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Trent Culleney Landscape Contractor,



Thursday, April 22nd

5:30pm @ Lavish Nail Lounge



MSBIA Members,

In February of 2020 I wrote an article decrying that housing had led the economy out of the recession in a powerful way. As we embark on the conclusion of one year of the Covid-19 pandemic, I can once again state clearly that housing has carried its fair share of the economic revival for Florida and the U.S. There have been

many lessons learned through this experience, hopefully giving us the building blocks to place our businesses on solid ground for the next financial downturn, created by pandemic or otherwise.

I have also stated that while Housing is an important component of our economy. Covid-19 has shown that Housing is central to American family life and critical to a thriving economy. The state of the housing industry is a good barometer of the broader economy and the condition of the nation's social fabric.

Housing is an economic engine, and that engine must have fuel. We have all seen and experienced reports of record home sales both in the resale market and new construction. This has been driven primarily by those families and individuals making the decision to make Florida their home. Why? There are many reasons I am sure, but most can be attributed to the pandemic, spurring those move for freedoms elsewhere.

Our slice of paradise is situated in a prime position to capitalize and benefit from this increase in population. To see how well we are situated, all we need to do is look at current stated permit values for new residential "vertical" construction in Manatee and Sarasota counties. Collectively in 2020, our MSA has permitted \$1.9B of stated construction value for new residential construction. If we add new commercial construction, it will total \$3.1B of total stated value for new construction in our MSA.

What does that mean for our MSA? It means that our industry is necessary for the economic health of our community, as it creates opportunity for many businesses to thrive and prosper.

Jon Mast MPA, CEO



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2021

SPRING FLING GOLF TOURNAMENT
Friday, April 30th, 2021 1:00pm-6:00pm
Legacy Golf Club, Lakewood Ranch

YBP Cornhole Tournament

Wednesday, March 17th
5:30pm @ Evie's

Membership TEAM Meeting

Friday, March 19th
9:00am @ MSBIA Office

SMC Happy Hour

Wednesday, March 31st
5:00pm @ GROVE LWR

SMC Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 7th
8:30am @ MSBIA Office

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, April 8th
5:00pm @ MSBIA Office

Botox, Bubbles, Bourbon & Spa

Thursday, April 22nd
5:30pm @ Lavish Lounge LWR

Spring Fling Golf Tournament

Friday, April 30th
1:00pm @ Legacy Golf Club

Market Snapshot GMM

Thursday, June 10th
5:30pm @ LWR Country Club

Sarasota Slam

August 3rd-7th
Marina Jacks
Inshore/Offshore/Billfish

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