



THE SUNRISE CITY

FORT PIERCE
Florida

MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

As of April 25, 2016

CITIZENS OF FORT PIERCE

Fort Pierce City Commission

City Clerk's Office



Linda Cox,
City Clerk

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- Prior experience includes serving as the Executive Director of two Chambers of Commerce before relocating to Florida to serve as the President and CEO of the St. Lucie County Chambers of Commerce for ten years.
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Management and Technology from University of Maryland University College
- Masters of Business Administration from Salisbury University
- Certified Municipal Clerk in March, 2016
- Senior Professional in Human Resources in 2015
- Linda and her husband, Ed, are proud to call Fort Pierce home and enjoy weekend golf and volunteering in the community.

City Attorney's Office



Jim Messer,
City Attorney

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- From 1993 to 2001, represented Escambia County, Florida, as the Chief Litigation Attorney in prosecution and defense lawsuits brought by or against the County.
- Juris Doctor from West Virginia University
- Master of Law (Labor) from George Washington University
- Member of the State Bar of Florida
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City Manager's Office



Nick Mimms,
City Manager

- In February 1998, Nicholas C. Mimms was recruited by the City as a Project Engineer.
- For the past 18 years, he has served as the Stormwater Supervising Engineer, Deputy Director of Public Works, Director of Public Works and Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Director.
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Central Florida
- State of Florida Licensed Professional Engineer
- Member of the Florida City and County Management Association, International City/County Management Association, American Public Works Association and Solid Waste Authority of North America
- Nick is a native of Fort Pierce and has a passion for community service, which includes coaching a youth football league.

City Attorney's Office

Responsibilities:

- Pursuant to the City Charter, the City Attorney is the legal advisor to and counselor for the City and all of its officers in matter relating to their official duties.
- The City Attorney represents the City before all levels of state and federal courts, reviews and approves as to form all city contracts, agreements and documents, as well as reviewing and endorsing all city bonds.

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Mission:

The mission of the City Clerk's Office is to provide excellence in customer service. As the repository of the official records of the City of Fort Pierce, this office provides proper and adequate access to those records by the public. The City Clerk's Office strives to promote a business friendly atmosphere whereby businesses can expect timely processing of applications for business tax receipts and contractor licensing as well as any general inquiries.

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City Manager's Support Staff



Linda W. Cox, Assistant City Manager

Linda has been appointed Assistant City Manager through the assignment of additional duties by the City Manager with the consent of the City Commission. Primary responsibilities of the Assistant City Manager focus on Economic Development, Business Relations, and Customer Service.



Shyanne Helms, Communications Manager

Shyanne is responsible for the development, management and administration of strategic outreach, media relations, and communications of City-wide initiatives for external and internal audiences of the City of Fort Pierce under the direction of the City Manager.

City Manager's Support Staff



Jennifer D. Robinson,
Executive Assistant to the City Manager

Jennifer provides principal administrative support to the City Manager, functions as the liaison with the members of the City Commission and works closely with the Management Team.



Angela Wilkinson, Executive Assistant

Angela provides administrative support for the goals and objectives of the City Manager's Office by facilitating daily operations with citizens and staff.

City Manager's Management Team

Together We Can



Transform Our City

Building Department

Mission:

To protect the safety, health, and general welfare of the public through structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation. We also strive to protect the safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the building environment including alteration, repair, removal, demolition, use and occupancy of buildings, structures, or premises.

Building Department



Marc Meyers,
Building Official

- In July of 2005, Marc Meyers was hired as the Deputy Building Official. He was promoted to the City's Building Official in 2006. He is also the City's Flood Manager and Community Rating System (CRS) Coordinator.
- Marc began his career as a Union carpenter in 1979. He was the principal of his own contracting company 1983 through 1995.
- Prior experience includes a Building Inspector/Assistant Building Commissioner and Building Commissioner in another municipality.
- Obtained Building Inspector Certification in 1995 and a Building Official's License in 1998.
- Currently holds International Code Council (ICC) & Florida Licenses as a Building Code Administrator, Plans Examiner, Building Inspector, and he is a Certified Flood Manager.

Code Enforcement Department

Mission:

- To enforce the City Codes adopted by the City Commission that establish minimum standards for health, safety and general welfare as well as regulates conditions of existing buildings, odors and pollution in order to prevent the creation of substandard dwellings, slums and blight.
- To educate the public about responsible pet ownership and provide programs to decrease the number of unwanted pets in the community.

Code Enforcement Department



Peggy Arraiz,
Code Compliance
Manager

- Margaret “Peggy” Arraiz was employed by the City in October 2006 as the Code Compliance Manager overseeing the Code Enforcement Division. In 2010, the Animal Control Division was added to Peggy’s area of responsibility.
- Peggy earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from West Chester University, located outside of Philadelphia, PA.
- She holds certifications through both the Florida Association of Code Enforcement and the Florida Animal Control Association.
- Member of the Treasure Coast Association of Code Enforcement.
- Licensed Community Association Manager.

