



THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA
PUBLIC NOTICE

AGENDA

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**PUBLIC RECORDS WORKSHOP
A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO OPEN GOVERNMENT**

Patricia Shontz Commission Chambers, City Hall, 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach

9:00 AM

MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2018

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

(One or more Elected or Appointed Officials may be in attendance)

1. 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM BREAKFAST

2. 9:30 AM – 12:00 NOON

- Statutory changes to the Public Records Act
- Unintended Consequences
 - How those statutory changes may impact agencies
 - How those statutory changes may impact citizens
- Dealing with the Difficult (Citizens and Activists)
- Public Records Pitfalls (and tips for avoiding them)
- An Open Government Forecast (new or developing areas of activism and litigation that may impact agencies)
- Round Table (what are the pressing issues effecting agencies and best practices for addressing or avoiding them)
- Questions and Answers

3. 12:00 NOON – 1:00 PM - LUNCH

4. 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

- Public Records Resources
- Basics of Public Records Law in Florida (what engaged citizens and public officials really need to know about public records access in Florida)
- Practical Suggestions for Gaining Access to Public Records (tips and tricks for getting records)
- The Courts and Public Records Access (key decisions that impact your right to know)
- Citizen Activism (practical suggestions for civil engagement)
- Question and Answer