs, South Miami, Miami Shores, and the city where I spent almost 10 productive years, Miami Gardens. Did I miss any?

Entering Florida City's City Hall, I knew something was different. After hurricane Andrew, architect Andres Duany donated the design of the new City Hall to replace the one that was destroyed. I recall asking for directions to another Duany-designed project, Seaside, in the Panhandle. The reply, "You mean that place with all the weird houses?" You get the idea. The building is actually quite interesting. At least Andrew didn't destroy the small historic coral-stone City Clerk building next door.



Rick gave me a thorough tour of the Florida City CRA's good works. New housing, curb and gutter streetscape, façade improvements to industrial and commercial buildings, major neighborhood drainage projects and much more. All of this work in the City's poorest neighborhoods was funded through CRA dollars generated by the commercial area. In fact, the CRA was expanded to include more residential neighborhoods. Florida City is a strong mayor form of

government, something I've rarely encountered in my 38 year career with Florida's local government. Rick introduced me to R.S., a Councilman. That's how I know I'm in old Florida.

While standing by my Planetzin comments, I recognize, support and am gratified to see the good works that CRA's are doing for our cities. I initiated and otherwise contributed to several CRA's in Central Florida that are guite successful. I also participated in an initial boundary study for a potential Miami Gardens' CRA; after visiting Florida City, I can see more possibilities there. There are socioeconomic similarities between Florida City and Miami Gardens. Both have a preponderance of subsidized housing. Florida City's CRA provides a mechanism to fund improvements to both commercial and residential needs in that community, similar to what is proposed and needed in Miami Gardens. Florida City built the necessary infrastructure, water and sewer especially, to serve its commercial areas which have exploded into a vibrant regional service center for the South Dade/North Keys area with WalMarts, new hotels and restaurants. According to Rick, restaurants don't fail in Florida City. Attractive new affordable housing developments have filled in where the City has demolished dilapidated homes and aggregated lots into viable housing sites. Streetscapes and multi-million dollar drainage projects have remade neighborhoods, block by block, parcel by parcel. While there's always more to do, I found the progress to be overwhelmingly positive. CRA's can still be relevant and appropriate in our toolbox to rebuild and improve our cities.

I also have to note the highlight of my tour, "Robert Is Here," a wonderful milk shake haven and tropical farmers market just outside the City limits, on the way to airboat rides. Robert started the place as a boy. He's a jovial bearded man with two bearded sons working at his side. I consider Robert is Here a required pilgrimage to anyone going down that way. The fruit smoothie was excellent. Robert expounded upon his lower prices and superior quality tropical fruits. Most of his customers are from south of West Palm Beach, through the Keys. Very few locals. When I pointed out that Robert could charge less because he didn't air condition his fruit – it's an open air setup – he explained that air conditioning was not appropriate for storing tropical fruit. Super markets should be sued for torturing their tropical fruits. That's my comment, not Robert's. I didn't ask about building permits . . .

Jay R. Marder, AICP, would like to hear your great untold story and find other new opportunities to contribute to Florida's local governments. His award-winning leadership in planning and redevelopment has served local governments in Florida for over 35 years. Contact Jay at jaymarder@gmail.com; or 786-547-2836.



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THE FLORIDA PLANNING & ZONING ASSOCIATION

OVERVIEW

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES JUNE 14, 2014 WEST PALM BEACH MARRIOTT

President Mendez called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM.

The following were present: PAULA MCMICHAEL - CALUSA TINA EKBLAD - CALUSA **ARLEEN HUNTER - CALUSA** THAD CROWE - FIRST COAST RANDY GALLUP - FIRST COAST BRADY WOODS - GULFCOAST KEVIN MCCARTHY- GULFCOAST COURTNEY MENDEZ - GULFCOAST **RACHEL LAYTON - GULFCOAST TIM BROWN - NORTHWEST** JOE QUINN - SPRINGS PAUL WIECZOREK - SPRINGS **JIM BARNES - SOUTH FLORIDA** LEIGH KERR - SOUTH FLORIDA JOHN THOMSON - SURFCOAST GAIL HENRIKSON - SURFCOAST **TOM BROOKS - SURFCOAST** HELEN LAVALLEY - SURFCOAST **BRANDEN ROE - STUDENT** WANDA CLASSE ATTENDED AS ADMINISTRATOR

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Mendez welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Introductions were made by each individual stating their name and chapter/state affiliation.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Wanda Classe distributed director packets stating that the minutes of the April 12, 2014 meeting were emailed to all board members. Thad Crowe's name was misspelled in the President's Report.

With this correction noted, Paul Wieczorek made a motion to approve the April 12, 2014 minutes as distributed. Tom Brooks seconded the motion; approved.

The Membership Report showed 472 as the total number of members, 163 individual members, 300 members from75 agencies, three students, two honorary students, two Past President Emeritus and two paid Past Presidents Emeritus. Wanda Classe distributed checks to chapters for members joining or renewing since the last board meeting.

The report showed the May 31, 2014 bank balance



to be \$56,596.40 compared to the May 31, 2013 balance of \$33,047.72. The reason for the current high balance is money received for the conference with very few expenses have been paid.

She asked those present to review a listing of board members for changes or corrections

VP FINANCIAL AFFAIRS REPORT

Treasurer Arleen Hunter stated that she and incoming Treasurer Kevin McCarthy met and transferred all treasurer related files. Arleen presented the financial report from January through May showing bank total and outstanding checks.

She stated that the budget did not have a conference expense line item and she had added one because this year's conference is State hosted. She also stated that if everyone agrees, the conference will have one expense line and one income line with a side spreadsheet showing conference income and expense.