Engineering Department

Mission:

To monitor projects for conformity with state and federal regulations and professional engineering and surveying practices as set forth in the Florida statutes. Improvement projects include those funded by State and Federal agencies.

Engineering Department



Jack Andrews,
City Engineer

- John R. "Jack" Andrews, II, P.E, was appointed City Engineer in December, 2006. Previously, he served as Assistant City Engineer from June, 1994.
- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering degree from Geneva College in Pennsylvania.
- Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Florida since 1994.
- Member of The Florida Engineering Society, Florida Stormwater Association and the American Public Works Association.

Finance Department

Mission:

To safeguard the fiscal integrity of the City, report accurate and timely financial information to the City Commission, the City Manager and the public, and to provide financial management and recordkeeping support to all the City departments to enable them to carry out their duties efficiently.

Finance Department



Johnna Morris,
Finance Director

- Johnna Morris was appointed Finance Director in November 2015. She began her career at the City in 2008 as a Senior Accounting Clerk and served as the Chief Accountant prior to her appointment.
- Johnna holds both Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in Accounting
- Certified Government Finance Officer and Certified Pension Plan Trustee.
- Member of the Government Finance Officers Association, Florida Government Finance Officers Association, Treasure Coast Chapter of Florida Government Finance Officers Association, Association of Government Accountants, Florida Pension Plan Trustees Association, and National Forum of Black Public Administrators.

Indian Hills Golf Course

Mission:

- To provide a warm and welcome atmosphere on an outstanding public golf course for residents and visitors to enjoy.
- Indian Hills Golf Course has been a cornerstone of Fort Pierce since 1942. The city acquired the course in 2002 and has been continually striving to improve both customer service and facilities conditions.
- The 6,555 yard layout is well received by both long-time patrons and newcomers alike. This challenging, yet friendly, course features expansive tee surfaces, wide fairways, continuous concrete cart paths and greens. There are 72 sand bunkers that dot the landscape and add to the challenge for tee shots and approaches. In addition Indian Hills offers a 320 yard practice range as well a short game practice area.

Indian Hills Golf Course



Lucy Posa,
Golf Course Manager

- Lucille R. Posa was named Golf Course Manager in October of 2010. She joined the City of Fort Pierce in November of 2006. After starting as a Pro Shop Clerk at Indian Hills, she was subsequently promoted to Executive Assistant and Food & Beverage Manager.
- She holds the Food Service Certification at Indian Hills.
- Prior to joining the City, she spent 8 years as the Pro Shop Manager at Cutter Sound Golf & Yacht Club, and 7 years as the Pro Shop Manager at St. James Golf Club.

Human Resources

Mission:

To administer and monitor departmental operations, recruit and retain qualified workers, and assist with creating a diverse, highly skilled management team.

Human Resources



Kevin Browning,
HR Manager

- Kevin E. Browning was named Human Resources Manager for the City of Fort Pierce in December 2015.
- He comes to Fort Pierce from Vero Beach, Florida, where he served the public in several capacities as an educator and administrator. He served in roles of Teacher, Assistant Principal, Principal and Executive Director of Human Resources.
- Bachelor's Degree from the University of South Florida and a Master's Degree from Nova South Eastern University.
- Member of St. Lucie County Human Resources Association.

Information Technology

Mission:

- To provide technical and informational support to all city departments.
- To provide enterprise-wide communication, information management and other technological services that support the City's core business operations and delivery of services to the residents of Fort Pierce.
- To support voice and data needs for over 250 users at 7 locations and maintain more than 20 servers.

Information Technology



Shay Johnson,
IT Manager

- DeVoshay “Shay” Johnson was promoted to IT Manager in February of 2016. Shay joined the City of Fort Pierce as a PC Technician in 2003.
- Prior to joining the City of Fort Pierce, he was employed with Fort Pierce Utilities Authority within the Electric Transmission and Distribution department.
- Associate of Arts degree from Indian River State College and a Bachelor's in Philosophy from Trinity Theological Seminary. He is currently pursuing certification as a Certified Government Chief Information Officer and completing both his Bachelor's in Digital Media (Web and Audio/Video track) from Indian River State College and his Master's in Christian Counseling from Trinity Theological Seminary.

Marina

Background:

- The Fort Pierce City Marina features a state of the art dock system, located on Florida's Treasure Coast in historic Downtown Fort Pierce, and is a short distance from the Bahamas.
- Established in 1938, the Marina stands the test of time and continues to improve with its first in the state eco-friendly, storm protection system and improved yacht friendly navigation.
- The Marina provides all the amenities of home including free Wi-Fi, a central downtown location that is within walking distance of the library, shops, galleries, restaurants, theater, museums, parks, events and home to many fishing tournaments year round.

