



## CITY OF TOMBALL

### APPLICATION FOR THE TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

As an Applicant for the **Tourism Advisory Committee**, your application will be public information. All appointments are made by the Tomball City Council. Incumbents whose terms expire may be considered for reappointment unless they indicate non-interest or have been appointed to two (2) consecutive terms. A member who is absent for more than 25% of called meetings in any twelve consecutive months or absent from more than two consecutive meetings, for other than medical reasons, will be automatically removed from service. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States and must reside within the city limits of Tomball unless otherwise stated in the position announcement. Applications will be kept on file for two years and will expire at the end of two years; for instance, an application dated in 2022 will expire on December 31, 2024.

Please Type or Print Clearly:

Name: Laura "Lori" Ball Date: July 20, 2023

Address: [REDACTED] Phone: (281) 687-1653

Email: Lori.Ball@outlook.com Phone: [REDACTED]  
(Home)  
(Work)

I have lived in Tomball 17 years.

I am  am not  a U.S. Citizen

I am applying as (please check all that apply):

- a Tomball Resident, residing within the city limits of Tomball
- an Owner, Officer, or Director of a business, other than a hotel or motel with offices within the city limits of Tomball.
- an Employee of Officer of a hotel or motel located within the city limits of Tomball

**Occupation:** I am a travel agent with Magical Vacation Planner. I operate under Explore Travel, LLC which I have owned since 2019. I also work as the Executive Assistant to the CEO of HCA Houston Healthcare Tomball.

**Professional and/or Community Activities:** I was a commissioner on the Tomball Charter Review served on the Tomball Fire Department Volunteer Retention Board. I served as a Tomball Chamber of Commerce Ambassador and I am currently the President of the Spring Forest Estates HOA. I was the Board Secretary for the Tomball Redcats Association and most recently the team mom for the 2022 Tomball Varsity Cougars.

**Additional Pertinent Information/References:** I own and manage a Facebook Page named Great Job Tomball Texas. This page specifically promotes all things Tomball and the events and great services available in our community.

**Please attach a short biography to this application.**

**Briefly tell us why you would like to be considered for appointment to a City of Tomball Board/Commission.**

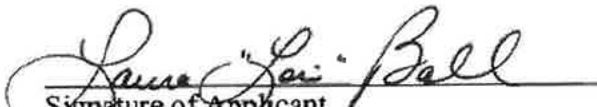
I am passionate about Tomball. I do my best to encourage all things Tomball by promoting events, businesses, and sharing contacts to keep business circulating here. I am happy to raise my family here and encourage others to do the same. I am an advocate for our local businesses and want others to experience the great things we have to offer.

Please complete the attached Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (CIQ), Conflict of Interest Statement (CIS), Board Member Election on Disclosure, and Appendix D (page 33) Acknowledgement and Receipt and Understanding from the Boards, Commissions, and Committees Handbook.

Applications for the Tourism and Advisory Committee will be kept on file in the City Secretary's office for two years.

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**I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

  
Signature of Applicant  
(Must be signed/signature typed in)

Please return this application to: City Secretary  
City of Tomball  
401 Market Street  
Tomball, TX 77375  
[cso@ci.tomball.tx.us](mailto:cso@ci.tomball.tx.us)  
office: 281-290-1002  
fax: 281-351-6256

Attachments: Conflict of Interest Questionnaire  
Conflict of Interest Statement  
Election on Disclosure  
Acknowledgement of Receipt and Understanding (page 33, Handbook)

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

## FORM CIS

(Instructions for completing and filing this form are provided on the next page.)

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This is the notice to the appropriate local governmental entity that the following local government officer has become aware of facts that require the officer to file this statement in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code.

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of Local Government Officer  
Laura E Ball aka Lori Ball

2 Office Held

3 Name of vendor described by Sections 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Government Code  
Explore Travel, LLC

4 Description of the nature and extent of each employment or other business relationship and each family relationship with vendor named in Item 3.  
Lori Ball is the owner/operator of Explore Travel, LLC, a home based travel agency based out of Tomball Texas.

