

## Application Form

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### Profile

Melinda

First Name

Wideman

Last Name

1200 Haberland Blvd

Home Address

North Port

City

FL

State

34288

Postal Code

melindawideman91@gmail.com

Email Address

Home: (941) 979-6859

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

### Please list three references (name only)

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Ed James Herman Campbell Anaiya Walls

**Except as otherwise provided, all board members must reside in the city as least six months prior to appointment. Residency must be maintained throughout the term of office. Failure to maintain consistent residency within the city will result in automatic termination of the board appointment. One nonresident may serve as a voting member on each board, provided that the person has owned real property in the city for at least one year prior to the date of appointment. Ownership must be maintained throughout the term of office and will be determined by reviewing the Sarasota County Property Appraiser's records. Youth members must be at least 14 years-old and in high school. Board members may serve on only one board, with the exception of ad hoc, task force, or special committees appointed by the city commission.**

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Yes  No

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### Interests & Experiences

#### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

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Community Economic Development Advisory Board: Submitted

**Are you currently serving on any other City Board/Committee? Board members may serve on only one board, with the exception of ad hoc, task force, or special committees appointed by the city commission.**

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Yes  No

**Were you ever removed from a City Board/Committee due to lack of attendance?**

Yes  No

**Do you have any relatives currently serving on a City Board/Committee or relatives that are currently serving on the same City Board/Committee for which you are applying? Relatives as defined in F.S. Chapter 112.3135; grandparents; and grandchildren may not (i) concurrently serve on the same board; or (III) concurrently serve on the city commission and a board that hears quasi-judicial items.**

Yes  No

**Educational Background:**

1. Graduate of Booker High School Class of 1999 2. Suncoast College of Health- Certified Nursing Assistant Program Class of 2011 3. Tallahassee Community College- Paralegal Studies (online) currently enrolled

**Are you retired?**

Yes  No

Booked and Busy Talent

Employer

Managing Partner

Occupation

[Melinda Wideman Resume.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

**Why do you desire to serve on the above Board/Committee? Please list any relative experience, if applicable.**

As of young business owner living in North Port, FL I feel that is my obligation to have a seat at the decision making table to make my community the best place that it could be for all residents. Additionally, I'm particularly interested in utilizing public policy to encourage other business owners in varied industries to come to North Port to explore the possibilities of being a part of an economic renaissance.

Question applies to Community Economic Development Advisory Board

**Please indicate for which position you are applying. \***

North Port Resident

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**Demographics**

**Ethnicity \***

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African American

**Gender \***

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Female

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**Acknowledgements**

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**I agree that if appointed, I will serve on the above board without compensation and at the pleasure of the City Commission.**

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I Agree

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**I agree to abide by the Sunshine and Public Records Laws and attend all mandatory training sessions.**

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I Agree

**Please indicate if any information provided on this application is exempt under Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07.**

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N/A

# Melinda Wideman

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**EDUCATION** Tallahassee, FL Tallahassee Community College, A.A Paralegal Studies (expected completion 2024)

Bradenton, FL

**Suncoast College of Health, Certified Nursing Assistant Program Summer 2011** • Completed CNA course and passed State of Florida Licensing Exam

**Objective: Obtain a rewarding career in the legal and public policy industry as a community affairs liaison.**

## References

1. Ed James/Booked and Busy Talent Managing Partner/ 941-298-9128
2. Liz Alpert/ Sarasota City Commissioner/941-504-1199

## EXPERIENCE

**Booked and Busy Talent LLC Sarasota, FL Co-Founder and Managing Partner July 2021-Present** • Recruited, retained, and managed 10 elite NCAA division 1 athletes across 4 sports.

- Facilitated and executed \$650,000+ in NIL deals for clients with brands such as Celsius, Meta, WWE, and Snapchat. • NFT project created by Booked and Busy talent founders was recognized as an NIL of the year award finalist at the 1st annual NIL summit.

**Liz Alpert for Sarasota City Commission, District 2 Campaign Sarasota, FL Field Organizer August 2020-November 2020** • Canvassed all precincts within Sarasota City limits of District 2.

- Interfaced with voters through persuasion and GOTV outreach.

**Kyle Battie for Sarasota City Commission, District 1 Campaign Field Organizer Sarasota, FL June 2020-November 2020**

- Canvassed all precincts within Sarasota City limits of District 1.
- Interfaced with voters through persuasion and GOTV outreach.
- Assisted the campaign manager in liaising and building synergy between neighborhood influencers and campaign staff.

