

# VOLUNTEER ADVISORY BOARD APPLICATION

BOARD(S) APPLYING FOR	• Community Redevelopment Agency
NAME	Drew Bartlett
ADDRESS	Lake Worth Beach, FL 33460 United States
UPLOAD PROOF OF RESIDENCY	• <a href="#">provided</a>
DO YOU HAVE A DIFFERENT MAILING ADDRESS?	• No
PHONE	
BUSINESS PHONE	
CELL PHONE	
EMAIL	
LIST ALL PROPERTIES OWNED AND/OR BUSINESS INTERESTS IN LAKE WORTH BEACH	
WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION?	Executive Director
EMPLOYER?	South Florida Water Management District
ARE YOU CURRENTLY SERVING ON ANY CITY ADVISORY BOARD?	No
HAVE YOU EVER SERVED ON A CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH ADVISORY BOARD?	Yes
IF YES, WHEN AND WHICH BOARD(S)?	Community Redevelopment Agency (2019-2022)

**RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

**Public Administration**

Thirty two years of serving government organizations to implement initiatives, regulations, projects, etc. through public procedures in every government forum including administrative, judicial, and legislative. Substantial experience solving many complex problems with varying stakeholder perspectives using a transparent public process. A few examples include leading teams to pass federal laws for the protection of underground injection, pass state laws for the regulation of nitrogen and phosphorus pollution, execute complex Everglades restoration projects and operations. Currently oversee the South Florida Water Management District executing water management for 16 counties with 1,450 employees and a \$1 Billion budget.

1991-2007: Environmental Protection Agency: Administered regulations under the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act through the eight southeastern states and their communities.

2007-2019: Florida Department of Environmental Protection: Administered statewide Ecosystem Restoration Program working with all local governments and special districts to improve water quality for Rivers, Springs, Lakes, and Estuaries through public procedures.

2019-Present: South Florida Water Management District: Serve as Executive Director reporting to a nine member board representing areas throughout the southern 16 Counties. Responsible for implementing rules, requirements, and infrastructure projects through public procedures to achieve water supply, ecosystem restoration, and flood protection goals in South Florida.

After moving to Lake Worth Beach and purchasing our current residence at 211 North L Street, I volunteered for the Community Redevelopment Agency. In that role, I championed the public process to revisit efforts on the L&M Development proposal.

**INTEREST/ACTIVITIES**

My passion for environmental protection started in the 1980s and I have dedicated my career to improving our environment. My current main hobby is caring for our butterfly garden, vegetable garden, and landscape at 209 North L Street, which also includes the start of an Orchid collection. Prior interests surround the raising of my two children which included Scouts, Sports, the Drama Program, etc. I run throughout Lake Worth Beach every morning with my dog, Ronna. Because of the location of my residence, I spend a lot of time visiting local businesses, the beach, the golf club, the Playhouse/theatre, and St. Andrews Church.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

I spent three years serving on the CRA and have stayed engaged through the development of the L&M redevelopment process. My wife (Lissie) and I are active participants with St. Andrews Episcopal Church through volunteer programs like Vestry, Ushering, and Events. Lissie and I also sponsor the Street Painting Festival. I am responsible for neighborhood cleanup for a two block area north of Lucerne.

**WHY DO YOU DESIRE TO SERVE ON THIS BOARD (FIRST PREFERENCE)**

I live within the CRA jurisdiction and spend much of my time walking and running throughout Lake Worth Beach. I witness first hand the blight that underpins the purpose of the Agency. I view the CRA as a budgeted agency that can make a difference for the people of Lake Worth Beach. I want to bring my experience with proper & transparent public engagement to the CRA since their mission can easily become controversial. I truly love the character of Lake Worth Beach and believe that can be maintained while also attracting new business ideas and people to the community. Vacant and blighted properties still remain that are not adding any cultural or economic value and have the opportunity to enhance our daily living experiences.

WHY DO YOU DESIRE TO SERVE ON THIS BOARD (SECOND PREFERENCE)

Not applicable.

WHY DO YOU DESIRE TO SERVE ON THIS BOARD (THIRD PREFERENCE)

Not applicable.

CONSENT

✓ I agree to the privacy policy.

I understand the responsibilities associated with being a board/committee member, and I have adequate time to serve if appointed.

I have read the attached Ordinance No. 2010-29 and Article XIII (Palm Beach County) Code of Ethics and understand the policy on the City of Lake Worth Beach Code of Ethics. Within 30 days after appointment, I

understand that I am required to participate in Ethics Training and submit an Acknowledgement of Receipt form to the City Clerk's Office in order to continue to serve on my appointed board.

\*THIS APPLICATION IS VALID FOR ONE (1) YEAR FROM THE DATE SIGNED.

\*THIS APPLICATION IS NOT VALID WITHOUT APPLICANT'S PROOF OF RESIDENCY.

TODAY'S DATE

07/14/2023

SIGNATURE

Drew Bartlett