



# Second Wednesday's

June 9, 2010

## Planning for Future County Facility Needs

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In a time of declining resources and increased public demand for services, county building improvements must be carefully planned in order to be completed on time and under budget. The firm of Bricker & Eckler, LLP specializes in working with local government officials on the fundamentals of selecting qualified design professionals and preparing construction contracts that protect the legal interests of the owner while insuring timely completion of a project. Learn from the experts at Bricker & Eckler about the key elements to hiring qualified design professionals and preparing contracts that lead to successful projects.

Whether county commissioners are planning new construction or merely trying to make better use of existing space, careful analysis of facility capacity and use is essential. During challenging economic conditions county officials may seek cost savings through operational efficiencies. One area for operational efficiency that is often overlooked is the potential for improved efficiency through better use of office space and buildings. Plante & Moran has worked with local governments to identify opportunities for cost savings through analysis of building inventory, allocation of space, operational evaluations, and technology considerations. This program will provide an opportunity for county commissioners, administrators, and facility managers to learn from Plante & Moran about the most innovative techniques to evaluate and improve facility utilization and reduce public costs.

### PRESENTERS/SPEAKERS

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**Kristin Hunt**, Audit Associate Finance, Plante & Moran

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### AGENDA—9:30-12:30

9:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

9:40 a.m. The Basics of Design and Bidding County Construction Contracts

10:40 a.m. Analyzing County Facility Needs

12:30 p.m. Conclusion

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Brad Cole is the Managing Director of Research for the County Commissioners Association of Ohio. In this capacity Brad coordinates and manages the research, data, and technical publications prepared and distributed by the association; maintains research data bases, develops survey instruments; and promotes the CCAO Educational and Research Foundation. In addition, Brad provides legislative advocacy and member's services in taxation and finance, permissive taxes, auditing and accounting, county budget procedures, county debt, purchasing, investment policy, and general government legislation that impacts counties including transportation and infrastructure, tax abatement, and solid waste management. He is the liaison to the CCAO Taxation and Finance Committee.

Cole holds a Bachelor of Arts cum laude and Master of Arts degrees in American History from Bowling Green State University.

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Jack Rosati is a Partner and Chair of the construction law group for Bricker & Eckler, LLP. He has a litigation practice, emphasizing public works bid disputes and consultation on specifications, construction litigation, defense of intentional tort claims by employees, and insurance coverage issues.

Rosati holds a Bachelor of Science from the College of Pharmacy at The Ohio State University and a Juris Doctor from The Ohio State University, Order of the Curia. In addition, he was articles editor of the *Ohio State Law Journal*.

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Doug Shevelow is a Member of the Bricker & Eckler, LLP Construction Law Group and the Energy, Public Utilities & Environmental Group. His practice focuses on litigation and transactional law pertaining to heavy/highway, water and wastewater infrastructure, and other construction issues for owners and contractors such as differing site conditions, implied warranty of plans and specifications and underground utility protection.

Shevelow hold a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from The Ohio State University and a Juris Doctor, summa cum laude, from Capital University, Order of the Curia.

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Drawing from over two decades of experience working with public sector clients, David provides valuable insight to municipalities, libraries, courts and school districts during facility planning and implementation. His areas of expertise include project feasibility, operational efficiencies, technology and project financing consulting.

He has worked with more than 150 municipalities, 50 school districts, 11 district courts, the Michigan Supreme Court, 30 counties, multiple police departments, the Archdiocese of Detroit, the State of Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and the Ohio Lottery Commission.

David received a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Villanova University, a Master's in Urban Planning, and a Master's in Business Administration from Wayne State University.

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A Manager with Plante & Moran, Christine has more than eighteen years of operations consulting experience. She has extensive experience in both conducting and managing large-scale planning, process improvement, staffing, budgeting and standard setting projects to improve operational efficiency. Andrzyiak has assisted numerous governmental agencies with government transformation initiatives focused on reducing costs, embracing technology, increasing fiscal sustainability, minimizing service im-

pacts, improving response times, reducing processing time, improving customer service levels, and enhancing operational effectiveness. She has developed a specialty in assisting communities with addressing collaboration, consolidation and public safety issues, addressing key topics such as governance, financing, operations, service levels, staffing, equipment, facilities and implementation.

Christine has a Bachelor of Science in Industrial and Operations Engineering Degree and a Master of Business Administration Degree (High Distinction) from the University of Michigan. She is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the National Honorary Business Society, and the National Association for Female Executives.

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