

## **Immediate Release**

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**Pinellas: Vacancy Announced on the Tourist Development Council** 

Applications Due by 3 p.m. May 23, 2025

Applications are now being accepted for one appointment to Tourist Development Council ("TDC"), for a term of four years, beginning June 23, 2025. This vacancy would be for a qualified applicant in the Hotel/Motel category as prescribed by Florida Law and the Pinellas County Code.

The Tourist Development Council (TDC) makes recommendations to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for the effective operation of tourism-related special projects and uses of the tourist development tax revenue and may perform such other duties prescribed by law. The TDC must continuously review all expenditures of tourist development tax, make expenditure reports (at least quarterly), and report any expenditures believed to be unauthorized under the law to the BCC and Department of Revenue (DOR).

The Tourist Development Council is composed of 12 voting members appointed by the BCC and one non-voting member, as follows:

- The Chair of the BCC or any other County Commissioner designated by the chair to serve as the Chair of the TDC.
- Four elected municipal officials:
  - One from the most populous municipality in Pinellas County.
  - One from the municipality in which the greatest percentage of tourist development tax revenue is generated in Pinellas County.
  - One form among the cities of Belleair Beach, Belleair Shores, Indian Rocks Beach, Indian Shores, Madeira Beach, North Redington Beach, Redington Beach, Redington Shores, St. Pete Beach and Treasure Island; and
  - One from a city in Pinellas County that is not specifically named above.
- Seven members of the council must be person who are involved in the tourist industry and who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development, of which not less than three nor more than four members shall be owners or operators of motels, hotels, recreation vehicle parks, or other tourist accommodations in the County and subject to tax.

- The Vice Chair of the BCC acting as an ex-officio non-voting member (pursuant to TDC bylaws).

All members of the Tourist Development Council must be electors of the county. The members of the council serve for staggered terms of four years.

Applications are due by **3 p.m. on Friday, May 23, 2025**. The application can be found at <a href="https://www.pinellas.gov/boards">www.pinellas.gov/boards</a>.

Please note: All materials submitted to Pinellas County government are subject to the public records law of the state of Florida.

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