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OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

APPLICANTS AT A GLANCE

Requested Action(s):

A. Recommendations needed on the Board of Adjustment (BOA) for three (3) Regular Positions, serving three (3) year-terms expiring February 28, 2029 (Hollenbeck), December 31, 2028 (Pai), and December 31, 2029 (Sayers), respectively. The following candidates are eligible for reappointment:

- Hollenbeck, William – confirmed interest in being reappointed
Pai, Umeshi – confirmed interest in being reappointed
Sayers, Michael – confirmed interest in being reappointed

B. Recommendations needed to fill an Alternate 3 vacancy on the Board of Adjustment (BOA), serving a three (3) year-term expiring February 28, 2029.

- Alternate 3 - Vacant

APPLICANTS AT A GLANCE - CURRENT

Table with 5 columns: Position #, Applicant(s), Status, Resident Status, Notes. Rows include Hollenbeck, William; Pai, Umesh; and Sayers, Michael.



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# TOWN OF APEX NORTH CAROLINA

## **APPLICANTS AT A GLANCE – NEW APPLICANTS**

<b>Applicant(s)</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Resident Status</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Barnes, Aaron	NEW	Corporate Limits	Eligible for Appointment / Currently appointed to CAAB / and is interested in serving on the BOA
Gentry, William	NEW	Neither Corporate Limits or ETJ	Not Eligible for Appointment
Gerhard, William	NEW	Corporate Limits	Eligible for Appointment
Zhang, Tianduo	NEW	Corporate Limits	Eligible for Appointment

# APPLICATIONS

## ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT

- Hollenbeck, William – *Corporate Limits*
- Pai, Umesh – *Corporate Limits*
- Sayers, Michael – *Corporate Limits*

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## Profile and General Information

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**Legal Name**

William P Hollenbeck

**Pronouns**

**Preferred First Name**

Pat

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

Kelly Hollenbeck

**Physical Address**

2927 Angelica Rose Way, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

2927 Angelica Rose Way, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

Board of Adjustment (BOA)

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Town Employee / Elected Official

**Professional Experience**

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If you applying to be a youth representative, please put "Youth Rep" in the required text fields below.

**Education**

Masters Degree

**Current Employer**

Pragmatic Semiconductor

**Current Job Title**

Head of Sales - USA

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

+44 (0)1223 855010

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

Head of sales, specification and requirements evaluation, people manager, lead negotiator, legal contract contributor

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

I am a current board member who has served for the past three years on the apex town Board of Adjustment as an alternate. I have just been appointed to a voting member and would like to extend/continue serving.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

Maintain/Improve quality of life in Apex, continue the high level of standards the town has set forth, provide fair assessments of citizen requests for positive impact on community.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

Enable Apex to continue on its current trajectory of positive growth, continue to maintain the highest community standards, provide an opportunity for citizens to voice their concerns/initiatives and fairly respond as a member of the board.

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

Apex Town Board of Adjustment (current member)

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Apex Town Board of Adjustment (current member)

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

**If you are a recent graduate of Peak Academy, please indicate the year you attended. If you are not a Peak Academy Graduate, please put NA.**

NA

**Have you attended two (2) or more advisory board meetings within the last 12 months?**

Yes, I have attended meetings in-person of the advisory board for which I am applying for.

**How many hours per month are you available to serve in-person, if selected.**

5 or more hours per month

## Demographic Information

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**Do you live within the Apex town limits?**

Yes

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?**

No

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

White/Non-Hispanic

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

30 to 45

**I have been an Apex resident for**

4-6 years

## Conflict of Interest Declarations and Disclosures

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**Do you have any personal or business interest that could create a conflict (either real or perceived) if appointed?**

No

**If you selected yes, please provide additional details below. If not, please indicate NA.**

NA

**Are you an immediate family member of a current Town of Apex Employee, Town Elected Official, or Advisory Board/Committee appointee?**

No

**If you selected yes, please the immediate family members name and affiliation with the Town. If not, please indicate NA.**

NA

**Have you reviewed the Town of Apex Resident Advisory Board Administrative Policy?**

Yes

I, hereby, authorize Town of Apex to verify all information included in this application. I certify that the information contained in this application is true according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that I am providing my legal name and address in which I reside. I understand that inaccurate or untrue information will be cause for immediate removal from any appointed advisory board. By submitting this application, I agree to adhere to all Town policies pertaining to advisory boards, including attendance. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS § 132-1) and may be released upon request.