Tom Brooks made a motion to approve adding the Conference Expense line item and keeping income and expenses on a separate report. Brady Woods seconded the motion; approved. After review of the report, Tom Brooks made a motion to accept the financial report as distributed. Tina Ekblad seconded the motion; approved.

VP MEMBERSHIP SERVICES REPORT

John Thomson reported that FPZA is still getting requests from people wanting to join the LinkedIn page. He will meet with Incoming VP Membership Services Arleen Hunter and explain the LinkedIn process. Arleen stated that she would like to see the Northwest Chapter (Tallahassee area) be revitalized and mentored.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

John Thomson is the incoming Vice President

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Mendez stated that her goals for the year were (1) remember the larger picture of planning, (2) continue to provide CM Credits and (3) at least one service project this year.

STUDENT OUTREACH

MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Branden Roe stated that he would suggest that the scholarship information be sent out earlier while school is still in session so the students have ample time to submit the required information. He also suggested more mentoring of the students.

OVERVIEW

The deadline for the July issue will be June 30, 2014. Contents will focus on the conference with the following articles: Brady will write an overview of the sessions, Thad will list awards and winners, Gail Henrikson will be the spotlight, Courtney will write a President's Message and the conference sponsorship ads will run in this issue. Branden Roe is the new editor and Doug Kelly will assist him.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Brady Woods thanked everyone who assisted with the conference and especially Jim Barnes. He reported that 88 people registered for the conference and 84 attended. He gave an overall financial view of the conference stating that until the Marriott bill was finalized, the conference figures could not be determined.

The Wednesday reception was approved for .5 credit but since the lecture lasted over an hour, an additional .5 credit will be requested. Also the walking tour will be resubmitted for more credits as the commentary lasted the entire tour.

CHAPTER REPORTS

Calusa Chapter – Tina Ekblad reported that the Flood Plain Management session has been scheduled for July 18. Their election/social will be held in August. Their holiday social will be held in December .

First Coast – Randy Gallup reported that the chapter had held a board meeting the previous day. He stated that their March luncheon featured FEMA. They had a social in conjunction with the Jacksonville Suns and the next scheduled luncheon will be in August. A seminar is being planned for October and the awards/holiday event will be held in November. Previously the First Coast Chapter had shown an interest in hosting the 2016 Conference. Randy stated that this was not discussed at the board meeting but he will bring it up and let everyone know the decision.

Gulf Coast – It was reported that the chapter is continuing to hold a lunch every other month. They are also currently planning the 2015 Conference. In the future, they would like to host an event in conjunction with Suncoast.

Springs – Paul Wieczorek stated that he and Joe Quinn will work on scheduling an event with Suncoast Chapter.

Surfcoast – Helen LaValley reported that the chapter held a Flagler County social and it resulted in two new members. No activity is planned in June and they are looking into a service project. She stated that there will be a Regional Forum the day prior to the January 10, 2015 board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Fall Meeting: September 13, 2014 in the Sarasota/Tampa/Pinellas area

Winter Meeting: January 10, 2015 in the Surfcoast Chapter area

Spring Meeting: March 21, 2015 in the Gainesville area

Summer Meeting: June 13, 2015 in conjunction with the 2015 Conference

2015 CONFERENCE – The conference will be hosted by the Gulf Coast Chapter and will be held June 10-13, 2015. The hotel will be the newly renovated Hampton Inn & Suites in downtown Bradenton. Most of the conference sessions will be at Pier 22.

ADJOURN –With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 AM



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COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP

FPZA will extend a complimentary membership, for up to one year, to current members who have been laid off or lost their job due to the economic situation. Please contact the FPZA Office at (407) 895-2654 or info@fpza.org, or the VP of Member Services, Arleen Hunter at arleen.hunter@cityofbonitasprings.org_for more information.

MEMBERSHIP IN FPZA

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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES				
Chapter	State Dues	Local Chapter Dues	Total Dues	
Apalachee	\$50	\$10	\$60	
Calusa	\$50	\$20	\$70	
Central Florida	\$50	\$20	\$70	
First Coast	\$50	\$35	\$85	
Gulfcoast	\$50	\$15	\$65	
Gulfstream	\$50	\$15	\$65	
Heartland	\$50	\$10	\$60	
Northwest	\$50	\$10	\$60	
South Florida	\$50	\$10	\$60	
Springs	\$50	\$10	\$60	
Suncoast	\$50	\$20	\$70	
Surfcoast	\$50	\$25	\$75	
Suwannee	\$50	\$10	\$60	

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Chapter	State Dues per Person	Local Chapter Dues per Person	Total Dues per Person
Apalachee	\$40	\$8.00	\$48.00
Calusa	\$40	\$15.00	\$55.00
Central Florida	\$40	\$20.00	\$60.00
First Coast	\$40	\$23.00	\$63.00
Gulfcoast	\$40	\$12.00	\$52.00
Gulfstream	\$40	\$15.00	\$55.00
Heartland	\$40	\$7.00	\$47.00
Northwest	\$40	\$7.00	\$47.00
South Florida	\$40	\$7.00	\$47.00
Springs	\$40	\$8.00	\$48.00
Suncoast	\$40	\$13.00	\$53.00
Surfcoast	\$40	\$23.00	\$63.00
Suwannee	\$40	\$7.00	\$47.00

A NOTE ABOUT AGENCY DUES:

The minimum number of individuals for a group is now four, but there is no longer a maximum number; you may add an unlimited number of additional people to your overall group. You now also have the option to pay a group rate for a combined group with members of different local chapters or for combinations of professional staff and board/commission members, rather than the previously separate categories.

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