



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Appointments to the Historic Preservation Board (Board of County Commissioners as a whole).

Recommended Action:

Approve two appointments to the Historic Preservation Board. Both appointments are for the Alternate positions. One Alternate position will be for a full term of three-years beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2028. The second Alternate will fill a current term that is set to expire on December 31, 2026. Both appointments are by the Board of County Commissioners as a whole.

- James Bachteler, who is currently serving on the Historic Preservation Board as one of the Alternates and whose term expires on December 31, 2025, has applied to be reappointed.
- Three other individuals have applied and are qualified to serve on the Historic Preservation Board as an Alternate. Their names, applications, and resumes are provided in the attachments for this agenda item.
- The Clerk will provide ballots.

Background Information:

Pursuant to Pinellas Code Section 146-5, the Historic Preservation Board reviews and makes final decisions on certificate of appropriateness applications for alterations, demolitions, relocations, and new construction to designated properties in a historic district, landmarks and landmark sites; recommends the designation of historic districts, individual landmarks, and landmark sites to the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC); nominating and reviewing historic resources for listing on the National Register; and working on a variety of other matters pertaining to historic preservation in Pinellas County. Pinellas County is recognized as a Certified Local Government (CLG) by the National Park Service and the Florida Division of Historical Resources, in its capacity as the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), with the enabling local ordinance and the Board meeting the standards and requirements set forth in the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended.

The Historic Preservation Board is composed of nine regular members and two alternates. Each member of the BCC nominates one member of the Historic Preservation Board, and the BCC jointly nominates two at-large members and two alternates, with the BCC appointing the entire nine members and two alternates. The BCC also appoints one of its members to the Historic Preservation Board to serve as chair in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity. The Historic Preservation Board must be composed of community advocates, municipal representatives, and historic preservation professionals with expertise and/or knowledge in the historic preservation field. The term of appointment of each member is three years. Members must be Pinellas County residents.

Attachments:

Press Release

Board Roster
Applications/Resume Packet
Ballot

Partner(s):

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