**Please signing below**



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## Profile and General Information

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**Legal Name**

Umesh K Pai

**Pronouns**

He/Him/His

**Preferred First Name**

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

Sangeetha U Pai

**Physical Address**

203 Jerryanne Ct, Apex, North Carolina 27523

**Mailing Address**

203 Jerryanne Ct, Apex, North Carolina 27523

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

Board of Adjustment (BOA)

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Currently Serving

**Professional Experience**

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If you applying to be a youth representative, please put "Youth Rep" in the required text fields below.

**Education**

Masters Degree

**Current Employer**

Pentair

**Current Job Title**

Sr. Manager Cloud, App and Security

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

1-800-831-7133

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Apex, North Carolina 27523

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

Developing secure connected pool products that can be operated using mobile applications. Managing teams of 45 people located in Apex and office in India

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

My family and I have lived in Apex for more than 16 years. We chose Apex because of its strong sense of community, excellent schools, and commitment to thoughtful growth. Raising my family here has given me a personal connection to the decisions this board makes and a clear understanding of how those decisions affect neighbors, businesses, and the long-term character of the town.

Having served on the Board of Adjustment for the past several years, I have developed a strong understanding of the board's responsibilities, procedures, and legal framework, and I would like to continue contributing this experience in another term. Through my service on the Board of Adjustment, I have gained practical experience reviewing variance requests, interpreting zoning ordinances, weighing evidence, and participating in quasi-judicial hearings.

I am a strong believer in community service and have always sought opportunities to give back. I hold a Master of Business Administration from North Carolina State University, which has helped me develop analytical, organizational, and decision-making skills that are directly applicable to board service. I approach each case with preparation, fairness, and respect for differing viewpoints.

I would be honored to continue serving the Town of Apex on the Board of Adjustment and to support balanced growth, responsible development, and a high quality of life for all residents.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

1) Having served on the Board of Adjustment for several years, I bring working knowledge of the board's procedures, legal standards, and past practices. This continuity helps the board operate efficiently and supports consistent, well-reasoned decisions that align with town ordinances and state law. I bring working knowledge of the board's procedures, legal standards, and past practices. This continuity helps the board operate efficiently and supports consistent, well-reasoned decisions that align with town ordinances and state law.

2) As a resident of Apex for more than 16 years and a parent raising my family here, I understand how board decisions affect neighborhoods, schools, and local businesses. This perspective allows me to evaluate cases not only from a technical standpoint but also with an appreciation for their real-world impact on the community.

3) My background includes a Master of Business Administration from North Carolina State University, which has strengthened my ability to analyze information, weigh evidence, and approach complex issues logically. I apply these skills to each case with a focus on fairness, objectivity, and adherence to established regulations.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

1) Continue to uphold high standards for quasi-judicial decision-making by carefully reviewing evidence, applying the ordinance as written, and ensuring that findings are clearly stated and supported. This helps protect the integrity of the board's decisions and reduces the risk of appeals.

2) Stay current and curious to learn about changes to zoning ordinances, state statutes, and relevant court cases, and encourage continued training for board members. A well-informed board is better equipped to handle complex cases and make sound decisions.

3) Provide strong support to the board and town staff by being prepared, responsive, and collaborative in decision-making

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

I am actively involved in mentoring student teams, including my son's school group, through the UAS4STEM competition. This work supports students from Apex and Wake County in learning about autonomous drone technology. Last year, I coached a team that qualified to participate in a national competition in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

I lead and manage an Adopt-a-Highway program that coordinates quarterly cleanups along McCrimmon Parkway, an NCDOT roadway in neighboring Cary. This work improves the appearance and safety of a heavily traveled corridor and reflects pride in our local region.

I also help organize and host community gatherings for members of the immigrant community to keep them engaged in cultural activities and connected to local resources. These efforts promote inclusion, build relationships, and help residents feel more connected to the Town of Apex.

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Served on the board of adjustment for the past 3 years.

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

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NA

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Yes, I have attended meetings in-person of the advisory board for which I am applying for.

**How many hours per month are you available to serve in-person, if selected.**

3-5 hours per month

## Demographic Information

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**Do you live within the Apex town limits?**

Yes

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?**

No

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

Asian or Pacific Islander

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

46 to 55

**I have been an Apex resident for**

More than 10 years

## Conflict of Interest Declarations and Disclosures

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No

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NA

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NA

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**Please signing below**

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## Profile and General Information

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**Legal Name**

Michael A Sayers

**Pronouns**

He/Him/His

**Preferred First Name**

Mike

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

**Physical Address**

305 Saunders St, Apex, NC 27502-1446, APEX, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

305 Saunders St, Apex, NC 27502-1446, APEX, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

Board of Adjustment (BOA)

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Town Email, On BOA now.

