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Representative Mike Horner, State Representative for District 79, discusses legislative issues with CFHLA Board Members

On Wednesday, October 14th, the CFHLA Governmental Affairs Committee met at the [Embassy Suites I-Drive / Jamaican Court](#). **Representative Mike Horner**, State Representative for District 79, served as the luncheon guest.

At this successful meeting, Representative Horner made recommendations to strengthen revisions to the Tourist Safety Act and recognized the hospitality industry as his 'livelihood'.

Additional topics discussed at this meeting included:

- Proposed Offshore Drilling
- Gambling / Casinos in Central Florida
- Orange County Taxi Licensing
- "Distinguished Public Servant of the Year" Award

MONEY



On Tuesday, October 13th the third quarterly fundraising reports were due from candidates to the Division of Elections. Candidates are required by law to report contributions and expenditures of their campaigns.

In the highly-anticipated race for **Orange County Mayor**, the candidates reported the following total monetary contributions to date:

- [Tim Adams](#) **\$1,300.00***
- [Akinyemi Agbede](#) **\$255.00****
- [Matthew Falconer](#) **\$123,405.00*****
- [Mildred Fernandez](#) **\$29,175.00**
- [Bill Segal](#) **\$425,206.70**
- [Linda Stewart](#) **\$63,523.62**

*A majority of these donations from the candidate

**In-Kind Donation

***Includes \$100,000 loan from candidate reported in 2nd Quarter

The CFHLA-PAC has scheduled a meeting with Commissioner Mildred Fernandez in November to discuss her candidacy for Orange County Mayor.

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NEW PUBLIC POLICY INTERN



CFHLA Board Member Steven Jamieson and new CFHLA Public Policy Intern Amelia Johnson
'kickoff' Staff Day

CFHLA welcomes *new* Public Policy Intern **Amelia Johnson** to the CFHLA Team.

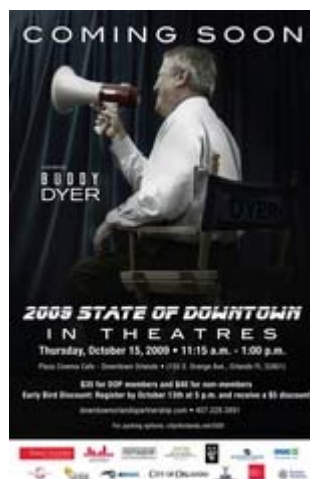
Amelia is a Public Administration Student at the [University of Central Florida](#) and an active member in the Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity.

Ms. Johnson is also currently a Marketing and Public Relations Intern at the [East Orlando Chamber of Commerce](#).

CONGRATULATIONS AMELIA!

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2009 STATE OF DOWNTOWN



On Thursday, October 15th, the **2009 State of Downtown Address** was delivered by City Of Orlando **Mayor Buddy Dyer**.

This presentation occurred earlier today at the Plaza Cinema Cafe in Downtown Orlando and was presented by the [Downtown Orlando Partnership](#).

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DONATIONS

Within the next few months, CFHLA Members will soon have the opportunity to contribute to the CFHLA-PAC/CCE's efforts via **Tourism's Voice: Your Political Advocate**.

Year-round, CFHLA monitors key legislative issues that could potentially affect the hospitality and tourism industry.

Please look to future editions of this newsletter to learn more about how to donate to your political guardian, advocate for the industry, and champion of hospitality candidates.

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