

Advisory Board & Committee Interest Form - Submission #32753

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First Name*

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District # You Live In.*

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City*

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State*

FL

Zip Code*

33020

Home Phone

Cell Phone

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Owner or Renter *

Renter

Number of years as city resident*

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Are you registered to vote in Broward County?*

Yes

Education (highest degree / level)

Associates of Arts

Occupation*

YouTuber (Professional Content Creator with half a million subscribers combined on TikTok and YouTube)

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Identify the board / committee(s) to which you request appointment (Please rank in order of preference)

Selection (1)*

Planning & Development Board

Selection (2)*

Historic Preservation Board

Selection (3)*

Artwork Selection Committee

Selection (4)*

Community Development Advisory Board

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. In your opinion what is the greatest challenge to keeping housing affordable in Hollywood? 2. Which of the following disciplines are you most skilled? • Home Purchase Education, • Housing Market Employment, • Housing Market Stability, • Affordable Housing Construction, * Affordable Housing Activism. 3. Which of the following disciplines are you most passionate? • Ownership Housing Affordability, • Rental Housing Affordability, • Housing Market Stability, • New Housing Construction, * Fair Housing. 4. What (if any) life experience motivated you toward volunteerism? 5. What role does housing diversity play in Hollywood's economic health?

African American Advisory Council - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What is the greatest challenge facing the African American Community in Hollywood? 2. How many hours per month can you dedicate to AAAC initiatives? 3. Which of the following disciplines are you most skilled? * Education, * Employment, * Economics, * Cultural Awareness, * Housing. 4. Which of the following disciplines are you most passionate? * Education, * Employment, * Economics, * Cultural Awareness, * Housing. 5. What (if any) life experience motivated you toward volunteerism?

Artwork Selection Committee - Questions*

1) My primary interest in City Government and City Services, particularly in serving on the Artwork Selection Committee for the Hollywood, is to help ensure that public art reflects the diversity, history, and creative spirit of our community while enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

Public art plays a vital role in shaping a city's identity. As a member of the committee, I am interested in supporting projects that celebrate Hollywood's cultural heritage, foster local talent, and create welcoming public spaces that residents can feel proud of. I believe art should be accessible, inclusive, and representative of the many voices that make up our city.

I am also committed to transparency, fiscal responsibility, and thoughtful stewardship of public funds. It is important that the selection process be fair, community-informed, and aligned with the broader goals of city development and neighborhood revitalization. Ultimately, my goal is to contribute to a city government that values creativity, community engagement, and responsible growth — ensuring that Hollywood continues to thrive as a vibrant, culturally rich place to live, work, and visit.

2) I want to join the Artwork Selection Committee because I believe public art plays an important role in shaping community identity and pride. In the Hollywood, art should reflect our diversity, history, and vibrant culture. I'm committed to supporting thoughtful, inclusive selections that enhance public spaces and responsibly serve our residents.

3) I have been involved in community and civic organizations that focus on engagement, collaboration, and neighborhood improvement. These experiences have strengthened my leadership, teamwork, and commitment to serving our community thoughtfully and responsibly.

4) I am available to attend the meetings.

5) My highest area of interest related to the arts within the Hollywood is expanding access to public art that reflects our beautiful city.

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What are your primary interest in City Government and City Services? 2. Why do you want to join the Artwork Selection Committee? 3. What other relevant organizations, clubs, or associations were you previously, and/or currently are involved in? 4. Are you available to attend regular committee board meetings scheduled for the Second Monday each month at 5:30pm? 5. What is your one area of highest interest related to the Arts within the City of Hollywood?

Civil Service Board - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. Describe your involvement with establishing, reviewing and interpreting policies and procedures? 2. Describe your involvement in employment practices including interviewing, testing, hiring, selection and promotion, demotions, transfers, etc. 3. Describe your knowledge of Civil Service and its purpose. 4. Why do you want to serve on this Civil Service Board? 5. Are you a continuous resident of and continuous registered elector in the City of Hollywood?

1)Yes, I reside in a low- and moderate-income (LMI) neighborhood in the Hollywood. This gives me firsthand understanding of the challenges and opportunities within our community, and it strengthens my commitment to advocating for equitable development, responsible growth, and investments that directly benefit residents in LMI areas.

