

From the Desk of Jim Cameron...... Jim Cameron Consulting LLC July, 2021

Jim Cameron Consulting LLC brings 38 years of working with local governments and is now available to serve on a clientele basis...be it new land development projects, bids, campaign assistance.

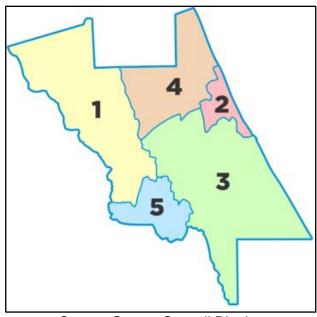
For more information, go to my website, www.jimcameronconsulting.com Call my cell 566-2140...day, night, or weekends if you'd like to discuss further. And my guarantee still stands that if I miss your call and don't return it in eight business hours, I will pay you \$1000 cash.

Redistricting for County Council and School Board...

Last January, the County Council and the School Board to work together in the upcoming redistricting process.

The County Council intends to keep the same district map options as the 2011 reapportionment:

- (1) keep the residences of current Council and School Board members in their districts;
- (2) keep population differences between districts close to 1 % difference:
- (3) preserve the integrity of city boundaries when feasible;
- (4) keep intact large concentrations of minority populations;
- (5) preserve territorial community interests.



Current County Council Districts

US Census numbers/tracts won't be available until September 30. The Council intends to host workshops/joint Council-School Board meetings and community input sessions to discuss map options.

However, their work timeframe will be basically October 1 – November 15. Staff must have a plan for school board and Council ready by late November because both County Council/School Board last meetings will be December 14.

Click here for more information.

And at the State level.....

Regarding legislative districts, while Volusia's Rep Tom Leek will chair the House Redistricting Committee, Sen Ray Rodrigues will chair the Senate Redistricting Committee. No other House or Senate committee members have been named.

Meanwhile, census indicate congressional reapportionment will award Florida **another seat in Congress** – meaning Florida's 27 districts need to be redrawn to make room for 28.

The Census bureau will deliver redistricting data to all states by September 30.

Last month, **Gov Ron DeSantis** sent a letter to the federal government urging them to expedite the process.

Rep Tom Leek expressed confidence in being able to complete the work before candidate qualifying is held June 13 to June 17 for the 2022 elections.

Interim Legislative Committee Meeting Schedule

Senate and House Committees will meet the SAME weeks in Tallahassee

September 20 – 24

November 1 - 5 November 15 - 19

October 11-15 October 18 – 22

November 29 – December 3

County Council News......

At their June 22 meeting, County Council members heard CFO Ryan Ossowski discussing funding of American Rescue Plan Act.

The county is to receive \$107.4 million. The County received 50% of this amount last May and the remaining amount will be provided May 2022. With an August 31 deadline, County Council workshops will be schedule to determine how best to utilize these funds.

Additional funds included

- Emergency Rental Assistance Program (2nd Round) of \$13,219,302
- Votran estimated \$11-12 million
- Airport estimated \$9-11 million

Staff Changes

Rick Karl – has officially retired after 11 years the county's Director of Aviation and Economic Resources. He oversaw efforts to recruit new airline service and routes in addition to increasing flights for existing providers.

I'd like to add that anytime I had a special elected official or staff person from Tallahassee or Washington, he was ALWAYS there to provide a first-class welcome.

I wish him and his wife Kari (Exec Director for VCARD and my former co-worker) the best.







Cyrus Callum is the County's new Director of Aviation and Economic Resources. With more than 22 years of airport management, business development and operations experience, he's held previous management positions at Orlando International Airport, Jacksonville Aviation Authority, Orlando Executive Airport and General Aviation.

He earned a Masters of Commercial Aviation from Delta State University and a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Management from Southern Illinois University.

He was featured in Airport Business Magazine as "Top 40 Under 40." He is Chair of the Board of Examiners of the American Association of Airport Executives; certified in National Incident Management Systems.

Daytona Beach has a New Liaison Available to Help Small Businesses

Daytona Beach has named **Kimberly Flaherty**, a project manager in Permits and Licensing with more than 20 years' experience in real estate, land use regulations/development, as their new small business liaison.

In this new role, she will serve as a single point of contact during the process of opening a small business in Daytona Beach.

Deputy City Manager Jim Morris. "We want to ensure the process to open a small business is easy to navigate, and Kim can work directly with entrepreneurs to quickly resolve questions or challenges."

Opening a small business typically requires prospective business owners to work through the city's zoning and permitting processes, licensing requirements and regulatory requirements.

Flaherty has been with the city since 2017 and is certified as a code enforcement officer, zoning inspector, permit technician, property maintenance and housing inspector, fire safety inspector and fire plans examiner.

She can be reached at City Hall, 301 S Ridgewood Ave. Rm 127. Phone (386) 671-8264.



City of Port Orange Announces New Fire Chief

The new Port Orange Fire Chief <u>Joe Wulfing</u> began his career in the fire service in 1994 and has served at the City of Port Orange since 1999. In that time, he has served in almost every rank within the Department, most recently serving as the Division Chief of Operations.

He graduated from the University of Florida and holds a bachelor's degree in Fire and Emergency Services.

And we say good by to an old friend......



Dr. T. Wayne Bailey, professor emeritus of political science at Stetson University passed June 29 at the age of 86.

For years, he was a leader of the Volusia County Democratic Party where he was a delegate at their National Conventions 1972 to 2012.