## Professional Experience

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### Education

High School Diploma or GED

### Current Employer

Retired

### Current Job Title

NA

### Employer Main Work Telephone Number

NA

### Employer Onsite Office Location

NA, North Carolina 27502-1446

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

NA

## Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience

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NA

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

Servicing on BOA at present.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

Maintain the on going golls Of the BOA.

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

Servicing on BOA at present.

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Servicing on BOA at present. 3 Years.

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

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NA

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**Demographic Information**

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Yes

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No

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

White/Non-Hispanic

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

Over 55

**I have been an Apex resident for**

More than 10 years

**Conflict of Interest Declarations and Disclosures**

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No

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NA

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NA

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Yes

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*Michael A. Sayers*

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# APPLICATIONS

## ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT

- Barnes, Aaron – *Corporate Limits*
- Gentry, William – *Neither Corporate Limits or ETJ*
- Gerhard, William – *Corporate Limits*
- Zhang, Tianduo – *Corporate Limits*

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**Legal Name**

Aaron G Barnes

**Pronouns**

He/Him/His

**Preferred First Name**

Aaron

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

Edwin Musgrave

**Physical Address**

578 Chessie Sta, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

578 Chessie Station, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

Board of Adjustment (BOA), Environmental Advisory Board (EAB), Planning Board (PB)

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Town Employee / Elected Official

**Professional Experience**

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If you applying to be a youth representative, please put "Youth Rep" in the required text fields below.

**Education**

Masters Degree

**Current Employer**

Terra & Twine Handcrafted, LLC

**Current Job Title**

Co-Founder & Creative Director

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

984-386-1411

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

I am the Co-Founder and Creative Director of Terra & Twine Handcrafted, LLC, a small, Apex-based business focused on nature-inspired goods, sustainable materials, and community-centered retail. My role spans strategic planning, operations, compliance, branding, public engagement, and vendor coordination.

In parallel, I work as a senior communications and strategy consultant, advising organizations on stakeholder engagement, public messaging, risk mitigation, and long-range planning. My background includes leadership roles in government, international organizations, and defense, where I managed complex programs, coordinated cross-functional teams, and translated policy into actionable execution.

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

My interest in serving on the Environmental Advisory Board, Planning Board, or Board of Adjustment is rooted in my commitment to thoughtful growth, stewardship, and transparent decision-making in Apex. As a current member of the Culture and Arts Advisory Board, I have seen firsthand how advisory bodies can meaningfully shape policy, public trust, and long-term outcomes when they are well-prepared, collaborative, and grounded in community realities.

Professionally, I bring experience operating at the intersection of policy, planning, and public impact — evaluating tradeoffs, assessing second- and third-order effects, and balancing technical requirements with human outcomes. Personally, as a resident, small business owner, and active civic participant, I care deeply about ensuring Apex continues to grow in a way that is environmentally responsible, well-planned, and fair to residents, businesses, and future generations.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

1. Systems-level perspective: My background in strategic planning and regulatory environments allows me to evaluate proposals holistically — considering environmental impact, land use, infrastructure strain, community character, and long-term sustainability rather than isolated outcomes.
2. Proven advisory board experience: Through my service on CAAB, I understand board responsibilities, public-records requirements, meeting discipline, and how to translate community input into clear recommendations for Council and staff.
3. Clear, accountable communication: I am skilled at asking precise questions, documenting rationale, and communicating decisions in a way that builds public confidence, even when outcomes are complex or contentious.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

1. Strengthen clarity and consistency in decision-making: Support processes that ensure recommendations are well-documented, precedent-aware, and understandable to residents.
2. Balance growth with stewardship: Advocate for approaches that protect environmental resources, neighborhood integrity, and infrastructure capacity while recognizing Apex’s growth realities.
3. Improve community understanding and trust: Help demystify board processes and decisions so residents feel informed, heard, and respected even when outcomes are not unanimous.

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

I currently serve on the Town of Apex Culture and Arts Advisory Board, where I have contributed to initiatives focused on public engagement, digital presence, and community visibility for arts and cultural programming. This includes supporting clearer communication between the board, Town staff, and residents, and helping frame arts initiatives as part of Apex’s broader quality-of-life and economic ecosystem.

