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Leon County Commissioner
District 5

Dear Friends,

Next Tuesday the County Commission will begin the process of building the County budget for 2018-19. This will be the first of two (2) workshops where we will review funding proposals for the various county departments and programs.



We will conclude the budget process in September by holding two (2) public hearings in September (Sept. 12th & Sept. 26th) before taking a vote on the final budget. Anyone interested in participating in one of the public hearings is invited to attend.

[Click here to view our Budget Workshop materials.](#)

If there is ever anything I can help you with, please feel free to call me (850) 606-5375 or just email me at dozierk@leoncountyfl.gov. You can also find me on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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Leon County to Serve as Host Community for Exclusive Innovation and Entrepreneurship Tour

In 2015, I had the honor of being selected by the U.S. Department of Commerce to participate in the **Third Americas Competitiveness**

Exchange on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (ACE). ACE brings together decision-makers from the Western Hemisphere and other nations to explore global and regional partnerships and economic development opportunities that will strengthen innovation and entrepreneurship.

The ACE tour that I participated in allowed me to see sites in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois, including Argonne National Laboratory, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Innovation Campus and the Mayo Clinic.

I'm excited to announce that Leon County, in coordination with Orlando/Orange County, Gainesville/Alachua County, St. Augustine/St. Johns County and the Space Coast, has been selected to host the 8th Americas Competitiveness Exchange on Innovation and Entrepreneurship, to be held from December 3-9, 2017.

The December tour will bring together representatives from over 27 countries around the world to showcase advanced technology centers, innovation hubs, public-private partnerships and strategic investments in North and Central Florida.

The itinerary will include sites that feature agricultural, advanced manufacturing, aerospace, tourism, magnetics and others clusters. Participants will also visit sites at Florida State University, the University of Florida and will engage with the University of Central Florida and Florida Institute of Technology.

I congratulate the staff from Leon County's Office of Economic Development (OEV), along with our partners from across the state, who worked hard to put together a winning bid.

Click the ACE 8 logo below to watch the promo video highlighting the upcoming tour



Join a Citizen Advisory Committee Today

Currently, applications are being accepted for the upcoming Leon County Committee vacancies.

Applications for appointment can be completed online [here](#) or downloaded, completed, and either e-mailed or faxed to -- Fax: (850) 606-5301 or Email: SmachM@LeonCountyFL.gov

- CareerSource Capital Region Board
 - Value Adjustment Board
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Events in the Community

April 22 - [Tallahassee PRIDEFEST 2017 presents PRIDE in the Plaza](#) at Kleman Plaza
(12:00pm-5:30pm) - FREE

April 22-23 - [Pioneer Breakfast](#) and [Jazz and Blues Festival](#) presented by Tallahassee Museum
at Tallahassee Museum - ticket prices vary

May 2 - [The Tallahassee Winds](#) at Opperman Music Hall (7:30pm) - FREE

May 8 - [Leon County Library Lecture Series](#) presents "Thomas DeSalle Tucker and His Radical Approach to Black Higher Education" by Dr. Reginald Ellis at the Dr. B.L. Perry, Jr., Branch Library
(7:00pm) - FREE

May 12-14 - [Southern Shakespeare Festival](#) at Capital City Amphitheater in Cascades Park -
(times vary) - FREE

May 17 - [Innovation Park TechGrant Elevator Pitch Night](#) at Goodwood Museum (5:30pm-
7:30pm)

Upcoming Commission Meetings, Workshops and Other Boards

April 25, 2017

9:00pm: Fiscal Year 2017/18 Budget Policy Workshop (view the workshop agenda [here](#))

May 9, 2017

3:00 pm: Leon County Commission meeting (view the Commission agenda [here](#))

6:00pm: Public Hearings (view Public Hearing agenda items [here](#)):

- First & only Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing on an ordinance amending the zoning map to change the zoning classification from Office Residential (OR-2) Zoning District to Commercial Parkway (CP) Zoning District .
- Second Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to add a new section 10-6.819, entitled Medical Marijuana Dispensing Facilities.
- First of two Public Hearings to consider proposed Development Agreement for Fords Arm South Water Quality Improvement Project.

The Leon County Commission generally meets every other Tuesday at 3pm on the 5th Floor of the County Courthouse (Commission schedules and agendas are listed [here](#)). Residents can view live coverage of Commission meetings on Comcast channel 16 or stream it live through the [County's website](#). **All meetings are open to the public.**

Helpful Links and District 5 Amenities

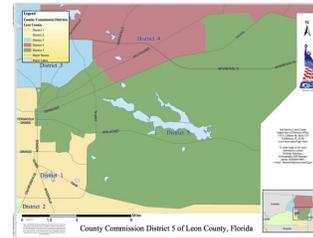
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