

Transportation System Strategies to Reduce Greenhouse Gases (GHG) In Florida That Support Healthy Communities

Presenters/Moderators Bios

Charles Pattison, FAICP, President of 1000 Friends of Florida

Charles has served since 1998 as the Executive Director of 1000 Friends of Florida. Previously, he was the Director for the Division of Resource Planning and Management at the Department of Community Affairs from 1992 to 1998. From 1989 to 1992, he worked as a Field Representative for The Nature Conservancy's Virginia Coast Reserve. Between 1983 and 1989, he opened the DCA Florida Keys Field Office in Key West, served as the Monroe County Planning, Building and Zoning Director, and was the first executive director of the Monroe County Land Authority. Charles also has also served as a planning director in coastal North Carolina and spent five years with the North Carolina Office of Coastal Management in beach access and coastal permitting work.

A North Carolina native and an Eagle Scout, he received an undergraduate degree from N.C. State in Raleigh and a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina. He spent six years working on coastal development issues in North Carolina before moving back to Florida. A Fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners (April, 2008), he serves on the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium Advisory Council, Betton Hills Neighborhood Association, External Advisory Council to the University of Florida's School of Natural Resources and the Environment, and Apalachee Land Conservancy. He is a graduate of Leadership Florida, Class 18. In 2005, Charles was appointed by Senate President Tom Lee to a four year term on the Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida. He has also recently been appointed (2007) to the Florida Energy Commission's Climate Change Subcommittee and the Governor's Climate Action Team which is developing a state climate action plan.

Dr. Michael D. Meyer is a Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, and former Chair of the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the Georgia Institute of Technology. From 1983 to 1988, Dr. Meyer was Director of Transportation Planning and Development for Massachusetts where he was responsible for statewide planning, project development, traffic engineering, and transportation research. Prior to this, he was a professor in the Department of Civil Engineering at M.I.T.

Dr. Meyer has written over 140 technical articles and has authored or co-authored numerous texts on transportation planning and policy, including a college textbook for McGraw Hill entitled *Urban Transportation Planning: A Decision Oriented Approach*. He was the author of *Transportation Congestion and Mobility: A Toolbox for Transportation Officials*, a book sponsored by the Institute of Transportation Engineers and the Federal Highway Administration that focuses on transportation actions that can be implemented to enhance mobility. He is an active member of numerous professional organizations, and has chaired committees relating to transportation planning, public transportation, environmental impact analysis, transportation policy, transportation education, and intermodal transportation.

Dr. Meyer is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2000 *Theodore M. Matson Memorial Award* in recognition of outstanding contributions in the field of transportation engineering; the 1995 *Pyke Johnson Award* of the Transportation Research Board for best paper in planning and administration delivered at the TRB Annual Meeting; and the 1988 *Harland Bartholomew Award* of the American Society of Civil Engineers for contribution to the enhancement of the role of the civil engineer in urban planning and development. He was recently appointed to the Executive Committee of the Transportation Research Board.

Peter E. Plumeau - Peter Plumeau is Director of the Policy & Strategy Practice with Resource Systems Group. He specializes in facilitating enhanced transportation planning effectiveness through strategic planning, process analysis and institutional change management. For several years, Mr. Plumeau has focused on how the structures, relationships and geographies of transportation planning and operating agencies affect their ability to address climate change adaptation and mitigation. For the U.S. DOT, Mr. Plumeau recently conducted a series of national workshops on approaches to integrating climate change mitigation and adaptation into the transportation planning process at the MPO and state levels. In addition, he was the lead author of the TRB published paper on “Meeting the Challenge of Fragmented Institutions in Addressing Climate Change in the Transportation Planning and Investment Process.”

