

## **Christine Cajuste, CPA, MBA**

Christine Cajuste is the Director of Financial Services for the City of Tamarac, a position she has held for the three years. The City of Tamarac is located at the northwestern portion of Broward County and has a population of approximately 65,054 people. The City is ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in population among the 31 municipalities in Broward County (the second most populated county in the state). Before the appointment as Director of Financial Services, Christine held the position of Assistant Director of Financial Services/Controller for twelve (12) years.

Christine is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a Master's in Business Administration from the Florida Atlantic University.

During her time at the City of Tamarac, Christine's duties and responsibilities included the following:

- As Financial Services Director, responsible for the Budget, Accounting, Procurement and Utility Billing functions.
- As Assistant Financial Services Director, direct responsibility for the Accounting and Utility Billing divisions, a total of seventeen (17) employees. Indirect responsibility for the Procurement and Budget functions.
- Oversaw all investment activities, including accounting for all purchases and sales.
- Prepared the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
- Developed and implemented City policies, including the Post Issuance Compliance policy.
- Serves as the liaison for Bond issues.
- Works with our Financial Advisor and City Manager on Rating Agency presentations, and bond financings.

Prior to working for the City of Tamarac, Christine was the Assistance Finance Director for the City of Opa Locka Florida and served as Finance Director for a short period.

Christine also worked as a senior accountant in Public Accounting for two years.

Prior to moving to the United States, Christine was a Chartered Accountant with the Association of Chartered Accountants and served as the Director of Internal Audit for the Revenue Protection Departments in Kingston, Jamaica. She was responsible for all revenue collecting agencies, the largest in the Caribbean. Earlier in her career, she also worked as a revenue investigator, investigating numerous Business fraud schemes with a view to recovering lost tax revenue.