
Chip Maier

Proven Government and Business Leader with a background in Technology

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

An accomplished government and business executive with a background in top level Information Technology and County Government Management. A driven entrepreneur capable of identifying and capitalizing on new business opportunities in rapidly changing environments. A successful, results-oriented, decisive leader and consultant in the public and private sector with a track record of spearheading operational improvements that are integrated with technology to increase productivity, reduce cost, and achieve operational goals.

SKILLS

- Administrative Management
- Report and Grant Writing
- Executive Leadership
- Virtualization
- Operations Management
- Communication
- Strategic Planning
- Disaster Recovery
- Project Management
- Process Development
- Local Government Technology
- Information Technology
- Contract and Legal Negotiation
- Active Directory
- Research and Analysis
- Executive Reporting
- Training and Presentations

EXPERIENCE

Bamberg County Government, Bamberg, SC

Assistant County Administrator

December 2018 - PRESENT

- *Assist the County Administrator in most aspects of county operations, including:*
 - Project Management
 - Airport Management
 - Grant Program Management
 - IT Management
 - Legal Management

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- Operations Management
 - *Assist in fulfilling duties of the County Administrator's Office including:*
 - Assist in administering 15+ countywide departments, employing 120+ employees
 - Assist in management and execution of a \$24,975 million annual budget and \$8.5 million+ in building projects
 - Promote Bamberg County, both nationally and internationally, to potential developers to attract new business and create more jobs, working alongside regional development alliances
 - Facilitate ongoing training and professional development for employees in computer technology, end user cyber security, and general office skills.
 - Major project: upgraded county wide public safety radio program to palmetto 800 radio system, including engineering, acquiring funding, applying for grants, implementing, etc.
 - Major project: resourced and acquired funding, engineered, and implemented body worn camera program to all uniformed LE officer's county wide.
 - Continually adapt and upgrade the County's Information Technology systems, accounting for many department-specific technologies and compliance standards
 - Successfully implemented continuity plan including state of the art, offsite cloud-based backup and recovery system for critical servers and central services
 - Identify and write major grants for ongoing improvement and enhancement of local fire departments, life-saving equipment, and public parks
 - Manage cell phone tower lease agreements and customer negotiations for cell-provider leases. Upgrade tower to comply with FAA standards
 - Developed and coordinated multi-county plan for radio and mapping to improve EMS response times
 - Oversaw and implemented livestreaming for public meetings requiring a major audio-visual overhaul in county council chambers.
 - Assist with the ongoing renovation of the former Bamberg County Hospital building to include upgraded and improved facilities for countywide, multi-agency law enforcement use, Health Department, Department of Social Services, U.S. Health and Human Services, Emergency Operations Center, and Voter Registration and Election Commission satellite office
 - *Serve as Ad-Hoc Airport Manager in the following capacities:*
 - Collaborate with SC Aeronautics, the US Department of Transportation, and the Federal Aviation Administration

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- Assist in management of operational and budget activities, including maintenance, capital improvements, grant applications, and administrative tasks

Special projects:

- Procurement of a fix-based operator
 - Hanger design, infrastructure, and development
 - Fueling system renovations
 - Airport grounds, signage, and security fencing
 - Identification of any aviation easement obstruction
 - Lighting and runway improvements
 - Major airport technology upgrades
 - Implementation of systems to accurately report activity to FAA
 - Policy and lease agreement creation for hangar and aircraft storage
- Served as Assistant County Administrator in the following capacities:
 - Assisted with supervising the response to national emergencies, including the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic (FEMA-3470-EM-SC)
 - Helped earn an Unqualified Audit for the past 5 consecutive years
 - Helped secure first Standard and Poor's 'A' credit rating for Bamberg County, the highest rating for a county its size
 - Assisted in implementation and management of \$4,405,727 Capital Project Sales Tax to complete multiple capital improvement projects
 - Helped design and construct the state's first Veterans Memorial Walking Trail, recognizing and commemorating all branches of the military, including the Merchant Marines and Carlisle Military School
 - Assisted with planning and financing the historic courthouse restoration and renovations for general sessions, family, probate, clerk of courts, and the office of the public defender
 - Assisted with implementing technology improvements at Bamberg County Detention Center, including CJIS controls
 - Worked with private sector and state agencies to expand broadband access, obtaining thousands of miles of fiber for previously underserved households. Assisted in directly applying for federal grants on behalf of county.
 - Successfully oversaw and implemented management and IT controls for detention center, satisfying compliance.

Paltech Consulting, Inc., Columbia, SC

President

July 2020 - PRESENT

- Provide comprehensive governmental, business, and technology integrated consulting services for small to midsize businesses across multiple industries, expanding client-owned and budget-conscious solutions, immediately satisfying needs, and positively impacting long term financial growth through continuity and efficiency
- Consult top level government officials, assisting in financial and operational execution of their vision and leadership
- Served a residential construction company with developing financial, operational, and business development plans and helped grow them from a 3-employee startup to a 20+ employee company with \$3.5+M annual revenue.

Extra Mile Consulting, Columbia, SC -

Senior Systems Engineer/Managing Partner

February 2015-October 2020

- Designed, implemented, and maintained IT infrastructures for small to medium sized businesses across multiple industries as well as county and state government agencies
- Developed unique software/hardware solutions, immediately satisfying IT needs
- Recommended IT systems that impacted long term financial growth through continuity and efficiency

EDUCATION and ADVANCED TRAINING

U.S. Dpt. of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C.

Multiple FMEA and ICS related certificates for Law Enforcement

Conferred, March 2016

South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, Columbia, SC

Law Enforcement Certificate

Conferred, January 2016

South Carolina School of Leadership

Biblical Studies and Leadership

2010-2013

Degree Conferred, January 2013

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Richland County Sheriff Department

Reserve Deputy of the Year (2017)

Richland County Sheriff Department

Reserve Deputy of the Quarter (July - Sep 2017)

Richland County Sheriff Department

Certificate of Appreciation - Region 2 (Dec, 2018)

Project Contribution Recognitions:

Bamberg County Terminal Building/Pilots Longue

Bamberg County Veterans Park

Bamberg County Law Enforcement Center

AFFILIATIONS

Preservation South Carolina

Complete Solutions Contracting – Advisory Board

SC Sheriff's Association

SC Law Enforcement Officers Association

Lower Savannah Council of Governments

South Carolina Aeronautics

South Carolina Aviation Association

The Palmetto Club

Association of the U.S. Army, Palmetto Chapter

South Carolina School of Leadership Alumni Association

National Association of Counties