From 2001 to 2007, Mr. Plumeau chaired the TRB Committee on Metropolitan Planning. He also chaired the TRB national conference on the future of metropolitan planning organizations in 2006. Mr. Plumeau is currently a member of the TRB Strategic Management Committee, the UVM Transportation Research Center Advisory Committee and the Association for Strategic Planning. He was previously Executive Director of the Chittenden County Metropolitan Planning Organization and has held positions with the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) and the Maryland State Legislature. Mr. Plumeau holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Rockefeller College of the University at Albany and a Bachelor’s degree from UVM. He is a member of the City of South Burlington.

Kathy Neill has worked with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) since 1997. She currently serves as FDOT’s Director of the Office of Policy Planning. This Office is responsible for developing the Florida Transportation Plan and for implementing the statewide, regional and metropolitan transportation planning requirements assigned the Department. The Office also serves as the liaison on transportation policy issues with federal agencies, the Governor's Office, other state agencies, local and regional government agencies, and the Florida Transportation Commission.

Prior to coming to FDOT, Kathy supervised the general government section in Legislature's Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) and was the Inspector General for the Florida Department of Business Regulation. Kathy has a BA from the University of Maryland (economics) and Masters in Public Administration from Florida State University.

Charles Gauthier, AICP - Mr. Gauthier received a B.A from University of South Florida and a M.S. from Florida State University. He has 30 years of experience working in the areas of environmental protection and growth management including service with the (former) Department of Environmental Regulation where he assisted with state water policy and protection of the Everglades; Collier County where he served as Chief of Long Range Planning and Manager of Planning during preparation of the Growth Management Plan; Lee County where he served as Zoning Manager; and the Department of Community Affairs where he has served as Growth Management Administrator, Chief of Comprehensive Planning, and in January 2007 he was appointed to his current position as Director of the Division of Community Planning. In addition he has worked in the private sector most recently directing a consulting office providing statewide services. Mr. Gauthier has been a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners since 1987.

Tim Center, Vice President of Sustainability Initiatives. Tim is a fourth-generation Florida native and resident of Tallahassee for nearly 25 years, Tim Center is the Vice President of Sustainability Initiatives for the Collins Center for Public Policy – an independent, non-profit policy think tank with offices in Miami, Tallahassee and Sarasota.

In his capacity as Vice President, Mr. Center serves as the Director of *Sustainable Florida*, an alliance of private and public partners committed to promoting sustainable development. He also serves as the Executive Director of the *Century Commission for a Sustainable Florida* – a governmental body charged with helping envision the state on a 50 year planning horizon. Tim is an attorney, he has worked for the Florida Legislature, Florida Home Builders Association, Florida Chamber of Commerce, and the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. He is a member of the International Society of Sustainability Professionals and has 19 years of leadership experience in public, private, and not-for-profit settings. For more information on *Sustainable Florida*, visit www.sustainableflorida.org

Tallahassee

Dr. Melanie Simmons, Director of the Healthy Communities Program, serves as principal analyst for projects. After many years in academic, public and private sectors, she realized the potential for methods that combine the scientific evidence and population statistics to forecast health, social and economic impacts on specific populations for plans, policies and development projects. This information is vital to local decision makers in creating sustainable, healthy and prosperous communities. Doctoral and masters level students work on projects and faculty provide technical assistance as well as peer-review of all reports produced.

Dr. Simmons partners and works with the American Planning Association and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. She has worked for Florida Legislative

Commissions as well as and state and local health, growth management, transportation, education and economic development agencies. She has provided professional services for Seattle Washington, cities within the Denver Colorado Metro area and firms such as CNL Real Estate and Development, Kaiser Permanente and non-profits such as the March of Dimes and Civic Results. Her recent speaking engagements include the Sarasota County Sustainable Communities Workshop and the American Public Health Association and the American Planning Association Conferences. She authored a section in the Planning and Urban Design best seller Sustainable Urbanism: Urban Design with Nature edited by Doug Farr Chair of the LEED Neighborhood Development Committee.

Timothy S. Chapin, Associate Professor & Chair, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Florida State University and Faculty Associate, Center for Demography and Population Health Faculty Associate, DeVoe L. Moore Center. B.A. (Sociology) Emory University, 1992. M.C.P. (City Planning) Georgia Institute of Technology, 1994. Ph.D. (Urban Design and Planning) University of Washington, 1999.