He was also the founder of the Stetson University department of political science where he taught numerous political leaders including former Florida Senate President Joe Negron, Senator Jack Latvala and many others.

He's probably most known for his work in developing Volusia County Home Rule Charter in 1970 and later chaired the two Charter Review Commissions before serving as a member of the 1995, 2006, and 2016 Commissions.

A memorial service for Dr Bailey will be held Wednesday, July 13, 2 pm at Deland Baptist Church.

Get Ready for Elections 2022 !!!!!

Click the link for more info....

<u>Current Filed Candidates</u> August 23 (Primary) November 8 (General)

Congressional District 6 Florida House District 24

Joe Hannoush (LPF) Paul Renner (REP) *Incumbent

Gerry Nolan (NPA)

Florida Senate District 7 Florida House District 25

Travis Hutson (REP) *Incumbent Tom Leek (REP) *Incumbent

Florida Senate District 9 Florida House District 26

Jason Brodeur (REP) *Incumbent Elizabeth Fetterhoff (REP) *Incumbent

Jacob Johnson (DEM) John Navarra (DEM)

Florida Senate District 14 Florida House District 27

Tom Wright (REP) *Incumbent Webster Barnaby (REP) *Incumbent

County Filed Candidates

County Council Member, District 2 School Board Member, District 3

<u>Chase Tramont</u> <u>Jesse Thompson</u>

School Board Member, District 5

Ruben Colon Ronald Jungk

City Filed Candidates

August 30 (Primary) November 8 (General)

DeLand Mayor Port Orange Council District 2

Christopher Cloudman Cathleen (Kat) Atwood

New Smyrna Bch Commission Zone 2 Ormond Beach Mayor

Joel Paige Bill Partington

Click here to see status of ACTIVE (PROPOSED) STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

LOOK FOR OTHER CANDIDATES TO FILE SOON!!!!

2021 City Elections

<u>Current Filed Candidates</u> August 17 (Primary) November 2 (General)

Lake Helen Mayor Lake Helen Commission Zone 1

<u>Vernon Burton</u>

George Cameron Lane

<u>Kelly Frasca</u>

Heather Rutludge

<u>Lauren Olsen</u>

Lake Helen Commission Zone 3

Rick Basso

Ponce Inlet Mayor Ponce Inlet Council Seat 3

Tony Goudie
Lois Paritsky

Elizabeth Caswell
David Loh

Ponce Inlet Council Seat 5

Gary Smith

Volusia Elected Officials Roundtable Monday, July 12, 12 noon Daytona Bch Intl Airport (Dennis McGee Rm)



Includes elected officials from Volusia's cities, county government and school system.

Major topics this meeting will be

- Linkage Fees and Affordable Housing
 Clay Ervin Growth/Resource Mgnt Director
 Carmen Hall Community Assistance Director
- Local Recovery Funds American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
 Ryan Ossowski Chief Financial Officer

Open to the public and bring your own lunch. For information, call Kevin Captain 822-5062. For anyone interested in local government issues, this is a GREAT meeting to attend!

Local Officials to Sharpen their Budget Pencils.....

With the new fiscal year starting October 1, look for city and county government to conduct FY 2021-2022 budget workshops over the next several months....see schedules below.....

This is where they will be setting the Truth in Millage (TRIM) rate and plan their overall budgets for the coming fiscal year.

I will be sending a comparative chart of cities, County and School Board next week. Look for regular reports to come thereafter.

Click the link for Local Government

Volusia County Council

Daytona Beach City Commission

Ormond Beach City Commission

Port Orange City Council

Holly Hill City Commission

South Daytona City Council

<u>Daytona Beach Shores City</u> Council

DeBary City Council

Deland City Council

Deltona City Commission

Edgewater City Council

Lake Helen City Commission

New Smyrna Bch City Commission

July 20, 10 am County Adm Bldg

July 7 / 21, 6 pm City Hall

July 13 / 20, 5:30 Budget WS

July 13 / 20, 7 pm City Hall

July 13, 5:30 pm Budget WS

July 20, 6:30 City Hall

July 13 / 27, 6 pm City Hall

July 27, 6 pm City Hall

July 27, 6 pm City Hall

July 7 / 21, 6:30pm City Hall

July 14, Septic-Sewer WS

July 6 / 19, 7 pm City Hall

July 12/19, 6:30 pm City Hall

July 12, 6:00 pm City Hall

July 8, 7:00 pm City Hall

July 8 / 22, 6:30 pm City Hall

Oak Hill City Commission
Orange City City Council
Ponce Inlet Town Council
School Board of Volusia
River to Sea TPO

July 14 / 28, 6 pm City Hall July 13 / 27, 6:30 pm City Hall

July 27, 5:30 pm District Office Deland August 25, 9 am TPO Office

Daytona Beach Unity Event





The event took place July 3 at City Island to show support for **Officer Jayson Raynor**.

Organizers **Brooks Tomlin** and **Willie Williams** both stated, "with the shooting of **Police Officer Jayson Raynor** and the division throughout the country, it's time for people to get to know one another".

About 150 people attended including **Daytona Beach Mayor Derrick Henry, Port Orange Councilmember Chase Tramont, Volusia United Educators President Elizabeth Albert, Community leader Pierre Louis**and others.

Delicious food was provided including those "famous pistachio muffins" from Steve's Famous Diner. Thank you **Christos Mavronas!**

<u>Click here</u> for Raynor Strong GoFundMe link...