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**Profile**

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**Length of Residency - please select one. \***☒ 6+ years**Do you own or represent a business in Clearwater?**☐ Yes ☒ No**If yes, where is the business located? Do you conduct business with the City?****Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Airpark Advisory Board: Submitted

Self employed

Employer

Inspector

Job Title

**Occupation - If retired, enter former occupation.**

Aircraft Airworthiness Inspector

**Have you served or do you serve on a board in Clearwater?**☒ Yes ☐ No**If yes, please list the name of the board.**

Airpark Advisory Board

**Why do you wish to serve on this board/committee? If seeking reappointment, state why you should be reappointed.**

I served Two terms on this board and was term limited n 2014.

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**What personal qualifications can you bring to this board or committee?**

A lot of improvements were made during my eight years on the board but much is still to be done. I served with many dedicated people and I feel my experience with both the city of Clearwater and more than 50 years in aviation can be an asset at this critical juncture in the Airpark transition.

**List Community Activities**

Advisor to the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. Member and former board member, Skycrest Methodist Church

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Question applies to multiple boards

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Please attach a copy of one of the following documents:

1) valid current Florida Driver License issued to an address within city limits, or 2) Declaration of Domicile filed with the city clerk affirming residency within city limits.

**Demographics**

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts. (Optional)

**Ethnicity**

☒ Prefer not to Answer

**Gender**

☒ Male

Date of Birth

**The City of Clearwater strives to promote diversity and provide reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities. If you are requesting accommodation, please indicate below:**

**By clicking on "I Agree," below, I affirm that the information above is true and correct, and that I understand and agree to the responsibilities and commitment of time associated with an appointment to a Clearwater advisory board or committee.**

☒ I Agree

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Dennis G. Roper  
Resume

**Education:**

**Northeast Louisiana State University**

Studied Mass Communication

**McNeese State University**

Industrial Engineering

I was fortunate to begin a media career while still in high school which lead to jobs from radio engineer, reporter, writer/producer and anchor. During this period I accomplished a childhood dream; I became a pilot. That was when I knew my passion was in aviation.

Some years later opportunity came knocking and I started a company supplying aircraft, broadcast radio equipment and airborne talent to radio and television stations in the Tampa market. The company later expanded to Orlando and Atlanta. Skywatch Traffic Inc. required me to wear many hats. I became a licensed mechanic and latter received Inspection Authorization.

From 1990 until 2017 I sent more than fifty pilots to the airlines helping them achieve their dreams. I offered new commercial pilots a job at which they made decent money and built time quickly.

The advancement of the internet made airborne traffic too expensive for most broadcast companies. In 2017 I sold off several aircraft and began building a maintenance base of aircraft owners. I also taught A&P and IA courses for T Black Aviation for several years.

**My job history before aviation includes:**

Reporter/Anchor – KMID Television, Midland, Tx.

News Director – KPLC Television, Lake Charles, La.

Executive Producer-WBRZ Televison, Baton Rouge, La.

Anchor/Reporter –WTSP Television,Tampa, FL.

Anhor/Producer – WFLA Television,Tampa, Fl.

**Professional Refferences:** Jeff Bender- Bender Aviation , 727-542-7335

Mike Baker – Southwest Airlines, 727-386-5533

Russ Argus – FAA Air Traffic Control Manager, Ret.  
727-539-6867