Professor Chapin's teaching and research interests are in the areas of comprehensive planning, economic development, and downtown development. Current research focuses on the use of special activity generators, like sports stadia, entertainment projects, and convention centers, to spur district development. He currently teaches courses in community infrastructure, economic development, and computer applications in planning

Harry Reed, Executive Director of regional Metropolitan Planning Organization Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency in Tallahassee and is responsible for long range transportation planning for a four county area. Harry has 40 years in the transportation field. Mr. Reed has been involved with a number of special activities, during this time, including coordinating transportation planning and projects for the 1984 New Orleans World's Fair, the National Sports Festival VI held in Baton Rouge in 1985 and assisting in the establishment of AMTRAK rail passenger service between New Orleans and Mobile during the 1984 World's Fair. In 1986 he joined the Florida Department of Transportation's Public Transit Office and during his tenure there he has been responsible for commuter assistance and state transit funding programs, development of a state capital investment policy, transit safety, drug and alcohol testing, state bus fleet operations, and special projects and initiatives relative to public transportation.

In 1995 Harry was one of an eleven member team, selected nationally, to participate in the International Transit Studies Program that examined transportation systems operations and mobility concerns in Asia for application in the United States. In 1997 he moved to Tampa to assume the position of District Public Transportation Manager for District 7 of the Florida Department of Transportation working with local governments and agencies in the development and maintenance of aviation, transit, rail, seaports, intermodal, bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the district. From 2002-2007 Harry was a consultant with URS Corporation in Tampa responsible for managing staff and projects involving urban planning, freight mobility, rail freight, rail and bus transit operation and feasibility studies with local governments and FDOT.

Ronald L. Garrison, Executive Director, StarMetro, Tallahassee's Transit System
Mr. Garrison's transit management experience span 20 years working in the public and private sectors of mass transit. While he is currently the Executive Director of StarMetro, he also served as the Executive Director of two larger systems and in executive management in three other transit systems. His experience includes three light rail system startups, two bus feeder plans and implementations, transit oriented development projects and partnerships, regional planning and coordination efforts, route decentralization, large and medium scale bus operations including vehicle maintenance, flex route service design and startup, light rail and paratransit operations, facility maintenance, facility design and construction, safety management, training management, ITS and other project management, systems and information technology, organizational development, customer service, regional rideshare programs, marketing, performance management and facilities management.

Jonathan B. Paul, AICP, MA, Concurrency & Impact Fee manager, Alachua County - Growth Management - Jonathan has a Master Of Arts Urban & Regional Planning from the University of Florida, a Master of Public Administration from the University of South Florida and a Bachelor of Science – Social Science from Florida State University For the last four years he has been the Concurrency & Impact Fee Manager for Alachua County. Prior to this he served as Principal Planner, Hillsborough County Planning & Growth Mgmt Department and as Senior Planner to the Hillsborough County MPO and as Planner working in the private sector for SCI Consulting.

Jonathan has extensive experience in traffic analysis and concurrency review for Developments of Regional Impact, Comprehensive Plans, rezoning and other development plans. This includes background in proportionate share analysis and impact fee evaluations. His past presentations include ones for both the Florida Chapter and National American Planning Association. He served as a local government representative on a FDOT Level of Service Subcommittee and has been a contributor on a number of statewide transportation and planning reviews and LOS analysis.

Penny Wheat. Former Alachua County Commissioner and a citizen-advocate who served 16 years (1986-1994; 1996-2004) as an Alachua County Commissioner, Penny Wheat was known for her support of neighborhoods, public health, and natural resources. She worked with County functional groups and on the team that spearheaded Alachua County's energy reduction policies and program. Penny is a member of the Gainesville Police Department's District 3 Council; was appointed by the School Board as a member of the school sales tax oversight committee; and served as chair of the Alachua County Energy Conservation Strategies Commission.

