

Henry Dean, County Commission District 5

1. Qualifications- Thirty years of Florida public service. Staff Attorney for Florida's Growth Management Agency (Division of State Planning) 1975 to 1979. General Counsel for Florida Department of Natural Resources. 1979 to 1984. Executive Director of SJRWMD. 1984 to 2001. Executive Director of SFWMD. 2001 to 2005. During this time period I was directly involved with the acquisition and management of roughly 1.25 million acres of conservation lands in Florida. Of those, roughly 70,000 acres were within St Johns County. While at SJRWMD I led the efforts to restore the headwaters of the St Johns River, the Indian River Lagoon and Lake Apopka. While at the SFWMD I led the initial efforts to restore the Everglades and the Kissimmee River. With regard to public finance, my last year at SFWMD prior to retirement I managed an annual budget of roughly \$1 billion and 2,000 employees.
2. I would like to continue to provide the best service possible to our residents. This includes public safety, infrastructure, libraries, parks, boat ramps and cultural activities. Hopefully we can get the Amp open again soon.
3. My vision for SJC is to plan for smart growth in a way that maintains our exceptional quality of life. This includes planning for and providing sufficient infrastructure for new developments, insuring new development is compatible with the surrounding area and setting aside parks and open spaces by re-starting the LAMP program. Also, we need to implement a management plan for our 42 miles of beaches and coastal estuaries.
4. Educational background- BBA University of Iowa 1970. JD Florida State University 1974