

Agenda Item No. R - 3

VILLAGE OF ROYAL PALM BEACH

Agenda Item Summary

AGENDA ITEM: Appointment of four residents to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

ISSUE: The three-year term of Kamar Williams, Andrew Alba, Christopher Butler and Edward Patterson expired in March 2025. The openings were properly advertised.

Kamar Williams and Andrew Alba wishes to be reappointed to a regular seat. Christopher Butler and Edward Patterson wishes to be reappointed to the two alternate seats.

New Applicants:

Leslie Piester, 137 Kensington Way who is an Education Administrator.

Yanet Rios, 121 Raven Court who is a Realtor.

Michael Russell, 2762 Misty Oaks Circle who is a Sales Manager.

It will be necessary to appoint four applicants to fill the term ending seats.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Make appointment(s) as necessary.

Initiator	Village Manager Approval	Agenda Date	Village Council Action
Council Liaison		04/17/25	

TO: Kamar Williams, 178 A Sparrow Drive
Andrew Alba, 109 Habitat Court
Christopher Butler

FROM: Diane DiSanto, MMC, Village Clerk

DATE: January 29, 2025

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- I wish to be reappointed.
 I do not wish to be reappointed.

 3/19/2025

(Signature/Date)



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Diane DiSanto, MMC
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Andrew J. Alba

(Signature / Date)



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Christopher C. Butler 02/04/25
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Diane DiSanto, MMC
Village Clerk

TO: Edward Patterson, 11868 Oleander Drive

FROM: Diane DiSanto, MMC, Village Clerk *DD*

DATE: February 25, 2025

This is to advise that your term on the Commission expires in March 2025 and to request that you check the appropriate () below indicating your preference. Please return this memo to me in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope no later than March 26, 2025 in order to include the information on the Village Council meeting agenda for its appointment or reappointment of members.

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Jeff Hmara
Mayor

Selena Samios
Vice Mayor

Jan Rodusky
Councilwoman

Richard Valuntas
Councilman

Dr. Adam Miller
Councilman

Raymond C. Liggins P. E.
Village Manager

Date: 2/21/25
Name: Leslie Piester
Address: 137 Kensington Way
City: RPB
State: FL
Zip Code: 33414
Phone: 561-301-9655
Email Address: leskie17@gmail.com
Occupation: Education Admin

If Retired, Past Occupation

Commission/Board You Are Interested In: Planning & Zoning Commission

1. Briefly state the reasons why you feel your appointment to this commission/board will benefit the Village of Royal Palm Beach

We must be thoughtful with the residents of our community and I believe I could carry out that mission to the best of my ability in this role.

2. What experience do you have with organizations, civic groups, or clubs that would be beneficial to this commission/board? I worked for the WPB DDA for 3 years and learned the ins and outs of Government.

3. Are you willing and able to attend monthly meetings on a regular basis? Yes

If not, what are your limitations? My husband's work schedule potentially (Firefighter).

4. Please include any additional information regarding your desire to become a positive influence in improving the quality of life in Royal Palm Beach. Please see #1

5. Consecutive years of residence within the Village of Royal Palm Beach. 12

6. Have you ever held an elected or appointed position with the Village of Royal Palm Beach? No

If so, explain

7. Have you ever held an elected or appointed position with any other local, county, state, or federal agency? No

If so, explain

8. Are you currently a member of a Village commission or board? No

If so, what is the name of the commission/board?

And are you willing to resign from the commission/board to which you are now a member if you are appointed in accordance with this application? Yes

Race Hispanic American

Gender Female

Physically Disabled No

Date: 03/19/2025
Name: Yanet Rios
Address: 121 Raven Ct
City: Royal Palm Beach
State: FL
Zip Code: 33415
Phone: 561-305-0700
Email Address: info@yanet-rios.com
Occupation: Realtor®

If Retired, Past Occupation

Commission/Board You Are Interested In: Planning & Zoning Commission.

1. Briefly state the reasons why you feel your appointment to this commission/board will benefit the Village of Royal Palm Beach.

While I have lived in the Village for nearly two years, I have been a resident of Palm Beach County for over 20 years. This has given me the chance to experience different cities, understand their unique qualities, and truly appreciate what makes Royal Palm Beach such a special place to live. That is exactly why my family and I chose this community as our forever home.