2)The most important community development issues facing the Hollywood are affordable housing, economic opportunity, infrastructure improvements, and equitable investment in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. Ensuring responsible growth while protecting long-time residents from displacement is critical. We must prioritize sustainable development, small business support, and improvements to public spaces and essential services so that all residents benefit from the city's progress.

3)A healthy neighborhood is one that is safe, inclusive, and economically stable, where residents have access to affordable housing, quality infrastructure, local businesses, green space, and essential services. It is a community where people feel connected, heard, and invested in their surroundings, and where growth benefits long-time residents as well as future generations.

4) The vision of the Community Development Advisory Board is to promote equitable, sustainable, and inclusive growth across the Hollywood. Its primary work is to advise city leadership on policies, programs, and investments that improve neighborhoods, support low- and moderate-income residents, foster economic opportunity, and ensure that development benefits the entire community while preserving the city's character and quality of life.

5)I am qualified to serve on the Community Development Advisory Board because I live in a low- and moderate-income neighborhood understand firsthand the challenges residents face.I am committed to promoting equitable growth and improving neighborhoods, and my Uncle Todd Brown, Chief of Security for NATO instilled in me the values of leadership.

Please answer these five questions above. 1. Do you reside in a low and moderate income (LMI) neighborhood in Hollywood per the most recent US Census data? A Hollywood LMI Map is located at www.hollywoodfl.org on the Community and Economic Development webpage. 2. What Community Development issues do you believe are the most important to Hollywood? 3. What is your definition of a healthy neighborhood? 4. What do you believe is the vision and primary work of the Community Development Advisory Board? 5. What do you believe uniquely qualifies you to serve on the Community Development Advisory Board?

Education Advisory Committee - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What are the current challenges facing education? 2. What is your vision for education in Hollywood? 3. What do you see as the primary work of the Education Advisory Committee? 4. With only one meeting a month, the Committee is limited in what it can do. How does/should the Committee decide what's most important? 5. How can the Committee know if its mission and goals are being accomplished?

Employees' Retirement Plan - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. Are you familiar with the State's Sunshine Laws (Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes)? 2. Are you available to attend in person regular monthly Board meeting (typically held the 4th Tuesday of each month)? 3. What knowledge, skills and/or abilities will you bring to the Employees' Retirement Plan? 4. What do you believe are the responsibilities of a trustee on a municipal retirement plan board? 5. Are you familiar with municipal defined benefit retirement plans and/or have previous experience serving on a municipal retirement plan board?

Firefighters' Pension Board - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What knowledge, skills and abilities would you bring to the meetings? 2. What experience do you have with firefighter pensions? 3 What is your financial background? 4. How many years have you lived in Hollywood? 5 How familiar are you with local retirement systems?

Please answer these four questions above. Why do you want to join the GO Bond Oversight Advisory Committee? 2. Explain how your personal and/or professional experiences will contribute to the meeting the goal(s) of the Board or City. 3. Which Bond interests you the most? Public Safety? Parks/Golf/Open Space or Neighborhoods & Resiliency? 4. What is your perspective on city quality of life, healthy neighborhoods, economic development & a strong tax base?

Hispanic Affairs Council*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What is the greatest challenge facing the Hispanic Community in Hollywood? 2. How many hours per month can you dedicate to HACA initiatives? 3. Which of the following disciplines are you most skilled? Education, Employment, Economics, Cultural Awareness, Housing. 4. Which of the following disciplines are you most passionate? Education, Employment, Economics, Cultural Awareness, Housing. 5. What (if any) life experience motivated you toward volunteerism?

Historic Preservation Board - Questions*

1) I have prepared to serve on the Historic Preservation Board by studying the history and cultural heritage of Hollywood, engaging with local preservation initiatives, and learning about best practices in protecting historic sites while balancing community growth. Living in the city has given me a personal connection to our neighborhoods and an understanding of the importance of preserving architectural and cultural landmarks for future generations. I am committed to thoughtful, informed decision-making that honors our past while supporting sustainable development.

2) My personal and professional experiences uniquely position me to contribute to the goals of the Historic Preservation Board. Living in Hollywood has given me a deep appreciation for the city's history and cultural character, while my professional background has strengthened my skills in research, organization, and collaborative decision-making.

