



Frank Babinec, City Manager, City of Coral Springs

Frank Babinec has been ingrained in public service throughout his career, particularly within Coral Springs. He began as a volunteer firefighter in 1993. Babinec gradually rose through the ranks to become the Chief of the Coral Springs-Parkland Fire Department, a position he held from February 2014 to December 2019. With a focus on community welfare, he spearheaded initiatives such as the Community Paramedic Program and bolstered safety measures, earning an ISO Class 1 rating and recognition from organizations like the American Heart Association.

Babinec actively pursued higher education, obtaining a Bachelor's degree in Organizational Leadership and an MBA in Public Administration. His credentials include Chief Fire Officer and Executive Fire Officer designations and a Credentialed Manager designation from ICMA.

Babinec earned numerous awards and honors throughout his tenure, including Fire Chief of the Year from various associations and recognition for his contributions to firefighter safety, health, and wellness. Notably, he received the Florida Fire Chiefs Association's inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award in Firefighter Safety and Health in 2020, named in his honor.

Babinec has taken on roles such as President of the Fire Chiefs' Association of Broward County, Second Vice President of the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association, Chair of the Safety and Health Section, and President of the Broward County City Managers' Association. Babinec was instrumental in developing the Behavioral Health Access Program (BHAP), a model for mental wellness resources adopted statewide.

Transitioning to the role of City Manager in December 2019, Babinec aimed to leverage his experience and expertise to drive comprehensive strategies for Coral Springs' advancement. His vision encompasses fostering innovation, supporting business growth, enhancing public safety, and improving community amenities to ensure the city's attractiveness to residents and businesses. Through his leadership, Babinec continues to shape the trajectory of Coral Springs toward a prosperous and vibrant future.