I admire the way Royal Palm Beach has grown while maintaining its character, and I would love to be part of the decisions that help shape its future. I believe my perspective, both as a longtime county resident and as someone who intentionally chose to live here, allows me to contribute in a meaningful way. I am passionate about responsible development, strategic land use, and policies that enhance the quality of life for current and future residents. Serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission would allow me to actively participate in shaping the future of this great community—ensuring that development aligns with the Village’s vision while maintaining the character that makes Royal Palm Beach such a desirable place to live. I care deeply about this community and look forward to the opportunity to serve and support its continued growth in a way that benefits all residents.

2. What experience do you have with organizations, civic groups, or clubs that would be beneficial to this commission/board?

Although I have not previously been a member of any organizations, civic groups, or clubs directly related to this commission/board, my extensive business background has been rooted in serving people and prioritizing their well-being and excellent treatment above all else.

My expertise in observation, active listening, research, and relationship-building allows me to navigate complex situations effectively and collaborate well with others. Even prior to my real estate career, I held managerial positions that required me to make critical business decisions quickly and

strategically, always with the goal of benefiting all parties involved. My ability to assess situations, analyze them with logic, and determine the best course of action has been key to my success in running businesses while ensuring legal compliance, mitigating liability, and maintaining safety protocols.

Additionally, I am a proud member of both the Central Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. I would be honored to bring my skills, experience, and dedication to this board and hope to have the opportunity to serve.

3. Are you willing and able to attend monthly meetings on a regular basis?

Yes

If not, what are your limitations?

4. Please include any additional information regarding your desire to become a positive influence in improving the quality of life in Royal Palm Beach.

After many years, it finally dawned on me—I need to do more. I need to give back. I've come to realize that the biggest impacts are made at the local level, and we need more community awareness and involvement. But real change starts with me.

Royal Palm Beach is more than just where I live; it's where I am building a life, raising my family, and developing deep roots. My passion for serving people and my pride in our beautiful community drive me to step up and be part of the solution. I believe my dedication, experience, and commitment will be an asset to this board, and I look forward to making a difference for the people of Royal Palm Beach.

5. Consecutive years of residence within the Village of Royal Palm Beach.

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If so, explain

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If so, explain

8. Are you currently a member of a Village commission or board? No

If so, what is the name of the commission/board? n/a

And are you willing to resign from the commission/board to which you are now a member if you are appointed in accordance with this application? Yes

Race Hispanic American

Gender Female

Physically Disabled No

Date: 3/29/2025
Name: Michael Russell
Address: 2762 Misty Oaks Cir.
City: Royal Palm Beach
State: FL
Zip Code: 33411
Phone: 214-228-7312
Email Address: mike@russellnation.com
Occupation: Sales Manager

If Retired, Past Occupation

Commission/Board You Are Interested In: Planning & Zoning Commission

1. Briefly state the reasons why you feel your appointment to this commission/board will benefit the Village of Royal Palm Beach.

I believe my appointment to this board will benefit the Village of Royal Palm Beach because I bring a strong combination of professional experience, fresh perspective, and a genuine passion for our community. I am committed to thoughtful decision-making, collaboration, and ensuring that the Village continues to grow responsibly while preserving its unique charm. My goal is to serve with integrity and work towards outcomes that positively impact both current residents and future generations.

2. What experience do you have with organizations, civic groups, or clubs that would be beneficial to this commission/board?

I have thousands of hours of firsthand experience patrolling the Village of Royal Palm Beach as a Captain in our local Sheriff's Office Volunteer Program for 12 years. This role not only gave me a deep understanding of the Village's neighborhoods, businesses, and residents, but also allowed me to work closely with law enforcement, community members, and local leaders. Through this service, I developed strong communication, leadership, and problem-solving skills, all of which I believe will be invaluable to this commission as we work to serve and protect the best interests of our Village.

3. Are you willing and able to attend monthly meetings on a regular basis?

Yes

If not, what are your limitations?

4. Please include any additional information regarding your desire to become a positive influence in improving the quality of life in Royal Palm Beach.

My desire to serve on this board comes from a sincere commitment to being a positive influence and contributing to the continued improvement of life here in Royal Palm Beach. Having spent countless hours volunteering and patrolling

our Village, I have seen both the strengths of our community and the areas where we can grow. I am passionate about preserving the safety, beauty, and sense of belonging that make Royal Palm Beach special. I believe that by bringing my experience, dedication, and a collaborative mindset to this board, I can help ensure that our Village remains a place where families, businesses, and future generations thrive.

5. Consecutive years of residence within the Village of Royal Palm Beach.

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If so, explain

I previously served on the Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners' Human Relations Board in the early 1990s. In this role, we acted as a judicial review panel for the County's Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, evaluating and making determinations on EEOC claims. I held this position for several years before relocating out of the area.

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Race Caucasian

Gender Male

Physically Disabled No