

2006 Florida Cities of Excellence Awards Program ▶ Nomination Form

Category (Please check one) See Award Criteria for more information. Please print or type. One nomination per page.

FLORIDA CITY OF EXCELLENCE AWARD
Name of Municipality Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY SPIRIT AWARD
Name of Municipality Nominated _____
Nominated Project _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

MAYOR OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Title _____ Department _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY MANAGER OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY CLERK OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated Tammy K. Vock
Nominated by Mayor and Councilmembers
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY FINANCE OFFICIAL (DIRECTOR OR OFFICER) OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

CITY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
Name of Individual Nominated _____
Nominated by _____
(Name of City/Town/Village)

Person Completing Nomination Form

Please print or type.

Name Tammy K. Vock

Title City Clerk

Government City of Vero Beach

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Nomination Certification

This nomination has been voted on and approved by a majority of the city council/commission.

Signed Tammy K. Vock / Tom White
City Clerk / Mayor

The judges will use the narrative and supportive information to select the award winners. Nominators/nominees are asked not to contact the judges directly.

Narrative

In the narrative, please be clear and concise, using the Award Criteria to support the selection of your nominee. Please type (or print in black ink), up to 1,200 words, double-spaced on white 8-1/2" x 11" paper.

Supportive Information

Up to 10 pages of supportive information (newspaper clippings, photographs, letters from constituents, etc.), on 8-1/2" x 11" paper (single-sided) may be provided. Please do not include videotapes, DVDs, CDs or Power-Point presentations.

Submit nominations by **August 18, 2006:**

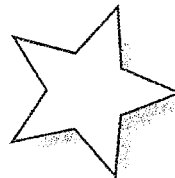
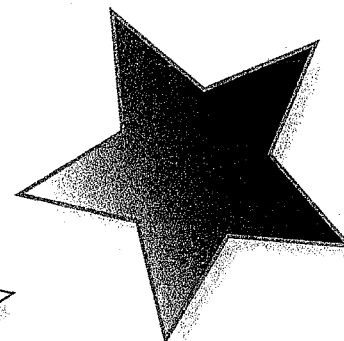
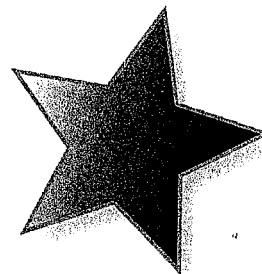
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TAMMY K. VOCK, CITY CLERK OF THE YEAR

Since her appointment in 1985, Tammy Vock, continues to exhibit commitment, initiative, professionalism, integrity, and innovation in her position as City Clerk. Her active roles in various professional and citywide organizations have helped her establish a network of resources and keep the function of a City Clerk dynamic and progressive. Ms. Vock first obtained the Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation in 1994 and then entered into the Master Municipal Clerk (MMC) program as soon as it became available to the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) members. In 2006 she obtained her MMC designation.

Ms. Vock's involvement with the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and the Florida Association of City Clerks (FACC) has showed her commitment to uphold the responsibilities expected of a City Clerk and her willingness to learn and share new practices with colleagues. She currently serves as the 2nd Vice President of the FACC Association, and in June will become 1st Vice President. In 2007-2008 she will become the President of the FACC. While she currently serves as 2nd Vice President, her duties for the last two years have been to serve as the Chief Editor for City Desk, a newsletter sent out to all Florida City Clerks. Also in this capacity, she updates the FACC web site and continuously answers questions that she receives from City Clerks throughout the State.

If that wasn't enough to keep Ms. Vock busy, she is currently serving or has served on the following Committees: FACC Professional Education, FACC Membership Committee, FACC Legislative Committee, FACC Nominating Committee, Chair of the FACC Manual Revisions Committee, Chair of the FACC Investment Advisory Committee, served as the FACC Central East Director, FACC Corresponding Secretary and Information Officer, FACC Budget Committee, City Desk Editor, Chair of the FACC Goals Committee, IIMC Resource and Information Committee, Florida Women in Government, and is a member of the Indian River County Professional and Business Women.

Ms. Vock was instrumental in helping the City during hurricanes Francis and Jeanne. Ms. Vock and her staff started answering phones immediately after the hurricanes occurred and worked around the clock to make sure that the residents concerns were heard. She also personally handed out water and ice to those in need.

Ms. Vock doesn't wait to be told that a job needs to be done. She always takes the lead and serves as a role model for her staff and all public service personnel. Sometimes Ms. Vock knows what Council needs before they do, and has the information available before the questions are even asked.

Ms. Vock demonstrates a very high level of integrity. She can be counted on to answer public record requests in a timely manner. Due to the recent hurricanes, the City Clerk's office responded to nearly 500 public records request during 2005. Some were time

consuming and some were not, but she and her staff dealt with all requests in a professional, calm and courteous manner. She will not hesitate to report any unlawful acts or irregularities in association with the public records act. As custodian of public records for the City, Ms. Vock keeps all public records properly stored and is often considered the "guardian" of public records.

Throughout the election process, she is fair and impartial to all candidates, incumbents and newcomers. No one has more integrity for her position as City Clerk than Ms. Vock does. She always tries to do what is right and with the highest degree of integrity.

No matter how many meetings are scheduled, Ms. Vock, or one of her five staff members is always there. She frequently sets up City Council meetings, coordinates their travel and calls to remind them of their schedule. The service goes above and beyond the call of duty.

The City Clerk is sometimes defined as the "Ambassador" of our City. She usually is the first person that someone coming to City Hall will meet and she provides guidance to visitors coming to City Hall.

Ms. Vock also serves the community in many ways. While very busy as the City Clerk, she is still able to find the time to volunteer throughout the community. She is involved in the Pilot Club of Vero Beach and is currently serving as the Southeast Region Lt. Governor. She is a member of the Vero Beach Exchange Club, United Way Public

Service, has served on the Board for Keep Indian River Beautiful, and she presently serves as the Chair of the Hospitality Committee and as Secretary of the Board of Trustees for Unity Church.

Ms. Vock has the perfect personality to deal with the public. Co-workers, department directors, Councilmembers and local residents alike, hold her in the highest regard. Because of her commitment to accuracy and performance she has earned the respect of past and present City leaders, as well as, the residents of the City of Vero Beach.

Ms. Vock is always seeking out new technology and is investigating the purchase of a digital recording system which would allow all City meetings to be recorded on flash chips and distributed on a CD-Rom or streamed over the Internet, and ultimately archived on the City's computer network. She is also working on updating the City's website and will be the contact for anyone wanting to make changes to the site.

The City Clerk's Office is one of the most important offices within any City and Vero Beach is no exception. The City Clerk is instrumental to the successful operations of the City. The City of Vero Beach is very fortunate to have her in public service. There is no doubt that Tammy Vock is the ultimate City Clerk.