Outside of formal board service, I regularly engage with local events, small businesses, and community organizations, and operate an Apex-based business that participates in local markets and civic life. These roles give me consistent, on-the-ground insight into how Town decisions affect residents, entrepreneurs, and neighborhoods.

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Culture and Arts Advisory Board (Town of Apex) — Current member since October 2025

In prior professional roles, I have supported and advised governmental and intergovernmental bodies in planning, policy development, and oversight capacities, including work with municipal partners and international public institutions.

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

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NA

**Have you attended two (2) or more advisory board meetings within the last 12 months?**

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**How many hours per month are you available to serve in-person, if selected.**

5 or more hours per month

## Demographic Information

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Yes

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?**

No

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

Two or more

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my townhome

**My age range is (please select one):**

30 to 45

**I have been an Apex resident for**

7-10 years

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No

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NA

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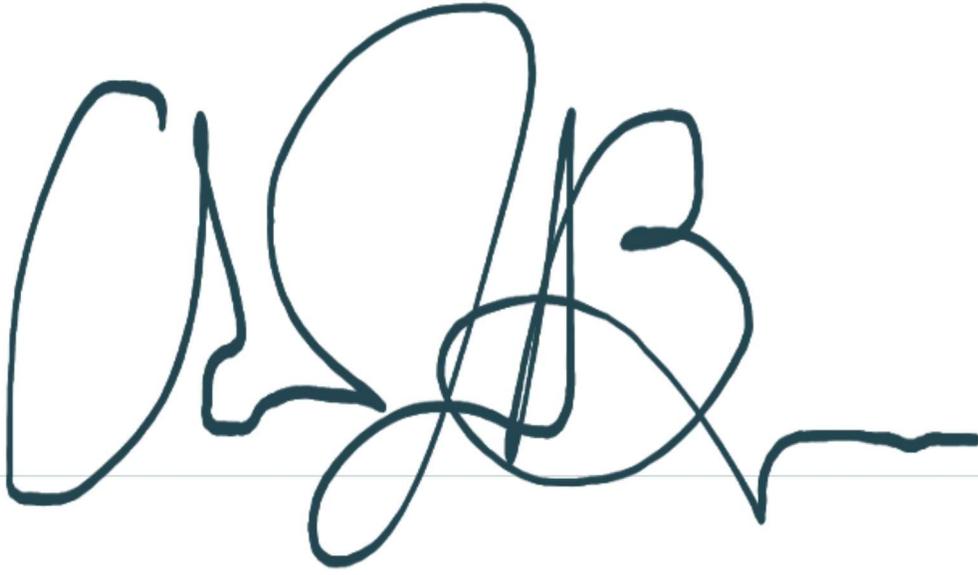
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## Profile and General Information

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**Legal Name**

William B Gentry

**Pronouns**

**Preferred First Name**

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

**Physical Address**

8528 Ragan Rd, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

8528 Ragan Rd, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

ETJ Advisory Board

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Town Website

**Professional Experience**

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If you applying to be a youth representative, please put "Youth Rep" in the required text fields below.

**Education**

Bachelors Degree

**Current Employer**

retired

**Current Job Title**

retired

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

9194555382

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

retired NC police officer and medivac flight R.N.

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

I am a 50+ year resident of City of Raleigh and Apex ETJ.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

I have a strong interest in serving the Apex community by helping advise on growth and development.

I am a licensed realtor and have a lot of knowledge on residential, commercial and rural land. I want to help preserve the unique lifestyle we currently enjoy in the Apex area.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

Historic Preservation. Open space and rural enhancement. Continue to attract positive entities relocating to this area.

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

Apex Community Emergency Response Team

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Civil Air Patrol senior member  
Raleigh Police Club

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

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n/a

**Have you attended two (2) or more advisory board meetings within the last 12 months?**

No, I have not attended meetings in-person of the advisory board for which I am applying for.

