

Tree Citizen Advisory Panel

Advisory Board Interest Form

Candidate Contact Information

Legal Name

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Preferred First Name

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Email

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Do you live within the Apex town limits?

Yes

Background Information

Current Employer

MEM Creative Concepts

Current Job Title

Owner

Tell us why you would like to serve?

I am interested in helping guide the Town in its decision making about the type and placement of trees (and other landscaping). As an Apex resident for more than two decades, I appreciate the effort to maintain our area's leafy landscape, however, trees and other plantings that are not judiciously placed become a hindrance to homeowners and, potentially, a maintenance issue for the Town and utility companies. I have seen too many large trees placed too close to homes or near utilities. We need appropriately sized trees properly placed to help shade sidewalks, streets, and parks.

Please list any education, special skills, or experience you have that would be useful while considering this form.

I have been informally landscaping friends and neighbors yards for decades but recently decided to launch my own landscape consulting company after noticing many new Apex residents looking for help with our hot summers. For example, Developers must stop placing large trees (oaks, maples) in tiny front yards and so close to windows and roof lines. The Town should better partner with developers to avoid these landscaping mistakes and to reduce new homeowner frustration and cost when they invariably have to remove the tree(s). I've worked with several of my new neighbors to help them improve their landscapes by planting the correct trees and shrubs for their lot size. This often means removing whatever trees the developer installed, which is wasteful for both the developer and the homeowner. we can keep Apex looking good with more appropriately sized trees.

If you now serve, or have previously served on any town boards, commissions or committees, please list the committees and dates served.

I have not served on any town boards, commissions, or committees.