

VOLUNTEER ADVISORY BOARD APPLICATION

BOARD(S) APPLYING FOR	• Community Redevelopment Agency
NAME	Richard Mahler
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LIST ALL PROPERTIES OWNED AND/OR BUSINESS INTERESTS IN LAKE WORTH BEACH	1767 15th Ave N is my only owned property within Lake Worth Beach.
WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION?	Community Events Coordinator
EMPLOYER?	City of Boca Raton
ARE YOU CURRENTLY SERVING ON ANY CITY ADVISORY BOARD?	No
HAVE YOU EVER SERVED ON A CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH ADVISORY BOARD?	No

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

For more than a decade, I have worked at the intersection of public service, community engagement, and event programming—most recently serving as a Community Events Coordinator for the City of Boca Raton. In this role, and in prior positions with the City of West Palm Beach and Florida Atlantic University, I have led initiatives that have brought residents together, energized downtown districts, and boosted economic activity through intentional programming and business partnerships. Notably, I launched the award-winning Night Market series in Boca Raton and managed the long-standing GreenMarket in West Palm Beach. Both initiatives were designed to support local vendors, attract foot traffic, and build vibrant, active and welcoming public spaces.

These experiences have given me deep knowledge in areas essential to the CRA's mission: stakeholder engagement, beautification efforts, vendor and contract management, fiscal responsibility, and interdepartmental coordination. I understand firsthand how smart, inclusive planning and thoughtful design can uplift a community—not just aesthetically or economically, but socially and culturally.

I believe in Lake Worth Beach's potential and unique spirit. I would be honored to contribute my skills and perspective to ensure that future redevelopment enhances the character of our city, supports small businesses, and reflects the needs and aspirations of all who call it home.

Thank you for your consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to serve and collaborate with the CRA in shaping a thriving and resilient Lake Worth Beach.

INTEREST/ACTIVITIES

I have always believed in the power of the arts to build community, tell stories, and spark change. With a Bachelors degree in Theatre, I began my journey rooted in creativity and public expression. That foundation continues to shape my approach to community development and public programming today.

My experience in the theatre and arts community—from performance and production to communications and event planning—instilled in me a deep appreciation for collaboration, storytelling, and audience engagement. These values have guided my work across higher education, city government, and cultural programming.

I'm especially passionate about revitalizing downtown spaces through thoughtful events and strategic partnerships that promote local artists, support small businesses, and celebrate cultural heritage. As a third-generation resident of Lake Worth Beach, I care deeply about preserving the city's character while helping it grow in smart, inclusive, and sustainable ways.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

I currently serve as Vice President within the Sunset Ridge Neighborhood Association. Additionally, I have given time to my community through volunteering with Feeding South Florida, The Crossing for Cystic Fibrosis, Mission United, KVJ Volunteer Army, Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida, and more.

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

As a third-generation resident of Lake Worth Beach, my roots in this city run deep. My family has long been a part of its story, and I take great pride in continuing that legacy. I have a deep appreciation for the unique character and vibrant culture of our downtown, and I believe in preserving what makes Lake Worth Beach special while also supporting smart, thoughtful growth.

Serving on the Community Redevelopment Agency board would be an opportunity to give back to the community that has shaped me. I'm passionate about helping the city thrive in a way that respects its history, strengthens its neighborhoods, and ensures long-term sustainability. I'm particularly interested in supporting positive business development that enhances our local economy while preserving the city's charm. I also believe that the beautification efforts by the CRA and City government play a key role in building civic pride and creating welcoming spaces for both residents and visitors. My goal is to contribute a voice that values both progress and preservation, always keeping our community's best interests at heart while looking forward to the future of Lake Worth Beach.

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

06/04/2025

SIGNATURE

Richard Mahler