**How many hours per month are you available to serve in-person, if selected.**

5 or more hours per month

## Demographic Information

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No

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?**

Yes

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

White/Non-Hispanic

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

Over 55

**I have been an Apex resident for**

I am not currently an Apex resident

## Conflict of Interest Declarations and Disclosures

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No

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**Have you reviewed the Town of Apex Resident Advisory Board Administrative Policy?**

No

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*Wm Gentry*

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## Profile and General Information

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**Legal Name**

William Gerhard

**Pronouns**

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**Preferred First Name**

Billy

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

Alexa Waters

**Physical Address**

2076 Toad Hollow Trl, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

SAME, SAME, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

**Alternate Phone (work/home)**

**Are you current on your Town of Apex and Wake County property taxes?**

Yes

**I'm interested in serving on... (please select all boards you are interested in being considered for appointment)**

Board of Adjustment (BOA), Environmental Advisory Board (EAB), Multimodal Transportation Advisory Board (MTAB), Planning Board (PB)

**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Town Website

**Professional Experience**

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If you applying to be a youth representative, please put "Youth Rep" in the required text fields below.

**Education**

Masters Degree

**Current Employer**

Three Ships

**Current Job Title**

Chief Technology Officer

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

7043157960

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Raleigh, North Carolina 27605

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

As Chief Technology Officer at Three Ships, I lead the company's technology, data, and analytics strategy across a portfolio of digital marketing and consumer services businesses. My core duties include overseeing software development, data infrastructure, and AI initiatives that improve efficiency and decision-making. I work closely with business and operations leaders to design and implement technology solutions that drive growth, transparency, and better customer experiences.

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

Apex has been an incredible place for my family, and I'm eager to give back by contributing to the town's continued growth and success. I've built my career at the intersection of technology, data science, and organizational leadership, and I believe those skills can add real value to the board's work.

As the Chief Technology Officer of a North Carolina-based company, I lead cross-functional teams that design and implement data systems used to make complex decisions more transparent and efficient. My work often involves translating technical insights into practical, people-centered policies -- an approach I believe mirrors the kind of thoughtful governance that helps a town like Apex thrive.

I'm particularly passionate about using data and technology to improve service delivery, enhance transparency, and support long-term planning grounded in evidence rather than opinion. I see public service as an opportunity to apply that same analytical rigor and collaborative spirit in a way that benefits the community I call home.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

Data-Driven Decision Making:

I bring extensive experience using analytics and technology to inform strategic decisions. I can help the Town use data more effectively to evaluate policies, optimize resource allocation, and measure outcomes—ensuring decisions are transparent, evidence-based, and grounded in long-term impact.

Technical and Operational Expertise:

As a Chief Technology Officer leading interdisciplinary teams across software, data science, and process design, I have firsthand experience managing complex systems and translating technical insights into practical action. I can contribute to modernizing how the Town approaches digital transformation, cybersecurity, and citizen services.

Collaborative and Community-Oriented Leadership:

My professional success has depended on building cross-functional alignment among people with diverse perspectives. I value respectful debate, clear communication, and finding common ground—skills that are essential for effective public service. My goal is to apply that same collaborative mindset to help Apex grow in a way that balances innovation with preserving the character that makes it special.

**If appointed to your preferred board, please describe your top three (3) goals or initiatives you would hope to achieve during your term.**

Use Data to Strengthen Decision-Making and Transparency:

I would like to help the Town of Apex make more informed decisions by using data and technology to track performance, measure impact, and communicate outcomes clearly to residents. By establishing simple, transparent dashboards or periodic reporting frameworks, we can ensure that policy and resource decisions are grounded in evidence and understood by the community.

Promote Smart, Sustainable Growth:

Apex is growing rapidly, and I want to support initiatives that balance development with livability -- focusing on traffic management, infrastructure planning, and maintaining the town's unique character. My goal would be to help apply analytical tools and scenario modeling to anticipate long-term needs and ensure our growth remains responsible and financially sound.

Advance Digital Efficiency and Citizen Engagement:

I would like to help modernize how the Town communicates and delivers services -- making it easier for residents to access information, provide feedback, and engage with local government. Drawing from my background in building digital systems and automation tools, I'd focus on practical ways to streamline internal workflows and improve the resident experience.

**Please describe your recent volunteer experience and how this positively contributed to the Town of Apex.**

While I haven't recently volunteered within the Town of Apex, I've long believed in the importance of community-driven service. During my undergraduate studies, I volunteered for hundreds of hours to establish the first water quality monitoring program in the Galápagos Islands. That initiative -- still active more than a decade later -- provides ongoing testing to ensure clean drinking water for both residents and visitors. The experience taught me how data, collaboration, and local partnerships can create sustainable, real-world impact, and it continues to shape how I think about community problem-solving and long-term stewardship here in Apex.