3) I believe the city can grow its tax base within Historic Districts while maintaining neighborhood stability by promoting responsible development that preserves architectural and cultural heritage. Strategies like adaptive reuse, thoughtful design guidelines, and investments that enhance property values can support economic growth without displacing residents or compromising the character of our historic neighborhoods.

4) I would balance historic architecture with modern styles by encouraging designs that respect the scale, materials, and character of historic buildings while allowing thoughtful innovation. New construction or renovations should complement, rather than overshadow, the historic context, creating a cohesive streetscape that honors the past while accommodating contemporary needs.

5) I appreciate that Hollywood's Historic Districts each have a unique character that reflects the city's rich history and cultural heritage. From charming early 20th-century architecture to distinctive neighborhood layouts, these districts showcase a sense of community.

Please answer these five questions above. 1. How have you prepared yourself to serve on the Historic Preservation Board? 2. Explain how your personal and/or professional experiences will contribute to the meeting the goal(s) of the Board or City. * Personal experiences, * Professional experiences. 3. What is your perspective on balancing growth of the City's tax base, within the Historic Districts, while maintaining neighborhood stabilization? 4. How would you balance historic architecture with modern architectural styles? 5. What do you like about the City's different Historic Districts?

Hollywood Centennial Celebration Committee*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What is your primary interest in serving on the Committee? 2. What is your financial/accounting background? 3. What knowledge, skills and abilities would you bring to the meetings? 4. What other organizations and/or associations were you previously, and/or currently involved with? 5. Are you available to attend regular committee meetings? (dates to be determined by all members)

Please answer these five questions above. 1. In your opinion what is the greatest challenge to keeping housing affordable in Hollywood? 2. Which of the following disciplines are you most skilled? * Property Management, * Affordable Housing Administration, * Housing Market Stability, * Affordable Housing Construction, * Affordable Housing Activism. 3. Which of the following disciplines are you most passionate? * Property Management, * Rental Housing Affordability, * Housing Market Stability, * New Housing Construction, * Fair Housing. 4. What (if any) life experience motivated you toward volunteerism? 5. What role does housing diversity play in Hollywood's economic health?

Marine Advisory Board - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What is your involvement with the City of Hollywood's Waterways? 2. What will guide your decisions on this board? 3. Are you able to dedicate 2-3 hours a month to attend the meetings? Attendance is paramount to this Board being able to get things done. 4. Are you currently or have you been a boater, marine industry professional or involved in any other marine related industry? 5. What is your vision for the city of Hollywood's Waterway system?

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Advisory Board - Questions*

Please answer these six questions above. 1. How many events have you attended in the past year at any of the parks and athletics facilities in the City? 2. How many City-sponsored special events have you attended for the past year? 3. Are you available to attend regular Board meetings? Regular meetings are on the 1st Thursday of the month for 8 months per calendar year. 4. What is your one area of highest interest related to the parks, recreation and cultural arts for the City? 5. What other relevant organizations, clubs, or associations were you previously, and/or currently are involved in? 6. How does parks, recreation and cultural arts contribute to quality of life?

Planning & Development Board - Questions*

given me firsthand insight into neighborhood needs, and my professional experiences have strengthened my skills in research, analysis, and collaborative decision-making. I am committed to promoting responsible growth that balances economic development, neighborhood stability, and the quality of life for all residents.

2) Living in Hollywood, especially in a low- and moderate-income neighborhood, gives me firsthand insight into residents' needs. Professionally, I bring skills in research, organization, and collaborative problem-solving, which will help the board promote responsible growth, neighborhood stability, and a better quality of life for all residents.

3) I believe the city can grow its tax base while maintaining neighborhood stability by encouraging responsible development that enhances property values without displacing residents. Thoughtful planning, community engagement, and design standards can support economic growth while preserving the character, safety, and livability of neighborhoods.

4) I am most proud of Hollywood's recent efforts to revitalize neighborhoods while supporting local businesses and public spaces. Initiatives that improve infrastructure, enhance walkability, and preserve the city's character show a commitment to balanced growth, community engagement, and long-term quality of life for residents.

5) A Comprehensive Plan is a strategic blueprint that guides a city's growth and development, balancing land use, infrastructure, and community needs to ensure sustainable, orderly, and resilient neighborhoods.

