



Recap of the TBRPC Council Meeting

Talking points to assist Board Members with their reports on Council activities.

Meeting Date: September 9, 2013

❖ Florida Chamber Foundation's Six Pillars.

Mr. Tony Carvajal serves as Executive Vice President of the Florida Chamber Foundation, the solutions development arm of the Florida Chamber of Commerce. Working in partnership with state business leaders, the Foundation advances initiatives that envision a vibrant and sustainable economy in the state of Florida. Mr. Carvajal provided an overview and update of the Chamber Foundations Six Pillars initiative which includes: Talent Supply & Education; Innovation & Economic Development; Infrastructure & Growth Leadership; Business Climate & Competitiveness; Civic & Governance Systems; and Quality of Life & Quality Places.

❖ Regional Planning Council's Recognized by the Florida Chamber Foundation

This past year, regional planning councils concurrently updated their respective Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies using the Florida Chamber Foundation's Six-Pillars of Florida's Future Economy™ as the organizing foundation. This resulted in the alignment of the Strategies with the Five-Year Statewide Strategic Plan for Economic Development, providing a framework for improving regional development partnerships, and encouraging a stable and diverse economy. As a result of this effort, in June 2013, the Florida Chamber Foundation officially recognized regional planning councils as "Six Pillars Communities" at a ceremony held during the Florida Association of Counties Annual Conference. Mr. Tony Carvajal presented the recognition at the September meeting to the Chair, Executive Director and Staff involved in the project.

❖ "Get Your Mitigation On"

The Florida Division of Emergency Management is partnering with all the RPC's to host 11 Mitigation Workshops throughout the state. The purpose is to give an opportunity to present and discuss the State Mitigation Plan, Local Mitigation Strategies, Risk and Vulnerability assessments, Mitigation funding, changes in mitigation initiatives and the flood insurance program. The Tampa Bay "Get Your Mitigation On" Workshop will be held October 22, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council.

All presentations, pertinent links and detailed minutes of the meeting can be found on the Council website at www.tbrpc.org. 727.570.5151