

Journey to the Future

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Punta Gorda: Journey to the Future

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This informative event led by TEAM Punta Gorda, the City of Punta Gorda, the Charlotte Community Foundation and the Charlotte County Economic Development Partnership offers opportunities to:

- ✓ Bring stakeholders together to learn sound strategies for future planning of our city.
- ✓ Inspire enthusiastic participation in updating the City-wide Master Plan.
- ✓ Benefit from the shared knowledge of remarkable speakers.

This free event, which takes place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on January 7, 2019 at the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center, will highlight the following:

Opening Session

Welcome - **Nancy Prafke**, Punta Gorda Mayor

Conference Purpose and Introduction – **Nancy Johnson**, TEAM CEO

Graphic Presentation – Our City, If Building Regulations Are Unchanged – **Tom Cavanaugh and Mitchell Austin**

Presenters and Presentations

- **Rick Serverance**, CEO of Babcock Ranch and former CEO of the Seaside, FL, one of the first communities in America designed on the principles of New Urbanism.
- **Victor Dover**, Principal of Dover Kohl & Partners, the firm selected to assist with Punta Gorda's new City-wide Master Plan, will discuss best practices in urban planning and development.
- **Lee Pitts**, Host and Executive Producer of "Lee Pitts Live", will facilitate a discussion of four perspectives on Punta Gorda from panelists **Gussie Baker, Martha Bireda, Chris Evans** and **Paula McQueen**. They will relate their unique stories on the evolution and growth of Punta Gorda since its incorporation in 1887.
- **Tim Hernandez**, Principal of New Urban Communities Corporation, is a builder/developer focused on infill, redevelopment and traditional neighborhood development opportunities in South Florida.

Lunch/Keynote Speaker

John Redmond, President of Allegiant Travel Company, will share why Allegiant selected Charlotte Harbor as the site for its first major resort and the potential benefits he sees for Punta Gorda and Charlotte County arising from his company's significant investment. Lunch available for modest fee.

Wrap-up/Next Steps

Howard Kunik, Punta Gorda City Manager, will summarize the day's session and will discuss what's next with developing the Punta Gorda City-wide Master Plan.

To REGISTER for this FREE EVENT, go to TEAMPuntaGorda.org

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