Please answer these five questions above. 1. How have you prepared yourself to serve on the Planning and Development Board? 2. Explain how your personal and/or professional experiences will contribute to the meeting the goal(s) of the Board or City. * Personal experiences, * Professional experiences. 3. What is your perspective on balancing growth of the City's tax base while maintaining neighborhood stabilization? 4. What recent developments within the City are most proud of? 5. What is a Comprehensive Plan?

Police Officer's Pension Board - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. What is a fiduciary? And what is your responsibility to the police pension plan as a fiduciary? 2. What is the Sunshine Law? 3. What is Asset Allocation & Diversification? 4. Explain the history of Chapter 99-1 and Chapter 185? 5. Define the role of the Actuary and the Auditor?

1. Do you speak more than one language? If so, what languages do you speak? 2. Do you have experience in travel, cultural exchange, and/or fund-raising? Please describe. 3. Which Sister City focus areas are you most passionate about: a. Art and Culture; b. Business and Trade; c. Community Development; d. Youth and Education. 4. What (if any) life experience motivated you toward volunteerism? 5. Please describe why you are interested in serving on the Sister Cities Advisory Committee.

Sustainability Advisory Committee - Questions*

Please answer these five questions above. 1. Why do you want to join the committee? 2. Have you attended any committee meetings? If so, how many? 3. What knowledge, skills, and abilities would you bring to the committee if appointed? 4. What other organizations, clubs, or associations are you involved in? 5. Are you available to attend regular committee and subcommittee meetings? Regular meetings are held monthly with subcommittee meetings held as needed. 6. What types of projects would you like to see the committee work on?

Are you interested in serving on more than one board/committee?*

Yes

If so, how many?*

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Applicant must attend at least one board/committee meeting prior to consideration of application for every board applied. Please list board/committee meetings you attended in the last year?*

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Are you currently on a County or City Board?*

No

If yes, please describe

If you are applying for a board / committee, which has specific requirements / categories, please detail how your background and/or experience meets the required criteria.*

My background aligns well with the requirements of this board through my experience working collaboratively, taking responsibility, and contributing thoughtfully to group decision-making. I bring strong communication skills, reliability, and proactive.

Please describe your professional and/or volunteer experience or background, which best qualifies you for selection to the board / committee.*

My professional and volunteer experience has provided me with a strong foundation in collaboration, responsibility, and effective communication. I have worked in team-based environments where I was expected to contribute thoughtfully and meet commitments.

Are you presently employed by the City of Hollywood?*

No

Attach Resume (only .doc and .pdf files)*

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Professional Experience**Selva The Explorer – Professional Videographer /
Content Creator**

*YouTube (87K subscribers) & TikTok (329K followers) |
September 2018 – Present*

- Produced, edited, and published high-quality video content, attracting a large and engaged audience.
- Developed brand strategy and social media growth initiatives, resulting in significant follower and engagement growth.
- Managed all aspects of video production including scripting, filming, editing, and post-production.
- Collaborated with brands and sponsors on content partnerships while maintaining creative integrity.

**Art Fusion Art Gallery – Head of Beverage and
Hospitality**

2017 – 2020

- Managed hospitality services and beverage operations for gallery events and exhibitions.
- Ensured a high-quality experience for guests, artists, and VIP attendees.
- Coordinated staff and logistics for gallery openings and special events, enhancing overall event execution.

Spirit Airlines – Flight Attendant
2015 – 2018

- Ensured passenger safety and comfort while delivering professional, courteous service on domestic and international flights.
- Trained in emergency procedures, first aid, and customer service excellence.
- Resolved passenger concerns efficiently while maintaining airline standards and compliance.

Volunteer – Miami Dolphins Community Outreach
Helping Elderly Programs | 2009 – 2015

- Assisted in planning and executing community events focused on senior support and engagement.
- Coordinated volunteer teams to provide resources, companionship, and assistance to elderly residents.

- Developed strong community relations and outreach initiatives that enhanced the organization's visibility and impact.

Education

Broward College & Miami Dade College

Pre-Law Studies | 2012 – 2014

- Coursework focused on legal principles, critical thinking, and research skills.
- Participated in college-level debates and civic engagement projects.

Skills & Languages

- Professional videography & editing (Adobe Premiere, Final Cut Pro)
- Social media strategy & audience growth
- Public speaking & community outreach
- Customer service & conflict resolution
- Team leadership & project coordination
- Languages: German (fluent), Russian (fluent), Japanese (learning)