**Every Vote Counts Sarasota, FL Community Outreach Coordinator December 2019 -January 2021** • Oversaw a county-wide voter registration program that deployed 10 volunteers to conduct weekend voter registration drives that focused heavily on communities of color.

- Created partnerships between the organization and Faith leaders through advocacy workshops within their respective congregations. • Created all marketing collateral for staff and volunteers.

**40 Acres and a Mule Sarasota, FL CEO July 2018 - Present** • Create programming for middle and high school-aged students that explores varying aspects of civic engagement, self-pride, and community awareness.

- Host quarterly community workshops that train students and parents on how to build and sustain community projects. **Visiting Angels Sarasota, FL Certified Nursing Assistant June 2015-May 2021** • For 6-8 months floated as a sterile technician at Sarasota Memorial Hospital.
- Received, decontaminated, sterilized, stored, and distributed instruments handled by Sterile Processing.

**Certified Nursing Assistant Sarasota, FL Independent Contractor August 2011- Present** • Assist patients with mobility needs, including moving to and from beds, organizing wheelchairs and preparing assistive devices. • Confer with a multidisciplinary healthcare team to help effectively manage patient conditions with regular testing and vitals assessments. • Perform and process the high level disinfection routine of non-disposable equipment.

- Setup, calibrate and troubleshoot laser and cautery equipment. .
- 10+ year of patient care experience

## Leadership

**Miss Susie's Advisory Council Sarasota, FL Member May 2021- May 2022** • Created community partnerships between Tableside Cares, a 501c3 organization, and the Newtown community to assist the \$2 million capital campaign to build the Miss Susie's restaurant & create a 16 week training program to diversify the pipeline of talent in the hospitality industry.

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# Community Economic Development Advisory Board

## Board Roster

### Sean Burroughs

**1st Term** May 10, 2022 - Mar 10, 2025

**Position** Chair

**Category** Medical/Healthcare

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### John K Dalton

**1st Term** Jun 07, 2022 - Jun 07, 2025

**Position** Member

**Category** Development, Engineering,  
Planning

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### Ron Dipillo

**1st Term** Mar 30, 2023 - Mar 30, 2026

**Position** Member

**Category** Higher Education

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### Lacey Holland

**1st Term** Feb 29, 2024 - Feb 28, 2027

**Position** Member

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### Julianne Lacour

**1st Term** Feb 14, 2023 - Feb 14, 2026

**Position** Member

**Category** Diversified Light  
Industrial/Manufacturing

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### Duane Sautbine

**1st Term** Dec 14, 2021 - Dec 14, 2024

**Position** Member

**Category** North Port Resident

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### Vacancy

**Category** Financial Services

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# Community Economic Development Advisory Board

## Board Details

(a) The community economic development advisory board shall serve in an advisory capacity and shall work with the city manager and staff as appointed by the city manager in researching, developing and recommending business and economic development policies necessary to direct the orderly economic growth of the city.

(b) The community economic development advisory board shall work with the city manager and staff as appointed by the city manager to support the city's business and economic development activities as follows:

- (1) Make recommendations on any updates to the city's business and economic development strategic plan with long-term goals and objectives.
- (2) Provide recommendations on any city commission short-term action plans and measurements.
- (3) Make recommendations on resources allocated for economic development activity of the city.
- (4) Provide recommendations on policies and ordinances affecting economic development.

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## Overview

**Size** 11 Seats

**Term Length** 3 Years

**Term Limit** 2

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## Contact

**Name** Micheal Bodmer

**Email** boardapplications@cityofnorthport.com

**Phone** (941) 429-7061

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## Additional

**Membership Requirements**

It is preferred that a majority of the regular and alternate members of the board shall be city residents. However, in cases where local residents are unable or unavailable to fill a specific category, applicants who are not city residents will be considered for membership. The community economic development advisory board shall consist of up to 11 regular members comprised of: (1) No more than two members from each of the following categories: a. Financial services; b. Real estate; and c. North Port resident. (2) No more than one member from each of the following categories: a. Medical and health care; b. Development, engineering, or planning; c. Higher education or unelected school board representative; d. Tourism, sports, or entertainment; e. Diversified light industrial/manufacturing; f. Public relations; and g. Land use attorney. An unelected Sarasota County representative may serve as an ex officio nonvoting member.

**Meetings**

The board shall meet at least quarterly, but may hold additional meetings as needed.

**Enacting Legislation**

City Code Chapter 4 Article I - Boards Generally and Article VI - Community Economic Development Advisory Board

**Enacting Resolution Website**

n/a