5 List gifts accepted by the local government officer and any family member, if aggregate value of the gifts accepted from vendor named in Item 3 exceeds \$100 during the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B).

Date Gift Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Gift \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Gift Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Gift \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Gift Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Description of Gift \_\_\_\_\_

(attach additional forms as necessary)

6 SIGNATURE I swear under penalty of perjury that the above statement is true and correct. I acknowledge that the disclosure applies to each family member (as defined by Section 176.001(2), Local Government Code) of this local government officer. I also acknowledge that this statement covers the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), Local Government Code.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Local Government Officer

### Please complete either option below:

#### (1) Affidavit

NOTARY STAMP / SEAL

Sworn to and subscribed before me by \_\_\_\_\_ this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

Signature of officer administering oath

Printed name of officer administering oath

Title of officer administering oath

OR

#### (2) Unsworn Declaration

My name is Laura Ellen Ball and my date of birth is February 2, 2023

My address is \_\_\_\_\_ (street) \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code) \_\_\_\_\_ (country)

Executed in Harris County, State of Texas, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 202023

Laura E Ball  
Signature of Local Government Officer (Declarant)

## Appendix D

### Acknowledgment of Receipt and Understanding

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the City of Tomball Boards, Commissions and Committees Handbook on July 20 2023 (date).

I understand the eligibility requirements, policies, and procedures set forth in this Handbook.

I have read and understood the contents of this handbook and will act in accordance with these eligibility requirements, policies and procedures as a condition of my appointment to a board, commission, or committee.

I have read and understood the Standards of Conduct expected by the City of Tomball and I agree to act in accord with the Standards of Conduct as a condition of my appointment by the City of Tomball.

Finally, I understand that the contents of this Handbook are policies and guidelines established by the City Council of the City of Tomball and that the City Council may amend the Handbook at its discretion.

Please read this Handbook carefully to understand these conditions of appointment before you sign this document.

Laura "Loe" Ball  
Signature of Applicant for Appointment

Laura "Loe" Ball  
Printed Name of Applicant

July 20, 2023  
Date:

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**  
**For vendor doing business with local governmental entity**

**FORM CIQ**

**This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.**  
 This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).  
 By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.  
 A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

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**1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.**

**2**  Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

**3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.**  
Laura E Ball aka Lori Ball  
 Name of Officer

**4 Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.**

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

Yes  No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes  No

**5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.**

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**6**  Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

**7** Laura E Ball  
 Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

July 17, 2023  
 Date



## Board Member Election on Disclosure

An elected/appointed Board Member may choose whether or not to allow public access to the information in the custody of the City relating to the Board Member's home address, home telephone number, cellular and pager numbers (if not paid for by City), emergency contact information, personal email address, and information that reveals whether the person has family members.

Each Board Member shall state his/her choice in writing to the City Secretary's Office. If a Board Member elects not to allow public access to this information, the information is protected by Sections 552.024 and 552.117 of the Public Information Act and rulings of the Texas Attorney General. If a Board Member fails to report his/her choice, the information may be subject to public access.

If during the course of their term a Board Member wishes to close or open public access to the information, the individual may request in writing to the City Secretary's Office to close or open access as the case may be. A Board Member may request to close or open public access to the information by submitting a written request to the City Secretary's Office. Only the City Secretary's Office is allowed to disclose the information listed above.

**(Please strike through any information that you do not wish to be made accessible to the public)**

Please complete the information below and return  
to the City Secretary's Office within fourteen days of receipt.

I **DO** elect public access to my: (please indicate items you would like available, if any)

home address

home telephone number

personal email address

cell or pager numbers not paid for by the City

emergency contact information

information that reveals whether I have family members.

I **DO NOT** elect public access to my home address, home telephone number, cell or pager numbers, emergency contact information, or any information that reveals whether I have family members.

Laura "Lori" Bell  
Board Member's Signature

July 20, 2022  
Date

Laura "Lori" Bell  
Board Member's Printed Name