**Please list any governmental board (noting the length of time) on which you are currently or have previously served that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

NA

**Have you read the current Charter and Scope of Responsibilities associated with the board you seek to serve on**

Yes, I read and understand the current scope and responsibilities assigned to the board.

**Are you a Peak Academy Graduate?**

No

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NA

**Have you attended two (2) or more advisory board meetings within the last 12 months?**

No, I have not attended meetings in-person, but have rewatched the livestream recordings of the advisory board for which I am applying for.

**How many hours per month are you available to serve in-person, if selected.**

3-5 hours per month

## Demographic Information

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Yes

**Do you live within the town's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ)?**

No

**Gender**

Male

**Ethnicity**

White/Non-Hispanic

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

30 to 45

**I have been an Apex resident for**

1-3 years

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No

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NA

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Tianduo Zhang

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**Preferred First Name**

**Spouse/Partner Name (If applicable)**

Howard Gou

**Physical Address**

1044 Blackpool Ct, Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Mailing Address**

1044 Blackpool Ct., Apex, North Carolina 27502

**Email**

**Mobile Phone**

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**How did you hear about this opportunity to serve?**

Friend / Neighbor, Town Employee / Elected Official

**Professional Experience**

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**Education**

Masters Degree

**Current Employer**

North Carolina Central University

**Current Job Title**

Assistant Professor in Mass Communication

**Employer Main Work Telephone Number**

9195307200

**Employer Onsite Office Location**

Durham, North Carolina 27502

**Please briefly describe your job function and core duties,**

Teaching. Research. Service

**Interest and Civic / Volunteer Experience**

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**Please explain the reasoning for your interest in serving on this board. Your response may include lived experiences, qualifications, skills, and attributes and any other information that might distinguish your application from other candidates.**

I hear that one was having a hard time fill but zoning appeal is so important for the town. I have a doctoral degree and I am pretty comfortable with data and reading complex cases. I am trained in promoting civic discourse and civic engagement through Citizen University.

**Please describe three (3) reasons why your service on the chosen board could be beneficial to the Town of Apex.**

I work for a public university so no conflict of interests. I do research for living so I will very carefully review whatever case is at hand and come up with solutions if needed to be. I am very comfortable with data and analysis so my decision would be data driven.

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Board of adjustment is a need based board. I don't have an agenda myself.

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Organized my HOA Chelsea Run to complete Town of Apex beautification grant.

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Not a board but I worked with Durham Public Health Department securing and delivering a 2 year 2 million dollar federal grant on promoting public health literacy.  
Served as scientist on NC PFAS Test Network (2 years).  
Advice NC HHS on community survey development (one time)

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Yes

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No

**Gender**

Female

**Ethnicity**

Asian or Pacific Islander

**Do you rent or own your home?**

I own my single family home

**My age range is (please select one):**

30 to 45

**I have been an Apex resident for**

4-6 years

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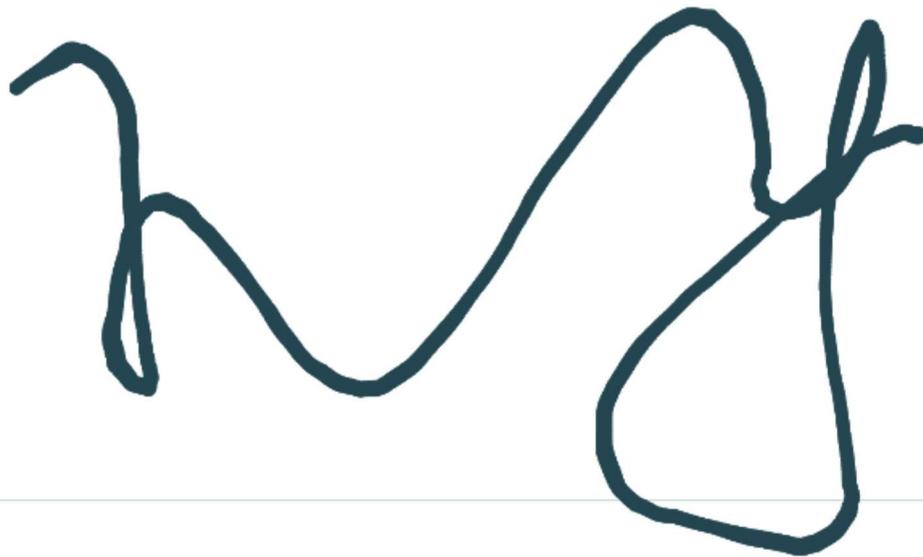
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