

# 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY

### **Jim Hetzel, Principal Planner** City of Fort Lauderdale Session: Transforming a Livable Downtown Together

Jim Hetzel has more than 16 years of planning experience and is currently a Principal Planner for the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Jim began his career with the consulting firm Keith and Schnars, P.A. as an Associate Planner where he completed work on citywide master plans, transit feasibility studies, and site analysis studies.

In 2001, Jim started as a Planner with the City of Coconut Creek and later became the Sustainable City Coordinator where he managed the implementation of the City's sustainable downtown plan and created the City's Green Plan.

Jim has worked extensively on urban design projects, sustainability programs, and transit related initiatives and has presented at the state planning conference and also at the Alliance for Innovation - Transforming Local Government conference.

Mr. Hetzel has a degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Florida Atlantic University and is certified by the American Institute of Certified Planners, and is at LEED Green Associate.