Orlando

David Overfield, Orange County Health Department, Orlando - David has been employed by the Orange County Health Department since 1999. His current position is that of Environmental Administrator. His current duties include the management of the Orange County Health Department's office of Environmental Health. David served as a Corpsman for the United States Navy, received his Bachelor of Science degree in

Biology from the University of Central Florida and was selected to attend the 2007 Environmental Public Health Leadership Institute. Some of his most recent accomplishments include participation in three climate change summits, submission of an abstract and position paper on climate change and activities related to regional planning efforts through Myregion.org.

Philip C. Laurien, AICP, Executive Director, East Central Florida Regional Planning Council - Mr. Laurien earned a Bachelor of Arts from Miami University (Ohio) and a Masters in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati.

His 35 year career includes planning, city management, and real estate development. He has authored numerous white papers, comprehensive plans and zoning codes in Ohio, Kentucky, Florida and New Hampshire, and guest lectured at four universities. He has been Executive Director at three Regional Planning Councils and a County Development Department.

As a partner in his own planning firm from 1982-1990 he designed over 350 developments in four New England states, and served various communities as their consultant. He pioneered the first conservation development codes for sustainable communities, and also designed and oversaw the development of four such “green” conservation subdivisions. Laurien helped 2006-07 *myregion.org* lead the “How Shall We Grow?” regional visioning project, which won three 2007 planning awards from the American Planning Association and an award from the Collins Center for a Sustainable Florida

As Executive Director of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, he is an active planner and administrator over an agency responsible for reviewing Developments of Regional Impact, and creating regional polices for identification and protection of natural resources, economic development, emergency management, transportation and affordable housing.

Marianne Gurnee - Marianne Gurnee is the Public Liaison for SunRail, Central Florida’s Commuter Rail project. Marianne joined the Florida Department of Transportation’s SunRail team in 2006, and is responsible for public involvement activities associated with the project. Her duties include developing and updating the project website, outreach to business, community and political groups, organizing public meetings, responding to inquiries and project management support.

Prior to joining the SunRail team, Marianne was a Senior Editorial Writer at the Orlando Sentinel, where she wrote extensively about transportation, growth management, the environment and local and state political issues. She also spent 10 years as a Senior Writer for Newsday in New York City, where she covered transportation, state and New York City politics before moving to Florida in 1992.

Lisa Darnall – Chief Operating Officer for the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority, d.b.a LYNX in Orlando Florida. Lisa has over 27 years experience in public

transportation. Her current responsibilities include oversight of transportation, facility and vehicle maintenance, and paratransit operations. LYNX operates a fixed route fleet of 267 buses, covering 2,500 square miles.

Prior to joining LYNX in 1997, Lisa worked for the Maryland Mass Transit Administration in Baltimore, Maryland for 15 years.

She received her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of West Florida in Pensacola and her Master's degree in Management from the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Ft. Lauderdale

Julianne Price is an Environmental Specialist at the Indian River County Department's division of Environmental Health. She previously worked for the Washington State Park Recreation Commission as a Park Ranger Assistant at Millersylvania State Park, and also worked for Raytheon Technical Services, Inc., in Hohenfels, Germany, as an Operations Administrator. She is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Asheville with a B.S. in Natural Resource Management from the Environmental Studies program. She earned the accreditation as a Registered Sanitarian (R.S.) and currently serves as the Statewide PACE EH Coordinator. Her responsibilities also include inspections and permitting for Florida Department of Health. She identifies her most challenging and rewarding experience as working with the PACE EH in West Wabasso community. Her work has earned her the NAACHO Jim Parker Award, three Davis Productivity Awards, FEHA's Rookie of the Year award, ASTHO's Best Practice Award and recently has been featured in the Public Health Grand Rounds.

James F. Murley, is the Director of the Florida Atlantic University Anthony James Catanese Center for Urban & Environmental Solutions in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The mission of the Catanese Center is "to work with policy makers and the public in their pursuit of options for managing growth while preserving natural systems, promoting a strong economy and planning livable communities."

