

CITY OF CLEARWATER - APPLICATION FOR ADVISORY BOARDS

(must be Clearwater resident)

Please type or print clearly.

Name: John E. Thomas, Jr

Home Address:

1200 Gulf Blvd. Unit 904
Clearwater, FL Zip 33767

Office Address:

Zip _____

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: 508-930-9226

Email Address: _____

How long a resident of Clearwater? 12 years seasonal - 1+ year permanent

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Field of Education:

Environmental Studies

Other Work Experience:

If retired, former occupation: Environmental Consultant - CEO Engineering FirmCommunity Activities: Sand Key Civic Association - Director, Florida
Botanical Garden Foundation - Director & Volunteer, Belleair LC Facilities ComOther Interests: Bike Trails

Board Service (current and past):

None for Clearwater
see attached list for
service in Massachusetts

Board Preference:

Environmental Advisory Board

Additional Comments: _____

Signature: Date: July 7, 2016

See attached list for boards that require financial disclosure at time of appointment. Please return this application and board questionnaire to the Official Records & Legislative Services Department, P. O. Box 4748, Clearwater, FL 33758-4748, or drop off your application at City Hall, 2nd Floor, 112 S. Osceola Avenue.

Note: For boards requiring Clearwater residency, this application must be accompanied by a copy of one of the following:

- Current voter registration within city limits
- Valid current Florida Drivers' License issued to an address within city limits
- Declaration of Domicile filed with the city clerk affirming residency within city limits

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BOARD QUESTIONNAIRE

1. What is your understanding of the board's duties and responsibilities?

Identification, review and assessment of environmental issues pertinent to the City including site specific matters with reportup to the City Council.

2. Have you ever observed a board meeting either in person or on the City's TV station C-View?

Yes, I have attended City Council meetings related to zoning proposals.

3. What background and/or qualifications do you have that you feel would qualify you to serve on this Board?

See attached resume and list of community and non-profit service.

4. Why do you want to serve on this Board?

I have enjoyed applying my professional expertise in the communities where I reside. The EAB would provide me the opportunity to participate in the deliberation of environmental issues affecting Clwtr.

Name:

Board Name:

Wain E. Thoms, Sr

Environmental Advisory Board

John E. Thomas, Sr.
1200 Gulf Blvd. Unit 904
Clearwater, FL 33767

Education

B. A. Environmental Studies with Honors
Harvard University, 1977

Professional Licensure

Professional Wetland Scientist
#236 Society of Wetland Scientists

John Thomas is the co-founder of Beals and Thomas, Inc. and has over 37 years of work experience providing consulting services for land conservation and development projects. Mr. Thomas was the CEO for 25 years of his 30 years of employment with the multi-disciplinary civil engineering, landscape architecture, land surveying and environmental consulting firm. During his tenure as the CEO the firm averaged approximately 45 employees. He served as principal-in-charge on numerous projects including those for corporate campuses, industrial and office parks, multi-family housing, assisted care living facilities, residential subdivisions, mixed-use development, municipal master plans, open space and recreational plans, educational and recreational facilities. He has directed projects of varying scale and type, providing strategic planning and oversight to land use planning and environmental analysis, wetland permitting, environmental impact reports, water resources analysis and planning, project permitting and expert testimony.

In addition to his work experience John has served as a volunteer at the municipal level and in the non-profit sector including: the Town of Holliston, Massachusetts as the Chairman of the Conservation Commission, and was a member of the Town Forest Committee and the Golf Course Committee. He was a representative to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. At the state level, John participated in a number of legislative committees regarding wetlands, land use and regional planning. He has served on a number of non-profit boards including The Trustees of Reservations Board of Directors, Charles River Watershed Association Advisory Board, the Conservation Law Foundation Massachusetts Advisory Board, the Fay School, Upper Charles Conservation Land Trust and Alternatives Unlimited. Presently he serves as a Director of the Florida Botanical Gardens Foundation and the Sand Key Civic Association in Clearwater. The terms of his volunteer service are detailed below.

Holliston, MA Conservation Commission- 1982-1992

Municipal Commission charged with administration of the MA Wetlands Protection Act and stewardship of the Town's Conservation Land

Holliston, MA Forest Committee-1984-1992

Municipal Committee charged with the management of the 200+/- acre Town Forest

Alternatives Unlimited, Inc. - Director 1987-2006

Alternatives offers residential, employment, day and outpatient counseling services to people with developmental or psychiatric disabilities in Central Massachusetts.

Reference: Dennis Rice, Executive Director 508-234-6232

Upper Charles Conservation Land Trust – Founder and President 1992-2002

A regional land trust dedicated to preserving open space in the Upper Charles River Watershed, MA.

Reference: www.uppercharles.org

Fay School- Trustee 2003-2013

Fay is an independent co-educational day and boarding school serving pre-Kindergarten through the 9th grade.

Reference: Robert Gustafson, Head of School 508-485-0100

Conservation Law Foundation - Massachusetts Advisory Board 2005-2014

CLF uses the law, science, policy making and business to find pragmatic, innovated solutions to New England's toughest environmental problems.

Reference: Peter Shelley, Senior Counselor 617-350-0990

The Trustees of Reservations – Director, Chair Stewardship Committee, Vice Chair Land Conservation Committee 2005-2015

TTOR is a member supported conservation organization that preserves land, nature and historic places in MA.

Reference: Jocelyn Forbush, Vice President for Program Leadership 413-695-1775

Charles River Watershed Assn. – Advisory Board 2005-present

CRWA protects and restores the Charles River and its watershed through science, advocacy and the law.

Reference: Robert Zimmerman, Executive Director 781-788-0007

Florida Botanical Gardens Foundation - Director and Volunteer Worker 2015-present

A non-profit corporation established to provide leadership and financial support for a county owned park of 150 acres which includes 30 acres of gardens and actively managed landscape.

Reference: Terry Berube 727-501-3787

Sand Key Civic Association- Director 2016-present

A neighborhood community organization in Clearwater , FL representing the mutual interests of residential and commercial property owners.

Belleair Country Club Facilities Development Committee- 2016-present

A committee charged with the oversight of new construction and property improvements.

Reference: Edward Shaughnessy, General Manager 727-461-7171