

# **GREATER PALM BAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

4100 Dixie Highway NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905 Phone (321) 951-9998 GreaterPalmBayChamber.com

The Gateway to Business on the Space Coast

### 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS Executive Committee

Chairwoman — Chari Rigby
Immediate Past Chair - David Jones
Incoming Chair - Sean Williams
Treasurer - Lakesha Burr
Secretary - Lisa Bolinger
Vice Chairs-Shelley Kuhn, Holly Tanner,
Joanne Stanley
President & CEO Nancy Peltonen

#### **Directors**

Joe Rowlette, Clinton Hatcher, Jason Kolleda, Christie Lynes, Cinthia Kettering, Antoinette Broomfield, Matt Passarella, Stephanie Byrd, Jen Dustin, Tammy Honaker

#### <u>Trustees</u>

Emerald-City of Palm Bay

Platinum-Yellow Dog Café

Gold-Builders First Source Gold-Health First Gold-KB Home Gold-Republic Services

Silver-ASAP Pest Solutions Silver-Belk Silver-City of West Melbourne Silver-Cocina Café Silver-Community Credit Union Silver-Courtyard by Marriott Silver-FP&L Silver-Florida Tech Silver-Gary Yeomans Ford Palm Bay Silver-Health First/Advent Health Silver-L.H. Tanner Construction Silver-Palm Bay Memory Care Silver-Sam's Club Silver-Sandy Michelson Silver-Simply K&E Silver-Spherion Staffing & Recruiting Silver-St. Francis Reflections Silver-Thrifty Specialty Produce & Meats Silver-Vipcare

Bronze-11 Series Energy, Adams Homes, All Aluminum Screening, Bayside Recovery & Wellness, Brevard Skin Care, BPS, BRG Air Systems, Buena Vida Estates, DC Roofing, Ferguson Bath, Kitchen & Lighting Gallery, Florida Health Care Plans, Gimenez & Carrillo, Glenbrooke at Palm Bay, Hedrick Brothers
Construction, Hotel Melby, Hyatt Place, Launch Credit Union, Melbourne Orlando International Airport, Morsecom, Myers Landscape Supply Co., Pineapple Cove Classical Academy, Peay's Electric II, Inc., Publix, Sea Pines, Smart City Metro, Space Coast Credit Union. Space Coast Harley Davidson, Sports Chiropractic, Springhill Suites, The Fountains, Waste Management, Wharton-Smith, Inc., WorkMagic

September 29, 2025

## **Palm Bay City Council Members**

120 Malabar Road Palm Bay, FL 32907

The Greater Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce stands as a unifying voice for our vibrant business community, dedicated to fostering economic growth, innovation, and opportunity for all residents of Palm Bay and Brevard County. We are deeply committed to building an inclusive environment where every individual—regardless of background, ethnicity, or origin—can thrive and contribute to our shared prosperity.

We have spoken at council meetings in the past regarding social media comments on Palm Bay City Councilman Chandler Langevin social media pages, which have targeted and demeaned members of our Indian American community, Muslims and Lebanese individuals. We express profound concern and disappointment. These remarks do not reflect the values of our city or county, nor do they align with the principles of respect and collaboration that underpin our region's success. Our Indian American, Lebanese, and Muslim entrepreneurs, professionals, and families have played an invaluable role in strengthening Palm Bay's economy—from technology and healthcare to real estate and hospitality—driving job creation and community vitality. Divisive rhetoric undermines this progress and erodes the trust essential for a healthy business climate.

We unequivocally condemn any form of discrimination or hate speech that seeks to divide us. Palm Bay's strength lies in its diversity, and we urge all elected officials to lead with empathy, accountability, and a focus on policies that benefit every resident. The Chamber calls for constructive dialogue among community leaders, including Councilman Langevin, to address immigration concerns through facts, fairness, and forward-thinking solutions that prioritize economic opportunity for all.

As we move forward, The Greater Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce reaffirms our pledge to champion unity and inclusion. Together, we can ensure Palm Bay remains a welcoming beacon of opportunity in Brevard County, where every voice is heard and every business succeeds.

The Board of Directors
Greater Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce