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When I was elected as your County Commissioner I committed to representing your interests - the people's interests. Since then, I have consistently fought for doing what is right and not what is easy or expedient. For this reason, I will not approve further development in any area of the County that does not already have the infrastructure to serve the needs of new residents, protect the residents already in place and regulate traffic patterns within existing roadways. As your former State Senator, I am aware that many of our major highways are State Roads that are regulated by the Florida Department of Transportation. While in Tallahassee, I invited our Secretary of Transportation to travel to Palm Beach County. He will be here to address our transportation issues directly with our residents. He will also confer with County Engineers and Engineering students from FAU and Palm Beach State College. This is the way development should be, from the bottom up, with a healthy infrastructure in place to handle smart growth for all the residents of today and tomorrow.

Your County Commissioner,

-Maria Sachs-

THE SECRETARY OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMING TO PALM BEACH COUNTY



As promised, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation is coming to our county to meet with County Engineers, community leaders. and members of the public. There are many issues that affect traffic in our area and now is the time to present these issues directly with the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation.

Spotlight A

Pamela Higer-Polani



There is a certain responsibility that comes with the practice of law. I wanted to highlight an attorney who has not only fulfilled her civic responsibility as an attorney to represent her clients fairly but has taken on the duty of working for a nonprofit toward the betterment of the whole. In the past few years, Pamela Higer-Polani has been recognized as a Woman of Distinction, a Leader in Law, and a Volunteer of the Year. She personifies all that is best, working as a compassionate attorney, the promoter for non-profits, and as wife/mother/daughter. PAMELA, you are our shining star!

Reports From Committees

Commissioner Sachs Chair of The Tourist Development Council



Occupancy 67%, higher by 52% over last year, and PBC Average Daily Rates also higher by 50% for November over last year.

We continue the rebound in hotel rooms sold throughout the County with average daily room rates and the increased nonhotel sales activity, (Airbnb, VRBO, etc.) driving our collections performance. The Sports Commission has seen short-term bookings for sports events explode in the 1st Quarter and Discover The Palm Beaches rolls out the Leisure Traveler campaigns as we enter Season. Cultural venues are preparing to welcome visitors and taking all the precautions for inside performances possible.

REPEAL OF FACIAL COVERINGS POLICY



Effective Monday, February 14th, 2022 the facial coverings policy of January 3rd, 2022 for our county staff and the general public in county-owned and leased buildings is hereby repealed. The federal mask requirement for county-operated transit vehicles and in the Palm Beach International Airport remains in effect.

The repeal of this policy is based upon consultation with the Director of the Florida Department of Health for Palm Beach County and the Latest CDC COVID Data Tracker.

Dear Commissioner,

I am unable to attend or watch the Board of County Commissioners meetings that go on every month. Is there a listen line that I can call instead?

Yes, you can listen (live) by dialing (561) 355-3324



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Maria Sachs, Commissioner Palm Beach County



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