

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO ADVISORY BOARD

APPLICATION DATE: 8/2/2024

BOARD NAME: Land Development Regulation Commission

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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**PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM RESIDENCE):**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your address or any other personal information exempt under the Florida Statutes? Yes  No   
If yes, please cite the applicable Florida Statute: F.S. # \_\_\_\_\_

What is your preferred form of communication? Phone  Mail  Email

Are you a registered voter? Yes  No

Do you own homestead property in Marion County? Yes  No

Are you employed by Marion County or have relatives that are Marion County employees? Yes  No   
If yes, please provide position, department and/or relationship to County employee and their position/department  
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Have you been convicted (including a withholding of adjudication), pled guilty or pled to a Nolo Contendere (no contest) to a misdemeanor or felony (including a criminal traffic violation)? Yes  No

*A "YES" answer will not necessarily bar you from serving on an advisory board. The nature, severity, and date of the offense in relation to the position for which you are applying will be considered. If you are not sure or do not remember what happened in a criminal case (s), contact the appropriate county, state, or federal agency so that you can report accurate information on your criminal history. Failure to accurately report this information may result in removal from the board. If you answered "YES" please give details, an additional sheet of paper may be used.*

**WHY DO YOU DESIRE TO SERVE ON THIS/THESE BOARDS?**

***(Include current or previous work experience; community involvement; interests/activities)***

I would like Marion County to GROW GREEN in the future to accommodate Growth & Landowner's Development Rights while at the same time maximizing permanently preserved Open Space. This can be done by fine tuning the LDC (Land Development Code) where there is a win-win amongst: 1) Marion County's Comprehensive Plan's goals, including Preserving Open Space & Rural Highway Vistas; and 2) Allowing Landowners their entitled densities. Open Space Design Subdivisions is known as Conservation Subdivisions. Thirteen (13) of FL's counties have adopted Conservation Subdivision provisions in their LDC. Marion County's rural land can GROW GREEN (develop while permanently preserving vast portions of green space) with Conservation Subdivision provisions added to the LDC for agriculture zoned land in appropriate areas, as an alternative to conventional large lot subdivisions, like 10-acre tracts. Additionally, I would like to continue to support Marion County's growth planning to accomplish the Comprehensive Plan's goals....