MAYOR’S STATE OF THE CITY VIRTUAL PROGRAM

Save the date for Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021.

City of West Palm Beach Mayor Keith A. James will deliver the annual State of the City address virtually on Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, from 9–10 a.m. Save the date! To help keep everyone safe, this program will be broadcast live on YouTube to allow guests to join from their homes/work environments. In delivering his remarks, Mayor James will report on West Palm Beach’s successes, challenges and opportunities in the wake of sudden, catastrophic impacts to our community from COVID-19. To join this event, visit www.palmbeaches.org. Registration is limited.

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David Ecija

David Ecija is the general manager of Hilton West Palm Beach. He has been with Hilton Worldwide for 20 years, 15 of which have been with Hilton in Europe, Asia, Latin America and now in the United States. Ecija has worked in six countries on three continents, working with multiple properties, segments, destinations and cultures. An inspiring leader, he has mentored nine dedicated professionals to become general managers with Hilton across the United States, Middle East, Southeast Asia and the Caribbean. Ecija graduated from Polytechnic University in Madrid, Spain with a degree in hotel management, with specializations in strategic hospitality and demand management. He speaks four languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese and French. In 2008, he was awarded General Manager of the Year for Hilton Europe.

Matthew Leger

Matthew Leger is the senior vice president of public policy and external affairs for the Broward County Partnership. He previously served as the Executive Director of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, and the Palm Beach County Tourism Commission and Palm Beach International Airport. Copies will also be available in the Chamber lobby at 401 North Flagler Drive in downtown West Palm Beach. To have your business appear in upcoming Chamber publications, contact Kelly Fanelli, Membership Director, at 561-257-0289, or kfanelli@palmbeaches.org.

2021 GUIDE TO THE PALM BEACHES DEBUTS IN JANUARY

Join us on Wednesday, Jan. 20, from 10:15 a.m. for the first Tourism Task Force virtual meeting of the year! Open only to members and nonmembers in the hospitality industry: hotels, restaurants, attractions, meeting planners – the meeting will allow attendees to network and build a contact base with peers. Bring your challenges and questions.

Speakers will include:
• Bani Young, President and CEO, Visit Florida
• Jorge Pequeno, President and CEO, Discover the Palm Beaches
• David Lawrence, President and CEO, Cultural Council for Palm Beach County
• George Alday, Executive Director, Palm Beach County Sports Commission
• Michelle Hillyer, Deputy Film Commissioner and Director of Finance, and Philip Man, Director of Development and Marketing, Palm Beach County Film

The mission: bring together tourism members and tourism industry businesses and leaders in a task force to identify ways to support and promote tourism in Palm Beach County.

The Task Force will gather information on issues and challenges, brainstorm and implement solutions, and provide a portal for information, personalization, and community participation. All registered guests will receive webinars. telephone information via the email address used to register for the event. Contact Kelly Fanelli at kfanelli@palmbeaches.org or call 561-257-0289 for more information.
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