Jim is a 1974 graduate of the George Washington University Law School where he specialized in environmental and land-use law. Before coming to Florida, he worked for the National Atmospheric and Oceanographic Administration in coastal zone management.

He first joined the Florida Department of Community Affairs in 1983 as its director of Resource Planning and Management. In that position, Jim helped draft and gain passage of Florida's landmark Growth Management Act. In 1987, Jim left DCA to head 1000 Friends of Florida, a nonprofit, public interest group that works to promote sensible planning, economic development, and environmental preservation. Jim was then appointed Secretary of DCA by Governor Lawton Chiles. Jim served on the Miami River Commission and the Legislative Committee on Intergovernmental Coordination. A fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration, a board member of the Seaside Institute, and the Congress of New Urbanism.

Kristin Jacobs -Since her election in 1998, Commissioner Jacobs has focused much of her work on the County Commission on the environment and sustainability. During her tenure on the Commission, she served as the Mayor of Broward County in 2005 and as the Vice Mayor in 2004.

Commissioner Jacobs is recognized as the creator of Broward's Greenways & Trails System, which will provide more than 210 miles of pathways connecting parks, neighborhoods, schools, and cultural centers. Kristin is also the guiding spirit behind NatureScope Broward, a water conservation and preservation program developed to educate property owners on the benefit of sustainable landscaping techniques. While she was serving as Mayor in 2005, Broward County was recognized by the National Wildlife Federation as the first county in the nation to be certified as a Habitat Community.

On a regional level, Commissioner Jacobs brings her concern for sustainability to her work as a member of the following organizations: Chairwoman Broward County Climate Change Task Force, The Water Resource Advisory Commission for the South Florida Water Management District, Broward County's Water Advisory Board, The National Association of County's Environment, Energy and Land Use Committee, The Florida Association of Counties' Board of Directors, Broward County's Metropolitan Planning Organization. Recently, the Broward County Board of Commissioners created the Climate Change Task Force and the Water Resources Task Force. Commissioner Jacobs is the Chair of the Climate Change Task Force and is a member of the Water Resources Task Force.

Gary Rogers - Community Redevelopment Agency Executive Director, Lauderdale Lakes. Mr. Rogers received his B.A. in Urban Planning and Environmental Design from the State University of New York at Buffalo, New York in 1980. He was employed by the Buffalo Urban Renewal Agency and the City of Buffalo for a period of fourteen years including five years of service as Director of the Department of Neighborhood Revitalization. Mr. Rogers moved to Brevard County, Florida in 1995 and was employed as Director of the Department of Community Development and Planning for the City of Cocoa.

In 2002 Mr. Rogers moved to Broward County and serves as Executive Director of the City of Lauderdale Lakes Community Redevelopment Agency. Gary joined the Board of Directors of the Florida Redevelopment Association in 1999 and serves as President. He serves as Committee Chairman for the Broward Housing Authority Strategic Investment Committee and was also a founding member of the Board of Directors of: the Smart Growth Partnership, Broward Housing Partnership and the Broward Land Trust. Active member of: the American Planning Association, the Congress For New Urbanism and the Urban Land Institute.

Neisen Kasdin, Chair, Land Use and Entitlements Practice Group, Akerman Senterfitt Neisen Kasdin was instrumental in the revitalization of South Beach through his service as Chair of the Community Development Corporation for South Beach and as a City

Commissioner and Mayor of Miami Beach. He currently serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors for the Miami Downtown Development Authority.

Kasdin is a Shareholder at Akerman Senterfitt and the Chair of Akerman's Land Use and Entitlements practice group. He practices in the areas of land use and zoning, public-private partnerships, local government law, and procurement. Among his most prominent client work, Kasdin has represented Developers Diversified Realty and the Midtown Miami Community Development District on the development of Midtown Miami, a more than three million square-foot mixed-use development built on an abandoned rail yard in Miami.