



Recap of the TBRPC 52nd Annual Meeting

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

Meeting Date: December 8, 2014

❖ 2015 Slate of Officers

Ms. Diane Corna, City Clerk for the City of Pinellas Park performed the Oath of Office for the 2015 Slate of Officers. Serving as Chair is Commissioner Victor Crist from Hillsborough County; Vice-Chair is Mayor Woody Brown representing the City of Largo, FL; and Councilman Patrick Roff from the City of Bradenton, FL.

❖ Chair Crist Announces an Aggressive and Innovative Agenda for 2015

In his acceptance remarks, Commissioner Crist put forth bold initiatives and innovative ideas for the regional entity. *"My goal as the 2015 Chair is to elevate the Council's presence, to further strengthen our relevance, and to put the TBRPC out front as the leader of regional thinking and collaboration,"* stated Commissioner Victor Crist. Top on his list for 2015 is to develop a "road map to grow a *viable medical tourism industry* here in Tampa Bay." Other agenda items include: the *emerging ride-sharing industry; innovative ideas and solutions* that can assist local governments in being more productive and responsive to their employees, constituents and the people they serve; the TBRPC's award winning *Florida Energy Resiliency Strategy Report* is serving as a catalyst for an *Energy Summit*; and the Council will hold a discussion on the idea of a *Regional Public Transportation Commission*. In closing, the Commissioner invited members to bring forward any issues and ideas for open discussion and/or debate.

❖ 23rd Annual Future of the Region Awards **Call for Entries Now Available**

The 23rd Annual Future of the Region Awards Program Call for Entries is now available on our website. Deadline for entries will be Friday, January 9, 2015. Please start spreading the word about this opportunity to be recognized for your programs and projects within each of your communities. The luncheon will be held Friday, March 27th, 2015 at the Hilton Carillon Park. Visit www.tbrpc.org for the Call for Entries.

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