

Commission's Lack of Leadership on Jobs...

...causes Ray Strickland to run for change in August 2007.

Lost Opportunity 2,500-3,000 Quality Jobs

Warehousemen, Forklift Operators, Truck Drivers, Managers
Wal-Mart, Sysco, Dollar General, Target Distribution
\$30,000-\$60,000 Annual Salary & Employee Benefits

Voted No to Fund of EDC

EDC Markets Marion County for Quality Jobs
\$145,000 = 4/100's of 1% of County Budget

Voted No to Reduce Business Taxes

Local Bank Expands in Ocala pays \$500,000 Impact Tax
Local Bank Expands in Ocala pays \$275,000 Impact Tax
Small Doctor's Office pays \$100,000 Impact Tax

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Major Manufacturer will expand & Create Quality Jobs if
Marion County Commission will reduce Property Taxes

Reduce Property Taxes On New Exporting Businesses

- 1. Capital investment in Marion County.**
Build a building, must be non-homestead property.
- 2. Hire our citizens in quality jobs.**
Median annual salary must be 115% above average income.
- 3. Produce a product or service.**
No centralized planning of industries.
- 4. Must expand our Economy.**
75% of gross revenues come from outside Marion County.

The Economy will Expand

- 1. Increase in property values.**
Government must hold down Millage Rate.
- 2. Increase in average annual income.**
A rise in the standard of living for all Marion County Citizens
- 3. Increase variety of quality services.**
As income rises, higher quality services are offered
- 4. Increase in government revenues.**
Taxes remain low & spread equally, cause revenue increase.

Benefits of a Strong Economy

1. Low taxes.

Taxes remain low, because more wealth is created and Government does not have to Tax (take) so much from so few.

2. Low crime rate.

Generally crime is a function of poverty and the perceived lack of economic opportunity.

3. Citizen self-reliance & opportunity.

People can take care of themselves and perceive that they have the opportunity to better their lives in the future.

4. More options.

Freedom in poverty is useless. You can have all the rights you want, but without economic opportunity the human spirit is broken. Freedom and a Strong Economy produce more options and opportunity to improve one's life.



**Stronger Family
Financial Security
Better Health Care
Donate more to Charities
Better Education for Children
Care for your Parents
Larger Pension Plan
Healthier Lifestyle
Travel the World**

Keep our Economy Strong & Create Quality Jobs

“Never Confuse Effort with Results”



Ray Strickland has a proven track record on creating and managing a growing business, controlling costs and providing quality service to customers.

“A Change to Better Leadership”

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