Marina



Dean Kubitschek,
Marina Manager

- Howard Dean Kubitschek was hired on October 4, 1996 as Marina Manager for the Fort Pierce City Marina. Dean also manages the Fisherman's Wharf Marina, which was acquired in 2007.
- Dean has served in the United States Coast Guard.
- Prior experience includes 13 years for 3 other marina owners before coming to the City.
- He has held a USCG captain's operators license
- Served on the Board of Sea Life Habitat Initiative, the Treasure Coast Marine Association, and the Fort Pierce Youth Sailing Foundation.

Planning Department

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Planning Department



Rebecca Grohall,
Planning Director

- Rebecca Grohall joined the City team in September 2013. She is the Planning Director and also supervises all activities of the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency and the Urban Redevelopment Division, which features CDBG and SHIP programming
- Master's degree in Urban Planning from the University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee
- Certified Planner with American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP).
- Member of the American Planning Association and is active in the Florida Chapter, often speaking at chapter and national conferences.

Police Department

Mission:

- To use a community -partnership approach to make the City of Fort Pierce a safer, better place to live and work.
- To protect the community we serve and to exhibit that commitment fairly, impartially and professionally within the laws of the State of Florida and the City of Fort Pierce.
- To improve the quality of life of our citizens while working in a cooperative effort with all residents to resolve problems.
- To practice the concepts of Community Oriented Policing (COP), proactive law enforcement and crime-prevention.

Police Department



Diane Hobbey-Burney,
Police Chief

- Diane Hobbey-Burney was appointed Chief of Police for the City of Fort Pierce Police Department on June 1, 2015.
- Prior experience includes 27 years of service for the Tampa Police Department.
- Earned a Master of Science in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Criminal Incident Management from Saint Leo University, where she also obtained a Bachelor of Science in Sociology.
- Graduate of the Senior Management Institute for Police in the course study in Executive Strategic Management, sponsored by the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF).

Public Works Department

Mission:

- To provide quality management and professional services to the residents and visitors who make Fort Pierce a great place to live, work and play.
- To regularly schedule maintenance and repair of all City owned facilities, vehicles, equipment, parks, rights-of-way, streets, drainage, and the storage, collection and transportation of all refuse generated by residential, commercial and institutional structures within the corporate limits.
- To continually develop innovative ways to deliver services in a cost-effective manner with a focus on strategic planning and new technology to meet the needs now and into the future.

Public Works Department



Mike Reals,
Public Works Manager

- Robert M. “Mike” Reals was appointed to the Public Works Manager position in December of 2012. He began his career with the City of Fort Pierce in December of 1997 as an Automotive Technician. He was promoted to the Fleet Maintenance Division Manager in June of 2007 and the Deputy Director of Public Works in October of 2010.
- Bachelor’s degree in Organizational Management from Indian River State College.
- Member of Big Brothers Big Sisters, the American Public Works Association (APWA), and the Solid Waste Authority of North America.
- Graduate of the APWA Public Works Institute.

Purchasing Department

Description:

The Purchasing Department is responsible for the procurement of supplies, services and construction in accordance with procedures as outlined in the city code, as well as the management and disposal of supplies which are obsolete.

Purchasing Department



Tony Barnes,
Purchasing Director

- Samuel “Tony” Barnes joined the City of Fort Pierce in October 1989 as a Purchasing Agent and has previously served as the Director of Administrative Services.
- Prior experience includes two years as Stores Manager with the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority (FPUA).
- Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting and designation of SBI SCHOLAR from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (School of Business and Industry).
- Member of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Florida Association of Public Procurement Officials, Florida Public Employer Labor Relations Association, Society for Human Resource Management and the Community Investment Team of the United Way.

Sunrise Theatre

Background:

- The Sunrise Theatre offers the best entertainment on the Treasure Coast of Florida presenting local and national touring musical acts, national touring Broadway shows, musical and comedy acts, ballet and opera companies with full orchestras, country stars and classic rock icons.
- The historic, beautifully restored and intimate 1,200 seat Sunrise Theatre Mainstage and accompanying 210 seat Black Box Theatre is located in the heart of historic downtown Fort Pierce, within sight of the picturesque waters of the Indian River.

Sunrise Theatre



John Wilkes
Sunrise Theatre
Director

- John Wilkes' first involvement with the Sunrise Theatre was in the capacity of consulting work, which later led to his acceptance of his current role as executive director.
- With a Canadian background, John attended St. Clair College in Windsor, Ontario.
- Prior experience includes executive director at the VanWezel Performing Arts Hall in Sarasota, Florida and also with the Kravis Center in West Palm Beach from 1993 to 1998.
- John has held many positions over the years in Canada and the USA serving in programming and senior management positions in places such as the University of Guelph, Dalhousie University Art Center in Halifax, Ontario Place in Toronto, Canada and the O'Keefe Center which is now the Sony Music Center, also in Toronto.