

Town of Thunderbolt
Planning and Zoning Commission Member
Application and Questions

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1. Why do you want to be a Commissioner?

I am deeply honored to express my interest in becoming a member of the Thunderbolt Planning and Zoning Commission. Having grown up in Thunderbolt, this community has always held a special place in my heart. My connection to Thunderbolt influenced my decision to return, as I have always felt a strong sense of belonging and responsibility toward its growth and well-being.

Serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission would allow me to contribute to the thoughtful development and preservation of Thunderbolt's character while supporting sustainable growth and enhancing the quality of life for all residents. I am committed to working collaboratively with fellow commissioners and the community to make informed decisions that reflect Thunderbolt's values and long-term vision.

I am eager for the chance to give back to the community that shaped me and to play a significant role in shaping Thunderbolt's future.

2. Do you have experience in Planning?

Yes, I have over ten years of experience in retail and commercial planning with Sprint and Cricket/AT&T. This experience encompasses strategic planning and execution in major metropolitan areas across the United States, suburban markets, and even Hawaii. My work involved analyzing market trends, identifying high-potential locations, and developing tailored strategies to drive business growth and enhance customer engagement. This broad exposure has provided me with a deep understanding of zoning, infrastructure, and market dynamics, which I believe will be highly valuable in contributing to the thoughtful development and planning initiatives for Thunderbolt.

3. What do you believe to be the most important aspect of the role that a Commissioner plays for the Town and Thunderbolt:

I firmly believe that one of the most critical responsibilities of a Thunderbolt Planning and Zoning Commissioner is to preserve the town's unique charm while thoughtfully guiding future growth. It is essential to balance maintaining our rich heritage and embracing new opportunities for residential and commercial development. By fostering thoughtful progress, we can ensure Thunderbolt remains a beautiful and welcoming place and a thriving and vibrant community. I am committed to working collaboratively to protect our town's character while shaping a future that strengthens and enhances the community, we all cherish.

4. In your own words, please give your personal opinion as to the meaning of "Conflict of Interest"

To me, a conflict of interest arises when personal interests, relationships, or outside commitments could compromise or influence someone's ability to make objective and fair decisions. It's important to recognize and address these situations to maintain trust, integrity, and transparency. As a commissioner, I believe it's essential to put the best interests of the community first and to openly disclose any potential conflicts to ensure that decisions are made with fairness and accountability.