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## Professional Profile

A dedicated professional in Public Administration with extensive experience in public sector management at the local, state, and federal levels of government. Seasoned executive in **budgeting, public policy, appropriations, growth management and land use, project management, outsourcing services, collective bargaining agreements, contract oversight/compliance, infrastructure management, strategic planning for municipal innovation.**

In addition, my portfolio includes extensive experience with the Florida legislature and leveraging elected officials and key stakeholders to secure funding streams involving infrastructure maintenance and projects.

## Municipal Strengths and Competencies

- Leadership & Performance Management
- Government Affairs & Public Policy
- Strategic Planning and Vulnerability Oversight
- Community Relations & Engagement
- Capital Improvement Planning
- Project Development
- Infrastructure/Project Management
- Legislative Appropriations and Funding
- State and Federal Grant Management

## Education and Qualifications

**DPA** Public Administration, (ABD) Licensed Real Estate Associate (FL)

**MPA** Public Administration

**BS** Political Science & Policy

## Career Summary

**4/2024 - 4/25 DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER (7 MONTHS) / TOWN OF PEMBROKE PARK, FL**  
**INTERIM TOWN MANAGER (5 MONTHS)**

**Jun 2021- 4/24 GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTING (STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY)**

**March 2015--**  
**May 2021 CITY OF PAHOKEE, FL,**  
**CITY MANAGER & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS OFFICER**

- Served as the Chief Executive Officer for all city departments and operations.
- Developed partnerships with State and Federal agencies for appropriations for projects utilizing state and federal funding. Fostered strong strategic relationships with key stakeholders, and elected officials in the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives.
- Coordinated joint infrastructure projects and partnership with Palm Beach County Commission and local Palm Beach County electorate for partnership appropriations.
- Strengthen the City's political effectiveness through direct engagement with legislative delegations, elected state officials (House and Senate), business stakeholders.
- Secured over \$19 Million (2015 -2021) in State Appropriations and Federal funds for local projects in stormwater, waste water, roads/streets, fleet equipment, and environmental research/protection.
- Coordinated joint partnerships with U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, South Florida Water Management District, and Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to address proper stormwater and Lake Okeechobee drainage projects and federal mandates.

- Managed the City's joint relationship with Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, Palm Beach County Legislative Director and Staff on local policy and legislative agendas.

**2010-2014 VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY PHD AND MPA PROGRAM STUDY**

**2008-2010 CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY, FT. LAUDERDALE, FL  
Director of Community Relations and Research**

- Developed short term strategies and assisted in low-income tax credit redevelopment, planning, and land use programs.
- Managed the agencies legislative affairs process at the state and federal levels to secure appropriations.
- Served as the Lead Developer with U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for access to federal funding and legislative appropriations for local housing development and provided policy analysis of industry.
- Monitor and analyze state legislation, political stakeholders, and regulatory proposals affecting development and investment.
- Built advocacy relationships with local, Florida legislature, and federal actors and private investors for the benefit of planning long-term and short-term policy goals.

**2004-2008 FLORIDA STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 29, FT. LAUDERDALE, FL  
Chief of Staff For State Senator**

- Served as Senior Policy Drafter and Administrator for state legislation (bills) and programs involving Government Oversight, Transportation and Economics, Health and Human Services, Community Affairs, and Health Policy.
- Managed the evaluation, development, and review emerging legislative initiatives.
- Liaison for priorities updates during Florida Senate Appropriations Committee Meetings and budget breakout sessions.
- Managed project priorities in Broward/Palm Beach District for (cities, colleges & universities, and non-profits) funding interests by advocating for favorable legislation, appropriations, and public policy.

**1988-1993 AIR FORCE NATIONAL GUARD, EASTOVER, SC  
Air Force Specialist (Honorable Discharge)**

- Flight and First Response Personnel Unit
- Served as a member of the Tactical Air Command, 169<sup>th</sup> Mission Support, F-16 Fighter Squadron.

**Local, State and Federal Advocacy/Relationships**

**Florida Senate**

**Sustainable relations with following Senate Staff/Committees;**

Staff Director for Senate Appropriations

Senate Appropriations Chair

Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

**Florida House of Representatives**

**Sustainable relationships with following House Committees;**

House Budget Chair & Staff

Chair of Economic Sub-Committee

**Current Advocacy Relationships With State and Federal Agencies**

**Florida Department of Environmental Protection**

**Florida Department of Economic Opportunity**

**Florida Department of Transportation**

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

**Federal Emergency Management Association**