



# CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA

300 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, MADEIRA BEACH FL 33708

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

TELEPHONE: 727-391-9951, EXT 231 or 232

## APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OR COMMISSION

Please indicate your preference of board or commission:

- Civil Service Commission
- Gulf Beaches Public Library Board
- Planning Commission
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Madeira Beach Resident?

Yes  No

Are you an elector (qualified voter) of the City of Madeira Beach?

Yes  No

Are you related to a City of Madeira Beach employee or elected official? If yes, please state the name of employee or elected official and relationship:

Yes  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you available for:

Daytime meetings

Yes  No

Evening meetings

Yes  No

### Why would you like to be considered as a candidate for service on this Board?

Madeira Beach resident and property owner with experience in post-hurricane rebuilding, permitting, and floodplain regulations.

Committed to balanced, practical decision-making that supports public safety, responsible development, and long-term resilience.

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Present Occupation: Residential Property Owner / Operator

If retired, what was your last occupation? U.S. Army Major (Retired)

Please list any experience, special education, skills or talents that would be beneficial to the appointment you are seeking: 20+ years in residential property ownership, redevelopment, and coastal housing operations. Direct experience with

Madeira Beach permitting, zoning, and floodplain regulations; currently awaiting a permit to repair post-hurricane. Retired Army Major

(22 years) with planning, disaster response, and interagency coordination experience. VFW Commander providing local leadership.

**Educational Background:**

M.S., Homeland Security - San Diego State University; B.A., History - UCLA; A.A. Business Marketing - Orange Coast College,  
Graduate, Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy

**Experience:**

Residential property owner/operator with 20+ years in housing, renovation, and coastal redevelopment. Currently awaiting to repair  
a multi-family property in Madeira Beach with direct experience in permitting, zoning, and floodplain requirements. Retired U.S. Army

In compliance with Section 760.80, Florida Statutes, the City of Madeira Beach is required to report annually to the Secretary of State the number of minority and non-minority and the number of physically disabled appointments to a board, committee, or commission.

**GENDER**     Male     Female                      **PHYSICALLY DISABLED**     Yes     No

**RACE**             African-American                       Native-American  
                           Asian-American                       Caucasian  
                           Hispanic-American

Should I be appointed to serve on a board or committee, I agree to comply with the State of Florida's Sunshine Laws, Public Record Laws and the Code of Ethics for Public Officers, and will uphold the City's Charter and Code of Ordinances. I understand that I will have to take an Oath of Office should I be appointed to a quasi-judicial board. I understand that if I am appointed to the Planning Commission I will be required to file a Form 1 – Limited Financial Disclosure form.



Signature

May 3, 2026  
Date

Interested persons must submit an application to the City Clerk to be considered for appointment by the Board of Commissioners. Appointments will be made only when there are vacancies or expiring terms.

Applications may also be obtained at City Hall, downloaded on the City's website at <https://madeirabeachfl.gov/advisory-boards/> or obtained from the City Clerk.

**Submit completed and signed applications to:**

City Clerk  
City of Madeira Beach  
300 Municipal Drive  
Madeira Beach, FL 33708  
[cvanblargan@madeirabeachfl.gov](mailto:cvanblargan@madeirabeachfl.gov)  
727-391-9951, ext. 231

Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

I am applying for appointment to the Madeira Beach Planning Commission. As a resident, property owner, and retired U.S. Army Major, I bring practical experience in redevelopment, permitting, and disaster response directly relevant to the challenges facing our community.

I am currently awaiting a permit to repair a flood-impacted property in Madeira Beach and have firsthand experience navigating permitting processes, grants, floodplain requirements, and post-storm recovery constraints. This has given me a clear understanding of how local planning and zoning decisions impact residents, housing recovery, and long-term resilience.

My background includes 22 years of military service in planning, operations, and interagency coordination, including disaster response. I have experience evaluating complex issues, balancing competing priorities, and supporting informed, fact-based decision-making.

I also serve as Commander of the Madeira Beach Veterans of Foreign Wars, where I support local community engagement and leadership efforts.

If selected, I would focus on balanced decision-making that supports public safety, responsible development, property rights, and preservation of the community character of Madeira Beach.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
Erik W. Lewis  
619-993-4627

# ERIK W. LEWIS

Madeira Beach, FL

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## SUMMARY

Madeira Beach resident, property owner, and retired U.S. Army Major with over 20 years of experience in residential property operations, redevelopment, and regulatory coordination. Currently rebuilding a flood-impacted property with direct experience in permitting, zoning, and floodplain requirements. Brings a practical, ground-level perspective on balancing public safety, responsible development, and long-term community resilience.

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## CORE QUALIFICATIONS

- Residential Development & Redevelopment
  - Permitting, Zoning & Floodplain Regulations
  - Coastal Resilience & Risk Management
  - Environmental Compliance & Regulatory Coordination
  - Disaster Response & Recovery Operations
  - Public Policy & Community Decision-Making
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## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### **Residential Property Owner / Operator**

Erik & Khon Properties | Madeira Beach, FL & Georgia | ~2005–Present

- Own and manage residential properties, including coastal housing subject to flood risk and redevelopment constraints
- Direct experience with Madeira Beach permitting, zoning, and post-hurricane rebuilding requirements
- Currently leading rebuilding efforts, providing firsthand insight into housing recovery and regulatory timelines
- Evaluate improvements with focus on durability, safety, cost, and long-term livability

### **Environmental Compliance & Regulatory Coordination**

- Supported compliance with federal environmental and safety regulations

- Coordinated with the United States Environmental Protection Agency and aligned with Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards
- Applied regulatory requirements in operational and field environments

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**U.S. Army, Retired Major | 2000–2022**

- 22 years of service in planning, operations, and interagency coordination
- Participated in disaster response and consequence management supporting emergency operations
- Experienced in evaluating complex issues and coordinating across local, state, and federal stakeholders

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## **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

**Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Madeira Beach | 2026–Present**

- Lead local post operations and community engagement efforts
- Support veteran services and coordinate with community stakeholders

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## **EDUCATION**

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A.A., Business Marketing – Orange Coast College

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## **ADDITIONAL**

U.S. Army Veteran (Retired Major)

20+ years residential property management and renovation experience